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The Communicator

MARCH 2019

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Sunday Worship

8:30 AM
10:30 AM

Sunday School

Ages 4 years
to grade 4
10:30 AM
(Sept-June)

Mission

**Welcoming all who
yearn to encounter
God and who long to
follow Jesus more
closely.**

**Send Communicator
articles to the office:
office@myallsaints.com,
to be included in the
next monthly
newsletter.**

The Bibles, God's Love Story for All People

As Lutheran Christians the scriptures are central to our lives of faith. The bible is God's love story of salvation for God's people. It's our story, it's your story, and it's the story of God's saving grace for all people. We believe that God speaks to us in and through scripture. When we read and hear the word of God it becomes part of who we are, imprinted on our hearts and guides us our journey on earth.

Part of our baptismal call and promise is live lives of faith centered in scripture. Baptismal sponsors and parents of children brought to receive the gift of baptism are charged with the responsibilities:

to live with *them* among God's faithful people,
bring *them* to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach *them* the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in *their* hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture *them* in faith and prayer,
so that *your children* may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

And in confirmation we make made public profession of our faith. We promise to continue in the covenant God made with us in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

God's word is and should be a powerful, transformative presence in our lives. But we need to read it, to hear it and to dwell in it. As we enter into Lent we are reminded once again of God's saving grace through Jesus Christ life, death, and resurrection. Lent is a time to reorient our lives around Jesus, the Word made flesh. As we enter into Lent, I encourage you to start, or restart, the practice of centering your life in scripture.

On Sunday, March 3rd we will have bibles for all ages from infants to adults. Please come, hear, receive and make a commitment to spend some time every day in scripture. Hear God speak to you and allow God's message of love to transform your life.

Pastor Denise

From Our Pastor

CHRISTMAS THANKS

Brent and I would like to express our gratitude for the gifts, cards, prayers, and well wishes shared with us during the holidays. We so appreciate them but we much more appreciate you and the ministry we share together here at All Saints for the Kingdom of God. It is a privilege to be your pastor and an honor to call you friends. God's blessings to you and your family now and always.

Pastor Denise

Your Staff Team

Denise Russell
Pastor

Linda DeGiorgio
Office Administrator &
Worship Support
Secretary

Denise Clarey
Preschool Director

Martha Gordon
Musician

2019 Council Representatives

Julia Keller
Council President

Sonja Markwart
Council Vice President

Marc DeGiorgio
Council Treasurer

Becky Manross
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JoEllyn Bernardin
Christian Education

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Linda DeGiorgio
Linda Lawrence
Stewardship

Bill Horn
Property

Suzanne Compton
Sue LaRoy
Social Concerns and
Health Ministry

Rick Mann
Julie Markwart
Worship & Music

Synod Leadership Training Opportunities

As part of the "Rise Up Campaign", the Southeast Michigan Synod is offering Leadership Training Workshops to all members of the Lutheran churches in the Synod. If you are interested in any of the workshop topics and would like to attend, please email b.fisher@semisynod.com to register for any or all of the workshops.

There will be 6 workshops offered for 2019.

March 23, 2019 - Free Money! Let's Write a Grant!
American Lutheran Church, Mt. Clemens
9am-Noon
Pastor Becky Bolander

April 27, 2019 - Suicide Prevention for Churches
Calvary Lutheran Church, Clarkston
9am-Noon
Pastor Kate Zywicki

June 1, 2019 - Church Council Governance
Transfiguration Lutheran, Fenton
Pastor Mark Fisher

September 21, 2019 - Life & Legacy Planning
St. John Lutheran, Dundee
Pastor Jennifer Kiefer

October 19, 2019 - Cross Generational Learning & Worship
Beautiful Savior Lutheran, Bloomfield Hills
Ms. Michelle Ketepa

November 16, 2019 - Storytelling for Faith Sharing
Lutheran Church of the Master, Troy
Pastor Paul Walters

Movie Nights Are Here!

March 9 and March 23

Enjoy a movie with your fellow All Saintsers
in the comfort of our church.

Get your popcorn at 6:30; the movie starts at 7.

See you at the Movies!



**Small Group and
Other Leaders**

Open
Altar Guild

Open
Financial Oversight
Committee

Becky Manross
Financial Secretary

Karen Walker
Lou Prine
Prayer Requests

Denise Clarey
Sunday School

**Pastor Denise
Russell**
Women's Bible Study

Open
Creative Saints
in Fellowship

Open
Men In Mission

2019 Season of Lent

Making Change

We pray the Season of Lent will spark renewed passion for the gospel of Jesus Christ, deepen and sustain your spiritual journey.

