

# St. Michael Lutheran Church

## News & Events

### May 4, 2018

**BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** May 7, Cameron Castor, Carter Wroblewski; May 8, Lee Floyd, Jerry Umberger; May 10, Laurel Hanna, Laney Snyder; May 12, Edwin Chong; May 13, Nancy Fulmer. We rejoice that you are living and serving among us in faith and discipleship!

**OUR 11 AM WORSHIP WILL BE AT LUTHERIDGE THIS SUNDAY!!!** Join us at OUR beautiful Camp Lutheridge in Arden, NC for a Lakeside Worship led by OUR YOUTH and a cook-out lunch coordinated by OUR Lutheran Men in Mission. There will be one service here at 8:30 am. A hot dog and hamburger lunch will be served by Lutheran Men at noon at Lutheridge. Worship begins at 1:00 pm. You are welcome to drive up this morning, even if you have not given us an RSVP. Bring a dessert or side dish if you are able. Join your St. Michael family at our Lutheran Camp as we spend some time with *Jesus the Good Shepherd!* Directions are in the Gathering Area.

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE WORSHIP SPACE beginning at 10:45 AM on Sunday, MAY 13.** We will receive annual reports for 2017 (as directed by our congregation's constitution), and we will be asked to adopt routine changes to our by-laws to update our constitution to agree with our current needs and practices. Copies of all will be made available by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Your prayerful participation is encouraged, as we celebrate the abundant resources and many meaningful ministries of St. Michael's Lutheran Church!

**THE NEW 2018 YEARBOOK AND DIRECTORY IS AT THE BINDER AND WILL BE HERE TUESDAY** in the Gathering Area. We are grateful to Stacey Anders for her diligent work to put this book together, and for the faithful volunteers who help with its production.

**THE JOHNSIE RICHARDSON CIRCLE** is meeting Tues., May 8 at 7:00 at Terri Keaney's Home. Terri has the program. Join us!

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

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VBS: Shipwrecked Rescue by Jesus,** June 18-22 from 9am-12pm. Contact Karen Street [karenkstreet@charter.net](mailto: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.***

**ARE YOU OR A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE OR GRADUATE SCHOOL THIS SPRING/SUMMER?** Your church family would like to know! Please email Stacey Anders as soon as possible with the details, [sanders@stmichaelelca.org](mailto:sanders@stmichaelelca.org). We would like to honor all of our graduates during worship sometime in June!

**WE CONTINUE SEEKING THROUGH SPIRIT MATTERS TO PROVIDE** intentional spiritual nurture in a group setting with shared leadership. We will meet **this Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM. 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 seek spiritual nourishment and faith-filled encouragement.

**TEMPORARY ADDRESS FOR ELLEN HILLER:** Ellen Hiller Rm 336A, NHC Mauldin, 850 E. Butler Road, Greenville SC 29607. If you want to bring her flowers, please use a small vase. She does not have a lot of room.

**THANKS FOR ALL THE SUPPORT YOU SHOWED TO THE YOUTH** at our Zaxby's fundraiser for the Youth Gathering fundraiser efforts. The Zaxby's manager said how wonderful so many people came out to show support to our Youth. With this fundraiser, we raised \$159.60 towards our National Youth Gathering fund. Thank you so much for your amazing support, as always.

**MANY THANKS TO TOM HARRIZ AND HIS FAMILY FOR HOSTING** at his home the wonderful oyster roast on April 28! It takes all of us to build community at St. Michael's! How can you nourish and strengthen the body here?

**AN AFTERNOON MOTHER'S DAY TEA ON SATURDAY, MAY 12,** will give you an opportunity to celebrate all the special women in your life. The event will support our LCY attending the national gathering in Houston. Please see today's bulletin insert for further details.

**SAINTS ALIVE WILL MEET MAY 23** at 12:15 pm. It will be our annual Spring picnic. A sign-up sheet will be on the kiosk. Tonjia Globewski will be doing a travelogue of Germany. Hope to see everyone on the 23<sup>rd</sup>!

**ITS JUST 40 DAYS UNTIL THE HOUSTON YOUTH GATHERING! OUR GROUP WILL FLY OUT OF GSP** on Wednesday, June 27, to gather with 35,000 Lutheran high school students under the theme **"This Changes Everything,"** based on a text from Ephesians 2. Funding is nearing its goal; these young adults and their leaders continue working very hard to provide this opportunity, and to leave a "nest egg" for the group attending the 2021 Gathering (location yet to be announced). Please begin lifting in prayer the 15 LCY members who will be participating: Adam Monn, Allyn Hickey, Anna Rush Schultz, Emma Street, Gabrielle LeBel, Isaac Fisher, John Wallace Schultz, Kaileigh Wallace, Kaley Webster, Kirsten Lanning, Lauren Simpson, Maren Hester, Reid Schultz, Savannah Varney, and Zach Monteith.

