

DECEMBER 2024 THEHERA MONTHLY CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

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UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

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O1 SUN	 1ST COMMUNION 8:30AM TRAD. SERVICE 10:45AM CONT. SERVICE 	O2 MON	• 9-12 PICKLE BALL DROP IN	O3 TUES	• 3:00 BIBLE STUDY
O4 wed	• 7:00PM CHIOR PRACTICE	O5 thurs	 9-12:00 PICKLE BALL DROP IN 6:30PM BAND PRACTICE 7:00 GYM RENTAL 	O7 sat	 8:30AM MIGHTY MEN MEETING 8-5 GYM RENTAL
O8 SUN	 8:30AM TRAD. SERVICE 9:40AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45AM CONT. SERVICE 12:00 WISC GENERAL MEETING 	09 Mon	 9-12 PICKLE BALL 5:30 ECL BOARD 6:30 CHURCH COUNCIL 	10 tues	 3PM BIBLE STUDY 7PM EVE CIRCLE
11 wed	 9:30AM SOC. MIN. BOARD 7:00PM CHIOR PRACTICE 	12 THURS	 6:30PM BAND PRACTICE 7:00 GYM RENTAL 	14 sat	 9:30AM FOOD PANTRY 11-7 GYM RENTAL 2-4:30 PARENTS NIGHT OUT
15 sun	 8:30AM TRAD. SERVICE 9:40AM SUNDAY SCHOOL SPECIAL SEMINAR 10:45AM CONT. SERVICE 7-8:30 OUTH GROUP 	16 MON	• 9-12 PICKLE BALL DROP IN	17 tues	• 3:00 BIBLE STUDY
18 wed	 7:00PM CHIOR PRACTICE 	19 THURS	 6:30PM BAND PRACTICE 7:00PM GYM RENTAL 	21 SAT	• 4-7 GYM RENTAL
22 SUN	 9:40 W&M BOARD 10:00 ONE SERVICE LESSONS & CAROLS 	23 MON	• 9-12 PICKLE BALL DROP IN	24 TUES	CHRISTMAS EVE • 4:00 1ST SERVICE • 8:00 2ND SERVICE
25 wed	• MERRY CHRISTMAS	26 THURS	 6:30PM BAND PRACTICE 7:00PM GYM RENTAL 	29 sun	 8:30AM TRAD. SERVICE 9:40AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45AM CONT. SERVICE
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MON

Christian Education

- Parents Day Out!
 - Saturday, December 14th, 2-4:30p for children 4 12yrs old
 - The movie "The Star" will be shown in the Small Fellowship
 - Popcorn/Snacks provided
 - Bring your friends, pillow/sleeping bag
 - If you have any questions or would like to help with this event, please see Tina.
 PSVD to Tina by December 2nd
 - RSVP to Tina by December 2nd
- December 15th food items are due for the Christmas Food Baskets. All the children in Sunday School selected an item to bring in. The kids will pack the bags, take them out to the Gathering Room where we will pray over the food. Please join us!
- Important Dates....
 - NO Sunday School...
 - December 1st
 - December 22nd, Lessons & Carols, 1 service at 10am
 - December 29th
 - January 5th
- Nursery
 - We are looking for some volunteers to help in the nursery during 2nd service. If you are interested or know someone that may be interested, please let Tina Calhoun know.
 - Recommended ages for children in the nursery is 0 6 due to the nursery having limited space.
 - We have ordered a paging system that will allow the nursery attendant to page the parents if their child is in need of attention.
- WISC meeting December 8th after first service to decide the allocation of bazaar funds to charities, please bring your suggestions.
- The Worship & Music Board is looking for additional people to work in the tech booth for Sunday morning worship services. People of all ages are welcome! Training will be provided. Please contact Janet Hutchinson or the church office, if interested. We need somebody for Christmas Eve service.
- The Family Christmas Tree is in the Gathering Room and waiting for your church appropriate ornament.
- Please have your food baskets back by December 15th

First Holy Communion

Brayden Christensen Hailey Christensen Aaron Consear Micah Jennings Rylee Livingstone Levi Willingham Corey Workman Kasey Workman



 December 15th Rev. Dr. Marcus Carlson will be holding a special seminar between services: "Church Leadership Models" and a Q&A to follow. Please join in the gym!

Parents Day Out!