Worship services during this Lenten season included the following. Please join us.

All are welcome!

Ash Wednesday Services

3/6 @ 1:00 pm and 7:30 pm

Wednesday Gathering

1:00 pm Study and Worship

6:30 pm Soup and Sandwich Supper with table talk

7:30 pm Worship

3/13 *Change of Season*

3/20 *Change of Habit*

3/27 *Change of Circumstances*

4/03 *Change of Heart*

4/10 *Change of Plans*

Holy Week

4/14 Passion/Palm Sunday – 8:30 am and 10:30 am

4/18 Maundy Thursday - 7:30 pm at All Saints

4/19 Good Friday – 7:30 pm at All Saints

4/21 Easter Sunday Services
Resurrection of Our Lord
7:30 am - Sunrise Worship
10:30 am – Easter Worship

Easter Flowers



Easter Lilies, Tulips and Daffodils will be available for your purchase to adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday.

The price for each flower is \$10 per pot. Orders must be prepaid at time of order. Order forms will be available shortly.





March Birthdays

03/07 Mary Mudge
 03/07 Michael Read
 03/07 Mika Riihluoma
 03/07 Sean Sommers
 03/10 Jennifer Hardy
 03/12 Karen Moyski
 03/13 Sue Hansel
 03/14 Marlene Donnelly
 03/14 Rebecca
 Hammond
 03/14 Kristin Hansel
 03/17 Aven Jensen
 03/20 Barbara Robinson
 03/21 April Mills
 03/21 Karen Stewart
 03/22 Donna Sanglier
 03/29 Ella Zywicki
 03/30 Becky Compton
 03/30 Joshua Hemeyer
 03/31 Judy Stepanian



March Anniversaries

March 26
 Dave & Joanne Kindred

March 31
 Leon & Erin Schreiner

Wednesday Mid-week Lenten Services 1:00 PM and 7:30 PM

For those who cannot attend an evening Wednesday mid-week Lenten service, All Saints is having a Wednesday midday worship and study of the Service of the Word at 1:00 PM.

Wednesday evenings begin with a Soup & Sandwich Supper at 6:30 pm. Night Prayer Compline worship begins at 7:30 pm.

Lenten Potluck Dinners - Begin March 13

Wednesday night potluck dinners start on March 13th and continue through April 10th.

Please bring soup, salad, sandwiches, chips, dessert—whatever you can and are moved to share. We'll put it all together at 6:30, and enjoy some food and fellowship before the 7:30 Lenten midweek service.

Wednesday evenings in Lent—food for your tummy, food for your soul.



DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

WWJD?

Did you ever ask yourself WWJD? Come to the Social Concerns Committee meeting on Monday, March 4, at 7:00 pm, at the church, and help us to discern where Jesus is calling our church to mission. Bring your ideas and thoughts – we will bring the cookies!

Hope to see you there!

If you have ideas but can't attend, please see Suzanne Compton or Sue LaRoy.

Guitars and More

Chuck Downing's passion and ministry is music and through combining the two he hopes to teach and inspire all interested to be able to worship the Lord through music and song.

On Wednesday evenings at All Saints, Chuck is offering free lessons for most if not all instruments—including voice.

All interested are welcome to come to All Saints on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. Loaner instruments are available. Please call Chuck if you're interested: 517.403.3003.

5th Sundays have Special Gatherings

All Saints has something in store for those months we have 5 Sundays. We will enjoy singing hymns at both morning services that the congregation has picked as their favorites. We will be accepting ideas beforehand so we can be prepared, as your favorite hymn may not be in our current hymnal! Look for a suggestion box soon!



Also, a family breakfast potluck will occur after the 10:30 morning service.



Warm up those voices, start thinking about those hymns you love, and plan on visiting with your All Saints family for some great food and fellowship.

Ladies Luncheon – March 4

All ladies are invited to our next monthly luncheon at **Mackle's Table & Taps** on Monday, March 4th at noon. **Mackle's** is located at 1774 N. Old US23 in Howell (south of M59).

Please contact Ginny Hobson at 810-632-9564 for reservations.

Come enjoy some fellowship, good conversation, delicious food, and get to know someone a little bit better.



Thank You

Dear All Saints Family,

Thank you so very much for all the Valentine cards you sent. I received them on a dreary day and it was like getting a warm hug along with some sunshine. Thank you one and all.

Fondly, Nancy Yount



Hymn Sing @ Village Manor – March 19 @ 6:00 PM

All are invited to participate in our monthly Hymn Sing at Village Manor (9501 E. Highland Rd in Howell) on Tuesday, March 19th at 6:00 PM.



Please join us at Village Manor, meet the residents & sing along!

