

ST. LORENZ LUTHERAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 22 & 23, 2018



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
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE - September 29 & 30:

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

CHURCH ATTENDANCE - September 15 & 16:

Saturday Worship	6:30 p.m.	195
Sunday Worship.....	8:00 a.m.	294
Sunday Worship.....	9:30 a.m.	347
Connect Worship.....	11:00 a.m.	500
Chapel Communion.....	9:30/11:00 a.m.	33
		Total: 1,369

SUB SANDWICH SALE

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

It is our **yearly 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. 6th, 9 a.m. to noon & Sunday, Oct. 7th, 9 a.m. to noon** at the St. Lorenz School Dining Hall.

You may place orders thru Wednesday, Oct. 3rd. 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.



GETTING INVOLVED!

Interested in helping to formulate decisions for your Church? The Nominations and Elections Committee is searching for candidates to fill vacant positions and begin God's work in January 2019. We are seeking several positions to be filled for Ministry Council and all three Commissions. If you have interest, please e-mail the Church Office at church@stlorenz.org to have your name considered for the ballot. *...if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently. Romans 12:8*

GRIEF/SHARE is coming soon!

If you or someone you know is grieving the death of a loved one, you might consider attending the 13 session Grief/Share group care sessions beginning **Tuesday, September 25th**. Sessions run from 7-8:30 p.m., in the Conference Room #202. Grief/Share is open to both members and non-members. Please call the church receptionist at 652-6141 to indicate your desire to attend.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us for Sunday School on Sunday mornings during the school year from 9:30 -10:30 a.m. **beginning Oct. 7th**. Ages 3 yrs. through 6th Grade.

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 7th between 9 and 9:30 a.m. Any questions call Shirley Dashkevicz at (989) 780-3036 or email at sdashkevicz@stlorenz.org.

HOLY LAND INFORMATION MEETING

Pastor and Karen Brandt are hosting another pilgrimage to the Holy Land. This one will take place in February of 2020. NOW is the time to make plans to be a part of this experience. An information session will be held in the Adult Ed rooms from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, October 3rd** to answer your questions.

Monthly Financial Report

Ministry Council would like to provide our members with current financial reports on a regular basis; therefore, a financial summary will continue to be provided in our bulletin on a monthly basis. Any questions on this information can be directed to Jeremy Frank at the church office: jfrank@stlorenz.org or 652-0786.

	Aug 31, 18 Actual YTD	Ministry Plan YTD	Aug 31, 17 Actual YTD
Operating Fund Income	\$2,798,500	\$3,015,890	\$2,690,471
Operating Fund Expenses	3,290,617	3,398,771	3,031,498
Income Over (Under) Exp.	<u>\$ (492,117)</u>	<u>\$ (382,881)</u>	<u>\$ (341,027)</u>
			Capital Improvement
Fund Balances	Operating	Missions	
1/1/2018 Balance	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 149,071
Income	2,798,500	248,867	84,753
Disbursements	(3,290,617)	(230,091)	(50,847)
8/31/2018 Balance	<u>\$ (492,117)</u>	<u>\$ 18,776</u>	<u>\$ 182,977</u>

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



Volunteers Needed!!

Can you help? Copy room helpers needed a couple of mornings each week. Responsibilities include a variety of copy projects for the teachers, church staff and church office. Contact Deb Hollenback at 652-6141 for more information.

Do you have a heart to serve with children?

We need your help at MOPS! We are seeking caring, responsible, individuals to provide childcare for children ages 0-5. Two Fridays a month, September - May. Please contact: Amber Hart, 517-262-2621, amber.k.hart@gmail.com

Thank you!

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Guest Speaker:
Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer



"Come, Lord Jesus"

In a classic message from 1998, Dr. Dale Meyer explains how a common table prayer reminds us of our dependence upon God and His gifts.

(Exodus 16)

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 Pastor Bob Smith with any current/ongoing prayer concerns.

