

ST. LORENZ LUTHERAN CHURCH

JULY 16, 2017



Traditional Worship Service:	Saturday - 6:30 p.m. Sunday - 8:00 & 9:30 a.m.
Connect Service:	Sunday - 10:15 a.m. (Churchgrove)
German Worship Service:	11:00 a.m. (2nd Sunday of month)
Outdoor Worship:	Monday - 6:30 p.m. (Churchgrove)

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WEEKEND WORSHIP SCHEDULE - July 22-24:

Saturday - Church (Communion)	6:30 p.m.
Sunday - Church	8:00 a.m.
Sunday - Church	9:30 a.m.
Sunday - Connect - Grove (Communion).....	10:15 a.m.
Monday - Grove	6:30 p.m.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE - July 8-10:

Saturday Worship	6:30 p.m.	176
Sunday Worship.....	8:00 a.m.	225
Sunday Worship.....	9:30 a.m.	303
Sunday Connect Worship	10:15 a.m.	404
Sunday German Worship.....	11:00 a.m.	72
Monday Worship	6:30 p.m.	<u>116</u>
Total:		1,296



Please come to the Churchgrove and help us celebrate **35 years of God's blessings for Bethesda in Frankenmuth!**

We have the brats and hot dogs, beans, and drinks. Bring a dish to pass if you're able. **Wednesday, July 19th at 5 p.m.**

RSVP and questions: 652-6212

Chapel Communion Services

will be held on **Monday, July 17th**, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel of Hope. If you plan to attend, please call the Church Office at 652-6141 on Monday, **July 17th** by 9:00 a.m. *Remember: Valet parking is available for anyone who wishes to make use of it.* Please keep front parking spaces open Monday for Chapel Communion.

Euchre Fundraiser

Friday, August 11th is the date for the 2nd Annual St. Lorenz EuchreFest at the Churchgrove! Begins at 5:45 p.m. with Social Hour and Dinner followed by Euchre at 7 p.m. sharp. The goal is to assist school families in offsetting the cost of their child's technology fee (grades 6-8). Forms for registration and sponsorship are available at the school office (Monday - Thursday 8 - 3) or online at our school website: www.stlorenz.org/school/

Premarital Workshop

Are you planning to get married at St. Lorenz in the near future? Did you have to miss the workshop that was offered last January? Or have you become engaged since then? Then we have good news for you! We will be offering another premarital workshop on **Saturday, August 5th** at 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. If you are interested in attending this workshop or would like more information, please contact Gaylene at the church office 652-0771.

CHRIST'S SERVANTS NEEDED AT FAM.

As you plan your summer activities with your family, and consider how blessed you are to have many wonderful activities to fill your summer with, won't you also consider sharing some of your time this summer with your neighbors at the FAM. Several opportunities for service to be the Face, Hands, Feet, and Voice of Jesus, are available. **On July 18th and 20th we will be serving the meal from 4-6.** Then on **Saturday, July 29th from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.**, St. Lorenz and St. Michael are responsible for **Clean and Green.** We will need people with lawn equipment to mow and clean the areas around the FAM. On July 25, 26 and 27 we will have our first VBS at FAM. (see article on page 3). If willing and able, to help, please contact Laura Weiss at 652-6619 or Beppie Schroeder at 652-4516 for more information or beppie.schroeder@gmail.com or sign up directly on sign up genius. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4badad2babfa7-stlorenz2> "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:17

Our Pastors: Mark D. Brandt • Caleb M. Adams • Shawn D. Fenske • Joel C. Kaiser • Vicar Chris Garcia
Dale C. Ahlschwede, Emeritus • Gary L. Bender, Emeritus • Michael N. Fitzgerald, Emeritus

Examine the Evidence...

The following is used with permission from "A Closer Look at the Evidence" by Richard & Tina Kleiss

Biology

A wonder of the ocean is the porcupine fish. This creature has three lines of defense. If a predator comes too near the porcupine fish, it quickly gulps a large amount of water, almost doubling its size. Hopefully, the fish is now too large to be swallowed. If the predator persists, the second line of defense kicks in, and 2 inch long spines stand out in every direction, making the fish look like an underwater porcupine. The third line of defense is poison within its body. If a predator eats the fish, it will get sick and won't likely eat one again. The porcupine fish does not have many predators! How do evolutionists explain the way these three lines of defense came about over millions of years? Even Darwin in his book *The Voyage of the Beagle* did not try to explain how the porcupine fish got its three lines of defense. We know! The Creator designed this fish to survive in this manner

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; And His greatness is unsearchable. Psalm 145:3



Can my family start a Dedicated Fund?

