



Saint Michael Lutheran Church

Missouri Synod

3595 Broadway, Fort Myers, Florida 33901

Sat. 5:30pm Informal

Sun. 8:00am Traditional & 10:45am Blended

Pastor Jon Zehnder, Senior Pastor
Pastor Steven Hess, Visitation Pastor
Pastor Roger Hubbard - Winter Associate
Mrs. Kati Miser, Principal
Mr. Mike Rhinehart, Vice Principal

Mr. Colton LaMay, Director of Music Ministries
Mrs. Lori Schwan, Director of Nurturing Ministries
Mrs. Julie Berchtold, Director of Caring Ministries
Miss Kristen Martin, Interim Dir. of Christian Educ.
Mr. Robert Jablonski, Director of Support Ministries

239-939-1218

www.smlcs.org

May 7-8, 2016

Welcome

The people of Saint Michael wish to extend a hand of welcome to all who join us in worship. May God fill you with the assurance of His love and forgiveness in Jesus.

Sunday Educational Hour

Sunday School

9:00 - 9:15am "Excite" (games)..... Gym
9:15 - 9:30am "Engage" (opening) Church
9:30 - 10:30am Individual Grade Level Activities

Toddlers- 2 year olds Church Nursery
PK3-PK4 Educ. Bldg. Rm. #29
K-1st Grade..... Educ. Bldg. Rm. #25
2nd - 3rd Grade Educ. Bldg. Rm. #4
4th - 5th Grade Educ. Bldg. Rm. #1
6th Grade Educ. Bldg. Rm. #50
Confirmation Educ. Bldg. Rm. #49
High School..... Youth Room

Adult Learning Opportunities

Young Adults..... Pastor's Conf. Room
Parents of Teens Educ. Bldg. #33
Marriage Enrichment..... Educ. Bldg. #26
Family Enrichment Office Center
Spiritual Parenting at Birth Educ. Bldg. #5
Pastor Zehnder's Adult Bible Study..... Cafeteria

Church Nursery is available for children 2 years old & younger. Interested in volunteering? Sign up in Nursery, Contact Kati Miser or Lori Schwan at 939-1218 ext. 224.

All Who Are Communing

When Jesus said - *"This is My Body...this is My Blood"* - He really meant it. We believe in the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament, not merely in a figurative or symbolic sense. Jesus is present with His Body and Blood, given to us in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. It is an act of His love, which we don't deserve, we cannot explain, nor even understand. We humbly believe it. It is the request of our congregation, that anyone who wishes to commune with us share this faith. For all who intend to commune, we follow St. Paul's admonition to -"examine yourself."



- Do I believe that I have come short of God's expectations, and am I sorry for my sins?
- Do I believe that Jesus, my Savior and Lord, forgives me?
- Will I, with a grateful heart, and in loving obedience, allow God's Holy Spirit to improve my attitudes, and empower me to live for Him?

Both individual cups and the common cup are offered from both sides of the altar (*individual cups with non-alcoholic wines are in the center section*). After receiving both elements, please return to your seat - the blessing is given to everyone. ***Gluten-Free wafers are now available!**

Communion is offered:

1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 10:45 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 8:00 a.m.
(and the Saturday before at 5:30 p.m.)

Spring Concert “Stars & Stripes”

The SMLS combined Music Department – strings, bands, mallets, praise band, handbells, choirs, and soloists – will perform on **Thurs., May 19th at 6:30pm** in the gym Bldg. They are also hosting a delicious pasta dinner, complete with all the trimmings! Tickets are available in the school office and from Stephanie Webb. Dinner begins at 5:00pm and will be served until 6:05pm.

- ❖ Dinner & Show: \$12 Adults, \$6 Kids
- ❖ Show only: \$8 Adults, \$5 Kids

Sign up today! Hard to imagine, but the school year is almost over! **Sat. June 11th** will be our “end of year cleanup and de-clutter day.” Please come lend a hand as many hands make light work. 8am – Noon. Call 939-1218 x241 to get your name on the list of helpers!

Now Hiring! Know anyone who enjoys working with small children? Little Saints is hiring teachers to work with our Infants, Ones and Two year olds. Part-time, no experience necessary. Must love young children. Email resume to Stacie.Thompson@smlcs.org

NYG FINAL fundraiser! The students are selling tie-dye shirts for \$20. Our goal is to get as many congregation members to wear this shirt with us on **Sunday, July 17th** so that we can be connected while we are apart! Come hear more about this brand new fundraiser in the Narthex!