"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life

"Are you afraid of commitment and 'belonging' to other people? Relax. It's how your Creator designed you. When you call a sick friend, send a card, congratulate an achiever, encourage the down cast, pursue a stray, or teach a child, you will feel a satisfaction in your heart that not even the devil can steal." Rev. Mark Jeske, *Time of Grace-A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* www.lutheransforlife.org



JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Hiring Teacher Aides - Waddler, Toddler, and 3rd - 8th grade after school care. Afternoon shifts, contact Andrea Dykman at adykman@stlorenz.org or 989-652-6142 ext. 302.

St Lorenz Church Office Manager

Our current office manager, Debbie Hollenback, has announced her retirement at the end of this year; therefore, St. Lorenz will be looking for a new office manager. Responsibilities include but are not limited to: supervision of the church office staff; coordinating purchasing of equipment, supplies, etc.; maintain and oversee the copier room; recruit and oversee church office volunteers. The ideal candidate would be proficient in Word, Excel, and PowerPoint and have database experience. The candidate should be detailed, able to organize, a self-starter, and have excellent communication skills. Please mail cover letter, resume, and salary expectations to: Jeremy Frank; St. Lorenz Lutheran Church; 140 Churchgrove Rd; Frankenmuth, MI 48734 or electronically to jfrank@stlorenz.org **no later than September 28th**.

Zion Lutheran Church and School

in Bay City is looking for a full time Director of Parish Music (also known as Music Administrator) to facilitate music with the express purpose to glorify God and enlighten the worshipers. Administrator to lead a variety of music ministries including contemporary and traditional services, orchestra, choirs, school music programs including music lessons, band, performances. We are looking for a person who has a love of music, is able to drive and direct our music program in support of our ministry and is committed to providing music to the glory of God. For more information, please contact Scott Bitzer at sdbitz@yahoo.com.

Thank You

Thank you for the cards, prayers and well wishes. I really appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Arlene Roth

FRANKLIN AVENUE MISSION

"The Word became flesh and blood and moved into the neighborhood."

John 1:14 MSG

You will have the opportunity to 'Join Jesus on His Mission' serving His children on the East Side of Flint. **Tues. and Thurs., Oct. 2nd and 4th**. St. Lorenz and St. Michael are serving the meals at the Franklin Avenue Mission. Could God be calling you to be Jesus' Light to the poor in the FAM neighborhood? If you have not already experienced the joy of serving at FAM, would you not consider being part of this worthwhile mission close to home. You may sign up on sign up genius for the following jobs. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BADAD2BABFA7-stlorenzst5>
Greeter at the door, 3:45 - 6 p.m.
Children's ministry 4-5 p.m.
Table hosts, 4:30-6 p.m.
Servers 4:30-6 p.m.,
Cleanup crew 5 p.m. until done.
Cooks 2-5 p.m.

Thanks to all of you who regularly give of your time and prayers to the Franklin Ave. Mission. For more information, or to sign up, please contact Beppie at 989-652-4516, or text 989-392-1857, email beppie.schroeder@gmail.com.

"Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love." -- Mother Theresa

Saginaw County Right to Life Focus on Life Benefit Dinner

with guest speaker Lisa Gigliotti, will be **Wed., October 17th**, at 6:15 p.m. at Horizon's Conference Center. Plan to join hundreds of other pro-lifers as we focus on life in all of its stages. Call 799-4464 or send an email to sagcountyrtil@yahoo.com for more information.



Who decides what projects receive grant funding?

Grant requests submitted by the congregation are reviewed carefully by the Planned Giving and Estate Planning Committee. Each committee member independently reads and ranks each request; tabulated rankings are presented to the entire committee for consideration in making a recommendation to the Board of Directors, which then meets and issues a response to the committee's recommendations. www.stlorenzfoundation.org

BIBLE STUDIES

Pastor's Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.

This week (09/23/18) we will study Revelation 19:1-21—The Marriage Supper of the Lamb and the Triumphant Rider on a White Horse.

Next week (09/30/18) we will study Revelation 20:1-15—Jesus final judgment of all people: whether or not they believe in Jesus.

Rv 20:1-7 refers to a 1,000 years—a millennium.

Bible Class begins at 9:30 a.m.

Come, bring a friend and join with us in the Adult Education Rooms on the North (School) Campus.

