

Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> 2023

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



# SAINT MICHAEL'S

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## LUTHERAN CHURCH • LCMS

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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!

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## **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.

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### **DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE**

<b>Prelude</b>	Selected Music
<b>Ringing of the Church Bell</b>	Ushers
<b>Welcome and Greeting</b>	Pastor
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<i>"Lord of Our Life"</i> LSB #659

## 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.

**C** 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.*

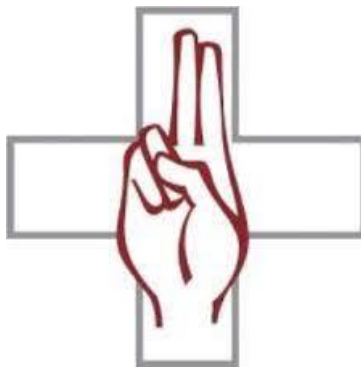
**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** 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 56:3-4, 10-11; antiphon: v. 13*

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,  
that I may walk before God in the light of life.

When I am afraid,

I put my trust in you.

In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

What can flesh do to me?

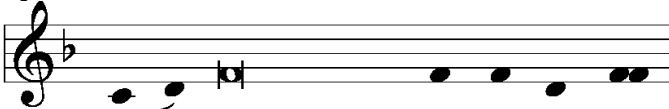
In God, whose word I praise,  
in the LORD, whose word I praise,  
in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

What can man do to me?

*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.*

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,  
that I may walk before God in the light of life.

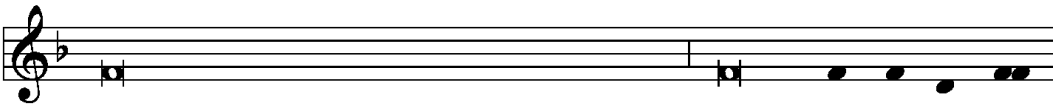
### Kyrie



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



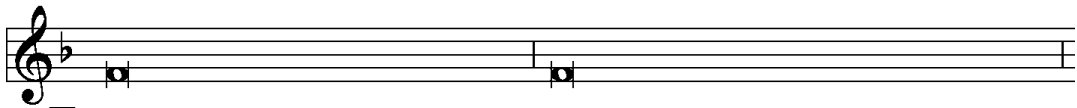
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



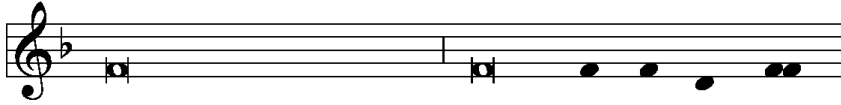
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



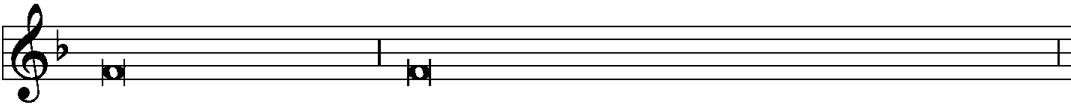
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



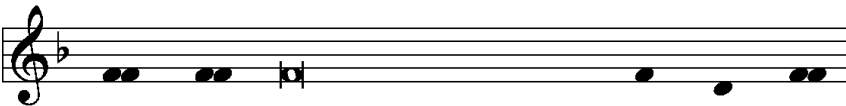
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

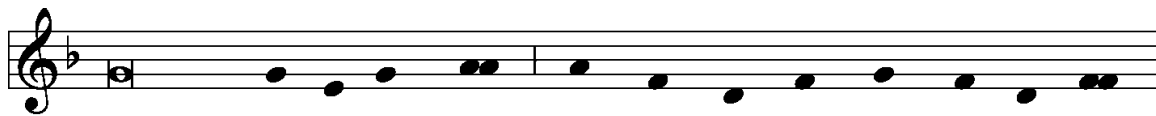


**C** A - men.

**Hymn of Praise**                      *“Glory to God in the Highest”*

## *“Glory to God in the Highest”*

*Luke 2:14; John 1:29*



**[A]** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**© Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:**



**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,**



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.

