

SAINT MICHAEL'S

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Worship God. | Love One Another. | Serve All People.

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A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS:

Welcome to Saint Michael's Lutheran Church! We are a historic congregation committed to continuing the mission of Jesus Christ in our community. We are very excited to have you worshiping the Lord with us this morning. You are always welcome in our church! Here are a few helpful things to know about Saint Michael's:

- Our beautiful and historic church building was built in 1906. Unfortunately, this means that it was not built with restrooms. Restrooms are located in our education building next door.
- A changing table for infants is located in classroom 4 in the education building.
- During our worship service, attendance books will be passed across the pews. Please take a moment to register your presence with us in the book and include your address and phone number so we can follow up with you in the future.
- Our pastor, Rev. Nate Hill, is always willing to meet with you to answer any questions that you might have about our church and beliefs or to be of help in any way that he is able. Please introduce yourself to him this morning. He will be thrilled to meet you!

We hope that you find Saint Michael's to be a place where you feel at home as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

MISSION STATEMENT:

Saint Michael's Lutheran Church exists to worship God, love one another, and serve all people according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE

Prelude Selected Music

Ringing of the Church Bell Ushers

Welcome and Greeting Pastor

Opening Hymn "Shepherd of Tender Youth" LSB #864

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen. *Matthew* 28:19b; (18:20)
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

 1 John 1:8-9

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)
- C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit Read Together

Psalm 95:1-3, 6-7a; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b

I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep. Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

Kyrie

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



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Hymn of Praise

"Glory to God in the Highest"

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth. C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and ther: Fa We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



P Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Reading Acts 2:42-47

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.

³He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Epistle Reading

1 Peter 2:19-25

¹⁹This is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

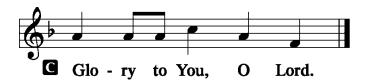




Holy Gospel Reading

John 10:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.



¹[Jesus said:] "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ²But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon Rev. John Austin

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
 - **C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Matthew 6:9-13

Offering (*Please sign the attendance books as they are passed*)

Ushers

If you would like to transition to making your regular tithe or offering online, you may do so at www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give



Offertory





courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26



Announcements Pastor

Closing Hymn "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" LSB #711

Postlude Selected Music

PRAYERS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

- Katie Barker
- Melinda Bennett Bill Karisch's Friend
- Gayle Berry Doug Teinert's Brother-in-Law
- Kourtney Burton
- Erland Carlson Leann McClain's Brother
- James Carr Buddy Smith's Coworker
- Charlene Franke
- Myrtle Friemel Carol Ahlschlager's Friend
- Nellie Gonzalez
- Evelyn Haschke
- Jennifer Harper-Charles & Rose Lehmann's Daughter
- Mark Herzog Larry Herzog's Son
- Delores Karisch
- Morgan Ray Karisch
- Evelyn Kasper Bill Karisch's Mother
- Thelma Kieschnik
- John Kocurek-Irma & Daniel Gersch's Brother-in-Law
- Audrey Koenning

- Theresa Krause Diana Roeber's Friend
- Mary Lehmann
- Kevin Margeson-Kurtis Hankemeier's Brother
- Dianna Mitschke Karen Robbins' Mother
- Dwayne Patterson-James Franke Family's Friend
- Mary Patterson James Franke Family's Friend
- Lillian Pietsch
- Victoria Pope Mark McClain's Friend
- Jose Ramirez St. Michael's Custodian's Husband
- Layne Schramm-Thelma Kieschnik's Grandson
- Marie Schulz
- · Raymond Schulz
- Laverne Schulze
- Wayne Smith, Sr.
- Willie Sneed *Greg Roeber's Nephew*
- Catherine Trevino Buddy Smith's Coworker's Daughter
- Amy Wagner

SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES:

- Christopher Brand US Navy Great Lakes, Illinois
- Caleb Burton US Army Fort Carson, Colorado
- Warren Evans US Army Fort Bragg, North Carolina
- Jake Hagood US Army Fort Hood, Texas
- Kaleb Pyle US Army Fort Bliss, Texas
- Dylan Robbins USMC Newport, Rhode Island
- Ryan Spray US Air Force San Antonio, Texas
- Byron Taylor US Army Fort Knox, Kentucky
- Erik Vallejo Texas National Guard United States Border

MISSIONARIES:

- Julie Aftab People of the Book Lutheran Outreach Houston, TX
- Abba's House LCMS Ministry to Refugees Cypress, TX https://abbashousetexas.com/

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS MORNING: are given to the glory of God by Mirlyn Griffin in honor of Jena Althaus on her birthday.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL'S:

Sunday, April 30th

- 9:00am Worship Service Sanctuary
- 10:15am Sunday School/Bible Study *Education Building*

Monday, May 1st

- 7:00pm WACA *Zilss Hall*
- 7:00pm Board of Elders Education Building

Tuesday, May 2nd

- 9:00am Quilting Education Building
- 7:00pm Board of Trustees Education Building

Wednesday, May 3rd

- 9:30am Bible Class Education Building
- 7:00pm Picnic Planning Meeting Education Building

Sunday, May 7th

- 9:00am Worship Service with Communion Sanctuary
- 10:15am Sunday School/Bible Study *Education Building*
- 11:30am Winchester Cemetery Association Meeting St. Michael's Park

Sunday School: In our Christian education time this week, we study the account of Daniel in "A Trap and a Release." Daniel's promotion to a high leadership role in Babylon causes political jealousy among other leaders. King Darius decrees that everyone must worship only him.

Beautification Watering: For the week beginning on May 1st, Candice Hill will be in charge of watering. If you notice that something needs to be watered, please contact the person of the week that is monitoring. If the week does not work for you, please work it out with someone else.

Casserole Crew Volunteer Sign Up: The Casserole Crew is looking for a few more members who enjoy cooking and serving their neighbors! If you are willing to be part of the monthly Casserole Crew volunteer rotation, please email secretary@stmichaelswinchester.org to sign up.

Picnic Planning Meeting: Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:00pm, come meet to discuss plans for the upcoming church picnic. The meeting will be held in the Education Building.

Thank you! On behalf of the family of Rose Lehmann, we sincerely thank the women of St. Michael's Ladies Aid for the delicious luncheon items they provided for the post-funeral meal. It not only provided nourishment for everyone in attendance at the funeral but also a reminder of the wonderful women with whom we share the Winchester community. We pray God bestows blessings on each of you -
Charles, Denise, Sheila, and Jennifer

Middle and High School Youth: We need your help to distribute Mother's Day chickens. Please come to the Park building on May 14th. We will help distribute from 10:30 to noon. This is in place of our Sunday School class for the day. Proceeds from the chicken sales will help with traveling Youth events including the 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering.

Mother's Day BBQ Chicken: Orders for Mother's Day Chickens and BBQ Sauce are being taken now through **May 6, 2023**. Sign up sheets are available in the Narthex of the church, Murphy's Steakhouse and Shorty's. Chickens can be picked up on **May 14, 2023**, 10:30 a.m. – noon at the park. Chickens will be \$12/each, sauce for \$2.00. All proceeds from the sale of chickens will go to the youth group. For more information you can contact Jake Franke at 979/966-7416 or Kelly Franke at 979/966-7414. Thank you for your support.

Household Items Drive for Orphan Grain Train: We will be gathering items from May 14th until May 21st. Any clean clothing (infants to adults), as well as towels and linens, would be appropriate. Please put these items in plastic bags. Items NOT wanted are glass, plastic, and pillows. Items MUST be in by May 21st. Please consider donating needed items!

Full Scholarships to Camp Lone Star Available: Saint Michael's has full scholarships available for children of our church members to attend a week of camp this summer at Camp Lone Star. For more information, contact Pastor Nate. Please visit <u>camplonestar.org/summer-camp/</u> to look at the summer and activities.

WACA Scholarship: The Winchester Area Civic Association is offering a scholarship to any person enrolling in an institution of higher learning and seeking a career in a field that will benefit their community. Application must be

submitted by May 15. For more information email Barbara Schafer at richardbarbschafer@gmail.com

Team Winchester: Amanda Hart, is participating in the MS150 this year! She is not only training to yet again conquer the hills of Bastrop State Park, but also exceed her fundraising goal of \$2025.

Amanda will be riding from the State Capitol to La Grange, cycling through Winchester between 11:30 and 12:30 on Saturday, April 29th and then from La Grange to Kyle Field on Sunday, April 30th. This totals approximately 159.5 miles with an average cycle time of 5.5 hours on Saturday and 6 hours on Sunday, not including break times.

Through fundraising efforts, 79 cents of every dollar goes directly to improve the lives of people living with MS. Here's a sample of the fundraising dollars at work:

- \$35: could help deliver self-help groups to support people affected by MS in our community.
- \$65: could fund wellness programs aimed at treating the mind, body and spirit.
- \$120: could help pay for a physical therapy session to manage MS symptoms by enhancing strength and mobility.
- \$200: could provide accessible transportation to a medical appointment.
- \$400: may help fund a researcher working toward a cure.
- \$1,000: could provide two consultations with an MS Navigator for nearly 30 people living with MS.