Everyone is welcome.

Sunday Morning Bible Study at the Rock - 9:30 a.m.

This is open to any adult. There will also be a High School and Jr. High study at the same time.

Adrift, Wayward... Prodigal

Have you noticed there are people missing from church – those who should be there or that you would like to see but don't? Are they your children, loved ones or maybe just friends? Would you say these individuals are adrift and wayward... maybe prodigal? Are you frustrated by the situation? If they are your children or loved ones, do you struggle with feeling anger... guilt... shame? Learn what CORE 5 Ministry is all about. Join us **Tuesday, Sept. 25th** in the Adult Education Rooms at 7 p.m. for a special introduction to the Ministry. We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Through Christ there is healing and hope.

CHARTER CABLE CHANNEL 191 BROADCAST SCHEDULE	
Sunday	
Worship Service.....	8:00 a.m.
.....	9:30 a.m.
Connect	11:00 a.m.
2 nd Sunday - German.....	11:00 a.m.
Tuesday	
Worship ANEW (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.

Caring Tree applications are now available at the church office. **Please return them by October 26th.** If you have any questions, contact Jodi Reinert by leaving a message at the church office 989.652.6141 or emailing church@stlorenz.org.



What Stephen Ministers Are Equipped To Do

- Thinking about God's will
- Looking out for your best interest
- Crying allowed
- Ready to listen
- Mum is the word
- Christ at the heart and center of care
- Available for hugs
- A hand to help or hold
- Stand by you all the way
- Willing to go that extra mile
- Always available to lean on
- Will bend over backwards to serve you
- Not to push, not to pull...but to be at your side
- Behind you 100%

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

CBC September Selection
"Beyond The Silence"
By Tracie Peterson & Kimberly Woodhouse
Join the Christian Book Club as we meet to discuss this book on **Monday, September 24th, 9 - 11 a.m.** in the Board Room at St. Lorenz School.



St. Lorenz 175th Anniversary Reunion
ATTENTION To Those Of You Who May Be Planning Future Confirmation Reunions
If you anticipate organizing a Confirmation Reunion for 2020, please contact Mike Nuechterlein at (989) 652-6712, if your class is interested in participating in the St. Lorenz 175th year anniversary celebration.



YOUTH

July 11-15, 2019 – Minneapolis These are the dates and location of the next LCMS National Youth Gathering. Starting thinking about attending. There will be an informational meeting, **Sunday, October 14th at the Rock at 7:00 p.m.** Registration is open now!

FCA – Friday mornings at 7:30 a.m. – location McDonald's – Open to all high school age Youth who participate in or love sports. Come early and grab a bite to eat.

First Open Rock / Open Gym of the year will be **Friday, October 5th from 9:30 – 11:30 p.m.** at the Rock. Open to all high school age Youth. Drop by and check things out.

Jr. High
Mark your calendars – Sunday, October 7th will be the Jr. High Hayride. Details and permission slip will be posted next week on the Jr. High Bulletin Board. Watch for that and be sure to add your name to the sign-up sheet, if you plan to attend.

High School Bible Study Lunches – Freshmen and Seniors will meet on Mondays while Sophomores and Juniors will meet on Wednesdays. The bus will pick you up at the main entrance. Remember, you check yourself off the list, no one else.

HMONG PRAYER SEMINAR - Chiang Mai, Thailand

The Hmong Mission Society is planning a Seminar on Prayer in Chiang Mai, Thailand in December 2018 for Hmong Pastors and Wives. Presenters will include Rev. Bob and Alice Smith, Rev. Lang and PhouaYang, and Rev. Fung and Kalia LO. A major resource in the Hmong language for the Prayer Seminar will be Rev. Bob Smith's book, *Keep Me and Keep All – Life's Journey with Prayer*.

Rev. Smith's book has been translated into the Hmong language by The Hmong Mission Society. It is set to be published in Thailand this fall. The book will be distributed to Hmong people in Asia and in the United States. This book about prayer in their own written language will be a valuable tool in the hands of the Hmong Christians. It will assist in their Christian witness of the love of God with their relatives and friends. Copies of the English edition of the book are available at Amazon.com and at the St. Lorenz Bookstore. An earlier version of the book was translated into Bahasa Indonesian and has been distributed internationally since 2005.

