

St. Michael's

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Our mission is to celebrate and share God's love in Jesus Christ

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Mark 9:30-33



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Mark 9:33-37

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 19, 2021
8:15 AM & 11:00 AM

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S!

If you are visiting with us for the first time, please share in all that is ours in Christ! We invite you to consider making St. Michael's your church home. Please ask us about our participation in God's mission in the world. By God's grace we celebrate and share Christ.

Our 11:00am worship service is streamed live to St. Michael's Facebook and YouTube pages. Please keep conversation to a minimum in the sanctuary, you may be picked up by our sound system. If you prefer not to be seen on camera please speak to an usher and they will seat you outside of the video frame. Thank you for your understanding.

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INTRODUCTION

Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“All Are Welcome”*

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

The assembly is invited to stand if able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

ALL: Amen.

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.
Silence for reflection

Pastor: God our comforter,

All: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

Pastor: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins. **ALL: Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN: "Children of the Heavenly Father" TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA
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| 1 Children of the heav'nly Father
safely in his bosom gather;
nestling bird nor star in heaven
such a refuge e'er was given. | 3 Neither life nor death shall ever
from the Lord his children sever;
unto them his grace he showeth,
and their sorrows all he knoweth. |
| 2 God his own doth tend and nourish,
in his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them,
in his mighty arms he bears them. | 4 Though he giveth or he taketh,
God his children ne'er forsaketh;
his the loving purpose solely
to preserve them pure and holy. |

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GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **ALL: And also with you.**

CANTICAL OF PRAISE

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

Refrain

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **ALL: Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 11:18-20

Today's reading tells of the suffering of the prophet Jeremiah, who announced God's word to Judah but was met with intense opposition and persecution. Jeremiah continues to trust in God in the midst of his suffering.

Lector: A reading from Jeremiah.

¹⁸It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" ²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Lector: The word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a

The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.

Lector: A reading from James.

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. ^{4:} ¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ^{8a}Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Lector: The word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

The assembly is invited to stand if able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.

Pastor: The holy gospel according to Mark. **ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.**

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Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord. **ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Pastor: Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need responding to each petition with the words “Hear our prayer:”

Pastor: God of community, we pray for the church around the world. Unite us in our love for you. Help us overcome our divisions, that we are encouraged to work together for your sake.

Silence for reflection

God of creation, we pray for this hurting earth. Awaken in us a new desire to care for this world and empower us to support agencies, organizations, and individual efforts to heal our environment. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of cooperation, we pray for nations of the world embroiled in conflict. Inspire leaders to listen to each other and work towards peaceful solutions to disagreements. Protect the vulnerable, especially children, who cannot find safety in their home or country. Lord, in your mercy,
ALL: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of comfort, we pray for all who live with mental or physical illness. Help them find appropriate care. Bring healing and wholeness when the path forward seems bleak. Lord, in your mercy,
ALL: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of compassion, we pray for the young people of this congregation. Renew in us your call to welcome the children in our midst. As they grow, strengthen their faith and our commitment to them. Lord, in your mercy,
ALL: hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of consolation, we give you thanks for our loved ones who have died and pray for all who grieve today especially those we name aloud nowand those we hold in our hearts. Shine your grace on all your saints. Lord, in your mercy,
ALL: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
ALL: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always.
ALL: And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Beauty for Brokenness”

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

Offering is still being gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. You are invited to place your offering in one of the offering plates located in the rear of the Sanctuary or send your offering to the church office through the mail or by having your bank mail a check directly. You can also contribute using any of the

electronic giving options found on our church website.

OFFERATORY HYMN: “What Have We To Offer” LET US ENTER IN: OFFERTORY

What Have We to Offer?



1 What have we to of - fer? What have we to share?
2 What have we to of - fer? What have we to bring?
3 What have we to of - fer? What have we to give?



Coins from the cof - fer, hearts filled with care.
Love, ripe with laugh - ter; hope that we can sing;
Eyes that are wide o - pen; lies that we won't live;



God will not fal - ter; so let us dare
dreams of what we're af - ter; prom - is - es of when.
truth that must be spo - ken; jus - tice some - how.



lay it at the al - tar there.
Lay it at the al - tar then.
Lay it at the al - tar now.



4 What have we to of - fer? What have we to



give? Lives we will live.

