

**Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023**

**The First Sunday in Advent**



# **SAINT MICHAEL'S**

## **LUTHERAN CHURCH • LCMS**

**W I N C H E S T E R      T E X A S**

**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 TWO WITH COMMUNION**

<b>Prelude</b>	Selected Music
<b>Ringing of the Church Bell</b>	Ushers
<b>Welcome and Greeting</b>	Pastor
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<i>"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"</i> LSB #341

## 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 25:1–3; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.*

Behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation.  
To you, O Lord,  
I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame;  
 let not my enemies exult over me.  
 Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;  
 they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.  
*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.*  
 Behold, your king is coming to you;  
 righteous and having salvation.

## Kyrie

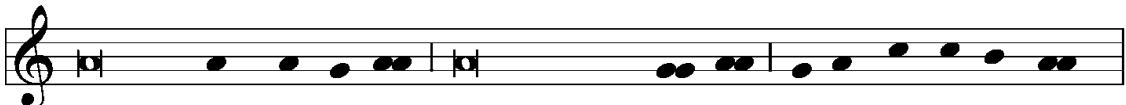
Mark 10:47



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



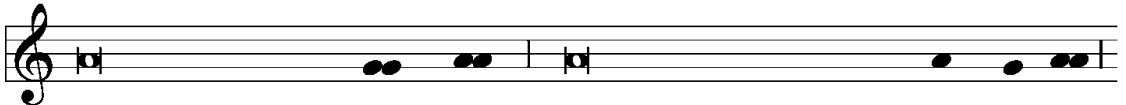
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



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



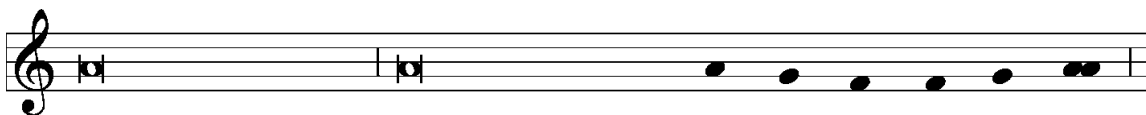
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni - ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



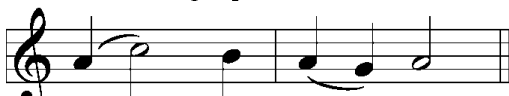
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



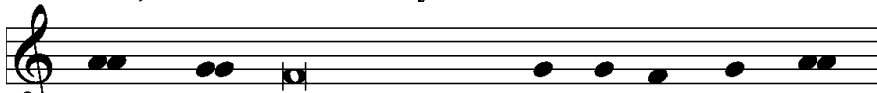
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



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



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



**C** A - men.

## Hymn of Praise

*"This is the Feast"*

*Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9*



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



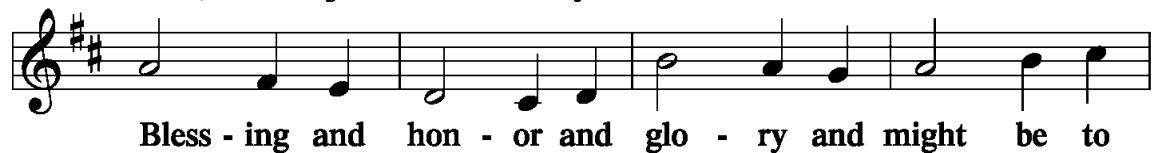
**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22



**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,  
that the mountains might quake at your presence—  
<sup>2</sup> as when fire kindles brushwood  
and the fire causes water to boil—  
to make your name known to your adversaries,  
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!  
<sup>3</sup>When you did awesome things that we did not look for,  
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.  
<sup>4</sup>From of old no one has heard  
or perceived by the ear,  
no eye has seen a God besides you,  
who acts for those who wait for him.  
<sup>5</sup>You meet him who joyfully works righteousness,  
those who remember you in your ways.  
Behold, you were angry, and we sinned;  
in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved?  
<sup>6</sup>We have all become like one who is unclean,  
and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.  
We all fade like a leaf,

and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.  
7There is no one who calls upon your name,  
who rouses himself to take hold of you;  
for you have hidden your face from us,  
and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.  
8But now, O LORD, you are our Father;  
we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.  
9Be not so terribly angry, O LORD,  
and remember not iniquity forever.  
Behold, please look, we are all your people.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

Psalm 80:1-7

1Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,  
you who lead Joseph like a flock!  
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.

2Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh,  
stir up your might  
and come to save us!

3Restore us, O God;  
let your face shine, that we may be saved!

4O LORD God of hosts,  
how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?