The Hmong Mission Society is requesting financial assistance to facilitate this huge mission project. Funding is needed to assist with costs for publication and shipments of the book as well as for expenses for the workshop classes in December in Thailand for the Hmong pastoral students and their spouses.

Funding for the trip is also required by Rev. and Mrs. Smith. You can partner with this mission project in two ways. First and foremost, please include this mission project in your prayers. Secondly, you may consider partnering through financial assistance. The estimated cost for the Smith's to finance this mission trip is \$10,000. **Checks must be made payable to: Hmong Mission Society** (write Mission Society/Smith Support) on the memo line. You may drop checks off at St. Lorenz and we will mail as a group or mail to: P. O. Box 98, Richville, MI 48758. *Your prayerful support and financial contributions are greatly appreciated. Thank you.*



College Student Addresses!

If you have a son or daughter in college we would like to have their address to keep in touch with them. Please email the following information to Gaylene Gugel in the church office at: ggugel@stlorenz.org

Student's Name
Address (in effect until)
Year in School (freshman, soph, etc.)
Type of Residence (w/parents, dorm, apartment/house)
Email address
Name of College attending
Thank you!

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. 24–March 28**) Mon. & Wed. 6 p.m. -7:30 p.m., 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.**

Habitat for Humanity/ Thrivent Financial Building on Faith 2018

Saginaw-Shiawassee Habitat for Humanity and Thrivent Financial are teaming up with Samaritas Community Center Saginaw (SCCS).

Samaritas Community Center aims to serve the "whole person" offering programs in academic remediation, nutrition education, recreational programs and groups like Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Boxing Clubs providing our young people with opportunities to develop new skills and interests that will ultimately boost their rates of academic success and future employment.

Saturday, Sept. 29 - Volunteers from 15 faith congregations will complete seasonal maintenance on homes through the *Winter Readiness Program for Seniors*. Work involved: clean yards, cut back bushes/trees, clean gutters, etc.

Saturday, Oct. 13 - Volunteers will scrape, paint and revitalize the inside of Samaritas Center to help them prepare to open a charter school the following year. Samaritas Charter School will be more than a school for children, it will also support families with their most dire and basic needs to help not just children thrive, but entire families to move forward.

The days will run from 8 - 4 p.m. Lunch provided. Different levels of work. Ages 14 and older welcome to participate.

If you have questions regarding the project, please contact Diana Butler from Thrivent at (989) 757-7539 or diana.butler@thrivent.com

Please sign up at the St. Lorenz church office by calling 652-6141.

The Need is Great

Lutheran World Relief

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!

Scholarship Opportunities

Available through Saginaw Community Foundation. Applicable for graduating seniors, individuals working on graduate degrees and those pursuing vocational certificates. Go to saginawfoundation.org for application due dates and further information.

Examine the Evidence...

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

Anatomy

The eye is an incredibly complex organ that moves 100,000 times in an average day. Numerous muscles and tear ducts are in place to keep the eye constantly moist, protected, and functional. Our eyes process 1.5 million bits of information simultaneously and provide 80% of the sensory stimulation sent to the brain. They receive light images traveling at 186,000 miles per second through the iris, which opens or closes to let in just the right amount of light. These images travel through a lens, made of transparent cells, which focuses them on the retina at the back of the eyeball. The retina covers less than one square inch of surface, yet this square inch contains approximately 137 million light-sensitive receptor cells. Approximately 130 million are rod cells (designed specifically to see in black and white), and 7 million are cone cells (allowing color vision). Finally, the image is sent at a rate of 300 miles per hour to the brain for processing. How could all of this have come about by some step-by-step, random chance evolutionary process? Mankind has designed and patterned the camera after the eye. It is only reasonable to acknowledge that the eye, which is an infinitely more complex instrument, was also designed by intelligence.

Ears that hear and eyes that see—the LORD has made them both.

-Proverbs 20:12