

ST. LORENZ LUTHERAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 17, 2017



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

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St. Lorenz Lutheran Church & School

WEEKEND WORSHIP SCHEDULE - September 23 & 24:

Saturday - Church (Communion)	6:30 p.m.
Sunday - Church	8:00 a.m.
Sunday - Church	9:30 a.m.
Sunday - Connect - Gym (Communion)	11:00 a.m.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE - September 9 & 10:

Saturday Worship	6:30 p.m.	230
Sunday Worship.....	8:00 a.m.	236
Sunday Worship.....	9:30 a.m.	423
Sunday Worship.....	11:00 a.m.	424
Sunday German Worship.....	11:00 a.m.	49
Total:		1,362

Chapel Communion Services

will be held on **Monday, September 18th**, 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, **September 18th** 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.



SUB SANDWICH SALE

St. Lorenz Church Decorating Committee will be selling sub sandwiches once again.

It is our **only fundraiser** and **ALL** proceeds will be used to beautify our church throughout the year.

Cost: \$ 3.50 each – or buy 4 for \$ 14.00 & get the 5th **FREE!!**

Pick up dates are: **Saturday, Oct. 7th, 9 a.m. to noon & Sunday, Oct. 8th, 9 a.m. to noon** at the St. Lorenz School Dining Hall.

You may place orders thru Wednesday, Oct. 4th. To place an order please call:

Kathy Zehnder – 652-2225 or email kmzehnder@chartermi.net

Beth Kribs - 989-220-8131 or email Bethannkribs@gmail.com

(We will respond to confirm any order by email)

We thank you so much for your continued support.

Lost items from Mission Fest are at the church office reception desk.

Sunday School

Join us for Sunday School on Sunday mornings during the school year from 9:30-10:30 a.m. **beginning October 1st**. Ages 3 yrs. through 6th Grade. Music time begins at 9:15 a.m.

New Student Registrations and Morning Check-in in the Heritage Room (enter the school by the big playground or gym entrance.) Register at www.stlorenz.org/sundayschool or in person on October 1st between 9 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Any questions call Shirley Dashkevicz at (989) 780-3036 or email at sdashkevicz@stlorenz.org.

PARENTS!! Do you want to become even better at sharing your faith with your children? A series titled "**It Starts At Home**" may be for you! This 6-week video based study is filled with encouragement, direction and practical ways to help you carry out your role as the Spiritual Leaders of your home. The study will be held on **WEDNESDAYS** from 6:30-7:30 in the **DINING HALL** beginning **Wednesday, September 20**. Please contact Pastor Kaiser if you are interested in attending; child care will be available for those who we know are coming! jkaiser@stlorenz.org or call or text: 529-4477

Membership Address/Phone Directories for 2017 are at the Church Office reception desk. There is a limited supply available at this time so we ask that you only take one per family. Please note: If you will be receiving the pictorial directory, which should be completed soon, the membership directory will be included. *Please continue to notify the church office of any corrections so we are able to keep your records current.*

Ministry to Prodigals and Their Families

You are likely familiar with the parable of *The Prodigal Son*, but never imagined yourself relating with the father and dealing with your own prodigal. Unfortunately, you are not alone. Sadly, statistics show that 50% or more of young adults and youth are falling way from the church. How can parents and families deal with the resulting feelings of pain, frustration, and shame? How do we reach our prodigals? Pastor Shawn Fenske with Scott & Dawn Mueller (parents of a prodigal) are starting a new ministry to help address these very issues. A specific invitation is extended to parents (and extended family) of prodigals **both** past and present as well as prodigals who have returned. Please join us Tues., October 3, 17 and 31 from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Adult Ed Rooms of the school campus for the initial meetings of this ministry. Through Christ there is healing and hope.