**THE HOSPITALITY CANDLE IS BURNING ONCE AGAIN!** This past week we welcomed into our basement shelter Chandra and her two children, Justin (16 yr) and Natalie (13 yr). Chandra is currently employed but is working to obtain better employment to be able to support her family in their own home. Our partnership with GAIHN/United Ministries in providing this safe housing is a vital piece of the puzzle which must be assembled to move her to this new level of sufficiency. Your support of our shelter ministry is changing her life! Thank God for you!

**IT'S TIME TO FILL OUT OUR 2018 TIME & TALENT FORMS!** A link to the online form can be found on our website at [www.stmichaelelca.org](http://www.stmichaelelca.org). You may complete the form online or if you would prefer to fill out a paper copy, they are available in the Gathering Area. Please place paper copies in the offering plate. Our Youth are also encouraged to fill out a form. We are grateful for all that you do for St. Michael's!

**JO FINTEL IS NOW LIVING FULL-TIME AT THE HOME OF** Barb and Greg Collins. She has entered hospice care because of her failing heart, but is as interested in the life of St. Michael's as she has always been. She has agreed to become an Associate Member here – so that she can be connected, yet keep her primary membership at College Lutheran in Roanoke, VA. She prefers to receive email at [nfintel@aol.com](mailto:nfintel@aol.com). The mailing address at Greg and Barb's is **1400 Thornblade Blvd, Unit 40, Greer, SC 29650**

**OUR ANNUAL SC SYNOD ASSEMBLY CONVENES THURSDAY, MAY 31,** at the Columbia Convention Center. Voting members from SMLC are appointed by our Congregation Council. If you are interested in being a part of the Church in this expression of its life, please contact a member of Council or Pastor Robert. Pastors Robert and Elise, as well as Pastors Kinsey, Kirkpatrick, Nelson and Nelsen are members of the Assembly by constitution. Our membership entitles us to three lay voting members, plus a fourth under the age of thirty.

**OUR BACKPACK BUDDIES ARE IN NEED OF WHITE MILK, PASTA, BREAKFAST ITEMS, MEATS!** Any and all items that we pack are always appreciated. We will continue packing bags through the end of this school year. Your support of this effort really does make a difference in the lives of children at risk for hunger. We thank you! And we thank God for you!

**THIS THURSDAY'S ASCENSION DAY MARKS THE ENDING OF JESUS'** physical presence in one place and the BEGINNING of His Real Presence in every place. The story is told in Luke 24 and Acts 1. It is the 40<sup>th</sup> day of Easter.

**THE BERYL HILLER CIRCLE** is meeting Tues., May 8 at 10:00 AM at St. Michael. Sue McConnell will host while Melanie Waites has the program.

# YOUTH MINISTRY

## CRAWL Youth Group (Birth - 3 YEARS & Parents)

No Meeting Sunday

## Young Youth (K4 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

No Meeting Sunday

## LCY (6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

No Meeting Sunday

**Sunday:** Youth Sunday at Lutheridge

LCY arrive at 10:30 am

Young Youth arrive at 11:30 am

**Youth Gathering Prep Meeting, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM**

RENT A YOUTH: Ongoing till June

\*Spring Cleaning                      \*Babysitting

\*Yard work                                \*House cleaning

\*Pet Sitting/Walking                  \*Party Preparation

\*Pick up your mail & water plants

Youth will have an adult assisting them. Any donations will be welcome.

Please contact Karen Street (864-630-5426).

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## **Y'ALL: Young Adults Living Lutheran**

**Join us again on May 9<sup>th</sup>.**

*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, May 10th, Location TBA**

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

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

**A "FAITH 5" VERSE**

"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love."

*John 15:9*

Monday, May 7

12- Step Group 7:30 pm

Tuesday, May 8

Beryl Hiller Circle 10:00 am

Worship & Music Team 6:30 pm

AA 7:00 pm

Wednesday, May 9

Bible Study 10:30 am

Y'ALL 6:00 pm

**New Creation Worship Service 6:00 pm**

Chancel Choir 7:00 pm

Thursday, May 10

Breakfast Together 8:30 am

Nursing Mothers' Support Group 12:00 pm

AA 7:00 pm

**Spirit Matters 7:00 pm**

**Thirsty Thursdays 7:00 pm**

Al-Anon 8:00 pm

Friday, May 11

Saturday, May 12

Sunday, May 13 – Mothers' Day

**Worship Service 8:30 am**

**CRAWL 9:30am**

**Faith Formation 9:30 am**

**Congregational Meeting 10:45 am**

**(In Gathering Area)**

**Worship Service 11:00 am**

**Girl Scouts 2:30 pm**

**Lessons for May 13, 2018**  
**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26  
Psalm 1  
1 John 5:9-13  
John 17:6-19