Saturday, December 14th 2 - 4:30P

Children 4 - 12yrs

(Children must be able to use the bathroom independently)

We are excited to invite you to our exclusive Parents' Day Out event! Leave the kids with us while you enjoy a well-deserved break. Please RSVP to Tina by December 2nd.

tinacalhoun@stmichaelotl.org or 419-349-4966

- "The Star" will be shown
- Snacks will be provided
- Bring a friend(s)





SPOTLIGHT **PROCEDURES IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**

Fire/Bomb Threat: "FIRE-EVACUATE"

- Call 911 /// 734-243-7070
- Exit Immediately Through Nearest Doors
- Break Open Windows if Necessary
- Follow Directions Of Ushers & Security Team
- Regroup & Meet At Old Fire House
- SS Teacher Will Escort Students There

Dangerous Intruder; "DANGER-ESCAPE/HIDE"

- Call 911///734-243-7070
- Exit Immediately Through Nearest Doors
- Follow Directions Of
- Ushers/Security Team
- Ask For Help If Needed/Assist
- Others
- Hide If Unable to Exit
- Regroup at Old Fire House SS Teacher Will Escort
- Students There

Tornado/Severe Weather: "TORNADO-EVACUÁTE"

- Proceed Immediately to Tornado Shelter Area
- Hallway by Shawn's Office
- Follow Directions of Ushers & Security Team
- Ask For Help If Needed/Assist Others
- Stay Away from All Windows & Doors
- Remain Calm, stay Close to Wall & Cover Heads
- SS Teacher Will Escort Students There
- Wait For all Clear



GROUPS & MINISTRIES

Adults Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study

Tuesdays | 3PM | Gathering Room This adult Bible study meets weekly. The group is currently conducting a survey of the entire Bible. Contact Mark Packer or the church office for more information.

Young Women Bible Study 7PM | Library

This group of young moms and young professional women meets every other week on Thursdays to study the Bible together. They have an informal time of fellowship and open group discussion of the selected reading. The group is currently studying the Gospel of John. Contact Kelsey Kimmelman, Marisa Gibbs or the church office for more information.

Eve Circle

2nd Tuesday Monthly | 7PM | Gathering Room This Group has a Dessert Potluck and a book discussion. The group is currently studying The Twelve Disciples by Douglas Connelly. Contact Sharon Sahloff or the church office for more information.

Mighty Men of St. Michael

Ist Saturday Monthly | 8:30AM | Gathering Room This is a men's fellowship group designed to build lasting friendships between the men in our church. The group provides fun and fellowship, as well volunteer service, man power and leadership to our congregation. The group meets for breakfast, devotionals and a chance to share their testimony. Contact Gary Sears or the church office for more information.

Women in Service for Christ (WISC)

WISC provides fellowship and service opportunities for the women of St. Michael. Including the annual Holiday Bazaar, raising funds for mission partners and community organizations and needs within the church, the annual rummage sale and organizes women's fellowship events throughout the year.

Food Pantry

2nd Sunday Monthly | 9:30AM | Drive Way Contact Mary Evilsizer to volunteer

Care Team

Hospital visits, Homebound visits, Prayer teams and more. Contact Mark Elvey or the church office to join this ministry. Contact Carolyn Eaton or the church office to be added to the prayer list.

Worship & Music

4th Sunday Monthly | 9:40AM | Choir Room Choir, Praise band, Hymns, Alter Care, and anything pertaining to Worship or Music! Contact Janet Hutchinson or the church office for more information, Contact Mark Elvey to join the praise band.



Are you in charge of a ministry, group or bible study within the church?

We want to let others know how to be more involved and we need your help! Write the name of your group and one sentence to describe what your group is about, when/ where they meet, or who to contact.

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PRAYERS

Short Term (Monthly)

- Patti Mull (Hospice Care) relative of Linda Stark
- Keith Clark (leg amputation)
- Family and friends of Tim Grosteffon
- Hudson (3yr old recovering from surgery)
- Donna Chambers (answers at Dr. Apt.)

Long Term (Yearly)

- Matt Thieman
- Weston
- Duane Schmidt
- Ethan Sexton
- Fred GeorgesonMartha Heck
- Dave
- Linda Dech
- Harland Jording
- Patti Mull
- Martha
- Cristy
- Judy Longanbach
- Don Wiles
- Heidi
- Dan Staifer
 - Becca Lambert
 - Barb
 - Jim
 - Jeffrey
 - Heidi
 - Laura Cassidy
 - Jen Marsh
 - David Cwiklewski
 - Dave Shaner
 - Julie Isquith
 - Marty Vernier
 - Kelly Bly
 - Gary Sanders
 - Dave Shaner
 - Lloyd Pant
 - Isabella Burzynski
 - Missi Stasko
 - Sarah
 - Mike Machinski
 - Debbie Newman
 - Larry Fisher
 - Gary Sanders
 - Dave Shaner
 - Eric Hoogendorn
 - Maureen
 - Glen Fisher
 - Larry Vincent
 - Barb Hatton
 - Kevin Jennings
 - Fred Godspeed
 - Family of Pat and Nancy
 - Linda Aiken
 - Sheryl
 - Dan Zimmerman

