



St. Michael Lutheran Church

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS

our mission

August Newsletter
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FIVE YEARS IN REVIEW

Dear members and friends of St. Michael,

Five years ago, on August 8, 2013, I informed you that the Lord of the Church had led me to accept the call to serve as your Senior Pastor. Thank you, again, for honoring me with this privilege. I love being your pastor!

St. Michael is a marvelous congregation—full of loving, generous, gifted and committed members. I serve with an awesome leadership team that consists of Tammy Bruns (Executive Director), Pastor Shawn (Missional Pastor), Stephanie Maxson (Music Director), Rhonda Patterson (Communications Director) and Tommy Moll (Youth Director). I am also blessed to be a part of Emmanuel-St. Michael Lutheran School—led by our amazing principal, Jacob Pennekamp. Together, and by God’s grace, we have accomplished much in the past five years! Here are a few highlights:

- Restructured our missional strategy
- Created *The Bridge*, our millennial ministry
- Paid off our debt
- Transferred from the English District (LCMS) to the Indiana District (LCMS)
- Launched the St. Michael Academy of the Arts
- Initiated a strategic plan
- Started the process of updating our church governance

Since 2013, I have made 248 first-time home visits, received 443 new members, baptized 136 children, and confirmed 157 eighth graders, along with 64 adults. Worship attendance has grown from 557 per weekend to 708.

I can’t find the words to express how welcome and supported Lisa and I feel. Your friendship and encouragement are more than we ever expected. Thank you for your love and prayers for our new granddaughter, Meryl Rose, as she struggles with Cystic Fibrosis.

The past five years have been some of the best years of my life. I look forward to the years ahead as together we continue **Connecting People to Jesus!**

—Pastor Lessing

Pedal with the Pastor

Attention all bikers! Plan to meet in the church parking lot on August 12 and September 2 at 11:45a. We will caravan to the Towpath Trailhead and head east from there.

All ages and levels are welcome!

News from Pastor Shawn

Sharing Our Story

“How was your day?” This question is so simple and so complex at the same time! It is the first question we tend to ask the people around us—whether it’s family, coworkers, or friends. It rolls off the tongue as a pleasantry. We often give the obligatory answer: “good,” “fine,” or “ugh.” If we stop to think about the question for a minute, it gives us an opportunity to share a story from our day. Taking the time to connect through a simple question allows us to bypass barriers that we often erect. Sharing our experiences allows us to connect our story of being loved and forgiven with those around us.

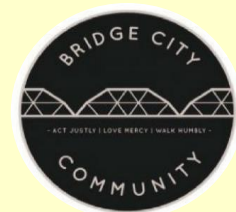
How was my day? It was great! I had the blessing at VBS of teaching 60 second and third graders about Jesus’ love and forgiveness. So often, kids of that age feel so alone and simply knowing they are loved can help them through some daily struggles. It was cool to be able to connect with them and share stories!

Acts 1:8 | Come, Holy Spirit, Take Us OUT into the World!

St. Michael has partnered in ministry with Bridge City Community (LCMS), led by Pastor Josh Woodrow in South Chattanooga, Tennessee. He will join us to share about Bridge City Community and his efforts in Chattanooga on August 25/26. We would like to bless Pastor Josh and his church with school and art supplies. Please be a part of blessing their ministry by bringing in one or more of the following:

- #2 Pencils
- Colored pencils
- Paint brushes (art class)
- Sketchbooks
- College lined single subject notebooks
- White erasers
- Baby wipes
- Clorox wipes
- Butcher paper rolls to cover tables
- Watercolor palettes of 6-12 colors

We are collecting these supplies for Pastor Josh until August 19. A collection bins are in the lobby. Contact Pastor Shawn at pastordavis@stmfw.org for more information.



Acts 1:8 | Bless World | End of the Earth

Liberian Children’s Network - Blessing through VBS

Heading to Liberia: February 2-17, 2019

Projects: Adding technology to several Lutheran Liberian schools

Interested? Get details from Pastor Shawn.

Nation | Samaria

The Bridge City Community

School and Art Supply Collection

Thrivent Members - Use Thrivent Action Dollars to bless Pastor Josh!

