

ST. LORENZ LUTHERAN CHURCH

JULY 9, 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 15-17:

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

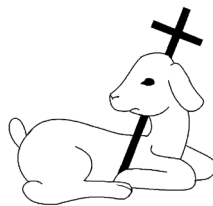
CHURCH ATTENDANCE - July 1-3:

Saturday Worship	6:30 p.m.	156
Sunday - Patriotic Praise.....	10:00 a.m.	1,750
Monday Worship	6:30 p.m.	57
		Total: 1,963

Thank You for an Amazing VBS!

Mighty Fortress VBS was a blast! We had over 200 students registered and over 65 volunteers helping. We had fun singing songs, playing games, learning about God's love in Scripture, going on nature adventures, and eating tasty snacks. Our students also brought in over \$450 for our offering to our friends at Franklin Avenue Mission in Flint! It was an amazing week all around. Students and parents did a fabulous job adapting to the changes we made this year. And again a big thank you to our volunteers who were top notch.

We would also like to say a special thank you to all of the businesses who donated pizza for our volunteers on Friday; Hungry Howies, T-Dubs, Tiffany's, DaVinci's, and Lazy Dog Pizza. You helped us thank them for a wonderful week of service.



"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."
Matthew 11:28-30

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. If you or someone you know is in need of a ride to the chapel, please call 989-274-5253 by the Saturday prior to chapel by 3 p.m. *Remember: Valet parking is available for anyone who wishes to make use of it.*

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 for more information at beppie.schroeder@gmail.com or sign up 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

2016 Annual Reports are available in the Church Parlor or at the Church Office Reception Desk.

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

Geology

All around the world, we find massive vertical walls; these impressive geological features originated in one of several possible ways:

1. Some were formed after Noah's Flood as enormous glaciers sheared off sedimentary layers during the Ice Age. (The vertical rock walls in the Yosemite Valley were created approximately 4000 years ago in this way.)

2. Some were carved out by enormous amounts of rapidly-moving, sediment-filled water during or after the Flood. This violently moving water rapidly tore down through the sedimentary rock layers that formed during Noah's Flood. (The vertical cliffs in the Grand Canyon or Columbia River Gorge are examples of this mechanism.)

3. Enormous vertical mountain cliffs formed as the result of uplifted tectonic plates that were thrust upward in the final stages of the Flood (The vertical mountain sides in the Grand Tetons or Swiss Alps are stunning examples of this tectonic movement.)

In all of these locations, piles of rubble can be seen at the bottom of the rock walls. These piles of rubble are called "talus deposits" and are the result of wind, water, and freeze/thaw expansion that continuously break apart the vertical rock surface – sending rubble into a pile at the base of the cliff. What is seldom discussed is the age of these talus deposits. The rate at which the rubble is forming is measurable, and if the size of the rubble pile at the bottom of these cliffs is divided by the rate at which the pile is growing, it becomes apparent that the cliffs have not been in place for millions of years. Had millions of years passed since their formation, in many cases, no vertical cliff walls would remain exposed! Vertical cliffs testify to recent formation. So the next time you see a vertical cliff, look at the bottom talus pile, and realize the cliff is young.

He who looks at the Earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke. – Psalm 104:32 (NIV)



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

The word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

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.



GIFTS

In Honor of Clara Rummel's 100th Birthday:

St. Lorenz Child Care Renovation - Pauline & Jeff Johnson

In Honor of Frank Rittmueller's 90th Birthday:

St. Lorenz Decorating Fund - Bill & Marion Braeutigam

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

Girls of Grace - Jerry & Christine Yoba, Raymond Weiss, Joe & Mary Conger

St. Lorenz Foundation - Larry & Martha Huber

St. Lorenz Banner Fund - Bob & Doris Schlaefke

St. Lorenz Foundation - Mike & Mary Larges

Gideons - Don & Kay Tuckey

St. Lorenz Foundation - James Schreiner

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

Student Aid Fund - From their children: Dan, Tim & Susan, Pam & Alan

St. Lorenz Foundation - Curt & Marian List

St. Lorenz Foundation - The Beulah Schiefer Family

YOUTH



Movie Nights Return – Wednesdays July 12, 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.

Note of Thanks

For all the prayers, well wishes, cards, and charitable gifts in honor of my 90th birthday, I would like to say a heartfelt "Thank you!" May God bless each of you just as He has cared for me these many years! *Viola Gugel*

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Speaker:
Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz



"Living as Christ's Person in Repentance and Faith"

Life out of control? Turn to God in repentance and faith. Let Him act before you do. (Romans 7:14-25)

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

"What do we share with the infertile couple desperately desiring a child? They are created, redeemed, and called, and they can trust in the way and will of their God." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life--A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org.*



The Wellspring Lutheran Home Auxiliary is hosting their summer meeting on **July 24th** at the Wellspring Lutheran Home. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with meeting beginning at 10 a.m. The guest speaker will be announced. 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.

Vacation Bible School at Franklin Avenue Mission

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.

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].

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.

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.



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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!

Here We Stand

500 years ago, Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses on the church door in Wittenberg, making public his call for God’s people to center their lives and the church on the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and reinforcing the truth that we are saved by grace through faith in Christ alone.

Imagine thousands of Lutherans and guests bursting through the doors of the Breslin Center in East Lansing for a once-in-a-lifetime worship event as we celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation on **October 15, 2017**.

We want you to be there!

- Imagine 10,000 people singing “A Mighty Fortress is Our God;”
- Imagine a 500-voice adult choir singing praises to God;
- Imagine a 250-voice children’s choir;
- Imagine family-friendly children’s activities prior to worship, and participating in a special ingathering at the event to bless the local Lansing area;
- Imagine sitting together as a congregation in the Breslin center and worshipping together with other brothers and sisters in Christ from all over the state of Michigan and our region.

Please save the date for October 15, 2017. Doors to the concourse will be open at 2 p.m. Concert begins at 4 p.m. Worship begins at 5 p.m. There will be a large area for children’s activities on site.



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 tab](http://stlorenz.org/latest-news-tab)

CAMP HOPE, A Grief Camp for Children ages 6 – 17 years old sponsored by Wellspring Lutheran Services - Hospice on August 16, 17 and 18, 2017. This 2 night, 3 day camp is FREE to children who have experienced the death of someone close to them. If you would like an application to camp, please call Jane Olivier at (989) 652-4663 or visit our website at www.wellspringlutheran.com

Reformation Tour

for you to consider for 2017:
October 23 to November 7

Visit Amsterdam, Cologne, Rothenburg, Worms, Nuremberg, Erfurt, Eisenach, Eisleben, Leipzig, Wittenberg & Berlin.

Highlights: American Cemetery in Holland Walk in Luther's footsteps....from his birth house to his death house. Visit St. Lorenz Church in Nuremberg. Plus much, much more. Great value, check it out!

Contact: Judy Simmerman at Judy's Travel Service 652-2703 - www.judystravelservice.com or contact: Mark Schutte at 652-4051.

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.