

# SAINT MICHAEL'S

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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 WITH COMMUNION

**Prelude** Selected Music

**Ringing of the Church Bell** 

Ushers

**Welcome and Greeting** 

**Pastor** 

**Opening Hymn** 

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

LSB #901

#### **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.



# **Introit** Read Together

Psalm 28:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: v. 8

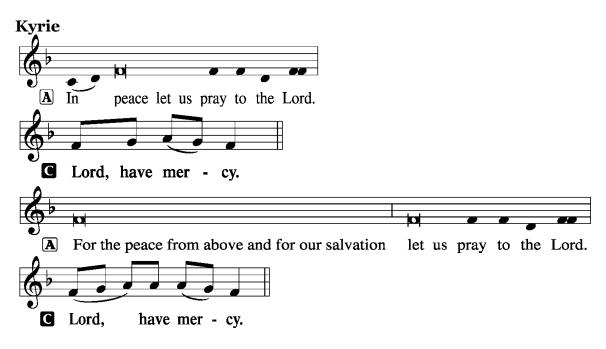
The Lord is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his anointed.
To you, O Lord, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,
lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.
Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,
when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

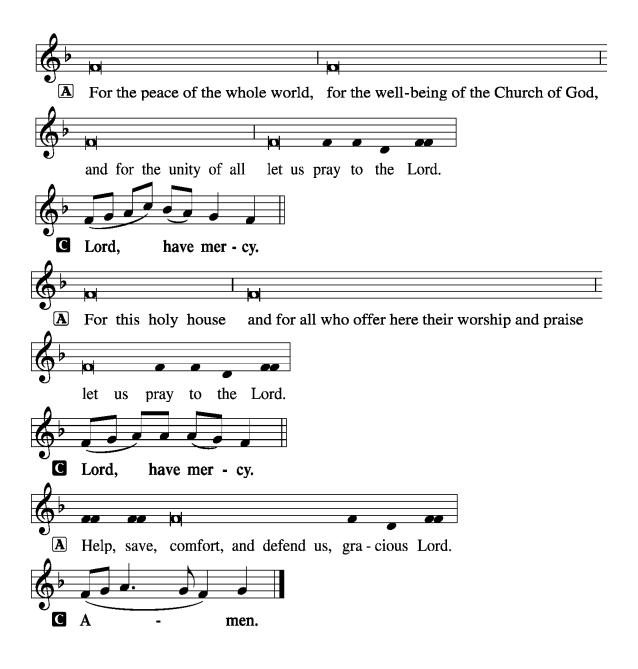
Blessèd be the Lord!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

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. The Lord is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed.







# Salutation and Collect of the Day



2 Timothy 4:22

#### **P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD:

"Keep justice, and do righteousness,

for soon my salvation will come,

and my deliverance be revealed. . . .

6"And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants,

everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant—

7these I will bring to my holy mountain,

and make them joyful in my house of prayer;

their burnt offerings and their sacrifices

will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

<sup>8</sup>The Lord God,

who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,

"I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered."

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

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67

<sup>1</sup>May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

<sup>2</sup>that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

<sup>4</sup>Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

<sup>6</sup>The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

<sup>7</sup>God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

# **Epistle Reading**

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

<sup>1</sup>I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup>God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. . . .

<sup>13</sup>Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry <sup>14</sup>in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. <sup>15</sup>For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .

<sup>28</sup>As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. <sup>29</sup>For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup>Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup>so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup>For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia and Verse

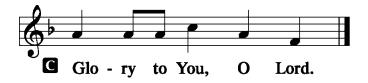
John 6:68



#### **Holy Gospel Reading**

Matthew 15:21-28

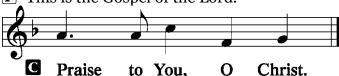
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.



<sup>21</sup>Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup>And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." <sup>23</sup>But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." <sup>24</sup>He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup>And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup>She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus

answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.





# Children's Message

**Pastor** 

**Hymn of the Day** "In Christ There Is No East or West"

LSB #653

Sermon

"Who Are You?" Matthew 15:21-28 Rev. Nate Hill

#### Nicene Creed

the dead,

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

> And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Marv and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

#### **Prayer of the Church**

**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 <a href="https://www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give">www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give</a>



# Offertory





Important Information about Holy Communion Today

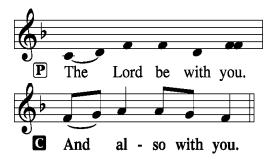
Today, we will celebrate Holy Communion, where Jesus Christ offers us his true body and true blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. This Sacrament is also an expression of the unity in faith, doctrine, and practice of those who receive it together.

If you are a confirmed member in good standing of this or another LCMS congregation, we welcome you to commune with us today. However, if you are uncertain about our beliefs and practices surrounding Holy Communion, we ask that you refrain from communing today. If you have questions, please let Pastor Nate know. He would be happy to meet with you to talk about the blessings of church membership and Holy Communion!