Community | Judea

Shepherd of the City | Fundraising BBQ

Join us as we support the congregation on Saturday, August 4 from 11:00a–4:00p.

Special recipe ribs, chicken and sides will be available for dine-in or carry-out.

Neighborhood | Jerusalem

Free Diapers – On July 27, St. Michael blessed 58 families from the community. Thank you to volunteers, MOPs, and Life Team for *Connecting People to Jesus* through this project.

Free Fresh Produce

Calling all vegetable gardeners... do you have extra produce to bless people?

Contact Jerry Egly at jerrye@embarqmail.com to learn about a unique opportunity to bless our neighbors.

BECOME Like Christ and Bless Others

Women's Connection Ministry

REDEMPTION HOUSE

Make and serve dinner and visit with the ladies on August 19 and September 16. To help, call Linda Chapman at 417-3052.

MOPS FUN!

When: Friday August 3, 10:00a–11:30a
Where: Buckner Park Playground/Splash Pad
Bring: Kids, towels and lunches (if you'd like)

MOPS Kickoff Theme: *Find Your Fire!*

What: Campfire, food for moms, kids and spouses
When: Tuesday, August 28, 6:00p–8:00p
Where: Adrienne Moeller's Home
3625 East Saddle Drive
Bring: Lawn Chair



COFFEE BREAK

Women connecting over coffee and God's Word

Women of all ages are invited to our kickoff!

Wednesday, September 12
9:15a–10:45a in Luther Hall.

Thank you to all the women who attended the Self-Defense event on July 11! It was an informative and fun evening, as well as a great opportunity for women of all ages to intermingle. Through a free-will offering, **St. Michael raised \$158** for the Redemption House kitchen remodel project. A special thank you to Adrienne Elkins, our instructor for the evening.

Linger Longer
in the Word
VISUAL FAITH EVENT

The St. Michael's Women's Connection Ministry invites you to attend a special Visual Faith event. This is open to women and children of all ages, but is best suited for grades 3 and older. Feel free to invite your friends!

- Saturday, September 8
- 9:00a–1:00p in Luther Hall
- Sign up at www.stmfw.org

Visual Faith is a visible, tangible way of engaging with God's Word. Cost: \$10 includes breakfast and all supplies. Receive instruction for praying in color, and Bible and Faith journaling.



Beauty is in the Eyes of our Beholder

St. Michael Women's Retreat
Camp Lutherhaven
October 27, 2018

St. Michael One-Day Retreat / Camp Lutherhaven October 27 / 9:00a–4:00p

You have heard the phrase, "Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder," but who is the beholder and how is beauty determined?

What if the Beholder is our loving God?

Women of all ages and Bible knowledge are invited to attend this special event. Bring your friends!

Brochures are available at the information desk in the lobby.

Music Ministry

August brings with it another exciting year of music, a new season of singing and playing at St. Michael! Now is the perfect time to venture into one of our many musical groups! Not only do you get to use your gifts to give God glory and praise, but the ensembles are a wonderful way to meet and connect with friends from St. Michael. Check out the dates and times below and drop in for rehearsal! No experience necessary! Please contact our Music Director, Stephanie at 432-2033 or stephanie@stmfw.org, for more information.



St. Michael Fall Music Schedule

Vocal	<u>Men's Choir (TTBB)</u> Wednesday 6:30p-7:00p in the Sanctuary Starts Sept. 12	<u>Adult Choir (SATB)</u> Wednesday 7:00p-8:00p in the Sanctuary Starts Sept. 12	<u>Women's Choir (SSA)</u> Wednesday 8:00p-8:30p, as needed in the Sanctuary
Handbell Choirs	<u>Grace Notes</u> (3 rd – 8 th grade) Monday 3:45p-4:45p in the Sanctuary Starts Sept. 10	<u>Harmony Ringers</u> (highschool – adult) Monday 6:15p-7:15p in the Sanctuary Starts Sept. 10	<u>Resound</u> (highschool – adult) Monday 7:30p-8:30p in the Sanctuary Starts Sept. 10
Instrumental	<u>Flute Choir</u> in Music Room Thursday 12:30p-1:30p Sunday 9:00a-9:30a	<u>Orchestra</u> in Luther Hall Thursday 6:10p-7:10p Starts Sept. 13	<u>String Ensemble</u> in Music Room Rehearsals as needed
Bands	<u>Praise Teams</u> Tuesday 7:00p-8:30p in the Music Room and Sanctuary	<u>Bridge Band</u> Tuesday 7:00p-8:00p in Luther Hall Starts Sept. 11	<u>Jubilant Fields</u> Thursday 7:00p-8:30p in the Music Room

