



Saint Michael Lutheran Church

Missouri Synod

3595 Broadway, Fort Myers, Florida 33901

The Reverend Jon Zehnder, Pastor

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. Lori Schwan, Director of Nurturing Ministries

Mr. Robert Ziegler, Principal
Mrs. Julie Berchtold, Director of Caring Ministries
Mr. Robert Jablonski, Director of Support Ministries

239-939-1218

www.smlcs.org

June 1, 2014

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
PK3-4Educ. Bldg. Rm. #28
K -1st Grade.....Educ. Bldg. Rm. #25
2nd-3rd GradeEduc. Bldg. Rm. #3
4th-5th GradeEduc. Bldg. Rm. #1
6th-8th GradeBand Room
High School Youth Room

Adult Learning Opportunities

Parents of Teens Educ. Bldg. #33
The Art of Marriage Educ. Bldg. #26
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 939-4711 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.

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.)

Recycle... Please recycle your plastic grocery bags by dropping them off in the school office. Our Little Saints program uses them for their diaper disposals.



Volunteer Needed The Altar Guild is in need of a volunteer on the 4th Saturday of each month to help set up the church before weekend services. Training is provided. Please contact Darlene Fritsch at 239-997-2596.

The Art of Marriage DVD series by Family Life Ministries will be offered Sunday mornings during summer months, beginning 5/25/14. Please join combined class (Marriage Enrichment and Family Enrichment) in Educ. Bldg., #26 (Spanish Rm.). Series includes expert teaching, engaging stories, humorous vignettes and much more to portray the hope and beauty of God's design.

Celebrate! It is Brian Risley's 50th trip around the sun and they are having a party! You are invited to help him celebrate on Sunday, June 1st after church at Lakes Park, Shelter B-3. RSVP to (239)410-9621 or ChristinaRisley@embargmail.com.

Summer Sunday School Kick-Off Come join the fun Sunday, June 1, 9:30am - 1:00pm. Hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Lawn chairs and closed toes shoes recommended.

Fort Myers Miracle Lee County Thrivent Night with the Ft. Myers Miracle Friday, July 11th at 7:05pm. \$16 includes: General Admission Ticket & All You Can Eat Wristband. Pick up flyer in Narthex for more information.



Wednesday Bible Study What was it like for early Christians to live in a hostile, persecuting culture? *Children of the Day*, Beth Moore's study tells how Paul encouraged them and how we can relate today. The 9 Session Bible Study on 1 & 2 Thessalonians begins Wednesday, May 28 at 6:15pm. School Room 5. Bring a friend! For more info. contact Jan Nieman 239-218-1469 or jannieman@comcast.net.

FAMILY VBS will be Mon. - Thurs., July 28-31, from 5:30 - 8:00pm. Go to <https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/StMichael> for more information and to register.

Bible Study Fellowship is coming to Fort Myers! Ladies, would you like to study the Bible alongside women of other Christian faith traditions...or perhaps someone who has never opened the Bible? Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) is an in-depth, interdenominational Bible class, with over 1,000 classes in nearly 40 nations. This fall, BSF classes will be studying the Life of Moses. Both a morning group and an evening group are planned to accommodate all schedules. You can find more information about BSF on its website: www.bsfinternational.org. If you have questions or wish to attend, please call Laurel Volberding at 630-240-8058.

Summer Sunday School Needs You! Thank you to all of you who have volunteered to help with summer Sunday School! We are still in need of more volunteers,



however, to lead the opening worship time from 9:15 to 9:30 and teach the various grade levels from 9:30 to 10:30, especially the pre-school (C'mon...who doesn't love the little ones?). **PLEASE HELP!!** You can volunteer for one week, a couple of weeks, or all summer...the choice is yours and all help is appreciated. Two volunteer teachers are needed per grade level each Sunday, so recruit a friend and team teach. All lesson materials will be provided, we ask you to provide a kid friendly snack. Laurel Volberding is coordinating the volunteers: call 239-600-7818 or 630-240-8058.

Your Legacy... It doesn't matter who you are, if there are people or causes you care about we can help you uncover ways to enrich their futures. Join us on **Thursday, June 19th** at 11 am in the cafeteria to discuss ways to develop a strategy to help ensure your legacy lives on. Space is limited. Contact Ron at 941-488-0625, or pick up a flyer in the narthex for more information.



This Week at Saint Michael

**ECALC - Early Childhood Adult Learning Center*

Monday, June 2

Tuesday, June 3

7:30 am Men's Bible Study,
..... 12670 New Brittany, #101 Rob Royston,
..... 939-2222

Wednesday, June 4

5:30 - 7:30 pm Mid. & High School FOCUS,
..... Youth Rm.
6:15 pm Bible Study

Thursday, June 5

Friday, June 6

8:30 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study,
..... Pastor's Conference Rm.