Text: Ray Makeever

Music: LET US ENTER IN: OFFERTORY, Ray Makeever

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OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor: God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **ALL: Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

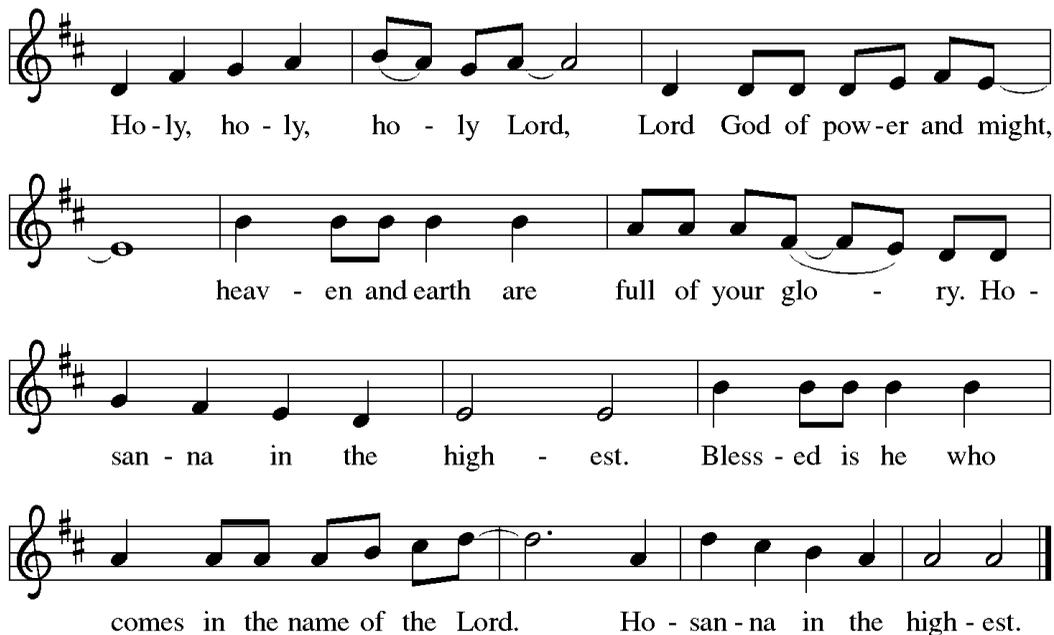
ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY HOLY



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

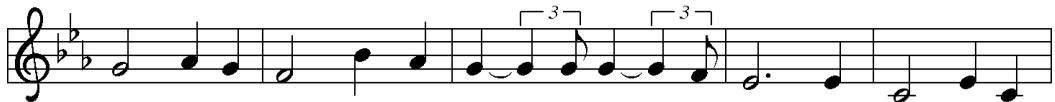
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor: All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -



way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The assembly is seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*All who are guided by faith to receive the Lord's Supper are welcome at Christ's table. We give thanks as we receive the real presence of our resurrected Lord in, with, and under the bread and the wine. **Communion will be distributed continuously, in household groups, under the direction of the usher.** Take an empty cup to receive from a pouring chalice (let the communion assistant know if you prefer grape juice). Please let the pastor know if you require a gluten free host. When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say "The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you." and each person may respond, "Amen". Worshippers who are not yet communing are invited to come forward for a blessing.*

The assembly is invited to stand if able.

TABLE BLESSING

Pastor: The Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in Christ's Grace **All: Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **All: Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, ☩ one God, bless you now and forever.
ALL: Amen.

SENDING HYMN *“O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us”* ALL SAINTS NEW ELW 431

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| 1 O Christ, what can it mean for us
to claim you as our king?
What royal face have you revealed
whose praise the church would sing?
Aspiring not to glory's height,
to power, wealth, and fame,
you walked a different, lowly way,
another's will your aim. | 3 Though some would make their
greatness felt
and lord it over all,
you said the first must be the last
and service be our call.
O Christ in workplace, church, and
home,
let none to power cling;
for still, through us, you come to serve,
a different kind of king. |
| 2 You came, the image of our God,
to heal and to forgive,
to shed your blood for sinners' sake
that we might rise and live.
To break the law of death you came,
the law of love to bring:
a different rule of righteousness,
a different kind of king. | 4 You chose a humble human form
and shunned the world's renown;
you died for us upon a cross
with thorns your only crown.
But still, beyond the span of years,
our glad hosannas ring,
for now at God's right hand you reign,
a different kind of king! |

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DISMISSAL

Lector: Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Nelson Wesley Trout, bishop, died 1996 (TFF)

Monday, September 20, 2021

A native of Ohio, Trout served parishes in several parts of the United States before being elected bishop of the South Pacific District of the American Lutheran Church, the first African American Lutheran to serve in such a capacity.

Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Tuesday, September 21, 2021

Matthew (or Levi) was a tax collector in Capernaum for the Roman government. Tax collectors were frequently despised for dishonesty and for assisting the occupiers. Jesus nevertheless showed love for them, and chose Matthew to be a disciple.

ST. MICHAEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The *Altar Flowers* are given to the glory of God by the Billet's in honor of Evie's 16th birthday!

WORSHIP ASSISTANT TRAINING EVENT

Calling all Communion Assistants, Ushers and Lectors! Come out on either September 20 @ 7:30pm or September 26 @ 12:15pm (following 11am worship) for a training event. We will walk through the worship service and talk about the various tasks we undertake as we work together to provide the best possible worship experience at St. Michael's. If you have any questions contact Pastor Chris. Please stop by the table in the Narthex to confirm your services you want to continue to help with or if you are interested in being a worship assistant please sign-up on the sheets. Everyone is welcome.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

I scream. You scream. We all scream for ice cream!!! What better way to reconnect with our friends? Join us today, Sunday, September 19 following the 11:00am service for some treats and fellowship. We will have tables set up indoors and outdoors (weather permitting) in the lower Sunday School wing. This is a great way to kick off our program year and maybe see some faces we haven't seen in a while! Contact Vicki with any questions. Please sign up using this online link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094CAAAB23A7FA7-icecream> or on the sign up sheet in the Narthex.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Join us today, Sunday, September 19, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the lower Sunday School room for Rally Day to kick off this year. We will have games, music and fellowship. All children in Preschool (bathroom independent) through 12th grade are invited. Masks will be required. Regular Sunday School classes will start on Sunday, September 26, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

We will be doing something different this year for our older youth (7th grade - 12th grade). We are going to have a Sunday Morning Hangout in the Senior High Room. We need volunteers to supervise the kids. If you are willing to volunteer, please reach out to Liz or the Church office with the date (s) that you are available.

MARTHA CIRCLE

So happy to announce that Martha Circle will resume meetings on Tuesday, September 21 at 12:00 Noon. We will begin by replenishing our supply of ribbon crosses, so if you have a large head needle, please bring it with you. We are putting into place a few guidelines because of Covid. We will not do a luncheon but feel free to bring a snack and water for yourself. We will space seating and wear masks. If you have been in contact with someone with Covid or are feeling ill, please stay at home. Contact Kathleen with any questions.

JOSEPH'S HOUSE BREAKFAST CASSEROLES

Joseph's House continues its ministry to feed the homeless in Camden. Thank you to the "Casserole Crew" for their support. **The next opportunity to provide twelve (12) breakfast casseroles is Thursday, September 23.** Please sign up using the new automated link. Casseroles can be dropped off at the Elkins Road door on September 23 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study has resumed and will be most Wednesdays at 11:00 AM and at 7:00 PM. Please check the Parish calendar for dates and times. We will be in-person or on Zoom. If you have any questions please contact the Pastor or the church office.

CONFIRMATION MINISTRY

We are planning for our fall program year beginning in September. St. Michael's will once again be offering confirmation instruction for students. Typically, any young person entering the 7th grade and 8th grade in the fall are invited to join this ministry of faith formation. Again, this year we will be learning alongside Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Maple Shade to provide an even better environment for growing in faith together. **Confirmation meeting is September 22.** If you want to enter our program, or have any questions please be sure to contact the church office or speak with the Pastor.

Youth Group Friday Night Hangout

We will start Youth Group this year with a Friday Night Hangout on September 24 7-9PM in the St. Michael's Youth Room. We will talk about hopes and expectations for Youth Group, so come with ideas of activities you would like to do over the next year. And, of course, we will also play games and be goofy because it is a Friday Night Hangout. Please wear a mask, per current church and CDC guidelines.

St. Michaels Youth Gathering Team

ELCA hosts a Youth Gathering where thousands of teens from the ELCA join together in one location for a week of fellowship, learning, worship, and service. The next Gathering is scheduled to take place July 24-28, 2022 in Minneapolis, MN. The Gathering is a wonderful opportunity for young people to grow in faith, be reminded that they are part of something big, and feel empowered to change the world. St. Michael is proud to announce that it will be sponsoring Evie and Rebekah to attend the Gathering in 2022 with the guidance of Elizabeth Winkelman and Mark Brueschoff.

The 2022 Gathering's theme is **boundless: God beyond measure**. As our St. Michael group prepares for the Gathering they will be taking time each month to focus on what it means for God's Love, Creation, Forgiveness, Invitation, and Promise to be boundless. The St. Michael family is invited to join this journey of exploring the boundlessness of God and to help prepare the group for the Gathering. There will be announcements of opportunities across the next months to be involved in this life-changing event for Evie and Rebekah.