Love-ology, featuring John Mark Comer, is a video-based Bible study for anyone who wants to learn what the Scriptures have to say about sexuality and relationships. This great series is offered in **Family Enrichment Class, Sundays, 5/1-5/22, 9:30 a.m., Office Center.**

Thank You Marilyn Lehman would like to share these words with her SML church family: *“Thank you so very much for all of the cards, gifts and prayers sent on my behalf over this long period of time. You are all so kind. I’m still in the ‘getting better’ stage but I look forward to returning to church soon.”* Let’s continue to pray for Marilyn’s healing and returning strength.

Saints Scholar Society St. Michael will honor this year's outstanding students and educators at the **June 2nd** Saints Scholar Society Awards Dinner. We are looking for a few "angels" who will help underwrite the cost of the event. More than 70 awards will be presented to students and staff who have excelled in all areas of teaching and learning. Donations & sponsorships may be tax deductible. For more information, please contact Stephanie Webb (770-1575) or complete a *Saints Scholar Society* card and place it in the offering plate.

The Story of Marriage, DVD series by John & Lisa Bevere. ONCE UPON A TIME...Marriage was forever. It was a covenant that knit one man and one woman together. This weaving made both stronger, nobler, and more vibrant expressions of who they were created to be. They were better together than either had been on their own. How did we lose touch with this profound love story? Please join **Marriage Enrichment**, Sundays, 9:15 am, Rm. #26, to rediscover God's original plan. Whether you're married, single, or engaged, your story is a part of His. Runs thru 5/15.

GriefShare Griefshare gives you access to valuable resources to help you recover from your loss and look forward to rebuilding your life. The 13-week program meets from 10am-Noon in the Board Room of the ECALC building, April 9 through July 2. You can join anytime. Contact Bob Betancourt 274-8188 with questions.

Amigos en Cristo AC units – The 2 units at our mission in Immokalee are DOWN and it will take \$14,000 to replace them. Our congregation, along with four sister congregations in our Circuit, are trying to help raise some funds. Please prayerfully consider how you might help – just designate your gift “Amigos AC.” Thank you and God bless!

Family VBS Our theme this year is *Cave Quest: Following Jesus, the Light of the World*. Join us Monday – Thursday, **July 25-28**, 5:30-8:00pm. Dinner will be offered each night at the Cavern Café along with lots of fun games and family raffle prizes! Lori Schwan is gathering volunteers now, so please contact her to learn more! Lori.schwan@smlcs.org

This Week at Saint Michael

Monday, May 9

Tuesday, May 10

7:30 amMen's Bible Study,
..... 6835 Porto Fino Circle, Suite 2, Fort Myers,
..... Mike Roach, 239-275-9233

5:45 pmBell Choir

7:00 pmAdult Choir

Wednesday, May 11

Thursday, May 12

8:00 amMoms in Prayer, Small Chapel

Friday, May 13

8:30 amMen's Bible Study,
..... Pastor's Conf. Rm.

Saturday, May 14

9:00 – 10:30amMen's Ministry/Bible Study
.....Educ. Bldg. #26 Lee Berchtold, 872-8999

10:00 amGriefShare, ECALC Boardroom

5:30 pmInformal Worship

Sunday, May 15

8:00 amTraditional Worship

9:15 amSunday School & Adult Bible Class

10:45 amBlended Worship, *Communion*

Last Week at Saint Michael

Saturday Service 5:30 pm 83

Sunday 8:00 am 116

Sunday 10:45 am 273

*Last Week's Total Offerings: \$21,211.00

Last Week's Ministry Needs: \$20,000.00

Year to Date Received \$853,106.00

Year to Date Needed \$850,900.00

Year to Date Difference \$2,206.00

*Includes "Regular" and all "Extra Services"



Altar Flowers today are placed to the Glory of God by Tim & Stefanie Hart in celebration of Mason Hart's 9th Birthday.

