

St. Michael Lutheran Church

News & Events

April 8, 2018

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: April 9, Colin Thornton; April 10, Gail Bucholz; April 11, Madeleine Rhyne, Ellen Sughrue; April 12, Connie Umberger; April 13, Jackie Frederick, Linda Pennington; April 14, Deborah Schuetterle; April 15, Paul Montjoy, Thomas Outten. We rejoice that you are living and serving among us in faith and discipleship!

IT IS OUR JOY AND PRIVILEGE AS THE CHURCH IN THIS PLACE to administer the Sacrament of Holy Baptism to **CALLIE ELIZABETH KENDRICK** infant daughter of Devin & Kristi Kendrick and sister to Carter. Serving as Baptismal Sponsors are Carrie and Jay Henderson, while Ric and Somers Farmer are serving as Congregational Representatives and will present the Faith Chest. As God today names and claims Callie, we remember God has likewise named and claimed us, and we renew our commitment to **“walk wet”** each day in the covenant of our Baptism!

WE SHARE IN THE JOY OF JEFF AND SARAH FORRESTER at the birth of their daughter **Margaret Williams Forrester** on Friday, March 30. Margaret joins brothers Dewey and Henson. She weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 21 inches long. We give thanks to God for this gracious gift of new life!

WE SHARE IN THE JOY OF NATHAN AND LIZA ANNE COOK at the birth of their daughter **Elsie Mercer Cook** on Tuesday, April 3. Elsie weighed 5 lbs. 11 oz. and was 18.5 inches long. She joins brother Wilson. We give thanks to God for this gracious gift of new life!

WE SHARE IN THE JOY OF DORSEY AND CHRISTIE FINN at the birth of their granddaughter **Ryan Lauren Finn**, born Wednesday, April 4th to parents Mathew & Nicole Finn. Ryan weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz and is 19.5 inches long. We give thanks to God for this gracious gift of new life!

THE LUTHERAN MEN’S LABOR OF LOVE IS APPRECIATED! We express our warmest thanks and gratefulness to our Lutheran Men for preparing and serving the Easter Breakfast for all of us last Sunday! ***Please thank them personally!***

We would like to thank everyone for all the prayers that you have sent upwards and for the many cards that we have received. Our family appreciates your thoughtfulness and for helping us through these hard times. Thank you again.

~ Karen, Jamie & the Karlik family

Thank you to my family at St. Michael’s: Dear Christian Friends, thank you so much for all your support including cards, letters, phone calls, and personal visits to help me recover from my latest little bump in the road. God’s Peace and Love, to you and yours. ~ Ralph Mellom

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH GATHERING group with their fundraiser at Mutts. It was a very successful event. The Mutt's staff complimented our youth on how hard working they were, and how wonderful it was that so many church members came out to support our youth. It was one of their busiest Monday nights recently. In total we earned \$838.68!!

WE CONTINUE SEEKING THROUGH SPIRIT MATTERS TO PROVIDE intentional spiritual nurture in a group setting with shared leadership. We will meet May 12th at 7:00 PM. We are working together to discern meeting times and frequency which will best serve the largest number of those interested. If you would like to learn more about this effort to experience community in a way that both gives and receives at the same time all the time, please contact Maureen Nelson or Pastor Robert. We welcome all who are seeking spiritual nourishment and faith-filled encouragement.

BACKPACK BUDDIES CONTINUES PACKING 25 BAGS EACH WEEK! At this time we are in need of *meats, white milk, juice, pasta and fruit*. All other items on our list are always appreciated. Your continuing support makes a real difference in the lives of children in poverty. We are very grateful for the support of the local Thrivent chapter this month. **THANK YOU!!!**

THE BERYL HILLER CIRCLE will meet Tuesday, April 10th at 10:00 AM in the Green Room. Melanie Waites has the program while Pat Howard is hostess.

THE JOHNSIE RICHARDSON CIRCLE will meet at the home of Debbie Hammersla, Tuesday, April 10th at 7:00 PM. Sandi Nelsen has the program.

THE APRIL SAINTS ALIVE MEETING will be a pot luck luncheon in Fellowship Hall beginning at 12:15 on Wednesday, April 25. Mr. Van Broad, Community Development Director in Mauldin, will return to St. Michael's to serenade us. His music was enjoyed by all in 2017. Please mark your calendars now and plan to join us for fun, food, and fellowship with your St. Michael family

OUR SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS ON SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018!!! We will have **one Sunday service at 10:00 am.**

OUR SERVANT MINISTRY OF TRANSITIONAL HOUSING in partnership with GAIHN/ United Ministries continues in quiet and steadfast ways. The Risen Christ still goes before us to Galilee -- to the places we live and work -- leading us forward into new life. As we follow Him, we will see Him there. We are grateful to the members of our congregation whose efforts continue to make this ministry happen.

