

CONNECT WITH PASTOR GOFF

I find myself interested in what researchers are saying about the impact of the pandemic on the life of the church, and on people of faith in general. A number of studies have been done so far, and there will be more to come. Personally, I don't believe we will fully see the impact of the pandemic on the church for many years to come. However, there is an article I read recently that I think is relevant for some of the areas of ministry we are talking about here at St. Michael.

This summer a new report was published on faith in post-pandemic America from Dr. George Barna and the Cultural Research Center at Arizona Christian University. Here's the part of the report that caught my attention:



According to Len Munsil, President of Arizona Christian University, the research highlights the mounting challenges when it comes to engaging people with the Christian faith, especially younger Americans. Young people are longing for meaning and purpose in their lives, for deeper relationships, for something bigger than themselves to believe in and build their lives around. Grounding the next generation in God's truth and building their worldview can help turn these trends around and transform our nation.



But it's not just youth or young adults who are affected. "The research found that congregants in mainline Protestant churches also demonstrate a lack of views aligned with biblical teachings. Out of the 20 beliefs and behaviors examined, a majority of mainline church attendees display a biblical point of view on only six factors."

"According to Barna, who conducted the research, the findings call for a new strategy to engage people with the Christian faith. 'We have reached the point of 'all hands on deck' to rescue a hollowed-out Church,' he said What do we have to lose by changing our strategy?"

At times, any talk about "a new strategy" often makes people uncomfortable. But actually, the *REASONS* for even suggesting "a new strategy" is what really should make us uncomfortable. It is recognizing some of these trends that is leading us here at St. Michael to do a few things specifically.

One) A recommendation will be brought to the November 19 Voter's Meeting to extend a call to Emma Deines to be our new Director of Youth Ministry. Emma has been with us here for almost a year now as a youth ministry intern. She is building relationships with our youth and beginning to rebuild a focus on youth ministry. This is essential.

Two) We have been recently working to reaffirm the original call Pastor Shawn received here to be our Missional Pastor with a concentration on young adults. During the two years when St. Michael was without a senior pastor, Pastor Shawn took on some additional pastoral responsibilities thereby limiting his time to work with young adults. On top of that, he has been helping with my "onramp" back into ministry over the past year. But now we believe it is time to reaffirm the reason for his call here with a return to ministry to and with young adults. With this, he will be identifying a "new strategy" for what we call the Bridge Ministry.

The more I talk to other pastors and take note of what other churches are doing, the more I see what a unique opportunity St. Michael has to foster faith conversations with a younger and emerging generation. We will talk further about this at the upcoming November 19 Congregational Meeting. Dinner is at 5:00p followed by our meeting. See you there!

Pastor Goff

CONNECT WITH PASTOR SHAWN

SEND US YOUR VIDEOS!

This month we would like to capture how The Church has made a difference in your life and how you, as The Church, are making a difference in the world around us. To be a part of this, please email or text a picture or short video (10 seconds or less) to Celine Newman at <u>celine@stmfw.org</u> or 450-7916.

SHEPHERD'S HAND BLESSING OPPORTUNITY

Shepherd's Hand will once again be hosting a Thanksgiving meal on Sunday, November 19. Instead of food donations this year, we are asking people to consider a monetary gift of \$25 to provide a blessing bag with the makings of a Thanksgiving meal for a family of 4. Please place your donations in the white Shepherd's Hand box in the lobby. We are blessed by your generosity! Deadline for donations is November 15.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE



This year we will once again bless families in our community and The Redemption House through the Christmas Giving Tree. This year as you look at the Christmas Giving Trees you will see tags for:

- \$25 gift cards to stores (Meijer, Target)
- family daily needs (toilet paper, paper products, laundry soap)
- twin sheet sets
- twin mattresses

Our goal is to support 14 families and help the Redemption House with at least 15 new mattresses. We will also hang tags for:

• two \$25 gift cards to Target, Meijer, and Kohls (stores with clothes and toys) per family member

All items need to be returned by Tuesday, December 12. If you have questions, contact Robin Kaiser at rrkaiser@hotmail.com or Pastor Shawn at pastordavis@stmfw.org.

GET TO KNOW LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF INDIANA (LSSI)

Did you know that *Balance Works* delivers high quality, trauma-focused, client-centered care to individuals and families as they move toward social, emotional, and spiritual wholeness? They provide tangible tools, resources and education as they help clients learn new coping skills and behavior responses. Their approach allows clients to thrive and heal in the manner that fosters hope, stability and resiliency. St. Michael is excited to support LSSI!