5You have fed them with the bread of tears  
and given them tears to drink in full measure.

6You make us an object of contention for our neighbors,  
and our enemies laugh among themselves.

7Restore us, O God of hosts;  
let your face shine, that we may be saved!



## Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—<sup>6</sup>even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>8</sup>who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ 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.

## Holy Gospel

Mark 11:1-10

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.



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

<sup>1</sup>When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup>and said to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.’” <sup>4</sup>And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. <sup>5</sup>And some of those standing there said to them, “What are you doing,

untying the colt?” <sup>6</sup>And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. <sup>7</sup>And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. <sup>8</sup>And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. <sup>9</sup>And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! <sup>10</sup>Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!”

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



**Children’s Message**

Pastor

**Hymn of the Day**

*“Savior of the Nations, Come”*

LSB #332

**Sermon**

*“Come Down!”  
Isaiah 64:1-9*

Rev. Nate Hill

**Nicene Creed**

**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 Mary  
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  
the dead,  
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

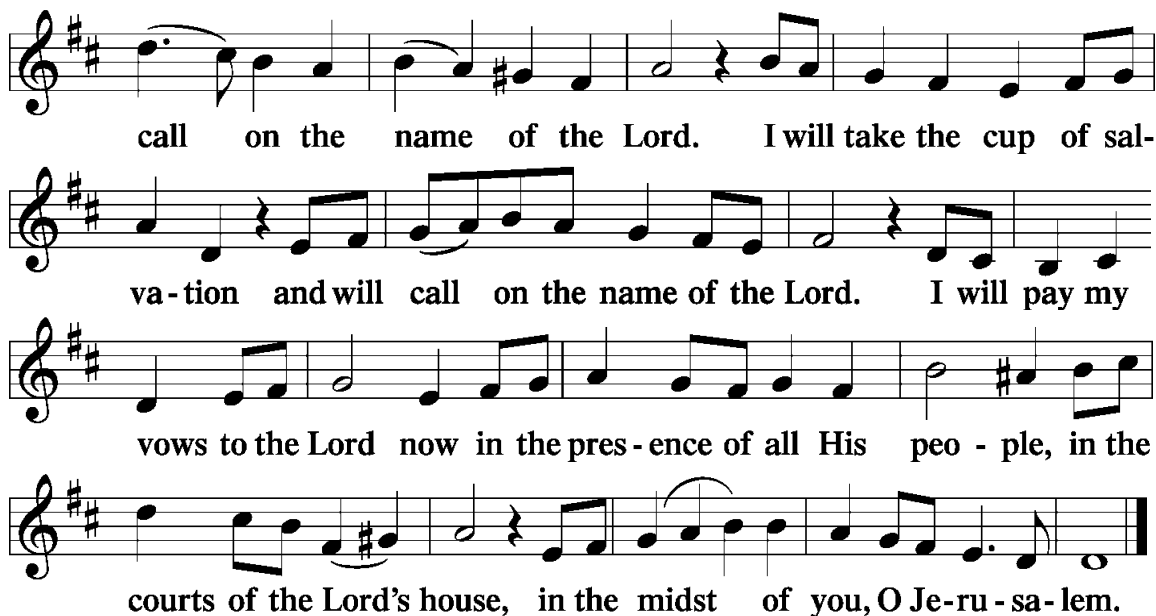
*If you would like to transition to making your regular tithe or offering online,  
you may do so at [www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give](http://www.stmichaelswinchester.org/give)*



## Offertory

Musical notation for the Offertory hymn, consisting of two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff has a treble clef and a common time signature 'C'. The second staff has a treble clef and a common time signature 'C'. The lyrics are written below the staves.

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.

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### *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.

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## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **Preface**