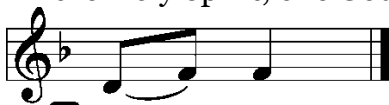
*2 Timothy 4:22*



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-13

<sup>7</sup>O LORD, you have deceived me,  
and I was deceived;  
you are stronger than I,  
and you have prevailed.  
I have become a laughingstock all the day;  
everyone mocks me.

<sup>8</sup>For whenever I speak, I cry out,  
I shout, "Violence and destruction!"  
For the word of the LORD has become for me  
a reproach and derision all day long.

<sup>9</sup>If I say, "I will not mention him,  
or speak any more in his name,"  
there is in my heart as it were a burning fire  
shut up in my bones,  
and I am weary with holding it in,  
and I cannot.

<sup>10</sup>For I hear many whispering.  
Terror is on every side!

“Denounce him! Let us denounce him!”

say all my close friends,  
watching for my fall.

“Perhaps he will be deceived;  
then we can overcome him  
and take our revenge on him.”

<sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior;  
therefore my persecutors will stumble;  
they will not overcome me.

They will be greatly shamed,  
for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonor  
will never be forgotten.

<sup>12</sup>O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous,  
who sees the heart and the mind,  
let me see your vengeance upon them,  
for to you have I committed my cause.

<sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD;  
praise the LORD!

For he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hand of evildoers.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

## Psalm 91

<sup>1</sup>He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

<sup>2</sup>I will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust.”

<sup>3</sup>For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler  
and from the deadly pestilence.

<sup>4</sup>He will cover you with his pinions,  
and under his wings you will find refuge;  
his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.



<sup>5</sup>You will not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day,

<sup>6</sup>nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness,  
nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

<sup>7</sup>A thousand may fall at your side,  
ten thousand at your right hand,  
but it will not come near you.

<sup>8</sup>You will only look with your eyes  
and see the recompense of the wicked.

<sup>9</sup>Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—  
the Most High, who is my refuge—

<sup>10</sup>no evil shall be allowed to befall you,  
no plague come near your tent.

<sup>11</sup>For he will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways.

<sup>12</sup>On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.

<sup>13</sup>You will tread on the lion and the adder;  
the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

<sup>14</sup>“Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him;  
I will protect him, because he knows my name.

<sup>15</sup>When he calls to me, I will answer him;  
I will be with him in trouble;  
I will rescue him and honor him.

<sup>16</sup>With long life I will satisfy him  
and show him my salvation.”

<sup>12</sup>Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

<sup>15</sup>What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup>But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, <sup>18</sup>and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

<sup>20</sup>When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . .

<sup>21</sup>“Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup>and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

<sup>24</sup>“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

<sup>26</sup>“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup>And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**Children’s Message**

Pastor

**Hymn of the Day**

*“From God Can Nothing Move Me”*

LSB #713

## **Apostles’ Creed**

**☩ 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**

**☩ Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:**

**☩ 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](http://www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give)*



## Offertory

Musical notation for the Offertory hymn, consisting of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are written below the notes.

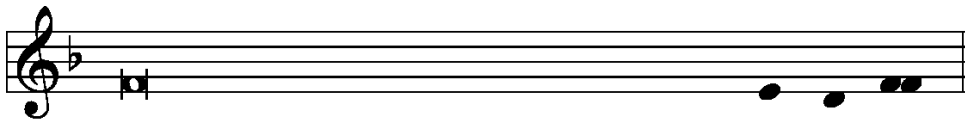
**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



