



ST. LORENZ

LUTHERAN CHURCH
NOVEMBER 18 & 19

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Today we are invited to respond to the generous gift God gives us in His Son Jesus; may we enter into the joy of our Master.

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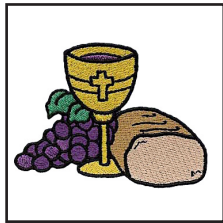
NEW AND UPCOMING



NOVEMBER 19

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

Please join us at 10:30am, Sunday, for a reception in the Church basement or in the Worship & Event Center lobby. Enjoy coffee and donuts as we welcome and celebrate our newest members of St. Lorenz, who officially join our congregation during the 9:30am and 10:45am worship services.



NOVEMBER 20

MONDAY CHAPEL COMMUNION SERVICE

The monthly communion service in the Chapel of Hope will be on **Monday, November 20th at 10:00am**. If you plan to attend, please call the Church Office at (989) 652-6141 by **9:30 a.m. Monday** the 20th to register.

Please keep the front parking spaces open on Monday for those attending. Valet parking is available for anyone who wishes to make use of it.



NOVEMBER 22/23

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP

Thanksgiving Eve worship is Wednesday at 6:30pm in the WEC, Thanksgiving Day worship is 9:30am in the church sanctuary. Following the worship services, join us for fellowship and pumpkin dessert in the Worship & Event Center lobby, or in the church basement. Consider bringing a friend or neighbor to worship with you, and invite them to stay and enjoy dessert!



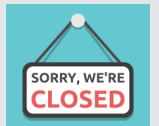
NOVEMBER 29

“SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS”

This 2-hour Grief Share event. “Surviving the Holidays,” will provide you with support and practical ways to navigate the season within a safe, encouraging group where people “get” what you’re going through. Jesus knows your sorrows, and offers a reason for hope and healing! “Surviving the Holidays” will take place on Nov. 29th from 6:00-8:00pm in the WEC. Go to stlorenz.churchcenter.com/registrations to register or call the church office, 989-652-6141. There is no cost to attend. We would be pleased if you can join us for this powerful and meaningful event!

Thanksgiving Office Hours

The Church offices will close Wednesday, Nov. 22nd, at 4:30pm (no evening hours) and will be closed through the weekend.



The School office will be closed all week. Both offices will re-open on Monday, Nov. 27th.

SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SIDEWALK PROPHETS CONCERT

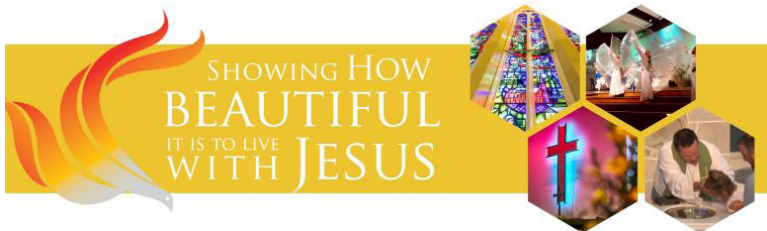
On Saturday and Sunday, December 2nd and 3rd, we are excited to welcome the Sidewalk Prophets “Great Big Family Christmas” Tour!! Two nights of concerts means twice the JOY, twice the music, twice the ministry, and twice as many volunteers needed to make all of this happen! Please consider helping with ushering, ticket-taking, set-up, clean-up, parking, or in any other way. If you would like to assist, please reach out to Brenda Sievert at bsievert@stlorenz.org and let her know.

NIGHT TO SHINE

On February 9, 2024, St. Lorenz will host a *Night to Shine Prom*, part of a global event sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation. St. Lorenz, along with other host churches around the world, will celebrate people with special needs on this unforgettable evening, centered on God’s love. St. Lorenz is honored to be a part of this international movement that God is using as a catalyst for change to embrace people with disabilities, ensuring they know they are valued and loved. **This amazing event would not be possible without the help of many volunteers.** To volunteer go to the signups tab at stlorenz.churchcenter.com/registrations or scan the QR code. If you do not have access to either sign-up, please call the church office for assistance.



Bulletin submissions should be sent to bulletin@stlorenz.org by noon, Tuesdays.



White As Snow Women’s Conference

Come experience the life-changing power of Christ’s atoning work on the cross that you’ll carry with you into 2024 - into your homes, workplaces, and community! Join us Saturday, January 20, 2024 for the second annual *White as Snow Women’s Conference*, held in the St. Lorenz WEC. For more information and to register, please go to stlorenz.churchcenter.com/registrations, or call the church office.