**P** The Lord be with you.



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

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

*(Colossians 3:1)*



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

*(Psalm 136)*

**P** 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, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

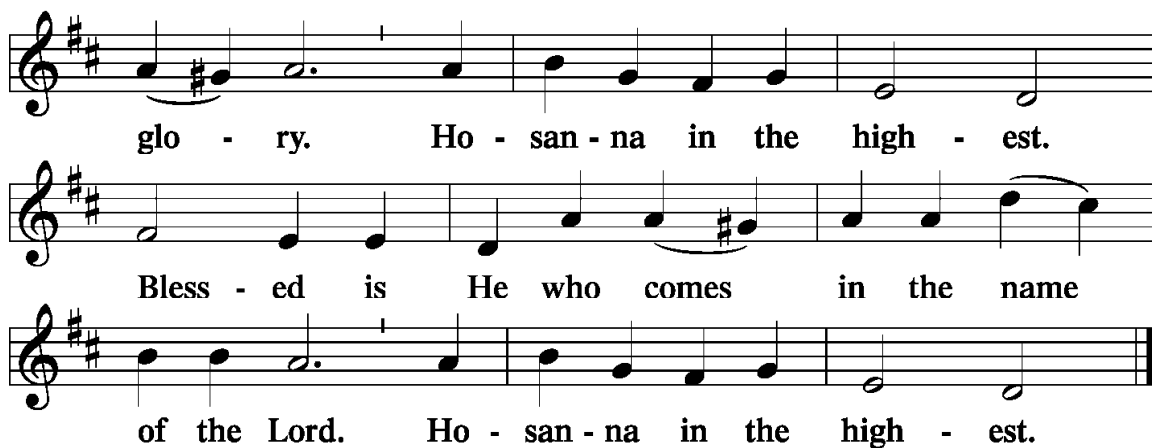
*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



## 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.

*Matthew 6:9-13*

## The Words of Our Lord

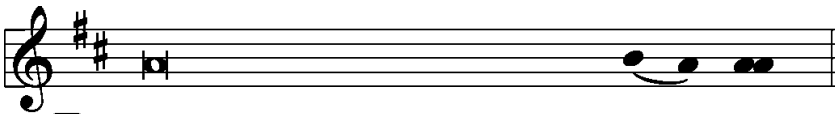
**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

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*



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

## Agnus Dei

*John 1:29*



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
 sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of  
 God, You take a-way the sin of the world;  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Distribution Hymns

<i>"Your Table I Approach"</i>	LSB #628
<i>"The Advent of Our King"</i>	LSB #331
<i>"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"</i>	LSB #563

## Post-Communion Canticle "Thank the Lord"

**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
 He has done. Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-  
 joice and proud-ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
 es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -

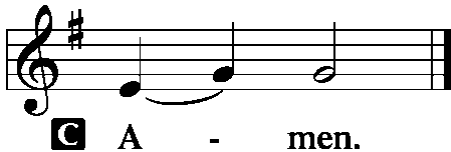




## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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

*“O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”*

LSB #334

## Postlude

Selected Music

## PRAYERS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S

### MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

- Melinda Bennett – *Bill Karisch's Friend*
- Sheila Bojorquez – *Charles Lehmann's Daughter*
- Debra Bradley – *Garry Synatschek's Mother*
- Kourtney Burton
- Erland Carlson – *Leann McClain's Brother*
- Sue Doepner – *Daniel and Karen Kilian's Friend*
- Charlene Franke
- Myrtle Friemel – *Carol Ahlschlager's Friend*
- Ivan Fritsche
- Sam Gibbs
- Nellie Gonzalez
- Gavon Grayson – *Glenn and Stacy Zoch's Friend*
- Larry Hernandez – *Marceil Prestridge's Son-in Law*
- Nicole Hernandez – *Marceil Prestridge's Daughter*
- Jerry Hielscher
- Delores Karisch
- Morgan Ray Karisch
- Evelyn Kasper – *Bill Karisch's Mother*
- Thelma Kieschnik
- Audrey Koenning
- Theresa Krause – *Diana Roeber's Friend*
- Mary Lehmann
- John Lievsay, Jr – *Kelly Franke's Brother*
- Kevin Margeson – *Kurtis Hankemeier's Brother*
- Karen McDougall – *Mark McClain's Sister*
- 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*
- Marceil Prestridge
- Layne Schramm – *Thelma Kieschnik's Grandson*
- Marie Schulz
- Raymond Schulz
- Laverne Schulze
- Amy Wagner
- Angeline Zoch

### SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES:

- Christopher Brand – US Navy – Great Lakes, Illinois
- Caleb Burton – US Army – Fort Carson, Colorado
- Manuel Comancho – US Air Force – Africa – *Irma Gersch's Friend*
- 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
- 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/>

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

### **Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- 9:00am – Worship Service with Communion – *Sanctuary*
- 10:15am – Bible Study – *Education Building*
- 10:15am – Christmas Program Practice - *Sanctuary*
- 2:00pm – Confirmation– *Education Building*

### **Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:00pm – Board of Elders – *Education Building*

### **Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>**

- 6:30pm – Park Board – *St. Michael's Park*
- 7:00pm – Board of Trustees – *Education Building*

### **Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:30am – Bible Class – *Education Building*
- 7:00pm – Advent Midweek Service – *Sanctuary*

### **Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

- 5:30pm – WACA Christmas Party – *Zilss Hall*

### **Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:30am – Farmers Market and Craft Bazaar – *Zilss Hall*

### **Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00am – Worship Service – *Sanctuary*
- 10:15am – Bible Study – *Education Building*
- 10:15am – Christmas Program Practice – *Sanctuary*
- 12:00pm – 4-H Meeting and Christmas Party – *Education Building*
- 2:00pm – Confirmation – *Education Building*

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**Casserole Crew:** Pat Karisch is on for the month of December. If you know of someone with a need for a meal in the congregation or community, please contact Pat at (281)682-2841.