Yes, but there are guidelines that govern the process, including a minimum financial gift. Contact Perry Bresemann in the foundation office for details. www.stlorenzfoundation.org



"LIVING WITH CANCER"

support group sponsored by Covenant HealthCare and St. Lorenz Stephen Ministry meets at 6:00 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month in the lower level at Covenant HealthCare, 600 N. Main Street, Frankenmuth. The **next meeting will be July 18th**. The group welcomes all survivors and caregivers for sharing, caring and support. For more information, contact Maggie Kempf at 652-6923.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

The 2nd quarter amount for Thrivent Choice Dollars directed to St. Lorenz was \$2,837.00.

TODAY! FROM AFRICA WITH GOD'S LOVE

Pastor Bob and Alice Smith recently returned from their trip to South Africa and Ghana. They are grateful for a mountain of prayers and other support that made this journey possible. A recap of their experiences is scheduled for **Sunday, July 16th** in the Adult Education Room at St. Lorenz School. The event begins at 4 p.m. with refreshments following their presentation. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend.

facebook

Did you know there is a Youth face book page? Check out [StLorenzYouthMinistry](#)

Note it is not linked to the church website. The page is updated regularly by Kate Sanborn. So if you want to know what is happening in the Jr. High or the high school check it out on face book.

YOUTH



Movie Nights Return – Wednesdays July 19, and 26; August 2; Doors open at 9:00 p.m. with everything done by 11:30 p.m. This all takes place at the Rock. Mark your calendar and bring a friend. Movies that will be shown are: *God's Not Dead I and II, Courageous, and War Room*. The order has not yet been decided.

GIFTS

St. Lorenz Confirmation Class of 1942 made donations of:

\$2,020.00 to Student Aid Fund; \$50 to Vicar Endowment Fund

In Honor of W. Don & Rosemary Zehnder's 60th Wedding Anniversary:

St. Lorenz Foundation - Bill & Mary Ann Rummel

St. Lorenz Foundation - James & Gale Howe

In Honor of Ralph & Irene Haubenstricker's 60th Wedding Anniversary:

Lutheran World Relief - Ralph & Irene Haubenstricker

Faith Chest Missions - Maynard & Dora Haubenstricker

St. Lorenz Foundation - Marcella Weber

In Honor of Dennis & Jeannette Stange's 50th Wedding Anniversary:

St. Lorenz Stephen Ministry - Dennis & Jeannette Stange

St. Lorenz Stephen Ministry - Gloria & Martin Daenzer

In Honor of Leroy Schluckebier on his 85th Birthday:

St. Lorenz Stephen Ministry - Ray Hecht

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Speaker:
Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz



“The Power of a Spirit-Given Adoption”

God provides for your adoption into His family, by grace through faith in Jesus and by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 8:12-17)

Broadcast Sunday on WSAM 1400 AM 8:30-9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., 660 Sandusky. Xero commy, also www.LHM.org.

Friday Noon Prayer Time

The chapel will be open each Friday noon (12:15 - 1:00 p.m.) for a short, informal prayer time. Members may pop in and pop out and join with Pastor Bob Smith with any current/ongoing prayer concerns.

“LIFE QUOTES” from Lutherans For Life

“God’s love edifies. It gives life. And you, my friend, are in the people business. You’ve been placed on this earth to share what people need most; enduring, true, life-edifying, divine love. You have been freed from a task-driven, striving-for-self-worth existence. God has called you His own. He has declared you precious in His sight and proven it by giving up His Only Son so you could be His own. Now you represent Him here on earth. You give what He has given you.” Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, speaker on *The Lutheran Hour*--A “Life Quote” from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org.



The Wellspring Lutheran Home Auxiliary is hosting their summer meeting on Monday, July 24th at the Wellspring Lutheran Home. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting beginning at 10 a.m. The guest speaker is Vicar Chris Garcia. A bake sale will be held. Please make luncheon reservations by calling Lois Eischer (652-9649) by July 17. Guests are always welcome to attend.



FAM is holding our first VBS on July 25, 26, 27. Imagine how exciting this will be for the children of Flint! If you are willing to help in some capacity, please contact Laura Weiss at 652-6619 or beppie.schroeder@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB (CBC)

“Ema, give me your hand.” These were the words Jesus spoke to Ema McKinley on Christmas Eve before he straightened her crooked foot, neck, and spine. Once an athletic woman with multiple jobs and volunteer positions, Ema became a ‘modern-day’ Job who lost everything except her faith and desire to trust God more fully. Ema wrestled with pain, anger, and unforgiveness, and now shares her miraculous healing encounter that could be taken straight from the memoirs of the apostles. Join the Christian Book Club in reading and discussing “Rush of Heaven”, a true story written by Ema McKinley with Cheryl Ricker. We meet to discuss the book on Monday, July 24th from 9-11 a.m. in the Adult Ed Room at St. Lorenz School (Genesee Street entrance). Everyone welcome. For questions and information call Karen Fischer 989-652-8849.

The Need is Great Lutheran World Relief

Collection Items Needed:

- New Light Weight Bath Towels (between 20” x 40” & 52” x 27”)
- Bath Bars of Soap
- Metal Fingernail Clippers w/file
- Combs with wide teeth
- Adult size toothbrushes

Please place items in the plastic bin in the church parlor near the bookstore. Your giving is needed and appreciated!!!