****Youth Band is starting in September. Keep your ears open for more information coming soon!**

Hearing Assistance Devices



Just a reminder that St. Michael has assisted listening devices available at the sound booth! We have two styles: one works with the t-coil of your hearing aid and the other device uses an ear bud. Stop by the sound booth if you would like to try these out!

Saturday Band Line-Up

August 4	Life Song
August 11	Jubilant Fields
August 18	King's Strings
August 25	Life Song



SMLC Academy

- **St. Michael Academy of the Arts** welcomes Karen Manges as our new director!
- We are excited to officially announce our partnership with **Studio 149** dance. Studio 149 has been offering a Christ-centered dance education that makes a kingdom impact through discipleship and classical ballet training in the northwest area of Ft. Wayne for over 16 years. They will begin offering several six-week classes starting in November. Look for a special dance link on our website.
- Fall registration is open! Check out the SMLC Academy website to register online at www.stmfw.org/smlcacademy for a variety of classes including private lessons in strings, piano, brass, and woodwind instruments and group art lessons. Since space is limited, sign up now to reserve your spot!

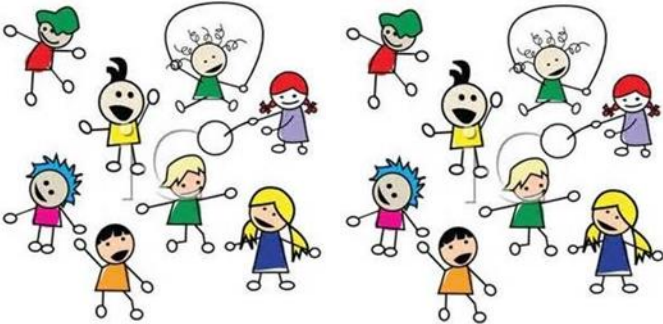
St. Michael Preschool

REGISTER TODAY!

St. Michael has three classes for your preschool student:

Tuesday/Thursday	8:30a-11:00a
Monday/Wednesday/Friday	8:30a-11:00a
Monday – Friday	12:30p-3:00p

For more information, visit www.stmfw.org/preschool.



CLHS

Golf Outing

The CLHS Annual Golf Outing will take place on Thursday, September 27, at Chestnut Hills. We invite you to join us by sponsoring, registering a team, or signing up individually at www.Golf4Cadets.com. Contact aeckert@clhscadets.com with questions.

ESM

Pack Away Hunger

Saturday, November 3

We will **PACK** the Emmanuel Gym with Emmanuel and St. Michael volunteers who will be blown **AWAY** with the fun and sense of accomplishment as we fight **HUNGER** with 75,000 nutritious meals for children in Guatemala. Registration information is coming soon!

Belong

J.O.Y. Ministry Events

Bible Study in Luther Hall
Led by Pastor Lessing
Second and Fourth Tuesdays
From 10:00a–11:30a



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| August 2 | Pizza with Pasto, Mormonism |
| August 9 | Music to my ears |
| August 24 | Medicare Options |
| August 28 | Changes in Taxes 2018 |
| September 14 | Mystery Dinner Event |

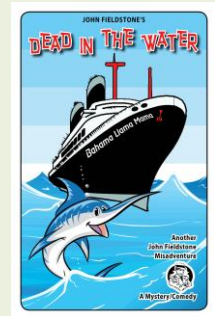
The calendar events are open to everyone who is 55 and older. Check the **J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth)** bulletin board for more information.

MYSTERY DINNER PRODUCTION

SAVE THE DATE:
 Friday, September 14

WHAT:
 Catered dinner and mystery performance by Bower North Productions

COST:
 \$25 per person. Tickets on sale July 15. Please call Carol Korte at 338-2346 for reservations.