Saturday, June 7

9:00 - 10:30 am Men's Ministry/Bible Study
Educ. Bldg., #26 Lee Berchtold, 872-8999
5:30 pm Informal Worship, Communion

Sunday, June 8

8:00 am Worship, Communion
9:15-10:30 am Educational Hour,
..... Bible Studies and Sunday School
10:45 am Worship

Last Week at Saint Michael

Saturday Service 5:30 pm 61
Sunday 8:00 am 102
Sunday 10:45 am 154
**Last Week's Total Offerings: \$15,961.00*
Last Week's Ministry Needs: \$16,250.00
Year to Date Received \$888,971.00
Year to Date Needed \$880,085.00
Year to Date Difference \$8,886.00
**Includes "Regular" and all "Extra Services"*



Other St. Michael Key Contacts:

Main Church Office, 239-939-1218

Walt Kittel, Organist

Ann Sluiter, Parish Nurse

Sue Briggs, Head of Food Service, ext. 298

Steve Eggen, Head of Maintenance, ext. 226

Kati Miser, Little Saints Director, ext. 248

Important Dates

Birthdays

05/31 ... Andrew Keljik

06/01 ... Claire Bowden, Shirley Richards,
Amber Truax

06/02 ... Emma Ashley, Chuck Byers,
Rusti Clinger, Sharon Hubbard,
Emma Jo Jenniex, Kristina Lantrip

06/03 ... Dan Cody, Reece Dinkel,
William Haines, Marge Pavon,
Matthew Royston, Matthew Young

06/04 ... Reilly Minor, Brian Risley,
Kathie Truax

06/05 ... Tyler Curtis, Gabriel Gant,
Lauren Geenen, Robyn Rice,
Rudy Rouse

06/06 ... Lee Ann Dorn, Howard Palen (*father*)

06/07 ... Don Davis, Betty Kramer,
Ralph Schneider, Pam Underhill,
Kaitlin Whitaker

06/08 ... Elke Baker, Sally Coleman,
Jack Guest, Claire Middleton,
Dot Orthman,
Shelton Sandifer

Anniversaries

06/05 ... Robert & Sally Coleman

06/06 ... Mark & Danette Stiggleman

06/07 ... Roy & Diane Hendry
Paul & Barbara Henry

06/08 ... Wayne & Maria Wiles



Altar Flowers today are placed to the Glory of God by Marty Natter in memory of Sarah Gable; and also by Janet Marderness in honor of the marriage of Matthew Lee Marderness and Martha Milena Llanes.

Worship Assistants Today

5:30 pm Saturday Service

Elder(s): Richard Johnston & Lou Conzelmann

8:00 am Sunday Service

Elder(s): Gus Belcher & Darryl Bell

Lector: Rob LeSueur

Ushers: **Charles Cook**, Sharon Harrington,
Dale Mast, Bob Richardson, Jack
Pohlman, Kathy Royston

Acolytes: Laci Roszell, *Need Volunteer*

10:45 am Sunday Service

Elder(s): Lee Berchtold & Richard St. Dennis

Lector: Richard St. Dennis

Assistants: Lee Berchtold, Richard St. Dennis,
Larry Ryan, Justin Fay, & Chuck
Oliver

Ushers: **Ken Fritsch**, Darlene Fritsch, Tom
Kostenko, Judy Ward

Acolytes: Michael Radecki, *Need Volunteer*

Crucifer: *Need Volunteer*

Welcome Center Volunteers

8:00 am: Ron & Laurel Volberding

10:45 am: Ellen Fiege

Greeters Today

8:00 am John & Janis Pohlman – John & Janis moved to Ft. Myers in 1977 from Kokomo, Indiana, where they owned and operated a farm. John is now retired from the U.S. Post Office. They have two sons, Jeff and Jack, and daughter, Julie (all alumni of SMLS), and 10 grandchildren. John has served as an usher, and Janis plays in our Bell Choir and helps in the Church office. Both have served on various Church boards and committees over the years, and also attend our Adult Bible Class. The Pohlmans transferred to St. Michael from St. John Lutheran Church of Kokomo, Indiana in 1977.

10:45 am Marlene King – Wilbur & Marlene were married at SMLC in 2008. Wilbur grew up in Severna Park, MD. There he raised his son & daughter (who still live in MD with his 5 grandchildren). He retired with 35 years of service in the U. S. Postal Service. His hobbies include model railroading and history. Marlene was born in Dearborn, MI. She retired from the MASCO Corp. in Taylor, MI. Her family includes

3 children (living in MI & IL), plus 7 grandchildren. She moved to FL and joined SMLC in 2007. She enjoys reading, singing, genealogy and is active in Questers and community theater. For fun they both are taking German speaking lessons, and belong to the German-American Club and participate at the Schuetzenverein Shooting Club. Marlene sings in the Edelweiss Chorus.

Most Recent Prayer Requests:

- Marvin Ballantine (Father of Deb Helton)
- Eileen Crowley (Sister of Paul Sayers)
- Kerri Haycook
- Edna Shilling
- Doris (Sister-in-law of Hilde Brauning)
- Son of Betty Holbrook
- Michael Rablais
- Damian (Young son of Sara, a friend of Teena St. Dennis)
- Dean Hartman

*Those still in need of prayer can be found
on our web page,
[http://www.smlcftmyers.com/ministries/
prayer-chain/](http://www.smlcftmyers.com/ministries/prayer-chain/)*

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submitted by noon on Wednesday to our
Communications Coordinator.**

Email: smlcpublishations@gmail.com

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Large Print bulletin needed?
Contact an usher for assistance.**