REDEMPTION HOUSE UPDATE—Graduation is December 3!

We will provide a meal at Wayne Street on November 5/December 17 and Fairfield Avenue on November 12/December 17. Contact Candi Luchnenko to provide a dish at 422-2061. Please join us at St. Michael on Sunday, December 3 at 4:00p, as we host the graduation for three ladies from the Redemption House. **Come and be a part of this celebration!**



BLESSING HIS WORLD



Go and Serve | Sign Up Today! November 4 at St. Michael from 9:00a-11:00a

"You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8 As we look at serving the world around us and being witnesses to Christ's compassion, we have three unique opportunities to *Bless His World* as we gather at St. Michael on November 4.



Blessing The World | Globally

Project 216 | Packing Meals

Signup at stmfw.org/goandserve

Project 216 is a non-profit humanitarian food aid organization with the mission to show God's love by empowering our community to provide highly nutritious food to people suffering from hunger around the world. Our meals are packaged by local volunteers and delivered to those in need with the help of worldwide partners.



Blessing the World | Nationally

Red Cross | Blood Drive - Sponsored by the Clendenen family
Sign up at stmfw.org and click on the banner (or redcross.org or call 1-800-red-cross)



Blessing the World | Locally

Super Shots Flu Clinic (other adult immunizations available)

No appointment necessary, located in the St. Michael Conference Room

STEWARDSHIP adapted from Lutheran Hour Ministries

Have you considered blessing St. Michael with your retirement benefits? Both during and after your lifetime? Possibilites include a 1) beneficiary designation 2) qualified charitable distribution, and 3) charitable gift annuity.

- 1) Add St. Michael as a beneficiary of your Individual Retirement Account, 401k or 403b, to connect people to Jesus and others after your lifetime.
- 2) If you are 70 ½ or older, a tax-free distribution from your IRA to St. Michael enables you to make a difference in lives now! What a gift to see your blessing in action!
- 3) A CGA allows you to use your assets to give to St. Michael, while also receiving income during your retirement years.

Whether you've worked your entire life, or just a few years, the good work you did can continue in the good work at St. Michael now and for generations to come. "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10

NEWS FROM STEPHANIE

Sometimes, we can sing a song without really thinking about the words. So this year, I tried to write a paraphrase of A Mighty Fortress, one of the staples of our Reformation Services, to help me focus on the lyrics. A mighty fortress is our God, a refuge never failing. He helps us in the storm and the flood when the winds of this life seem too much for us to handle. Satan uses all of his schemes to get us to fall, but Christ has already claimed us as his own! Don't rely on yourself, trust in the RIGHT MAN, the MAN of GOD's choosing, CHRIST JESUS, EMMANUEL, from age to age the SAME. God's Word, his Love, his Power, and his Love are so much more than anything in this world. This world and our earthly bodies will fail; but God's Kingdom is forever!

CREATIVE RETREAT RECAP

Isaiah 55:12 For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Twenty-eight people from 5 different churches, and several different states joined together at St. Michael on October 20-21 for a weekend filled with reflection, meditation, creativity, sharing and renewal around the theme Freed from Darkness. New songs were written, art created, emotions expressed, relationships deepened, and faith strengthened. Thank you to the Lord for giving the gift of creativity and to St. Michael for being a supporter of the arts!



CHRISTMAS ORCHESTRA

Bells will be ringing, flautists playing, strings bowing, and trumpets proclaiming the birth of our Savior this Christmas. We would love to have you join us for the following rehearsals:

- Thursday, November 2 @ 6:30p
- Thursday, December 7 @ 6:30p
- Thursday, December 14 @ 6:30p
- Wednesday, December 20 @ 7:00p

For more information, please contact our Worship Director, Stephanie, at stephanie@stmfw.org.

ACADEMY UPDATE

Thanks to the generous donations from St. Michael members, six Academy students are currently receiving scholarships for lessons. What a blessing for these students and their families! If you are in the building between 3:00p-6:00p Monday through Thursday, you can hear the sounds of piano, violin, oboe, and guitar as our students improve the creative gifts God has given. Soli Deo Gloria; to God be the glory!

HANDBELL CHOIRS

We have a beginning handbell choir for children from 3rd - 5th grade. There is no cost. All abilities are also welcome in our adult handbell choirs! Contact Celine Newman at celine@stmfw.org with questions.