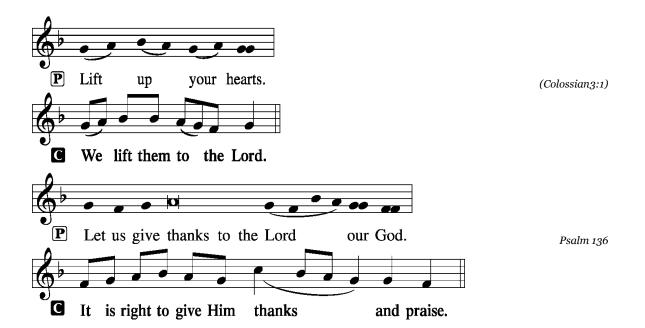
For those who are sensitive to alcohol, the cups in the center of the communion tray contain water with one drop of wine added.

#### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

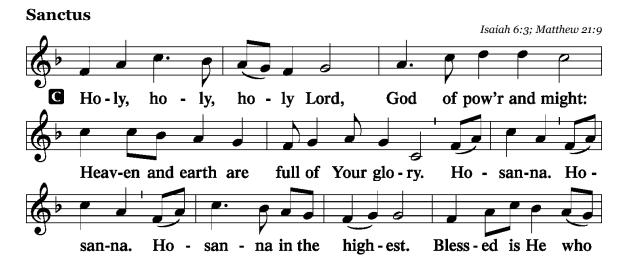
#### **Preface**



2 Timothy 4:22



It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

# 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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

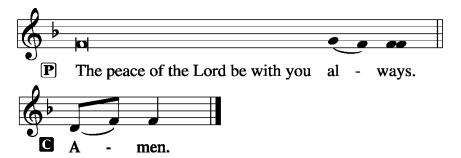
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My 
→ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

#### Pax Domini

John 20:19





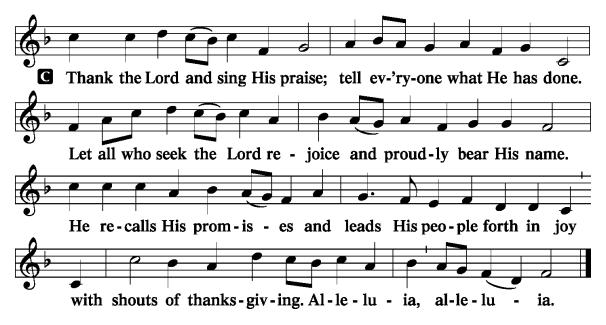




#### **Distribution Hymns**

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" LSB #770
"Entrust Your Days and Burdens" LSB #754
"May God Bestow on Us His Grace" LSB #824

#### **Post-Communion Canticle**



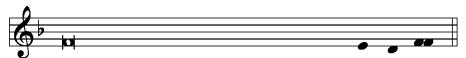
# **Post-Communion Collect**

# **P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**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 + give you peace.



**Announcements** Pastor

Closing Hymn "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" LSB #924

**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
- Sue Doepner Daniel and Karen Kilian's Friend
- Charlene Franke
- Ivan Fritsche
- 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
- 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
- Amy Wagner
- Darlene Warren

#### **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 Jacksonville, North Carolina
- 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 Ron and Darline Kaiser in celebration of their 56<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 26<sup>th</sup>.

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

#### Sunday, August 20th

- 9:00am Worship Service with Communion Sanctuary
- 10:15am Sunday School/Bible Study *Education Building*
- 1:00pm 4-H Meeting Education Building

#### Monday, August 21st

• 7:00pm – Church Council – Education Building

## Tuesday, August 22nd

- 2:00pm Young @ Heart Zilss Hall
- 7:00 pm WAVFD *Fire Station*

# Sunday, August 27th

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

**Sunday School:** In this week's lesson, "A Mercy-Full Message," Jesus tells the famous parable of the Good Samaritan, who risks his own life to help a Jewish man whose peril was ignored by his own countrymen. In telling the parable, Jesus answers the question "Who is my neighbor?" for His followers as He challenges us to "go, and do likewise" (Luke 10:37). As a family, you could discuss ideas to help those in need in your community.

**Beautification Watering:** For the week beginning on August 21<sup>st</sup>, Sharon Teinert 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:** Pat Karisch is on duty for the month of August. If you know of someone with a need for a meal in the congregation or community, please contact her at <a href="mailto:patkarisch@yahoo.com">patkarisch@yahoo.com</a> or (281)682-2841.

**Stamps:** LWML is collecting cancelled stamps. Just cut off the corner of your mail with the cancelled stamp(s) and bring them to church with you! Please bring them no later than August 27<sup>th</sup>. ALL stamps are valuable!

**Winchester Community Meal:** Save the date of Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm for an evening community meal with games and fellowship at the Park! The Board of Missions will be sponsoring a hamburger and hot dog meal for the entire community. We are asking members to bring a side or dessert, your families, and your favorite games and beverages. All are welcome so begin inviting your friends and neighbors!