Weight Watchers

The Cherry Hill chapter of Weight Watchers (WW) is moving to St. Michael's starting Sept 1st. WW will hold their meetings in our lower assembly room twice a week: Wednesdays 9:30 to 11:00 am and Saturdays 9:00 to 10:30 am.

H.O.P.E. Grief Support Group

Helping Other People Evolve (H.O.P.E.) is a support group for those who have lost a spouse, partner or significant other. For over 40 years, it has comforted and supported people with their grieving experience. In-person meetings at St. Michael's are on hold. For info call 856-983-8867 or visit www.hopesnj.org.

Give Blood – Save Lives

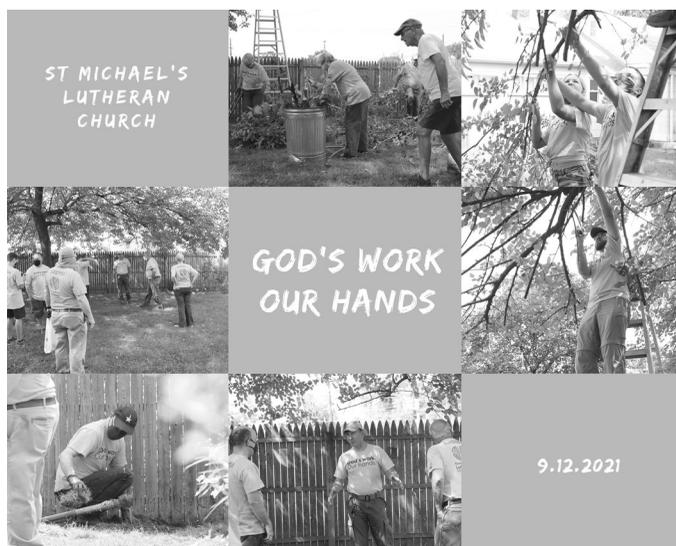
Did you know...?

- Many cancer patients need blood, as well as children with leukemia and sickle cell disease.
- There is an ongoing blood shortage, especially after natural disasters.
- Only 3% of Americans donate blood.

Christ Our Light RC Church invites us to participate in a Blood Drive on Saturday, October 16, from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The event will be held in the Parish Center Gym. Online preregistration is recommended at: www.redcrossblood.org; search for sponsor Christ Our Light. There are flyers in the narthex for more information. You are generally eligible if it has been 8 weeks since your last donation. Encourage friends and family to give at the drive and help sustain the blood supply.

God's Work Our Hands

God's work. Our hands. This past Sunday, volunteers gathered to build and maintain gardens for pollinators and butterflies to make our community a better place! Other volunteers worked inside to assemble bags for people experiencing homelessness. It is good to be the church together! Thank you to all who joined hands to make this a great time to share and gather together. Thank you Ken for the pictures!



LSM – Food Pantry

Lutheran Social Ministries manages affordable housing in North Camden and a senior residence in Pennsauken. Our feeding ministry provides groceries monthly. **These items**

- Beefaroni, Spaghetti O's or Mini Ravioli
- Grape jelly/jam
- Cooking oils/spray
- Coffee/non-dairy creamer
- Long grain white rice (box or 1-2 pound bags)
- Tuna, chicken, corned beef or Vienna sausages
- Applesauce, canned pineapple/mixed fruits
- Apple juice, iced tea mix or regular tea bags
- Toilet tissue/paper towels
- Laundry soap
- Bar soap, toothpaste/brushes, deodorant, feminine hygiene items
- Hispanic Adobo or Sazon seasoning; Goya tomato sauce

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR July 31, 2021 (YTD)

Statement of Income and Expense

Actual General Fund Income (ALL) = \$208,045

Actual General Fund Expenses = \$184,808

Income is exceeding expenses by \$23,237

Note: Actual General Fund Income includes the transfer of 2020 Memorial Fund Income, \$9,145; the transfer of Rental Fund Reserves, \$25,000; and, the receipt of the SBA Payroll Protection Program grant, \$30,612.

Treasurer's Note

At our Annual Meeting on January 31, 2021, we approved a General Fund spending plan that anticipated our monthly total contributions income would average \$20,449. In June, the monthly total was \$14,755, **28% less** than the average budgeted. For the seven months ending July 31st, our budgeted monthly total contribution income projection was \$139,682. Our actual total for the seven months was \$139,888, almost exactly on target.