German-English Hymnfest

Sunday, Sept. 24th at 11 a.m. in our church. This one-hour program of singing and Bible readings, in both German and English, celebrates 55 years of Gunzenhausen and Frankenmuth as sister cities. Special guests are the 32 visitors from the Gunzenhausen area. Scripture readers will be from Gunzenhausen and Frankenmuth; Gunzenhausen guests will sing several songs and play the organ postlude. For more info, call 652-3563.

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

BIBLE STUDIES

Visionary Parenting

Catch a fresh vision of God's purpose for your family through His Word in the Bible. Be inspired to build faith and character in the hearts of your kids. Through these 8 sessions we will learn God's grand vision for the home, what God-filled normal life looks like, Biblical motherhood and fatherhood and more. Join Dawn Mueller **Sunday mornings in Room 148 at 9:30 a.m. beginning September 17th.**

A Man Named Martin: Pt 3-The Movement

God was at work in the Reformation changing lives and transforming society. Beginning with Luther's 95 Theses in 1517 to the Peace of Westphalia, the Reformation launched enormous changes in Europe that swept across the Atlantic to our nation. Join Scott Mueller **Sunday mornings in the Dining Hall at 9:30 a.m. beginning Sept. 17th or Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in Room 148, Sept 20 through Oct. 18 (with one exception for Thurs. Oct. 12).** for a 5-week look at the impact of the Reformation.

Pastor's Bible Class

Class begins at 9:30 a.m.

On Sept 24th, the lesson will be about "Free Will" [Article 18 of the Augsburg Confession]. We will study Galatians 3:2-6.

The *Augsburg Confession* is the most important document of the Lutheran Reformation. As Christians, we have "free will" to do things of the Left hand Kingdom: Build a house, marry a wife, eat or drink, work on the farm or any other job.

However we have no "free will" in the Right Hand Kingdom (Spiritual Matters). We cannot believe in Jesus Christ or worship Him. Only the Holy Spirit can begin and keep faith in us. Article 18 condemns the Pelagians who claim that by our own power we can love God and serve Him.

Come and join with us in the Adult Education Rooms on the North (School) Campus. *Everyone is welcome.*

CHARTER CABLE CHANNEL 191 BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Sunday

Worship Service.....8:00 a.m.

..... 9:30 a.m.

Connect11:00 a.m.

2nd Sunday - German.....11:00 a.m.

Tuesday

Worship for Shut-ins..... 7:00 p.m.

Worship Service..... 7:30 p.m.

Thursday

Worship Service.....7:00 p.m.

Saturday

Worship Service 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Breakfast – Breakfast and Bible study at the Rock.

•**Who will attend?** Jr. High and High School students will have a class led by Tracy Raquepaw. Adults of all ages – singles, parents and grandparents led by Chuck Anderson.

•**When do we meet?** Sunday mornings, with breakfast served from 9:15 – 9:30 a.m., and study begins at 9:30.

•**What will we be studying?** We will be looking at Parts 2 and 3 of the Luther series, using the DVDs and additional scripture references. We will also be looking at "How we got the Bible."

•**Is this class for you? YES!** It is very user friendly.

Luther and a Life of Prayer

The 500th anniversary celebration of the beginning of the reformation is an appropriate time to study "*Luther and a Life of Prayer.*" Luther had a directness in praise, thankfulness, confession and petitioning. He was very honest about his struggles with prayer and frees us up to admit our struggles in prayer. The 4 hour course will be convened on two Sunday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. **October 22nd and 29th** in the **Heritage Room** at St. Lorenz School. Rev. Bob Smith will be the facilitator.

Lutheran World Relief

Trucks will arrive at St. Lorenz on Monday, October 16th and Tuesday, October 17th so we have about one month to go.

Remaining collection items needed:

New Light Weight Bath Towels

(between 20" x 40" & 52" x 27")

Metal Fingernail Clippers w/file

Combs with wide teeth

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!

MEMORIALS

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

Rosella Herzog
Jim Heyse

Millie Kern
Josh Little

Lenore Parlberg
Kathryn Schmidt

Memorials were designated for the following: Breakthrough Bible Class, Church Beautification, Girls of Grace, Male Choir, Media Ministry, Operating Fund, Social Ministry/Needy Family Fund, St. Lorenz School, Student Aid Fund, St. Lorenz Foundation Vicar Fund, St. Lorenz Foundation General Fund.

