



5th Sunday after the Epiphany

February 10, 2019

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PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING

HOMEBOUND

Dorine Auernhammer	Dorothy David	Margaret Meyer
Dolores Appold	Erv Hoerauf	Julie Roark
Gwen Bakus	Jon Ittner	Rose Anne Schmidt
Ruth Behmlander	Lorna Ittner	Al Vogtmann
Armond Beiser	Mike & Karen Kusch	Tim Wegener
	Irma McKenzie	

SPECIAL

Jeff Schlicker (Loretta's son; cancer)
Mike Ruegsegger (Denise's father-in-law)

THIS WEEK'S MEMBERS

Brian, Dylan, & Jake Appold	Kristina, Carson, & Grayson Johnstone, & Brendon Johnson
Art Behmlander	Bill, Bonnie, & Tiffany List
Jennifer, Colton, & Kaylee Bush	Linda Pacholka
Sharon Garrett	Roy & Donna Schmidt
	Norma Weiss

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

<u>SUNDAY</u>	2/10	8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion 9:15 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship
<u>MONDAY</u>	2/11	6:30 p.m. Board of Business Management
<u>TUESDAY</u>	2/12	7-8 a.m. Pancake Breakfast 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Church Choir
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	2/13	<i>Newsletter Articles Due</i>
<u>THURSDAY</u>	2/14	6:30 p.m. Church Council
<u>FRIDAY</u>	2/15	11:30 a.m. Early School Dismissal
<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>	2/17	8:00 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion

NOTES AND NEWS

ATTENDANCE Last Sunday – 347 (187, 160)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Feb. 10 – Acts 7	Feb. 11 – Acts 8
Feb. 12 – Ps. 18	Feb. 13 – Acts 9
Feb. 14 – Acts 10	Feb. 15 – Acts 11
Feb. 16 – Proverbs 4	

RESCHEDULED (AGAIN): PANCAKE BREAKFAST Our Pancake Breakfast is now scheduled for Tuesday, February 12. All congregation members are invited as a thank you for supporting our school. Join us between 7-8 a.m. in the school auditorium for pancakes, sausage, bacon, & juice. Pray for favorable weather!

LECTURE ON AUTISM BY DR. TEMPLE GRANDIN On Thursday, February 14, the President's Speaker Series at Delta College will present two lectures by renowned author Dr. Temple Grandin. The two lectures are free and open to the public. The first lecture is scheduled for 10 a.m. and will be held in the Pioneer Gym, and the second lecture is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Lecture Theater Hall (G160). Dr. Grandin is an American professor of animal science at Colorado State University and a consultant to the livestock industry on animal behavior, welfare and handling equipment design, as well as a distinguished author and speaker on autism.

WELLSPRING AUXILIARY MEETING The next Wellspring Lutheran Services meeting will be on Monday, February 18, at Zion Lutheran, Bay City, in the Church Ministry Room. Refreshments served at 7 p.m.; devotions and meeting starts at 7:15 p.m. Our program will be a Bottle Auction Fundraiser - Bring a gift between \$5-10 in a container such as a Mason jar and wrap. This could be a bottle of wine or oil, or a towel, candy, ornament, etc. Use your imagination! All ladies of the church are invited to the Bottle Auction Fundraiser. It is such fun for a great cause!

LWML FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE Time to mark your calendar as the days fly by – Feb 21st, Thursday evening, 6:30 p.m., St. Paul auditorium. Our meeting will include a Bible Study from the LWML Quarterly. Remember to bring your Mite Box.

LWML PRAYER BRUNCH with Communion Service sponsored by the LWML Bay Area Zone, with more than 75 years of yearly Saturday breakfasts with sisters in Christ, this year's theme is "Secure in Jesus, My Rock and Fortress."

When: Saturday, February 23, 2019, 9:00 a.m.-Registration

Where: St. John's Lutheran Church, Pinconning

\$5.00 donation for breakfast, and a Mite Offering will be received.

RSVP to Dorothy Kridler = 989-879-2126 OR Dorothy Helmreich = 989-213-1515 by February 18, 2019

THANK YOU We at Saginaw County Right to Life extend our sincere thanks for your participation in our recent Lifesaver Drive. \$169.42 was collected. We would be unable to continue our work in the community to promote the preservation of the precious gift of life were it not for your generosity and support.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RECOGNIZES PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR JANUARY

Congratulations to the following students who had perfect Sunday School attendance for the month of January: Charles Begick, Maggie Behmlander, Mason Daniel, Caroline Douponce, Noah Helmreich, Isaac Hendrick, Brynlee Kolberg, Landon LaForest, Natalie List, Abigail Matyas, Ethan Matyas, Isaac Matyas, Olivia Matyas, Alex Schlicker, Cadence Swartz, Hayden Swartz, Ainsley Wiess, Owen Wiess, Deanna Zeilinger, Maura Zeilinger

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN--MICHIGAN More than 4.6 million Mercy Meals were shipped last year from branches of Orphan Grain Train in addition to clothing, blankets, medical and hospital equipment, and more than 50 other categories of humanitarian goods. Would you like to help the first branch of Orphan Grain Train in Michigan? The new branch is centered at Sebewaing and will soon be launching operations. The 8,000 sq. ft. work and warehouse Center of Orphan Grain Train--Michigan is where donated goods will be received and processed. Half of Orphan Grain Train relief is distributed domestically when crises occur in our country. The other half is distributed world-wide into 67 foreign countries. You can help first by praying for this ministry. Other support opportunities will be communicated soon. For further information, contact the Michigan Branch Manager, Pr. Dave Reed, 989-600-2264.

