

The First Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2019

Order of Worship

7:45: Divine Service III, page 184 in the hymnal

Hymns: 656, 424, 718, 521, 571

10:30: Praise and Worship

Sermon

“Put Your Money Where Your Faith Is”

Romans 8:10

Rev. Rob Gadeken

Scripture Readings

Deuteronomy 26:1-11: “When you come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the Lord your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our fathers to give us.’ Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the Lord your God. “And you shall make

response before the Lord your God, ‘A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O Lord, have given me.’ And you shall set it down before the Lord your God and worship before the Lord your God. And you shall rejoice in all the good that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.

Romans 10:8b - 13: “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For

the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Luke 4:1-13: And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.” And Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone.’” And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, and said to him, “To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” And Jesus answered him, “It is written, “You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.” And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, ““He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and ““On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a

stone.” And Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Serving in Worship Today

Elders Whitey Bierlein, Jim Manthey

Charlie Weber

Organist Calista Bickel

Usher Captains Ron Spiekerman

Paul Kern

Altar Guild . Linda Trombley, Bev Bierlein

Greeters Dennis and Toni Kern

Joe and Georgette

Wednesday

Elder Luke Bierlein

Organist Dennis Fischer

Choir Cherub Choir

Usher Paul Kern

Church Council will meet on March 11th at 7 p.m. *Voters Meeting* will be held on Sunday, March 17 at 11:45 a.m. On the agenda: calling a Principal for our school along with other business. All members are encouraged to attend.

Lenten Suppers will be served this Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. This week is hosted the PTL and 6th and 7th grade. Proceeds from a free will offering will go towards their Washington D.C. trip. Menu: sloppy joes, cheese potatoes,

baked beans, fruit and dessert. Everyone is invited!

Items for the April newsletter must be turned in by noon on Monday, March 18th.

The Home Purpose budget goal for each week is \$27,228. Home Purpose donations for the week of March 3rd, in 176 envelopes, were \$22,276.25 which leaves a deficit of \$4,951.75 for that week.

Greeters are needed for March 24th, early service. and March 31st, both services. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

Lutheran Laymen's League: Al & Mary Lou Blasius will be our host on Monday, March 18th, 5:00 p.m. Meet at the *Blasius Corrian Plant*, 8835 Van Cleve Road, Tuscola. After touring the Plant we will travel to the Blasius Sugar Bush on Buell Road where we will enjoy a pot luck meal with the Blasius Family. Members please bring a dish to pass. Call President Wayne Bierlein at 989-551-3011 with questions.

Volunteers: Looking for 4 young people to wash dishes at the Mother's Day BBQ. Grab a couple of friends and contact Pam Mossner at 239-6999 to let her know you can help out. Thanks!

Helping Hands: We are in great need of volunteers, especially drivers and cooks. We have members who occasionally need rides to dr. visits. We also like totake meals to those who are unable to cook due to illness or injury. If you are able to help in either of these capacities, or have other talents to share, please contact Lynn Schmandt as soon as possible. Thank you!

With the Passion Drama right around the corner we are looking for a few more chair people: call chair; people to call members of our church to seek out volunteers; makeup chair trainee to take over after this year - this job consists of putting the makeup on Jesus and thieves. If you would like to take on one of these roles please fill out a slip or contact one of the passion drama chairs as soon as possible. Thanks!

Membership change: Robert and Diane Rembisz have transferred to St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Waterford Township, MI.

Attendance
Sunday 434
Ash Wednesday 216

This week at St. Michael:
Today *The First Sunday in Let Communion Service 7:45 a.m.*

Kidz Min 9 a.m.
Bible Classes 9:15 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Financial Peace 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.
Monday Church Council 7 p.m.
Tuesday Adult Choir 7 p.m.
Trustees 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Class 7:30 a.m.
Lenten Supper 5:30 p.m.
Lenten Worship Service 7 p.m.
Thursday Confirmation Class 7 p.m.
Saturday Winterfest
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School News
Sloppy Joes are being sold today after worship services by the 6th and 7th graders raising funds for their trip to Washington D.C.

Winterfest 2019: accepting silent auction donations. You may drop them off at the school M-F 8:00-3:00, or on March 16th between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Welsh.

Principal: The following names have been given to us for consideration to be called

as the principal of our school: Brian Betts, Scott Browning, Charles Chaveriat, Danny Green, Axel Gruen, Pat Hambaum, Emily Heins, Christina Heiss, Shawn Hoffmann, Scott Huster, Jeremy Kell, Timothy Leech, Amanda Neumeyer, Eric Pralle, Christopher Root.

Bus Driver: We have a job opening for a school bus driver for morning pick-up, evening drop-offs, and occasional field trips. Bus classes are required and the next one is May 21-23 with a test to be taken for a bus driver license. Contact Bret Heinlein at 989-751-5398 for more information.

Child Care News
St. Michael's Child Care has job openings for lead teachers and assistant teacher in our program. For more information or to receive an application, please contact the Director Gloria Fahlsing at the Child Care Office – phone #989-868-3830.

Other News
The Lutheran Hour: airs on WSAM-1400 from 8:30 to 9:00a.m. every Sunday. Next week's message: ""Ba-a-ah". Strikingly, Jesus refers to his people both as "sheep" and as "gods".

Applications are being taken for the Doug Gruber Memorial Scholarship. Forms are available in the church office.

Fish Fry at Trinity-St. James, Munger on Friday, March 15 all you can eat buffet from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Take outs available.

Church Office 868-4791
Pastor Gadeken 780-1721
Pastor Gillaspie 262-8011
Pastor Yang 239-4758
School Office 868-4809
Child Care 868-3830



Lent/Easter Mission Project
“Forty Days—Forty Items”

St. Michael’s Outreach Team has a challenge for you! We will supply bags and we would like you to give up one item each day from your household during Lent and add it to the bag. Item ideas are displayed on the table and list of suggestions is included with the bags. Pick up your bag today in the foyer. Hang it in a place where you won’t forget it; make it a family project and have children help out also. Please return them to the church foyer on Easter Sunday. They will be delivered to various shelters in the area.

It’s not too late to get started - take a bag home today! Thank you!
St. Michael’s Outreach Team