Lutheran Night at the TinCaps

We will be celebrating our Lutheran Schools together at Parkview Field on **August 6**. The game starts at 7:05p. with fireworks to follow. The CLHS choir will sing the National Anthem, and the Color Guard will present the flags. Hot dogs, pizza, popcorn, soft drinks and chicken sticks are all \$1!

Bless St. Michael and the World



JUSTICE BREAD

Wheat, garlic bites, and Indian grain will be available August 11. Frequent buyer cards are available for \$35. All proceeds go to Lutheran Social Services of Indiana.

GREETER COORDINATOR—VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

It would be awesome to find someone willing to serve as Coordinator of the Greeters for our worship services. It involves creating the monthly schedule and weekly notifying greeters of their schedule to serve. I would work with you to enable you to do this from your own computer on your own time schedule. Thank you for considering. Contact Mary Nichols at 260-450-0025.

LLV CONGREGATIONAL KICKOFF BREAKFAST—VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

You are invited to participate in serving as a volunteer for Lutheran Life Villages at their breakfast, Wednesday, August 15, at 8:30a. Join me in supporting the population of those who are aging. The Auxiliary meets on the first Wednesday of most months at 1:30p. Contact Mary Nichols at marylouisenichols@gmail.com or 260-450-0025.

EMMANUEL-ST. MICHAEL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

We are currently seeking applicants for the following positions. Applications are available by calling the school office at 260-422-6712 or emailing Mrs. Lash at klash@esmeagles.com.

- Food Service Transportation—hours are Monday through Friday from approximately 11:00a–1:30p and involves transporting lunch to the Getz Road Campus and then serving and cleaning up.
- Extended Care—positions are available at both campuses.
- Emmanuel Preschool—looking for qualified applicants to help in their program at the Union Street Campus. Hours and days are somewhat flexible.

Thank you to the youth and their leaders who volunteered their precious time to assist in some of our home projects. As we age, certain tasks are not possible for us. God bless each one of you for your helping hands and labors of love!
—Pastor Jerry and Mary Nichols

Thank you to all for the prayers, cards, visits and food following my recent knee replacement surgery.
—Pat Williams

Lay Leadership Training

Has God gifted you with leadership skills?

Are you interested in using those skills to serve the Lord at St. Michael?

On September 9, St. Michael will begin a Lay Leadership Training Program that will discuss the unique requirements of leading in congregations. This two-year training program begins with a Bible study on leadership and will meet during the Sunday School hour beginning September 9, from 9:30a-10:55a. As part of the program, each student will develop and implement a ministry project. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Tammy Bruns at tammy@stmfw.org or 260-432-2033.

August Wedding Celebrations

		Years				Years	
Mark and Erin Bains	Aug 1	9	Eric and Alyssa Stalter	Aug 17	16		
Jerry and Susie Egly	Aug 1	37	Phil and Cheryl Wiehe	Aug 17	50		
Jacob and Jayna Schroeder	Aug 1	3	John and Sue Baker	Aug 18	34		
Terry and Marcy Martin	Aug 2	38	Stephen and Tammy Bickel	Aug 18	28		
Mike and Julie Rohrbach	Aug 2	49	Ken and Eydie Springer	Aug 18	50		
Scott and Jaime McNamara	Aug 4	11	Shawn and Anna Davis	Aug 19	11		
John and Linda Saurer	Aug 4	45	Mike and Jean Bristol	Aug 20	52		
Kevin and Kari Peeper	Aug 5	1	Paul and Lynette Selking	Aug 20	24		
Quinn and Angie Cunningham	Aug 8	10	Greg and Renee Starke	Aug 20	30		
Steve and Mary Easterday	Aug 8	31	Brandon and Shannon Perkins	Aug 21	8		
Dan and Arlyn Farber	Aug 8	13	Keith and Wendi Powers	Aug 21	25		
Bruce and Marty Schroeder	Aug 9	27	Jon and Jodi Hartman	Aug 22	20		
Lynn and Joann Auman	Aug 11	45	Kevin and Mary Ellen Tonne	Aug 23	38		
Chuck and Linda Chapman	Aug 11	44	Joe and Nancy Pyle	Aug 24	55		
Tim and Judy Thoms	Aug 11	34	Larry and Amy Dahl	Aug 25	34		
Joe and Pam Franklin	Aug 13	29	Dick and Vera Doner	Aug 25	61		
Brad and Beth Gough	Aug 13	40	Wayne and Jean Panning	Aug 27	52		
Jim and Janet Maxson	Aug 13	51	Shane and April Perry	Aug 28	8		
Jerry and Mary Nichols	Aug 14	58	Ron and Lisa Harker	Aug 29	26		
Jim and Beth Brackman	Aug 14	37	Roland and Donna Hern	Aug 29	43		
Shawn and Kim Patterson	Aug 14	25	John and Belva Patterson	Aug 29	54		
Patrick and Lisa Wetzal	Aug 14	36	Craig and Rhonda Patterson	Aug 29	26		
Dave and Judy Bauer	Aug 15	48	John and LauraMarie Carmody	Aug 31	27		
Ken and Susan Thieme	Aug 15	37	Jonathan and Dawn Derr	Aug 31	16		
Mike and Dianne Snider	Aug 16	21	Britton and Crystal Diller	Aug 31	27		
Andrew and Elissabeth White	Aug 16	10	Brian and Dawn Seiy	Aug 31	28		
Harold and Maria Graham	Aug 17	5					