Heritage Committee Seeking Decorations

White pine branches are sought by the Heritage Committee to decorate the St. Lorenz log cabin and bells for a ‘Pioneer Christmas’ theme. The log house and bells will be on the Frankenmuth Women’s Club Holiday Home Tour on Saturday, Dec. 2. If you have white pine branches, or other natural accents, please call Larry Bernthal 989-996-0216.

GIFTS

- A donation to Social Ministry from Ron & Judy Bickel, and Russ & Sharon VanPatten in memory of Harold Reiss’s birthday on November 18.

THANK YOU

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

to all members of St. Lorenz congregation for your gracious and unselfish outpouring of donations to our *Music @ St. Lorenz Concert Series* again this season. We are eternally grateful for your support of our efforts to bring exceptional and outstanding groups and musicians to perform, and show through their music “How beautiful it is to live with Jesus!”



Furthermore; we appreciate your prayers and support last year which you provided the Call Committee in the search for our next Director of Music Ministry, and as we extended a call to Mr. Myles Hayden. It was with prayerful and thoughtful consideration that he accepted the call to serve our congregation. It is through his leadership, and his tremendous musical experience and knowledge, that he guides our committee’s efforts. To God be the glory!

Martin Zehnder,

Chairman of *Music @ St. Lorenz*, and the *Music @ St. Lorenz* ministry committee: Michael Keller, Betty Auernhamer, Lisa Anderson, Harriett Warnick, Jim Dohrmann, and Pastor Shawn Fenske - Advising Pastor

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Baptisms:

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| Nora Kathleen Lee | Jaxson Alvin Atkins |
| Beckham Gaebel Reif | Whitney LaRee Atkins |
| Wyatt Eddie Church | Penelope Ann Rutkowski |
| Nora Chelsea Church | Logan Dale Green |
| Hannah Mae Church | Sophia Nicole Green |
| Lucy Anne Church | Steven Green |

Illness:

Dean Bickel Jennifer Shetlar Marilyn Faerber

Death - Derek Schiefer - son of Jim Schiefer, grandson of Eddie and Beulah Schiefer

Other Requests - Those who serve as church workers: Andrea Dykman, Pastor Joel Eden, Pastor Karl Fay, Dan Felten
God bless our newest members coming into membership this weekend!

Sidewalk Prophets

Join us for the Sidewalk Prophets “Great Big Family Christmas” is coming to the St. Lorenz WEC on December 2nd & 3rd, 7:00–9:00pm each evening! The “Great Big Family Christmas” is all about making Christmas memories, and most importantly celebrating the birth of Christ! Tickets for either night can be found at stlorenz.churchcenter.com/registrations

Caring Trees are Up!

The Caring Trees are up at both the Church Sanctuary and the Worship & Event Center. If you are attending church services at either location, please consider taking a tag from the tree. You can also purchase a gift for someone in need by using the QR code, or through this **online sign-up:** signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44A9A82CAAF85-45794095-stlorenz. Then just return your unwrapped gift with the tag to the church office **by November 30th**. Thank you for your generosity as we share the love of Jesus this Christmas!



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Donations for this year’s food drive are still being accepted through **Sunday, November 19**. Your gift of cash, check or a gift card (Kroger or Meijer) may be placed in the designated boxes at the church office, at the sanctuary by the cornucopia, or in the box in the WEC lobby. Thank you to Thrivent and Meijer for their generous backing, and thank you for your continuing support!

Advent By Candlelight

Ladies, our event is next weekend, Sunday, Nov 26, 6:30 pm, in the cozy WEC lobby. There’s still time to invite a friend to this lovely evening of a Christ-focused message, music, beautiful tables, and a dessert! Because of limited seating, reservations are required. Sign up to attend or to host a table at: stlorenz.churchcenter.com/registrations/events. We will again purchase gift cards for youth who have been in foster care and “age out” of that program. If you’d like to donate, please bring a gift of cash or check (payable to *St. Lorenz*) when you attend the event. Thank you for helping these young adults! Questions? Call Pam at 989-598-5226.

Memorial Report
Memorials for the following individuals were received during the month of October:

Edlen Bender	Ed Roedel
Marie Creger	Carl Schreiner
Louis Laux	Erna Trombley
Marion Reinbold	Marcella Weber
Laurice Resci	Marion Weiss

Memorials were designated for the following:
 Altar Guild, Church Beautification, Churchgrove, School Library, Male Choir, Media Ministry, Mission Fund, Music @ St. Lorenz, Music Fund, Operating Fund, Prayer Shawl Ministry, St. Lorenz School, Stephen Ministry, Student Aid Fund, St. Lorenz Foundation - General Fund, St. Lorenz Foundation - Vicar Fund

CONTACT INFORMATION



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Need a pastor after hours? Call (989) 652-6141. Your call will be forwarded to the on-call pastor.