



Paul contrasts the slavery of the law, with the freedom found in the promise of Christ. As we read what Paul has to say to the Church in Galatia, we learn about what God's will is for our life as the Church today.



New & Upcoming



July 6

PATRIOTIC PRAISE COMMUNITY WORSHIP

Join us for the Annual Community Patriotic Praise & Worship Service on Sunday, July 6th, at Harvey Kern Pavilion in Heritage Park, Frankenmuth! This special service begins at 10am with preservice music starting at 9:30am. (Please note: This will be the only worship time

offered that Sunday. Saturday and Monday worship will be held as usual.)

New this year: following the service, everyone is invited to stay for the Brat & Hot Dog Picnic. This gathering is being held in honor of our veterans, active military, and first responders and offers a wonderful opportunity to enjoy food, fellowship and community spirit!

Golf-cart shuttles from parking areas will be available for your convenience. Bring a friend and join us for a morning of faith, music, and appreciation for those who serve our country. All are welcome!



July 4

FRANKENMUTH FRIDAY FUN NIGHT

Help us create a fun & welcoming presence Downtown! St. Lorenz will be hosting a table at Frankenmuth's Friday Fun Night on July 4th, and we're looking for creative minds and helping hands to make it a hit!

This is a great opportunity to represent the heart of

St. Lorenz in our community **and** invite locals and tourists to our July 6th **Community Patriotic Praise & Worship Service**. Kids and families are welcome to join in and help!

If you're interested, please visit Church Center or contact Melissa Tebedo at the church office.



July 13

GERMAN WORSHIP

St. Lorenz's monthly German worship service will be held on July 13 at 11:00am in the Church sanctuary. The service continues the sermon series "A Beatitude Attitude" with a focus on the fourth Beatitude spoken by Jesus. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for

they shall be satisfied." (Selig sind, die da Leid tragen; denn sie sollen getröstet werden.) The focus will be on what people "hunger and thirst for" in life and how they go about accomplishing such. Does their seeking bring fulfillment or frustration in life? Jesus promises the blessing of a fulfilling life! The service features German liturgy and an English sermon by Pastor Bill Hoesman.

THERE WILL NOT BE A BULLETIN NEXT WEEKEND. IF YOU NEED TO SHARE AN ANNOUNCEMENT, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Sunday

RECEPTION FOR THE FENSKES

Please join us at a reception on Sunday to say farewell to Pastor Shawn, Noelle, and Davionna as they prepare to follow God's call to serve at Holy Cross in Wichita, Kansas. Come share your appreciation, memories, and blessings with the Fenske family from **12-1:30pm** in the Worship & Event Center Lobby. Light refreshments will be served.

LOG CABIN DAY

The St. Lorenz Log Cabin, a replica of the cabin built by Frankenmuth's first settlers in 1845, will be open for tours on Sunday from **1:30-4:00pm**. It is located across the street from the main church and behind the old cemetery. Just follow the paved path. The event is free.

The Frankenmuth Historical Association is also celebrating "Log Cabin Day in Michigan," and they will have the Wolken-doerfer log house open on Sunday from **1:00-4:00pm**. It is located in Cross Park, across from Bronner's Christmas store on the west side of S. Main Street.

Opportunity to Serve

PATRIOTIC PRAISE

Our annual Community Patriotic Praise & Worship Service at Harvey Kern Pavilion is quickly approaching and we invite you to be a part of this meaningful community tradition! About 8 volunteers are still needed after the worship service. To volunteer, please visit "Signups" on Church Center or contact Mike Kern (989-239-8707) or Jim Bender (989-395-1166). Thank you for helping continue this special event!

Gifts

- A donation to St. Lorenz for Arnie Scharrer's 100th birthday on June 20, from Dale & Nancy Bartlett.



church center

Church Center may be found at
stlorenz.churchcenter.com



All communication requests for church and school should be sent to **bulletin@stlorenz.org**. Bulletin items need to be submitted by noon, Tuesday.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE - JULY 5-7

Saturday 6:30pm in the Sanctuary
Sunday 10:00am at the Harvey Kern Pavilion
Monday 6:30pm in the Churchgrove

YOU'RE INVITED TO A CELEBRATION

Rev. Bob & Alice Smith invite you to join them as they celebrate 60 years of marriage and ministry. On Saturday, **July 5** from 2-4pm, a "Sweet Sixties Social" will be held in the Church Parlor (lower level) with brief comments at 2pm. Come for a few minutes, or linger and mingle! Blessed and honored by your love and friendship, the Smiths ask only that you bring your smiles and stories—no RSVP needed—as they celebrate this special milestone.

THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND CHILDCARE WILL BE CLOSED THE WEEK OF JULY 7-11

PAPER DRIVE

The next Youth Paper Drive is Saturday, **July 12**. If you have papers to be recycled, please drop them off at The Rock. Some of our youth will be available from 9am-noon to assist with unloading drop-offs from your vehicle. The trailer will be there all weekend. Please remember that we cannot accept cardboard.

CAMP HOPE

CAMP HOPE 2025, is a Grief Camp for Children ages 6 – 17 years old, sponsored by Wellspring Lutheran Services. This 3-day, 2-night camp is FREE to children who have experienced the death of someone close to them and helps kids process the grief that follows the loss of a loved one. It also offers them an opportunity to interact and connect with each other, to help them see they aren't alone in their grief and that there are other people their own age who can understand what they are experiencing. Camp will be held August 13–15. **Application deadline is July 4th.** To obtain an application, please visit wellspringlutheran.com/camphope, call 989.652.4663, or email camphope@wellspringlutheran.com.

VALLEY LUTHERAN SCHOLARSHIPS

We are pleased that so many are continuing their Christian education at Valley Lutheran High School! St. Lorenz has a limited amount of grant funds available to support students attending Valley Lutheran. Students interested in applying for a grant should contact Kelly Lamb at 989-652-0797, or email klamb@stlorenz.org for a grant application. If you have questions, you may contact Jeremy Frank at 989-652-6142, ext. 135, or email at jfrank@stlorenz.org. **Deadline is August 1.**

MISSION MARKET

The Lutheran Women in Mission's *Mission Market* is stocked with many new items! Stop in and look around. The *Market* is located next to the church reception area and is open during church office hours, and on Sundays until noon.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

St. Lorenz will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on **July 23**, from noon–6:00pm in the Worship & Event Center lobby. Sign up for an appointment time In Church Center, or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. Give the gift of life and share God's love in a powerful, tangible way.

HELP US SPREAD SOME JOY AT WELLSPRING!

We're putting together a collection of fun, practical, and cheerful prizes to bring smiles to the faces of our friends at Wellspring during their much-loved bingo games. These small gifts go a long way in brightening someone's day! Here are a few prize ideas to get you started: Earrings, Sunglasses, Chapstick or lip balm, Pens, Large print word search or sudoku books, Body wash or lotion, Hairbrushes, Small craft kits, Treats like chocolate bars, chips, or sodas. We're also collecting bird food donations (seed, suet, etc.) to help keep the courtyard feeders full, and the atmosphere peaceful and full of life. Donations may be dropped off at the Church Office until **July 31**. Thank you for helping make life a little brighter for our neighbors at Wellspring!

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

- Baptism** - Axton Robert Arlo Loucks
- Anniversary** - David and Karen Volz - 50th on June 28
- Illness:**
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| Gene Dumler | David L. Bender | Dean Bickel |
| Wade Bue | Brenton Hecht | Bethany VanWormer |
| Betty Kern | Kessi Rainwater | Melvin Hochthanner |
| Tracey Raquepaw | Jennifer Shetlar | Maynard Haubenstricker |
- Death:**
- Bill Abraham
- Susan Haubenstricker (daughter-in-law of Ralph & Irene Haubenstricker)
- Phillip Zehnder
- Guatemala Mission Trip**
- Brenda Coughlin, Shannon Coughlin, Lydia Raquepaw, Mark & Mariann Keinath, Sarah Keinath, Lance Keinath, Lakeshia Washington, Karen Zehnder
- St. Lorenz Church & School Workers**
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| Jessica List | Kasey MacKinnon | Pamela McChesney |
| Joy McCreedy | Arica McGruther | Olivia Miller |
| David Mueller | Isabelle McCreedy | |

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ministry Council would like to provide our members with financial reports on a regular basis. Questions on our financials? Contact Jeremy Frank at the church office: jfrank@stlorenz.org or (989) 652-0786.

	May 31, 2025 Actual YTD	Ministry Plan YTD	May 31 2024 Actual YTD
Operating Fund Income	\$ 2,409,345	\$ 2,554,965	\$ 2,318,689
Operating Fund Expenses	<u>2,793,656</u>	<u>2,774,233</u>	<u>2,535,282</u>
Income Over (Under) Expenses	\$ (384,312)	\$ (219,268)	\$ (216,594)
Fund Balances	Operating	Missions	Capital Improvement
1/1/2025 Balance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 143,607
Income	2,409,345	97,987	58,040
Disbursements	<u>(2,793,656)</u>	<u>(92,535)</u>	<u>(37,220)</u>
5/31/2025 Balance	\$ (384,312)	\$ 5,453	\$ 164,427

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