THE SEVEN WEEKS OF THE EASTER CELEBRATION -- a week of weeks -- fit this year neatly into the time before Summer vacation. What gifts of time and talent can you give in new ways to make meaningful ministry happen in this season of new beginnings? Ministry is always accomplished by people who know that God can and will use their ordinariness to accomplish extraordinary things! We ARE God's Easter People! How can we as St. Michael Lutheran Church show that to the world God so loves?

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VBS: Shipwrecked Rescue by Jesus, June 18-22 from 9am-12pm. Contact Karen Street karenkstreet@charter.net for any questions. LCY will be attending the National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX the end of June, so VBS has been scheduled **a week earlier than usual.**

YOUTH SUNDAY T-SHIRTS! We will do Youth Sunday t-shirts this year. Madeline Rhyne has worked hard to design the t-shirt to go along with the Gospel on the 6th, John 15:9-17. The color of the t-shirt is lime green. Youth sizes start at x-small to all sizes in adults. The cost is \$12.00 per shirt (add \$2.00 for XX-large or larger). A small percentage of the t-shirt cost will go towards to the Youth Gathering fundraising efforts. Karen Street will place orders on Monday, April 16th. Please email her at karenksteet@charter.net or text her at 864-630-5426, to tell her the sizes you need before then. Money needs to be turned in to Karen or Nancy Adair by **SUNDAY, APRIL 15th**. Make checks out to Saint Michael Lutheran Church, earmark Youth Sunday t-shirts.

MAY 6th IS LUTHERIDGE SUNDAY! It's our annual Youth Sunday worship service at Lutheridge. We'll have hamburgers and hot dogs for lunch at 12:00 provided by LMM. LCY will lead us in worship at 1:00. The 8:30 worship service will be held at the church as usual. Please see the poster in the Gathering Area to sign up for Lutheridge lunch and to let us know if you will bring a side dish or dessert to share. Save the date and make plans to join your SMLC family at Lutheridge.

WE ARE WORKING TO FRAME AND DISPLAY A PHOTO OF EACH Confirmation Class in the history of St. Michael's. We are currently working on the years from 1990 through 2010. If you have a "whole class" photograph from one of those years – or any year! – and would be willing to loan it to us to scan into our computer, please contact Pastor Robert or Penny Adsit. (We have the year 2000.) The framed photographs will "live" in the hallway outside the nursery and choir room. Thank you for your help in making this visual celebration!

YOUTH MINISTRY

CRAWL Youth Group (Birth - 3 YEARS & Parents)

Meeting today 9:45 AM in the Nursery

Young Youth (K4 – 5th Grade)

No Meeting today

LCY (6th – 12th Grade)

Regular Meeting at 6:00 PM

We have about \$8,400 still to raise for the ELCA Youth Gathering trip to Houston in June. We will be sending 15 youth and 5 adults on this faith formation journey. Thank you for your support!

Fundraiser Opportunities

Friday Family Fun Night

Friday, April 13th 7:00-9:30-LCY is hosting a Family Fun Night for their Saint Michael's family. Pizza dinner, children's activities, and outside movie, Ferdinand. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on. Cost is \$4.00 for dinner and movie per person. We will also have a 50/50 raffle drawing that night-\$5.00 tickets. All money raised will go towards the Youth Gathering. Please let Karen Street know if you plan to attend by April 12th at ka-renkstreet@charter.net to plan for food accordingly.

LCY: April 13th late night movie after the fundraiser at the church till 11:30.

Rent-A-Youth: ongoing!

Y'ALL: Young Adults Living Lutheran

Join us again April 11th.

Dinner and Childcare provided weekly!!!

See Heather Hester for details and check out our **FACEBOOK** page.

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Thirsty Thursdays

COME. FELLOWSHIP. BE FED.

Do you consider yourself a "Young Adult"?

Are you looking for an intentional faith group & good friends?

Do you need a break from your regular weekly routine?

Do you want a place where you can stay connected to Jesus, have a support network within the church, & have meaningful conversation about faith & life in a casual social setting?

Then **JOIN US** for *Thirsty Thursdays*

We meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

Join us again Thursday, April 12th, Location TBA

See Emily Bugay or check out our page on **FACEBOOK** for info.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

A "FAITH 5" VERSE

"Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

John 20:29

Monday, April 9

12- Step Group 7:30 pm

Tuesday, April 10

Beryl Hiller Circle 10:00 am

Worship & Music Team 6:30 pm

AA 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 11

Bible Study 10:30 am

Y'ALL 6:00 pm

New Creation Worship Service 6:00 pm

Chancel Choir 7:00 pm

Thursday, April 12

Breakfast Together 8:30 am

Nursing Mothers' Support Group 12:00 pm

Thirsty Thursday 7:00 pm

AA 7:00 pm

Al-Anon 8:00 pm

Friday, April 13

Saturday, April 14

Sunday, April 15

Worship Service 8:30 am

CRAWL 9:45 am

Faith Formation 9:45 am

Worship Service 11:00 am

Girl Scouts 2:30 pm

Young Youth 4:00 pm

LCY 6:00 pm

Lessons for April 15, 2018

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:12-19

Psalm 4

1 John 3:1-7

Luke 24:36b-48