Cancer—Now What? *Taking Action, Finding Hope, and Navigating the Journey Ahead*, Stephen Ministries recent publication, is a book anyone can give to those with cancer and also to their loved one as a way of providing help, support, and encouragement during that critical time. In writing this book Kenneth C. Haugk, Ph.D., a clinical psychologist, pastor, and founder of Stephen Ministries drew on everything he learned as he walked alongside his wife during her battle against cancer. He built on that foundation through extensive research with 3,500 cancer survivors, loved ones of people with cancer, and medical professionals, incorporating their wisdom, experience, and expertise. The result is a caring, how-to book – written in a warm, conversational style – that provides helpful information, practical ideas, and hope-filled encouragement.

CrossRoads Counseling Ministries of Frankenmuth is hosting an opportunity to hear more from Dr. Haugk as he explores the medical, emotional, relational, and spiritual challenges cancer brings to individuals and families, offering practical ways to help people address those challenges. The free event on **Wednesday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. at Rittmueller Middle School** in Frankenmuth is open to the public. For more information call CrossRoads at (989) 652-0764.

We hope you will encourage your Stephen Ministers to mark their calendars now and plan to take advantage of this special opportunity to hear directly from Dr. Haugk on this topic that touches every one of us. To learn more about the book including excerpts visit www.CancerNowWhat.org.

MINISTRY COUNCIL AND VOTERS MINUTES

are posted in mystlorenz under the "Files" tab in the Global group. Hard copies are also available upon request.

GIFTS

In Honor of the Confirmation Class of 1952 - St. Lorenz School



Hunting for Church Library Items:

We're on the hunt for some Church Library items that we are unable

to find. If you happen to have any of these items, please return them.

They are:

DVD - God's Not Dead 2

Book - House of Living Stones

Book - Beautiful On The Mountain.

Thank you

REFORMATION WALK OCTOBER 5!!

Volunteers are needed to help out with what promises to be a wonderful experience for our students! With a lot of hard work and the blessing of the Lord, our Churchgrove will be "transformed" into a 16th-century village where various characters, sights and sounds of the Reformation will be experienced. **If you are willing and available to help in any way, please contact Pastor Kaiser** {jkaiser@stlorenz.org (989) 529-4477}

CARING MINISTRIES

The Franklin Avenue Mission is changing our donation box. Our congregation has been asked to only collect gently used/clean jeans, sweat pants, and hygiene items. All other clothing items could be dropped off at the Clothesline (green barn north end of town).

As we move into another season please consider sharing God's love with FAM. If you have any questions please contact Jamie Agans 989-262-4050.

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Speaker Emeritus:
Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus



"Unleash the Power of Forgiveness in Your Life"

Life with God is not about keeping score; it's about living for others in the grace Jesus earned for us.

(Matthew 18:21-35)

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.

REFORMATION WALK Fabric/material needed! In order to "outfit" all of our actors and volunteers for October 5, our "costumiers" are in need of fabric or material that could be used for such costumes. Used drapes, medium to heavy weight cotton, linen, coverlets (cotton bedspreads), as well as large pieces of velour or velveteen are welcome! Perhaps you've been saving that material but didn't know what for---now you do! Contact Eilene Still (248) 821-1333 with any questions or donations.

GOLF Charity Outing

Four-person 18-hole scramble with cart, lunch, and dinner on **Sept. 23rd** at the Fortress. **All proceeds will support Franklin Avenue Mission.** Also, looking for family and business tourney and tee sponsors. Come have fun helping your neighbors. Register online at FranklinAveMission.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.

OWLS – this **Thursday, Sept. 21st** at the Rock – 11:00 a.m. Bible study followed by a potluck lunch. The main course will be meatloaf with mashed potatoes. Please RSVP by Tuesday, September 19th to jhart@stlorenz.org or 989-652-0761.