- Glen Fisher
- Dan Zimmerman
- Duane Schmidt
- Danny Gadille
- Bob Wischer
- Kay Evans
- Gordon
- Megan Alcock
- Chuck Bourdon
- Corey
- Pete Grundy
- Jean Holmes
- Dakota Barnhart
- Don Johnson
- Kathleen and her husband
- Missi Stasko
- Linda
- Carol Evans
- Joseph Hope
- Daniel
- Debby Hawkins
- Tom
- Sue Boggs
 - Danny

Other Prayers

- Faith Lutheran Church
- Mexico Mission: Monterrey, Mexico (Pastors Victor, Juan and Enrique)
- Home Bound:

Pat Ahrendt 4560 W. Alexis Rd., #302 Toledo, OH. 43634

Ruth Krumm Otterbein Sunset Village 9640 Sylvania-Metamora Rd. #315

• Military Personnel:

Dan Clifford

Kelsie Kennedy: PSC 41 Box 4037 APO AE 09464

Andrew & Jennifer Rohrer PSC 81 Box 129 APO AE 09724

Nathan & Jennie Calcamuggio PSC 473 BOX 2005 FPO AP 96349

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

12/03

- Shirley Herzberg 12/06
 - Brad Beck
 - Tina Calhoun
- Debra Hawkins 12/07
- Nick Kissoff 12/08
- Keith Holmes 12/12
 - Randall Ortman
- Connor Crawford
- 12/15
- Scott Livingstone 12/16
 - Tami Livingstone
 - Cole Jennings
- 12/23
- Julie Menzel
- 12/28
- Mary Evilsizer
- 12/30
 - John Pauli
 - Greg Schafer



12/10

- Jeff Pirolli and Denise
 Osburn
- 12/17
 - Kellyanne and David
 Morgan
- 12/27
 - Ken and Donna Chambers
- 12/29
 - Lawson Stone and Carolyn Eaton
 - Robert and Kelly
 Wallington

3 Christmas Prayers

Christmas Prayer of Thanksgiving: Gracious God, on this sacred day, we gather with hearts full of gratitude for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. Thank you for the love that brought Him to us and for the hope that His birth brings to the world. As we celebrate this Christmas, may our hearts overflow with thanksgiving for the ultimate gift of salvation. Amen.

Christmas Prayer for Peace: Prince of Peace, on this holy night, we lift our prayers for peace in our hearts, in our homes, and in the world. May the message of Christmas be a beacon of hope, guiding us to strive for harmony and understanding with one another. Let your peace reign in our lives as we seek to live in the light of your love. Amen.

Christmas Prayer of Joy: Heavenly Father, as we celebrate the birth of your Son, fill our hearts with the joy that comes from knowing Him. May the joy of Christmas be a constant presence in our lives, reminding us of the true source of happiness found in Jesus Christ. Let us share this joy with others and be a reflection of your love in the world. Amen.

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SERVANTS SCHEDULE

<u>8:30</u> USHERS

- 12/01 Joe Huss
- 12/08 Brad Beck
- 12/15 Nick Kissoff
- 12/29 Beth Pauli

READERS

- 12/01 Bill Manor
- 12/08 Taia Sutherland
- 12/15 Nick Kissoff
- 12/22 Mike Kurtz
- 12/29 -

ONE SERVICE 10:00

USHERS

• 12/22 - Beth Pauli

<u>10:45</u> USHERS

- 12/01 Bart Sarkasian
- 12/08 Cal Olmstead
- 12/15 Carolyn Eaton
- 12/29 Cal Olmstead

<u>CHRISTMAS</u> USHERS

- 4:00PM Joe Huss
- 8:00PM Cal Olmstead

FINANCIAL REPORT YTD income as of 12/2/24 \$321,469.23 YTD expense as of 12/2/24 \$264,208.30

AVERAGE ATTENDACNE 1st Service: 82 2nd Service: 72 Total Sunday Average: 154

ALTER FLOWERS

12/01 - Shirley Herzberg in memory of Herb 12/08 - Mark & Carol Packer for their wedding anniversary

12/15 - Bill and Cheri Mannor in memory of Becky Everett

12/22 - Carol & Mandi Randall in memory of Mike

12/29 - Carolyn Eaton and Lawson Stone for their wedding anniversary