Other St. Michael Key Contacts:

Main Church Office, 239-939-1218

Walt Kittel, Organist

Colton LaMay, Music Ministry, ext. 238

Ann Sluiter, Parish Nurse

Steve Eggen, Head of Maintenance, ext. 226

Kristen Martin, DCE, ext. 237

Important Dates

Birthdays

05/07Ashton Halesworth, Dan Kizzire, Jack Madden

05/08Sharyn Dahn, Mason Hart, Cathy Saboda, Jason Zehnder

05/09Heather Boe, Jason Fry, Deborah Helton, Tommy Hoolihan, Jessica Hrabak, Lin Schleicher, Jacob Zehnder

05/10Donna Irish, Jacob Mast, Dennis Shelley

05/11Benjamin Atkinson, Jerry Biederwolf, Vicki Corneillie, Tracy Cullimore, Bailey Davis, Peter Dennis, Dewey Jakubuwski, Pearl Jones, Karen Zinn

05/12Ronda Bernarding, Julia Comer, Brooke Conzelmann, Bryon Haycook, Mary Linne

05/13Kip Cullimore, Nalani Garcia, Carol Heiwig, Keri Hendry-Weeg, Conrad Weyer

05/14 ..Grace Felon

05/15Ron Bezek, Janet Ferriell, Laura Lang

05/16Kelly Baker, Mark Duffy, Bill Free

05/17Elaine Armour, Victoria Blauet, Kathy Cooley

Anniversaries

05/07Josh & Jennifer Mallory

05/11Gary & Deborah Helton
Barry & Nancy Wanbaugh

05/12Leonardo Garcia & Christina Leddin
Gregg & J'Ann Tharnstrom

05/13Derek & KariLee Hookana,
James & Donna Sublet

05/14Peter & Jane Michael

05/15Bo & Kimberly Young

05/16Richard & Jennifer Dobbs

05/17... Jim & Pam Nolte



Worship Assistants Today

5:30 pm Saturday Service

Elder(s): Richard Johnston & Lou Conzelman

8:00 am Sunday Service

Elder(s): Darryl Bell

Lector: Rob LeSueur

Ushers: **John Hoffmann**, Kathy Royston, Don Zehnder

Assistants: Darryl Bell, Rob LeSueur, Billy Truax, Jim Elliott

Acolytes: Kaydence Hodson, Laci Roszell

Crucifer: *Need Volunteer*

10:45 am Sunday Service

Elder(s): Richard St. Dennis

Lector: Richard St. Dennis

Ushers: **Leroy Waldren**, Chris Zinn, Brian Bottorff, Marge Bennett, Marty Natter

Acolytes: Michael Radecki, *Need Volunteer*

Coffee & Snack Volunteers

8:00 am: Joni Zehnder

10:45 am: Rose Davis

Greeters Today

Sun. 8:00 am Lynn Van Cavage - Lynn was born in St. Petersburg, FL and moved to Fort Myers in 1991 with her husband Joe. She joined SML in 1992. They have two children, Joseph & Lauren, both graduates of SMLS. Lynn retired in 2016 after working 41 years as a dental hygienist but continues to work part time at her husband's company, Gulf Coast Precast. Lynn enjoys reading, traveling, cooking and tending to her garden.

Sun. 10:45 am Jim & Ella Sampson - Jim and Ella were both born in MA and spent the last 50 years in NY. They have both been winter associates of Saint Michael since 2014. Jim is a retired IBM engineer, and Ella is a former music teacher who serves as an organist at a Lutheran church in NY. Together, they have a son and a daughter as well as seven grandchildren. Both attend Pastor's Bible Study, and Ella serves in our Prayer Shawl Ministry. Jim is interested in ham radios, and both of them enjoy spending time with their grandchildren.

Most Recent Prayer Requests:

- Jim Weber (Nephew of Lois & David Stein)
- Betty Pyle (Aunt of Donna Roach)
- Mary Jo (Cousin of Anita Dennis' cousin)
- Lois Kandt (Friend of Ken & Darlene Fritsch)
- Jayden Salazar (Friend of Tim & Stefanie Hart)
- Bob & Kay Merritt (Aunt & Uncle of Ann Sluiter)
- Lois Taylor (Friend of Claire Middleton)
- Tom Bennett (Husband of Marge Bennett)
- Mary Francis Dunham (Aunt of Eileen O'Hara)
- Mark & Susan (Friends of Deb Helton)
- Barbara Lanagan

For our complete list of those in need of prayer please visit our web page, www.smlcs.org and select Prayer Chain under "Ministries"

If you would like to join our Prayer Warriors and receive a weekly e-mail with the complete list of prayer requests, please contact Eileen O'Hara at eileen.ohara@smlcs.org or call 239-939-1218 x241

Information for each week's bulletin should be submitted by noon on Wednesday to our Communications Coordinator.

Email: eileen.ohara@smlcs.org

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