"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 Sept. 19th**. The group welcomes all survivors and caregivers for sharing, caring and support. For more information, contact Maggie Kempf at 652-6923.

"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life

"Every time you meet another human being you have the opportunity. It's a chance at holiness. For you will do one of two things.



Either you will build him up or you will tear him down. There are no useless, minor meetings. There are no dead-end jobs. There are no pointless lives. Swallow your sorrows; forget your grievances and all the hurt your poor life has sustained. Turn your face truly to the human before you and let her, for one pure moment, shine. Think her important, and then she will suspect that she is fashioned of God." *Walt Wangerin, pastor and author.* --A **"Life Quote"** from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org.

YOUTH

FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) - Friday mornings at McDonald's - 7:30 a.m. Ride available to the high school when it is finished. All student athletes welcome.

Squash Roundup - Saturday, Sept. 23rd - help unload 5 ton of Hubbard Squash. Meet behind the Bavarian Inn at 8 a.m. until noon. Juice and rolls to start and a chicken dinner when you're finished.

Parents, we need you! Our Bible Study lunches provide the main course and drinks for the Bible Study Lunches through Youth Ministry. We ask parents of the Youth attending to provide the side and dessert. If everyone pitches in, you should only need to do it 2 or 3 times for the whole year. There are Bible Study Coordinators that organize this. If your son and or daughter does attend one of the studies, please contact your class coordinator or the Youth Office to find out how you can help. Freshman- Julie Daenzer; Sophomore – Pam Moore; Junior – Deb Laux; Senior - Amy Foltz or Youth Office – Janette Hart

High School Bible Study Lunches– 2017 -18 school year - Sophomores and Juniors will meet on Mondays while Freshmen and Seniors will meet on Wednesdays.

Sunday Morning Bible Study Breakfast Jr. High and High School students will be led by Tracy Raquepaw. Come for breakfast at 9:15 and study at 9:30. Finished in time to attend Connect worship service. Remember, breakfast is served!

Cub Scout & Boy Scout Recruitment Night:

Pack 3255 & Troop 255 would like to invite all parents and any students in grades K-4 that are interested in Cub Scouts or grades 6-8 for Boy Scouts to join us for Scout information and registration night at the Scout building at 959 Flint St. in Frankenmuth on **Thurs., Sept 21st from 6:15 to 8:00 p.m.** Pizza will be served prior to a formal presentation for parents beginning at 6:30. We will have on hand Pack & Troop Leaders to answer any questions parents and students might have. The recruitment presentation will be followed by a 3255 Pack Meeting at 7 p.m. All boys who sign up at the event will receive an Estes rocket. Any questions may be directed to Dan Foley 989-302-2557 (3255pack@gmail.com). For information on Boy Scout Troop 255, please call Scoutmaster Darrin Storms at 989-652-0085. The Boy Scout program is available for those boys who were unable to be cub scouts, but have an interest in scouting and are 11 years old or older or are at least 10 years old and in the sixth grade.

Examine the Evidence...

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

Genetics

In order to find the effects of mutations, fruit flies have been irradiated to simulate millions of years of evolutionary "progress." There have been over ninety years of fruit fly experiments involving over 3,000 consecutive generations. The mutation rate within fruit flies has been greatly accelerated, and the results have been carefully documented. The result has been the rearrangement and corruption of genetic information already contained within the fruit fly's DNA, but nothing other than a modified fruit fly has ever developed. The loss of genetic information has produced organs which are deformed, but no new organs as required by evolution. Scientific experimentation has confirmed that there is no basis for believing that any natural or artificial evolutionary process will ever transform a fruit fly into anything other than another fruit fly. Mutational changes never cause the fruit fly to increase in complexity. Experimentation confirms that mutations could never produce a genetic improvement in any creature.

I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it. God does it so men will revere him.