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**Rehearsals for Children's Christmas Eve Program:** At this year's Christmas Eve Service, we will once again be blessed to enjoy a program put on by the children of our congregation. If you would like your child or grandchild to participate, please plan on having them attend all rehearsals for the children's program. Rehearsals will take place during the Sunday School Hour each week and begin November 26th. There will also be a final rehearsal at 6:00pm on Wednesday, December 20th. In order to ensure that the children are well-prepared for their songs and speaking parts, attendance at each of the December rehearsals is mandatory. Please contact Amanda Hart at 979-540-0600 or another member of the Board of Education for more information.

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**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 [camplonestar.org/summer-camp/](http://camplonestar.org/summer-camp/) to look at the summer and activities.

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**WACA Christmas Party:** Please join us at the Annual Winchester Community Christmas Party at 6pm Friday, December 8 at Zilss Hall. There will be activities for the kids, a photo booth, Christmas Carols, and WAVFD will deliver Santa Claus on a fire truck. The meal is compliments of WACA members.

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**Holy Cross Game Day: Rumor has it** that old Wendish/German tradition of a visit by Rumplich will be alive and well in Warda on Thursday, December 21st. The monthly game day at the Holy Cross Fellowship Hall in Warda from Noon-2PM (light lunch provided) is back in full swing and December's Game Day will include a visit by Rumplich himself!!! Everyone is invited and there will be a chance for photos as well.....IF you've been a good boy or girl all year.



Hello to all of the ministry partners for Abba's House. I pray you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving celebration. Now that we are past the Thanksgiving holiday, I wanted to circle back around and get this on your radar once again. We have a volunteer orientation and training this coming Monday and are hoping for another 5-10 volunteers who can help us with this next wave of refugee arrivals that we are expecting in the coming months. It is a great mission/service opportunity for your people, and has a tremendous and direct impact on the lives of some of the most vulnerable people right here in our community. The sign up link is below, along with an invitation to our community dinner this coming Saturday evening. We'd love if you can join us for either, and for any publicity or encouragement you can give towards our volunteer recruitment. Thank you!

Volunteer

orientation: <https://abbashousetexas.wufoo.com/forms/mxtwzz4oeb6ylo/>

Community

dinner: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D49ACAC22A7F85-46160225-abbas>

Rev. Michael Meissner



### **"Faith at Christmas" Program**

FLHS students will present a Christmas concert, "Faith at Christmas," on Tuesday, December 12th at 7:00 pm at FLHS. Program will include a collection of choir pieces, handbell pieces, hymns, scripture readings and more.

Refreshments will be served following the program. Please join us!!!

\*This event will also be live streamed on Facebook, for those who would prefer to view the sounds of Christmas from home.

### **Shadow Days**

Shadow days are a great opportunity for prospective students to follow us for a day and experience what FLHS is all about. Parents, call us at (979) 242-2889 today to set up a shadow day for your child.

### **Athletics**

The basketball season is in full swing. The Falcons debuted our first ever cheerleading squad on Thursday, November 16th as we played Austin Classical in the McDade Tournament. The Falcon squad was victorious, and won our first ever basketball game in school history. We also introduced "Marty the Falcon" as our official mascot.

Our next game will be Monday, December 4th at McDade High School at 7pm. Come join the cheerleaders and cheer on the falcons to victory!

### **Raffle Items**

The Spring Raffle is just around the corner. The Board of Directors is currently looking for valuable items or monetary donations to be used in the raffle. Please contact Nikki Kueck if you have something to donate! Thank you!

### **End of Year Giving**

In Proverbs 2:6, God's Word promises: "The LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding." Faith Lutheran High School exists to instill Christ's wisdom in His Word to prepare faithful leaders for tomorrow. Thank you for being a part of this mission through your prayers and financial support. Please prayerfully consider how you can give to further Lutheran education in our area. Matching funds are currently available to us from some gracious private donors, so please help us take full advantage of this opportunity. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck at (979) 242-2889.



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CHRISTMAS

Bazaar

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023 | 10AM-2PM

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FOOD TRUCKS

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LEXINGTON, TX



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December 6 - 20, 2023

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Donation box



St. Michael's Lutheran Church

Narthex

(entry to church)

**Food**



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