Thanks for your faithful giving!

Pastor’s Bible Class for 7/16-30/17

There will be no Sunday Morning Pastor’s Bible Class on July 16th or 23rd or 30th.

Pastor Rynearson will be in Rochester, Minnesota at Mayo Clinic attending a Pain management Seminar. Your prayers will be greatly appreciated.

The next Sunday Morning Bible class will be on August 6th at 9:15 a.m.

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path” [Psalm 19:105].

Cook Needed -- Immanuel

(Frankentrost) is seeking an ANSI (ServSafe or equivalent) certified manager to serve our Hot Lunch and Breakfast programs. The position would be approximately 30 hours per week. Retirement benefits will be provided. Hourly wage will be determined by experience and level of certification. Immanuel is willing to work with candidates to obtain their certification. If interested, please send a resume and cover letter to the school secretary, Sheryl Burk at school@frankentrost.org.

Mission Fest 2017

Save the Date:

Sat., Aug 26th – 6:30 p.m. at the Church

Sun., Aug 27th – 8 a.m. at the Church

Sun., Aug 27th – 10:15 a.m. and 2 p.m.
in the Churchgrove

Mon., Aug 28th – 6:30 p.m. in the Churchgrove

Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, President of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, MO, will be speaking at St. Lorenz Mission Festival, Saturday, August 26 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, August 27 at 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. services. Rev. Dr. Bradley Yops, Mission Director of Franklin Avenue Mission on Flint's Eastside and Pastor of NewLife Community Lutheran Church in Swartz Creek, Michigan, will be the featured speaker at St. Lorenz Mission Festival on Sunday, August 27th at the 2 p.m. afternoon service and also on Monday, August 28th at the 6:30 p.m. service. Both services will be at St. Lorenz Churchgrove.

A tasty Chicken Barbeque with the famous German Potato Salad will again be served along with hot dogs and brats. We will again have a "Drive-Thru Pickup" for the chicken dinners. There will also be inflatables and games (some new, some old) for the children with prizes. **This year's festival is an ideal time to bring a friend or neighbor and introduce them to St. Lorenz and its many activities.**

2017 ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR

has been placed in the church narthex on the east wall of the center entrance. Please feel free to sign up for providing flowers for the altar vases on a given Sunday. This can be done in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special anniversary, birthday, etc.

Donations to the Altar Guild are also accepted to help pay for flowers when no one has signed up. The cost of flowers for both vases is \$100. Contact Lori Warnemuende at 652.2999.

MEMORIALS

Memorials for the following individuals were received during the month of June:

Ronald Block

Gerald Fournier

Heinz Pfeffer

Betty Poellet

Elmer Reinert

Verlon Schmidt

Lorna Schreiner Bernthal

Memorials were designated for the following: Girls of Grace, Media Ministry, Mission Fund, Operating Fund, School Music Fund, St. Lorenz Pre-School, Student Aid Fund, St. Lorenz Foundation - Vicar Fund, St. Lorenz Foundation - General Fund.

Fellowship of Christian Men (FCM) breakfast meeting will be held on **Saturday, August 12th, from 7:30-9:00 a.m.**, at Zehnder's of Frankenmuth (Town Hall Room.) The cost will be \$7 per person. If you plan on attending, we would ask you to RSVP to fcm.muth@gmail.com.

We are pleased to welcome U.S. Army Sergeant (Retired), Douglas Szczepanski Jr. Sgt. Szczepanski is an Iraqi War Combat veteran who was wounded when a suicide car bomber attacked his Humvee while patrolling Baghdad, Iraq on September 15, 2005. Instead of dying that day, he miraculously survived. Throughout the attack and the many months of intensive care, therapy, surgeries and recovery, it was his faith in Christ that gave him the hope and strength to not only survive, but thrive. He lives his life by the verse Philippians 4:13 *"I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength."* Realizing the calling he had in his life, Douglas started a 501(c)(3), Miracle Soldier Inc. in order to share his life changing story of overcoming the attack, to preach the Word, to share the gospel and to reach out to veterans with the hope of Christ. He knows that if it wasn't for Jesus he would not be alive; he is a walking miracle – a miracle soldier. Look up his story at the web address below:

http://www.mlive.com/news/bay-city/index.ssf/2015/09/bay_county_veteran_and_suicide.html

We look forward to seeing you August 12th and want you to feel free to bring along a neighbor, co-worker, family member and friends. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Bade at 989-233-5735 or Al Nuechterlein at 989-652-9732.



Bulletin

Did you know that you can receive this bulletin electronically by either email or on the St. Lorenz website? If you would like the bulletin emailed to you, please email Deb Hollenback at dhollenback@stlorenz.org. Access on the website: [stlorenz.org/latest news](http://stlorenz.org/latest-news) tab