Ecclesiastes 3:14



All area moms are invited and encouraged to join **St. Lorenz MOPS** (Mothers Of Preschoolers) Group. MOPS is for mothers with children birth – kindergarten from all walks of life, including pregnant and adopting. A MOPS group is an open, accepting place for all mothers to experience authentic community, personal growth, practical help, and spiritual hope.

MOPS has two meeting time options available. The morning group meets two Fridays a month from September to May from 8:45-10:45 a.m. Childcare is available for your little ones (5 years and younger) during the morning meetings. The evening group meets on the first Monday of each month from 6:16-8:15 p.m. September to June.

Meetings include delicious food, insightful speakers, devotion and prayer time, helpful demonstrations, small mom-to-mom discussion groups, crafts, service projects, fellowship, organized play dates and mom nights out.

Join us as we unfold our wings this year and explore our new theme: *Free Indeed* based on Luke 4:18-19.

For more information or to register please contact: Meg at 810-964-9440 or Michelle at 919-491-5512 for morning group, Liz at 989-737-5271 or Jenny at 989-652-4837 for evening group.

Spartan Tae Kwon Do

Learn a martial art & increase your self-confidence, learn self-defense, get into shape, learn self-control, relieve stress, have fun and progress at your own level. Classes run throughout the school year (Sept. 25–March) Mon. & Wed. 6 p.m. –6:30 p.m. (1st-4th gr.); 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (5th gr. –Adult), in the St. Lorenz -Small Gym. Cost \$15 / mth. or \$35 / 3 mths. For more information call Mr. Scott Stedry at 989-652-8861. No experience necessary.

Are you looking for a piano teacher?

St. Lorenz member Chelsea Storms is currently accepting students of all ages and ability levels. She holds a Bachelor of Music degree and has previous teaching experience and pedagogical training. Please call 810-247-1470 or email chelseastorms@gmail.com.

Article for Bulletin?

Email it to: bulletin@stlorenz.org
by **Wednesdays at 9 a.m.**

Join the Christian Book Club

in reading "Changing of Heart" by Courtney Walsh . . . Sometimes a step back is the only way forward . . . Evelyn Brandt's carefully constructed life implodes when the FBI crashes her society lunch with the news that her husband - a Colorado senator - has been arrested for embezzlement. It soon becomes clear he's far from repentant. Be prepared to be caught up in this delightful romance novel about healing the heart, forgiveness, and following your dreams. We meet to discuss the book, **Monday, Sept. 25th, 9-11 a.m.** in the Adult Ed Room at St. Lorenz School (Genesee Street entrance). Everyone is welcome. For questions and information call Karen Fischer 652-8849.

College Addresses Needed

If you have a son or daughter in college (away from home or at home) please email Gaylene Gugel at ggugel@stlorenz.org with: their name, address during school year (from when to when), email address, college attending. Any questions call Gaylene at 652-0771.

LWML Bookstore News

Frankenmuth native, Steve Luhring, son of Dave and Pauline Luhring has written an adaptation of Charles Dickens, "A Christmas Carol" called "Scrooge and the Question of God's Existence." The purpose of the book is to help people deal with doubt about God and the Christian faith. The book has been endorsed by Dr. Paul L. Maier and Dr. Joel Heck. The book tackles some of the greatest questions in life, such as: Does God exist? If so, why is there so much evil and suffering in life? Is there meaning and purpose in life? Is there an after-life? The book sells for \$10. Come in and take a look!

Still time to join in the "A Patriot's Prayer - One God, One Nation, One Prayer" concert at St. Michael's Lutheran Church. Mass choir practices are every Sunday from 2-3:30 p.m. from now until the concert on Sunday, Nov. 5th at 7 p.m. at St. Michael's Lutheran Church. If you have any questions you may contact St. Michael's Church at 989-868-4791 or saintmichaelsrichville.com. Not a singer? Then **Save the Date** - "A Patriot's Prayer - One God, One Nation, One Prayer" - Sunday, November 5th at 7 p.m.