Please contact Amanda if you would like to support her fundraising efforts. You can donate directly to Amanda at the below QR code or call her at 979-540-0600.



GEMS: All girls 5th-12th grade are invited to attend our monthly GEMS (Girls Embracing Mission Service) meeting on Sunday, April 30, at 2:00 at Holy Cross, Warda. This month we will be making sock dolls for the Children's Advocacy Center in Bastrop. This will also be our last meeting until fall. We'd love to see you there!

Holy Cross BBQ: The Holy Cross Couples Club will have their annual BBQ Chickens on Mother's Day, May 14. Chickens are \$13.00 and cups are sauce are \$3.00. Pick-up at the Holy Cross picnic grounds from 10:30 to 12:00. PreSales only. Sign up by calling the Holy Cross church office at 242-3333 by Monday, May 8th.

Texas Wendish Heritage Society (TWHS) appreciates support given to our scholarship program. All Texas Wendish Heritage Scholarship funds are received through fundraising projects and donations. The TWHS scholarship program is available to students of Wendish descent and encourages students to learn more about their Wendish heritage. Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited college, university or trade school for Fall 2023 semester. 2023-2024 scholarship applications are available online at texaswendish.org and on the Texas Wendish Facebook Page. The entire process is online and must be submitted digitally by the deadline; 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 14th, 2023. For more information contact the Texas Wendish Heritage Museum at 979-366-2441 or museum@texaswendish.net . Thanks for your support!



The Spring Thing!

FLHS is proud to present The Spring Thing! This will be a showcase of our students' work in the fine art department, including vocal, instrumental, and handbell pieces. Please join us Wednesday, May 10th, at 7pm.

Youth Camps

Summer camps are back! We are excited to offer a variety of camps for youth this summer. Ages are for grades NEXT school year.

May 30 to June 1 - Volleyball - Grade 3 to 8 - \$20

June 12-14 - Basketball - Grades K to 8 - \$20

June 19-21 - STEM Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$40

June 26-28 - Art Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$40

July 31 to Aug 1- Archery - Grade 4 to 8 - \$20

Please visit our website or Facebook page for more information! Don't wait --- Sign up today!! Space is limited!

8:30 AM-12:00 PM

WINCHESTER AREA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

STARTS MAY 6, 2023

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

FARMERS MARKET





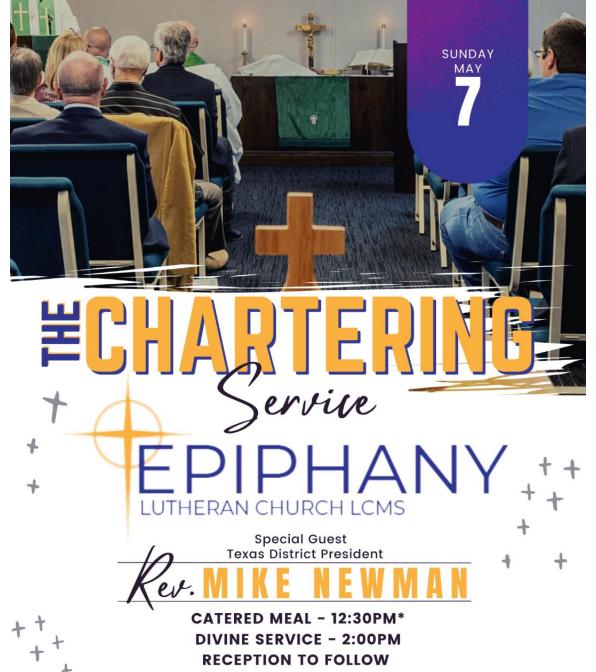


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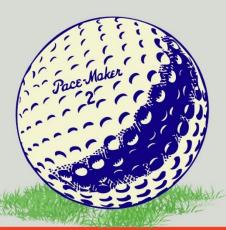
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TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, MAY 13TH, 2023 FRISCH AUF COUNTRY CLUB LA GRANGE, TX

PRIZES

1ST TEAM
2ND TEAM
LONGEST DRIVE
CLOSEST TO PIN
LONGEST PUTT



SHOTGUN START 8 AM

> LUNCH 1 PM

4 MAN TEAM REGISTRATION \$400

SPONSORSHIPS PLATINUM \$500

(COURSE SPONSOR RECOGNITION ON BANNER, HOLE, AND FOOD AND DRINK SPONSOR)

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PICK UP:

MONDAY, MAY 22, 2023 5PM - 6PM

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PRE ORDERS ONLY:

\$35 PER 9X13 CASSEROLE

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