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Freely you have received, freely give. Matthew 10:8b

You are the front lines of caring ministry in our congregation. Throughout the week, as you meet and greet those around you, think Stephen Ministry. If you see persons who are downcast or struggling through difficult times, think Stephen Ministry. Tell them about this special ministry in our church where they can receive the extra love and care they need to make it through the challenge or crisis they are facing. We are beginning a new Stephen Ministry training class on September 11. You're invited! For more information on the training or for people in need, call Margaret Jones at 672-3594.

**I appeal to you, by the mercies
of God...be transformed.**

—Romans 12:1-2

BELONG BECOME BLESS

Financial Update

	June 2018	Year to Date	June 2017
Offerings & Other Income	\$153,699	\$803,412	\$99,344
Ministry Expenses	\$154,793	\$783,093	\$110,258
Income over Expenses	(\$1,094)	\$20,319	(\$10,913)
Future Expansion	\$2,604	\$7,569	

Automated Giving



St. Michael offers electronic giving for members who want to have offerings transferred electronically to the church's account. Visit our website and click on "Online Giving." ***A presentation to walk you through signing up has been posted on www.stmfw.org.***

HOW TO AVOID TAXES ON IRA WITHDRAWALS

Retirees typically need to pay income tax on withdrawals from traditional retirement accounts. Once you turn 70½ annual IRA withdrawals are required. However, retirees ages 70 ½ or older who directly transfer their IRA withdrawals to a qualified charity like St. Michael will satisfy the minimum distribution requirement and will not owe income tax on the distribution.

A non-taxable charitable distribution must be made directly from the trustee of the IRA to a charitable organization. If you withdraw the money yourself and then donate it to the charity, you will need to pay income tax on the distribution.

The maximum non-taxable charitable contribution from your IRA is \$100,000 annually. Any amount contributed in excess of \$100,000 in a single year will be counted as income and taxable. If you are married and file a joint tax return, you and your spouse can each contribute up to \$100,000 to charity from your respective IRA's that will not be taxable. If you donate \$10,000 from your IRA directly to a charity and you are in the 25 percent tax bracket, you would avoid \$2,500 in taxes. But even a smaller \$500 contribution would reduce your tax bill by \$125.

However, you cannot additionally claim a charitable contribution tax deduction on a charitable distribution from your IRA. In other words you can't double dip and get two tax breaks on the same gift.

Check the eligibility of the charity before initiating a charitable IRA distribution. Not all charitable contributions will qualify for the tax break. For example, donor-advised funds are not eligible recipients.

Talk to your financial advisor to see if this strategy can benefit you.

Official Church Acts April / May / June

Baptisms: Nathaniel Lee Heilman; Sullivan Rose and Hunter Scott Smith; William Thoreau Sappenfield; Selene Elodie-Rose Fulcher; Hunter Ray Fulcher; Alexander Jared Sipe; Donovan and Avery Cannon; Cora Marie Gould; Karis Marie Bornheimer; Leo Earlington Leslie.