STEWARDSHIP Luke 5:5--And Simon answered, 'Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.' Peter's words show both exasperation and trust. He's tired, He tried his best and failed. But he is still ready to trust the Lord's word---and act on it. Our stewardship is also a matter of trusting the Lord's word...and acting on it.

STEWARDSHIP - A way of life

VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL is looking for a head JV baseball coach and head golf coach for the spring athletic season. If you are interested and would like to discuss one of the positions further, please contact Eric Smith by phone (790-1676) or email: esmith@vlhs.com. The season runs from March 11 through the first week of June. Thank you for your consideration.

AREA EVENTS

Sun., February 10, German Heritage Service – St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth

11 a.m. (1030 Tuscola Rd.) The K-6th grade students and the Jr. High Wind Ensemble from St. Lorenz School will participate in the annual German 'Heritage Sunday' Service. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate as we worship our Lord and Savior and remember and celebrate our German Heritage.

Sun., February 10, Swiss Steak Dinner – Trinity-St. James, Munger 11:30-2

p.m. (119 E. Munger Rd.) Freewill donation of \$10 for adults, \$7 for children (6-12), & free for age 5 or younger. Takeout dinners will be available, along with a country store and bake sale.

Sat., February 16, "Love & Laughter" Fundraiser – St. Paul, Millington

6-11 p.m. (Black Forest, Frankenmuth) Join us for dinner, a gift auction, and comedy, featuring Melissa Hager and Brent Terhune. Tickets: \$40 per person or \$75 per couple and can be purchased by calling the office @ 989-871-4581.

Sun., February 17, Valentine's Chicken BBQ – St. John, Amelith 11 a.m.-

1 p.m. (1664 Amelith Rd.) Famous Amelith BBQ chicken dinners, cooked to perfection by the St. John Amelith Athletic Club, with baked potato, veggies, bread, dessert and beverage will be \$10 for ½ chicken and \$8 for ¼ chicken. Take-outs available at 10:30 a.m. LWML is also hosting a bake sale. For questions, please contact Tony Johnson at 684-3037.

Sat., February 23, VLHS Benefit Dinner & Auction – Apple Mountain

Conference Center Valley Lutheran High School invites you to go back to the Fabulous Fifties at the 16th annual VLHS Auction and Benefit Dinner. Join us for a fun evening of fellowship and purpose! Tickets and more information at www.vlhsauction.com. We hope you'll join us!

Sun., February 24, Benefit for Allie Keenan – St. John, Amelith 11 a.m.-2

p.m. (1664 Amelith Rd.) Melting Medical Bills is a fundraising event to support Allie Keenan and her family with rising medical costs. A soup and sandwich bar will be offered along with a Bake Sale, Silent Auction, and Small-Item Ticket Auction. Please contact Mary Smith at msmith@amelith.org or Sandy Soule at ssoule73@yahoo.com for questions or to offer help.

Sun., March 3, Annual Church and Community MOST Mission Auction –

Immanuel, Frankentrost 11:30 a.m. (8220 E. Holland Rd.) Come join the fun and fellowship in support of our team going to South Africa for Eyeglass Clinics from August 16-27, 2019. Lots of unique items to bid on both live and silent. Silent auction starts at 11:30 with the Live auction starting at 1:00 with our lively auctioneer Gerry Hecht. Free-will lunch will be available from 11:30 through the afternoon.

4th SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 6:1–13 (ESV)

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

⁸ And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.” ⁹ And he said, “Go, and say to this people:

“Keep on hearing, but do not understand;
keep on seeing, but do not perceive.”

¹⁰ Make the heart of this people dull,
and their ears heavy,
and blind their eyes;
lest they see with their eyes,
and hear with their ears,
and understand with their hearts,
and turn and be healed.”

¹¹ Then I said, “How long, O Lord?”

And he said:

“Until cities lie waste
without inhabitant,
and houses without people,
and the land is a desolate waste,
¹² and the LORD removes people far away,
and the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land.

¹³ And though a tenth remain in it,
it will be burned again,
like a terebinth or an oak,
whose stump remains
when it is felled.”

The holy seed is its stump.

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 14:12b–20 (ESV)

Since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church.

¹³Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. ¹⁴For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. ¹⁵What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also.

¹⁶Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say “Amen” to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? ¹⁷For you may be giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. ¹⁸I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. ¹⁹Nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

²⁰Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 5:1–11 (ESV)

¹On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, ²and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. ⁴And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” ⁶And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. ⁷They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” ⁹For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” ¹¹And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.