**Missionary Sunday:** On Sunday, September 10th, Claire Kayetesi, a former guest at Abba's House, will join us to share about her experience with the Abba's House ministry. Abba's House was the recipient of our VBS offerings this summer so it will be a great chance for kids and families to learn about this ministry's work firsthand. We will host a door offering and potluck in the Education Building after the Bible study hour, and we hope you will take this opportunity to engage with and support our mission organization!

The Texas Wendish Heritage Museum is looking to add to our amazing staff: If you or someone you know is interested in any of the positions below, please contact Chelsea Beck at <a href="mailto:chelsea@texaswendish.org">chelsea@texaswendish.org</a> or (979)366-2441. We are looking to fill all positions this summer as we prepare for Wendish Fest.

First, we are looking to hire a paid Outreach & Volunteer Coordinator to work Thursdays and Fridays from 12:30-5:00pm as well as some weekends -- around 8-12 hours per week. Responsibilities include docenting, training volunteer docents, volunteer recruitment and scheduling, community outreach, coordinating events and information with St. Paul Lutheran Church and helping the director with events, errands, and other tasks as needed. Candidates must have basic computer skills (Google Suite & Microsoft Office primarily) and be an excellent communicator.

Second, we are looking for an energetic and enthusiastic person to fill the position of director or co-director of the museum. Anyone looking to fill this position must be available to work Tuesday- Friday from 1:00-5:00pm as well as all TWHS events (including set up and clean up). Our director is in charge of the

day-to-day operations of the society & museum and wears many hats including staff management, working with our board of directors, event planning (including Wendish Fest), some light accounting work, managing the gift shop in the museum and online, advertising the museum and TWHS events, working with vendors to maintain the museum complex's many buildings and artifacts, website and social media management, and other duties as assigned. Candidates must have basic computer skills (Google Suite & Microsoft Office primarily), be an excellent communicator, possess top-notch customer service skills and preferably an appreciation of history and Wendish heritage & culture.

Finally, the museum is seeking to hire someone to maintain our garden. If you love to work outside in a reasonably quiet and serene setting, possess gardening knowledge, and want to set your own hours, this is the job for you. Candidates should expect to work 10-20 hours per month depending on the demands of the season and the weather.

**GEMS:** We are excited to start up GEMS (Girls Embracing Mission Service) again for the new school year! All girls 5th-12th grade are invited to join us on Sunday, August 27, at 2:00 at Holy Cross, Warda, for some devotional time, a fun activity, snacks, and fellowship. Contact Ruth Meyer at 979-540-9868 with any questions. We hope to see you there!



#### **Opening Service**

Please join us on Sunday, August 20th at 3 pm as we will officially open our seventh academic school year. "Better Together" based on Romans 15:5-6 is the theme for 2023-2024. A worship service will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Warda. The service will be led by our association Pastors. Offering will be collected to support the FLHS Scholarship Fund. A potluck dessert and punch reception will follow.

## **Great Start to the School Year**

We have had a great start to the school year! We love having our students back on campus and pray that their education and faith may grow abundantly this year! Registration remains on-going. Call us today - (979) 242-2889!



# Free Wednesday mornings?

Join us for our weekly Chapel Worship Service every Wednesday. Mr. Jonathan Kueck will be leading chapel this week, beginning at 10:30 am.

#### **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.

#### Save the Date!

FLHS's annual Oktoberfest will be Saturday, October 28th. New this year will be **The Battle of the Vines**, in addition to **The Battle of the Brew** - both are home brew competitions, so start planning your brews now. Returning will be our traditional German meal, domino tournament, cornhole tournament, music, kids games, fellowship, and lots of fun!

#### Thank You!

Thank you for all the prayers and support you have offered on behalf of FLHS. As we have begun another year, we are thankful for each of you who faithfully pray and support the ministry God has created at FLHS. Thank you, on behalf of the students who will be instilled with wisdom as they become faithful leaders tomorrow, for your generous support!

# **2023 - 2024 Faculty and Staff**

- Mrs. Chelsea Beck History, Spanish,
- Pastor Dustin Beck Part-time Religion
- Mr. Gary Himmler Part-time Science, Math
- Mr. Jonathan Kueck Religion, English, P.E.
- Mrs. Nikki Kueck Administrator, Electives
- Mrs. Kristin Lehmann Science, Math, Technology
- Mrs. Jane Obersat Part-time German, Art, Library
- Mr. Dan Schaefer Part-time History, Music

# IMMANUEL ECC IS HIRING!

We are looking for:
Afternoon teachers
2- I:00 pm -6:00 pm- 2's class
I- II:00 am -6:00 pm - PreK class
I- 3:00 pm -6:00 pm- Afterschool program

We also need a kitchen aide from 10:00 am -1:00 pm

If you feel like you would be perfect for one of these positions, stop by and visit with me

179 E. Brenham St. Giddings



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St. Paul Lutheran Church Adult League – Serbin 26<sup>th</sup> Annual

# Fried Chicken Luncheon

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00am – noon St. Paul Picnic Grounds TO-GO PLATES ONLY \$15.00

Preorders preferred by September 4<sup>th</sup> and contacting
Susan Michael at 540-0854 or Sharon Claxton at 540-7154
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!