Transfers Out: John and Joe Nichols to Emmanuel; Zach, Tera and Julian Klutz to Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Carmel; Kyle and Diane Kraus to St. John's Lutheran Church, Arnold; David and Karen Kuehnert to Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, Avon; Diane Bricker to Praise Lutheran.

Funerals: Harry Arnold; Richard Fahlsing; Gerry Riedel; Nina Bruns.

Transferring From LCMS Congregations: Emily Osburn (Brinlee and Braden Weible), Faith, Churubusco; Pastor Mike and Jean Bristol, University, West Lafayette; Emory and Susan Craven, Mt. Calvary, FtW; Jon and Dawn Derr (Carter), Mt. Calvary, FtW; Gail Harrison, Alison and KaeLynn Harrison, Suburban Bethlehem, FtW; Michelle Thompson, St. Pauls, FtW; Katie Henry (Charlie, Maximus, Harper), Mt. Calvary, FtW; Beth Ann Grover (Molly), Emmanuel, FtW; Mark Baines (Jack, Emma), Christ, Woodburn; Pastor Bill and Marilyn Barlow, SubBeth, FtW; Barbara Derr, Mt. Calvary, FtW; Sarah Behrendt, St. Matthew's, Wall Lake, MI; Krista King (Micayla, Noah, Meredith, Nathaniel, Noelle), Zion, Decatur; Jon and Lisa Bancharde (Aria and Parker), Mt. Calvary, FtW.

Reaffirmation of Faith: Melissa Davis (Ali); Bruce and Jennifer Slazyk (Bruce and Grayson); Erin Baines

Adult Confirmation: Mike Carsten; Arlyn Farber; Glenn Mark Taidong (Farber); Karen Ebey; Dick Douglas; Janet Magallanes (Anahi)

3:15 Youth Ministries

6th-12th Grade

Youth Band Launch

Wednesday, September 12 at 7:00p

Do you love music? Do you play an instrument or sing? All 6th-12th graders are welcome to come on Wednesday, September 12 to our first youth band practice. Come and find out how you could use your gifts to connect people to Jesus. We'll talk about opportunities to use our band this school year and will run through some songs together.



Confirmation and High School Bible Study Starting September 9

We are excited for our middle school and high school classes to start back up on Sunday mornings at 9:30a.



Middle School

Middle School Second Saturday Youth Night September 8, 6:00-8:30p

Celebrate the kick-off of our middle school ministry with a meal, big games, and a time to connect with one another and God's amazing Word. Parents are invited to come for the first 30 minutes to learn more about our youth events for the year and to get more information about our confirmation retreat on October 12-14.

6th-8th Grade Confirmation Retreat October 12-14



Our annual confirmation retreat will be for 6-8 grade students, and will be held at Camp Lutherhaven on October 12-14. The retreat includes confirmation teaching sessions, as well as worship, games, team-building activities and adventure! The cost will be \$110 per student. If you are in need of financial assistance,

please contact Tommy Moll. More information will be provided on our first day of Sunday School.

High School

Last High School Summer Hang Time Sunday, August 12

High school hang times are great opportunities to relax and connect with good people throughout the summer. Newly graduated 8th graders through our recent high school graduates are invited. Our hosts provide a meal and games. Our last summer hang time will be Sunday, August 12, at the Moll home (1510 Clearwater Lane). Come for a meal, outdoor games, a campfire, and a good time with good people.



High School Youth Nights September 9 and 23, 6:00p-8:30p

Each youth night, we'll share a meal together, have Bible study, and do a closing game or activity. All high school youth are welcome and you can always bring a friend. This year parents are invited to our first youth night from 6:00p-6:30p to learn what we have in store for the year and to get information about the National Youth Gathering.

Sunday Morning Bible Classes Sundays, 9:30a-10:30a



This fall we will be starting the year off by looking at our National Youth Gathering theme of *Present. Real. God.* taken from Psalm 46. We will continue to have amazing high school small group leaders along with caring adults who will teach for three to four weeks segments throughout the year.