NOVEMBER SATURDAY PRAISE TEAM LINE-UP

November 4 New Song November 11 Life Song
November 18 King's Strings November 25 New Song

YOUTH WITH DCE INTERN EMMA DEINES

CHECK-IN WITH DCE INTERN EMMA!

Our lives are busy, running around from one activity to the next but here we can take a moment to stop and think about the God who created us. Over the last few months and continuing on throughout the year, Middle and High School Youth continue to learn more about their IDENTITY! God has a plan for us and has given us all gifts and talents to share His love with others. This month we continue to talk about "whose we are" and discuss how we can live that out in our daily lives.

OCTOBER LUNCH AT CLHS

Great food and great fellowship with St. Michael youth at Concordia Lutheran High School!





YOUTH CALENDAR!

Subscribe to the St. Michael Youth Google Calendar

YOUTH NIGHTS! "FIND YOUR IDENTITY"

Youth Nights are held on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday of each month. Middle School is from 4:00p-6:00p and High School is from 6:00p-8:00p! Learn more about "whose you are" in Christ!

November 5 November 19 December 3
December 17 - Christmas Party!



Youths-Giving

All Youth (6th-12th) from 4:00p-6:00p come celebrate Youths-Giving!

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT!—NOVEMBER 15 FROM 6:00p-8:00p

High School Youth had a blast last month at Electric Works! This month we look forward to trying some new games and a new devotion series! Keep your calendars open and join us again at Electric Works on November 15! See you there!

SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

Be a Greeter! St. Michael Youth we are looking for volunteers (6th - 12th) to be greeters at the 10:45a service on November 19. If you are interested, please contact DCE Intern Emma.

"Connect" - For 8th Grade Confirmation. Join DCE Intern Emma at Electric Works on Tuesdays from 3:00p-5:30p. This is a time to get to know each other, play some fun games, and enjoy snacks.

FAMILY MINISTRY with Jen Clendenen

"Boo-tiful job everyone! Our Fall Family Festival was a huge success, and it's all thanks to the spook-tacular volunteers who went above and beyond in preparing food, hosting the event, and making sure everything ran smoothly. Our youth group really stepped up too, providing fun games that made for an exciting day for the children of all ages who attended. We sincerely appreciate all the generous donations of food, drinks, and candy. Without your support, we couldn't have created such a warm and inviting atmosphere that welcomed families from our church community and beyond. And of course, we can't forget to recognize the creativity and enthusiasm of the 18 families who participated in our trunk or treat and added an extra layer of fun to the festival.

We are so grateful for everyone's hard work and support in ensuring the Fall Family Festival was a fa-BOO-lous success! Way to connect others to Christ and bless the community around us, St. Michael!









BELONG

J.O.Y. GROUP (Just Older Youth 55 and older!)

Thursday December 14 at 12:00p

Begin your Christmas festivities with enjoying Christian fellowship, a catered Christmas buffet by Goeglein's, songs by our ESM children's choir and special music by Jubilant Fields. All that and a Christmas carol sing-a-long! RESERVATIONS REQUIRED by November 30. Cost: \$20.00. Reserve your spot by completing the form in the lobby and returning it to the office with your CHECK made out to St. Michael Lutheran Church (reference JOY Christmas on the memo line). Questions - call Penny Pequignot at 580-8730 or Janet Maxson at 438-7442.

CONNECT MEALS ON THE 3RD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Join us for a meal at a local restaurant after the service on the 3rd Saturday of each month. The next one will be November 18. Contact Celine Newman if you are planning on joining or for further details.



GAP MINISTRY—November 18/19

St. Michael believes in the importance of prayer. God Answers Prayer members want to pray for you and with you. Join them in the worship conference room after the services.

PRAYING FOR OUR NATION—November 15

Join us at 1:30p in the Lobby as we pray for our leaders and our nation. We will meet regularly on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Please connect with Christine Harrison for more information and to engage in this ministry (charrison75@comcast.net).

PURLS—November 7/21

This fun group meets from 1:00p-3:00p on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Everyone who knits, crochets or wants to learn is welcome to join! The St. Michael PURLS knit and crochet shawls that are available to give to a person who is ill, suffering a loss, or in the midst of a life crisis. A supply of shawls is available in the lobby for members to take and present to someone in need. Direct your questions to Pat Armstrong through the church office.