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

## Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*



**[P]** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.



**[C]** A - men.

## Announcements

Pastor

## Closing Hymn

*"How Firm a Foundation"*

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## Postlude

Selected Music

## PRAYERS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S

### MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

- Katie Barker
- Melinda Bennett – *Bill Karisch's Friend*
- 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 Lehmann's Daughter*
- 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*
- Kolton Montgomery
- Janet Murphy – *Richard Davis' Sister-in-Law*
- Evelyn Parker
- Dwayne Patterson – *James Franke Family's Friend*
- Mary Patterson – *James Franke Family's Friend*
- Lillian Pietsch
- Victoria Pope – *Mark McClain's Friend*
- Layne Schramm – *Thelma Kieschnik's Grandson*
- Marie Schulz
- Raymond Schulz
- Laverne Schulze
- Willie Sneed – *Greg Roeber's Nephew*
- Amy Wagner
- Barry Zoch

### 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 Pastor Nate in honor of Candice's Birthday.

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**THIS WEEK AT SAINT MICHAEL'S:**

**Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00am – Worship Service – *Sanctuary*
- 10:15am – Sunday School/Bible Study – *Education Building*
- 5:30pm – VBS – *St. Michael's Park*

**Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**

- 5:30pm – VBS – *St. Michael's Park*
- 6:00pm – Board of Finance – *Education Building*

**Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**

- 2:00pm – Young @ Heart – *Zilss Hall*
- 5:30pm – VBS – *St. Michael's Park*
- 7:00pm – WAVFD – *Fire Station*

**Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:30am – Bible Class – *Education Building*
- 5:30pm – VBS – *St. Michael's Park*

**Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>**

5:30pm – VBS – *St. Michael's Park*

**Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>**

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

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**Sunday School:** “A Weather Wonder” is the theme for this week’s lesson. With the simple command, “Peace! Be still!” (Mark 4:39), Jesus proclaims His power over a storm strong enough to shake even experienced fishermen. With the disciples, we must ask, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?” (v. 41). How can your family respond to this question?

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**Beautification Watering:** For the week beginning on June 26<sup>th</sup>, Dorothy Loewe 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:** Katrina Miertschin is on for the month of June. Karen Kilian is on for the month of July. If you know of a need for a casserole, please contact her. 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](mailto:secretary@stmichaelswinchester.org) to sign up.

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**Texas Wendish Heritage Society Scholarship Program:** The 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](http://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 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. For more information contact the Texas Wendish Heritage Museum at 979-366-2441 or [museum@texaswendish.net](mailto:museum@texaswendish.net) . **Thanks for your support!**

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**GriefShare:** Immanuel Lutheran Church, Giddings will be hosting a new GriefShare session beginning Thursday, August 17, 2023 from 6-8 PM in the small meeting room of the fellowship hall (300 N. Grimes St. Giddings). This session will be 14 weeks and will conclude on November 16. Please contact Kathy Bartels, (512) 461-5442 or by email at [monniebartels@gmail.com](mailto:monniebartels@gmail.com) if you plan to attend or for more information about the program.



### **Share the Gift of Love**

Faith Lutheran High School has a unique role in combining knowledge and God's love in a student's high school experience. We are partnering with families at the intersection of education and faith development. If you would like to support our ministry through a one-time or enduring gift, Thrivent Action Grant or volunteer your time and talents, please contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck.

### **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. Remaining camps include: July 31 to Aug 1- Archery - Grade 4 to 8 - \$20 - 1 spot remaining in PM! Please visit our website or Facebook page for more information!

### **New Student Registration**

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is underway. We already have new students enrolled and would love to welcome you into our Falcon family as well. Call us at (979) 242-2889 to schedule a shadow day or visit our website at [www.flhstx.org](http://www.flhstx.org) for registration information.

### **Thrivent Action Team Grants**

If you are a Thrivent member willing to submit an application for a \$250 grant to be used on projects at Faith, please contact Nikki Kueck by calling (979) 242-2889. Help us to be able to take advantage of these funds for the good of our school. \*We are currently looking to utilize Action Grants for some summer projects!

### **Amazon Wish List**

FLHS has created a wish list on Amazon, for needed materials for the upcoming school year. The easiest way to find it is by clicking on the link on the FLHS Facebook page or website. Thank you for your generous support!!

### **Summer Office Hours**

June and July office hours will be 8:30 am to 4:00 pm daily. Please drop by for a visit!



**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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