High School Small Group Ministry 1st and 3rd Sundays

We are excited to be continuing our high school small groups. We will meet the First and Third Sundays of each month, connect with each other, and connect to Jesus through Bible study. Small groups will begin September 18. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry or Jen Ackmann (260-450-3466).

VBS Wrap-up

During the week of July 23-27, St. Michael was blessed with 221 students and 100 volunteers who made *Shipwrecked—Rescued by Jesus* a huge success! Our offerings for Liberian Lutheran Schools totaled \$1,525!

Family Bible Time To-Go Boxes

Connect to God's Word as a family this summer! Each box contains four devotions, simple games and activity sheets. We have included instructions on how you can use the items as a family, to nurture faith and have fun together.

Serving in August 2018 at St. Michael Lutheran Church

Title	Dates	Saturday			Sunday	
				8:00	10:00	
Acolytes	4/5	Seth McCord Melyssa Stock	Josh Maxson		Ruth and Addison Kaiser	
	11/12	Alexus Bohnke Nick Schoeph	Josh Maxson		Jackson Stalter Ella Hartman	
	18/19	Alex Jones Ella Taylor	Lexi Panning Evan Caudill		Kaelyn North Vaugh Hendrickson	
	25/26	Chris Faley Molly Stock	Elise Grinsfelder Alison Nutter		Nathan and Matthew Bear	
Altar Guild		Carol Olry, Stacie Saunders, Christina Powell, and Cassandra Feldbauer				
Coffee and Fellowship	4/5	Tina Hoover				
	11/12	Liz Edwards				
	18/19	ESM Teachers				
	25/26	Paul and Darlene Buuck				
Elders	August	Shayne Ulmer	Mark Muntzinger		Paul Selking	
		Monday—Craig Patterson		The Bridge—Zach Evans		
Flowers	4/5	John and Linda Saurer, in honor of their 45 th wedding anniversary.				
	11/12	Mary and Jerry Nichols, in honor of their 58 th wedding anniversary.				
	18/19	John and Sue Baker, in honor of their 34 th wedding anniversary.				
	25/26	open				
GAP	18/19	Al Claus and Richard Pierce	Pastor Jerry and Mary Nichols		Rick and Cathie Humbarger	
Greeters	4/5	Mary Bear Kathleen Brown Harold and Maria Graham Frank and Gloria Helfrich	Nancy Kuker Wayne and Jean Panning Marge Jesse Gretchen Weerts Emory and Susan Craver		Bruce Schroeder Kevin and Denise Scholz Mike and Mary Ratty	
	11/12	Gene Scheumann Liz Edwards Mark and Shannon Rose	Jen Ackmann Colleen Eiseman David and Judy Mueller Dave and Kathy Trinklein		Eric and Alyssa Stalter Carol Olry Brenda Williams Tom and Keri Latin	
	18/19	Dave and Christine Harrison Ron and Carol Korte	Ted and Donna Braun Jon and Cristie Gerken Jim and Pam Brewer Heather Maloney		Karen Hall Jon and Dawn Derr Sitterra Dumford	
	25/26	John and Sue Baker Richard Pierce Gloria Doty High Kalisha Doty	Sherry Buuck Tim and Marilyn Crum Chon and Sharon Michael		Ron and Kendra Nieman John and Belva Patterson	
Lay Readers	4/5	Adam Hahn	Gretch Weerts		Janice Pekrul	
	11/12	Cassandra Hebermehl	Richard Pierce		No reader	
	18/19	Linda Lewis	Rich Kraus		Randy Fillmore	
	25/26	Linda Lewis	Richard Pierce		Karen Hall	

Fellowship – Coffee Hour

We are seeking members who are able to serve one weekend a month. Duties include picking up donuts and making coffee. We need a couple(s) or small group that can make the coffee in the gym and another individual to make coffee for the lobby. Please consider this opportunity to serve! Contact Tina in the church office at 432-2033 with questions or to volunteer.



We will celebrate Baptismal birthdays on August 11/12 for these children:

Joey Beights; Lily Anne Bohnke; Thomas Collins; Benton Hetrick; Riley McNamara; Avery Meeks; Kylie Meyer; Gretchen North; Hunter Panning; Kylie Peeper; Nash Roehm; Jason Sult; and Makaela Wonderly.