COFFEE BREAK WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us the second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:15a for Christian fellowship and the study of God's Word!



BOOK CLUB—Thursday, November 16 at 10:00a

Book club will meet the third Thursday of the month in the conference room. This month we are reading *West with Giraffes* by James Read. Anyone who enjoys reading and a good discussion is always welcome! Contact Camille Blake at 409-9196 with questions.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

ALL SAINTS WEEKEND

November 4/5

If you have Christian friends or relatives who died in the faith in this past year, we would like to honor them. Please email their full name and date of death to Tina@stmfw.org.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME

Sunday, November 19, at 10:45a

Please welcome our new members as they formally join the family of St. Michael. If you have been visiting and plan to transfer your membership, please contact the church office at 432-2033.

CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCK AND MEETING

Sunday, November 19 at 5:00p in the aym

Please join us for this opportunity to fellowship and participate in the business of your church including our budget review and approval! We will also receive a recommendation to extend a call to Emma Deines as Director of Youth Ministry. Childcare is provided. Dinner is at 5:00p and the meeting will follow.

A-F bring a main dish G-L bring a side M-S bring a salad **T-Z** bring a dessert

THANKSGIVING SERVICES



Cirethanks St. Michael has two special Thanksgiving services: Wednesday, November 22, at 7:00p with instrumental music from the hand bell choirs and Thursday, November 23, at 10:00a with choral selections from the adult choir. Praise the Lord from whom all blessings flow!

HANGING OF THE GREENS CELEBRATION—Wednesday, November 29

5:30p Family Ornament Making and Pizza Dinner

Join us at 5:30p in Luther Hall to make an ornament for your tree and one for St. Michael's tree! Pizza and drinks will also be provided.

7:00p Worship Service

This special worship service includes scripture, music, and explanation of the decorations in our sanctuary. There will also be a time during worship for kids to bring up one of their ornaments to place on the tree.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Our Sunday School children, preschool – grade 5, will be sharing the Christmas story in worship on **Saturday**, December 16 at 5:00p. St. Michael Academy students will provide pre-service music. Special thanks to our Family Coordinator, Jen Clendenen for directing the children this year!

EMMANUEL-ST. MICHAEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

ESM VESPERS – SAVE THE DATE

Our School, Emmanuel-St. Michael, has the beautiful tradition of leading one midweek Advent service at both Emmanuel and St. Michael church's. This year, the tradition continues, but ALL of our students will lead ONE service for BOTH St. Michael and Emmanuel congregations.



In order to have enough room for everyone, the service will be held **Wednesday**, **December 13 at 7:00p** at the University of St. Francis Performing Arts Center at 431 W. Berry St.

You are invited to this historic service as we join together to worship Jesus; God made flesh to be our Savior! Our kids will lead us with scripture, songs, and the candlelit ending of *Silent Night, We Light a Thousand Candles,* and *May my Light Shine.*

WELCOME OUR NEW FACULTY AND STAFF!

Michaela Blume has lived in Fort Wayne since 1993. She attended the Southwest Allen County Schools, graduating from Homestead High School in 2003. She then went to Purdue University and majored in English and Sociology. She took a year off to do social work, then went to law school where she earned a J.D. from Indiana University McKinney School of Law. She and her husband have three kids at ESM - Brody, in 8th grade, Cameron, in 5th grade and Layla in 2nd grade. Michaela has worked as a substitute teacher for SWAC since 2021 and has worked part time in the legal field since having children. She enjoys traveling, skiing, writing children's poetry, and eating cake and is so excited to be helping out at ESM!

Mrs. Stephanie Mueller was born in California, but soon moved to Minnesota to be closer to family. There she grew up and attended East St. Paul Lutheran School where her grandfather was the principal and her grandmother was her kindergarten teacher! She went on to Concordia (Teacher's) College in Seward, Nebraska to study to be a teacher herself! She did her student teaching in Fort Wayne, Indiana and then received her first call to teach at Redeemer Lutheran School in Salt Lake City, Utah. After getting married to Craig Mueller of Fort Wayne in 1992, she and her husband lived in Indianapolis for 11 years. They then came back to Fort Wayne to raise their own four children in Lutheran Schools. Mrs. Mueller taught at St. Paul's Lutheran here in Fort Wayne for the past 15 years, most of that time as the Early Childhood director and teacher of the Pre-Kindergarten class. This move to ESM to teach Kindergarten has been an exciting adventure for her! Mrs. Mueller's family includes Mr. Mueller who is a battalion chief on the Fort Wayne Fire Department with 32 years of service. They have four grown children; daughter Abigail (26) who is a nurse in Indianapolis and getting married in February 2024; Jonathan (23) who studied aviation and is now studying to be a pilot, and also serves in the Air National Guard; another daughter Jenna (21) who is studying nursing at Grace College, and another son Benjamin who is a freshman at Taylor University studying business and playing lacrosse. As a mother of four, Mrs. Mueller loves being surrounded by children and is grateful for the opportunity to teach them about Jesus and the world that God made!

ST. MICHAEL FINANCIAL UPDATE

September 2023

INCOME	Actual	Budgeted	Actual vs budget
Offerings	\$1,190,189	\$1,244,175	\$(53,986)
Facility	\$9,905	\$9,375	\$530
Interest	\$15,113	\$5,250	\$9,863
Grants	\$2,849	\$22,697	\$(19,848)
Fellowship	\$1,152	\$-	\$1,152
ESM/CLHS Support	\$125	\$-	\$125
Misc.	\$664	\$1,500	\$(836)
Total Income	\$1,219,997	\$1,282,997	\$(63,000)
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Missions	\$15,927	\$15,427	\$500
Education	\$492,562	\$492,562	\$-
Youth & Family	\$11,029	\$14,925	\$(3,896)
Administrative	\$29,077	\$25,562	\$3,515
Pastoral Support	\$4,857	\$7,084	\$(2,227)
Worship	\$15,066	\$15,290	\$(224)
Boards & Committees	\$7,079	\$10,712	\$(3,633)
Utilities, Maintenance & Supplies	\$136,941	\$135,742	\$1,199
Salaries	\$413,107	\$421,537	\$(8,430)
Taxes and Benefits	\$126,046	\$132,255	\$(6,209)
Nursery, Gym Setup, Worship	\$5,325	\$5,617	\$(292)
Total Expenses	1,257,016	1,276,713	\$(19,697)
Net Income (Loss)	\$(37,019)	\$6,284	\$(43,303)

Online Directory
Did you know that St.
Michael has an online
directory for members?
It is called Fellowship One
Go. You can download an
app to your phone or
access it through a
browser.

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domain: stmfw.fellowshiponego.com		
user ID / password – if you don't know it, email tammy@stmfw.org	user ID / password – if you don't know it, email tammy@stmfw.org	



Once logged in, you can view your profile, look up member phone numbers and addresses, view your offering history, and print your statements. If you have any questions or need help setting it up, contact Tammy Bruns at 432-2033 or email tammy@stmfw.org.

WHAT DOES THE CHURCH DO WITH THE CONNECT CARDS?

Does it really matter if you fill out a connect card or the "I am here form online?"

The short answer – yes! When you put your name on the card we record attendance and any prayers and thoughts are shared with the prayer team or staff as appropriate. When you fill out these cards, or the online form, it helps us to be able to keep in touch with you through communications that are more relevant to you. It is also a great way to get your thoughts and ideas to us.

CLHS

'WHITE DIAMOND CHRISTMAS GALA' CADETS IN CADENCE DINNER AUCTION

The CLHS Cadets in Cadence Dinner Auction is on Saturday, December 2, 2023, in the high school's gymnasium. This year's theme is White Diamond Christmas Gala! Come enjoy live musical entertainment, cocktails and dinner along with a live auction, dessert auction and a paddle raise. This has been a sold out event the last 2 years so make sure to purchase your tickets soon by going online to cadetsincadence.com.

Concordia Lutheran High School is looking for volunteers to help with their Cadets in Cadence Dinner Auction. If you are detail-oriented, enjoy data entry, photography, graphic design, or writing and have a few hours each week to consistently donate between now and the December 2 event please contact Matt Konow at 483-1102, ext. 251 or at mkonow@clhscadets.com. They will also need many hands the week prior to the auction to help with set-up and tear down on Sunday, December 3. Thanks for helping make this year's celebration such a success!

JOIN OUR TOWN HALL MEETINGS—November 12/13/14

Everyone is invited to participate in the CLHS mission, vision, and Campus Facility Master Plan Town Hall sessions. Stakeholders will hear from CLHS leadership regarding the progress of the current discovery process, including potential renovation and construction options available at our current location. Participants will have the opportunity both in small group settings and as a large group to provide opinions and feedback which will inform our school's future! Go to clhscadets.com/apps/form/town-hall to register!

TEAM USA MARATHON RUNNER ZACH PANNING TO SPEAK AT CLHS

Team USA marathon runner and 2014 Concordia Lutheran High School graduate, Zach Panning will be visiting our high school for a speaking engagement and a question and answer session on Tuesday, November 7 at 6 p.m. Panning finished as the top American and 13th overall at the World Athletic Championships in August which puts him in a good position to qualify in February for the Olympics. This free event will take place in the high school's auditorium and will be open to the public. Concordia's Chief Advancement Officer Matt Konow will serve as moderator.

CONCORDIA DAY

Concordia Day is a way for 8th graders to experience high school for a day. Students will tour classes, see our various programs, and get a good taste of high school life. Concordia Day is November 10. Students need to arrive at the high school by 8:50a. The day will end by 1:30p. A free lunch is provided or you may bring your lunch. Casual dress attire. If your student is not already attending with their school, please register online at clhscadets.com/apps/pages/discover-concordia. Any 8thgrader from any school is welcome!

If you have any questions, please contact Admissions Director Dawn Schuller atdschuller@clhscadets.com or (260) 483-1102, ext. 298.

DISCOVER CONCORDIA NIGHT

On November 15, we will host our annual Discover Concordia Night at 6:30p. This night is open to any parent and student who would like to learn more about attending Concordia Lutheran High School. The evening includes a program and a tour of the high school. Please register online at clhscadets.com/apps/pages/discover-Concordia and arrive a few minutes early for check-in.

ELDERS

WHO IS YOUR ELDER?

You are encouraged to contact an elder any time you feel a spiritual need or concern! You are free to connect with any elder. If you have an assigned elder and want to know who that is, you may call the church office at 432-2033. Below are the email addresses for all elders. Their phone numbers can be found in F1Go. Information also is available on the church bulletin board! Please do not hesitate to reach out to an elder if you have a spiritual need. They are here to help you.

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GOD'S BLESSINGS ON OUR NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES!

God's blessings to	Day	Years	God's blessings to	Day	Years
Lynn and Nancy Sackschewsky	1	61	Jake and Leslie Miller	11	26
Paul and Mary Leininger	1	33	Loren and Lisa Schaefer	13	24
Jim and Kelly Lohman	4	45	Stan and Sally Scheumann	13	41
John and Dee Mortimer	4	45	Al and Cynthia Claus	14	58
Damian and Valerie Hensley	5	24	Wayne and Barbara Augenstein	15	48
Paul and Amie Leslie	5	12	Mike and DeeDee Beights	16	21
Joe and Erica Mutton	5	8	Donald and Kathryne Magner	18	4
Ron and Kendra Nieman	5	57	Roy and Peggy Macke	22	67
Amos and Karen Werling	5	57	Ted and Holly Raney	26	26
Randy and Tina Hoover	7	14	Matt and Christine Hendrickson	27	19

NOVEMBER BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS



We will celebrate baptism birthdays on November 18/19.

Please pray for Veda Coe; Henry Daseler; Everett Fillmore; Killian Foos; Mikey Fulcher; Mason Gould; Christian Hupe; Michael and Clark Katt; Brecken Lane; Elliot Lyons; Erica Meyer; Charlie Mutton; Nyle Roehm; Tatum Scherer; Brooklyn Schroeder; Sawyer Sponseller; Elouise Straessle; Samantha Sult; Eli Thompson; and Leland, Ethan and Emily White.

NOVEMBER MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

God's blessings to: Connie Easterday, 11/7, 81; Martha Seidel, 11/7, 89; Jerry Pieper, 11/12, 82; Pat Armstrong, 11/19, 83; Willie Biddle, 11/19, 83; Carol Sims, 11/20, 82; Annie Eckrich, 11/24, 88; and Edie Bearman, 11/28, 89.



CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

Have you noticed the activity across the street from the church? According to the Fort Wayne City Planner, a 322-unit apartment complex is proposed to be built by October 2025. There is a lot of work that needs to be done on the property before the building can begin, but we will update you as we know more. Click here to view the plans provided by the city.

DO YOU LIKE FOOD AND REFRESHMENT?

We are looking to gather all people who are interested in helping to support and further develop St. Michael's service groups that provide food and refreshments in early November. If you would like to be a part of this conversation, please contact Celine Newman at celine@stmfw.org.