Sunday School

“TOY Bible Stories”

is the theme for Sunday School during March.
All children ages 4 years to grade 4 are invited!

Sunday School will be held during the 10:30 worship service.
Children will rejoin their parents before communion.

Children, grandchildren, friends, all are welcome!



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- Lesson 2:** Pay Off All Debt
- Lesson 3:** Save a Fully Funded Emergency Fund
- Lesson 4:** Invest for the Future and Build Wealth
- Lesson 5:** Buyer Beware
- Lesson 6:** The Role of Insurance
- Lesson 7:** Retirement Planning
- Lesson 8:** Real Estate and Mortgages
- Lesson 9:** Living and Giving Like No One Else

Please feel free to invite friends, neighbors and anyone else you think might be interested in joining us.

Okay, so the specifics:

- When: Tuesdays, at 6pm, beginning March 26, 2019, for 9 weeks
- Cost: \$109 (this is the group rate for All Saints)
This covers your book, and so much more
- Contact: Questions? Call, text or email Sonja Markwart
(Sonja.markwart@gmail.com or 248-421-3029)

Simply Giving®

The *Simply Giving®* program provides you with the opportunity to give your All Saints offerings automatically. No more Sunday envelopes. Through *Simply Giving®*, your offerings are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic donation. It is a reliable, safe way to move your stewardship plan into action. Your donation is given consistently, you won't need to play "catch-up" at year-end or worry about forgotten checkbooks or missed Sunday offerings.

But you're not the only one that benefits. All Saints benefits from steady, more predictable revenues through the year and greater confidence in meeting its financial commitments. Fill out the Authorization Form location on the Information Table and turn it into the office.

The **Simply Giving®** Program



Council Member Contact List

Do you have a question, comment or concern? Do you know who to turn to? Council! Yes, that's right! Council was elected by the congregation to lead the congregation and make decisions regarding the church. In order to effectively do that, council needs feedback and they would love to hear from you. Below is a list of staff and council members, their mailbox numbers (in the office), email addresses and phone numbers. Please contact them with questions. If you are unsure about which council member would be the correct person to address your questions, put them in the President's box and it will be steered to the proper committee or person so that your question can be answered. Thanks and council can't wait to hear from you.

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Julia Keller	Council, President	jkrew10@yahoo.com	248-931-5622	7

Staff/Support Contact List

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Linda DeGiorgio	Office Administrator & Worship Support Secretary	office@myallsaints.com	248-534-9087	2
Martha Gordon	Musician	marthanotebynote@gmail.com	248-698-4810	6



Prayer Requests

Prayer requests can be forwarded to: office@myallsaints.com; or call Karen Walker at 517.546.4948; or Lou Prine at 810-227-0535, or fill out a prayer request form available in the narthex. Unless otherwise noted, prayer requests will remain on the list for four weeks at which time they will be removed but may be reinstated by following the steps above.

If you have an emergency need for prayer, Call Karen Walker and she will communicate with a team of 4 to 5 individuals to begin immediate prayer. The email request will also be communicated.

All Saints Council and staff
All who are hungry and/or homeless
All who are unemployed and seeking work
All of our troops, especially those in places of conflict
Andrew Cline – son of Patti Nicolo
Barbara Delgreco – mother of Linda DeGiorgio
Barbara Jacob – friend of Karen Walker
Barbara Robinson
Bill Brockless – brother of Lou Prine
Chad Stepanian & Mariah & Family
Chuck Parks – friend of Sue Horn’s son
Co-worker & daughter – friend of Shannon Hammond
Diana Edmundson – friend of Patti Nicolo
Diane Stephens – friend of Karen Walker
Don Holtz
Don Lawrence
Don MacDonald
Ervine & Louise Nickel – father & step-mother of Judy Kniaz
Family of Betsy Cornellier
Family of Bud Van Vanrenergem
Family of Frank Tedd – uncle of Linda DeGiorgio
Family of John McCluer – friend of Randy & Laura Smith
Family of Mandy – friend of Patti Nicolo
Gaebrille Joy & family – infant daughter of friend of Sonja Markwart
Gail Rolls – aunt of Joyce Rolls
Glory Drum – cousin of Patti Nicolo
Hanna Lynne Smith – great-niece of Randy & Laura Smith
Heather – daughter of Bill & Sue Horn
Joyce Clark – aunt of Pastor Denise
Judy Giegler
Judy Shook
Julian Rodriquez – classmate of Laura & Randy Smith’s grandson
Kim Ernest Grossman – friend of Randy & Laura Smith’s daughter-in-law
Lynn Moffat – friend of Patti Nicolo
Marianne – sister of Patty Degner
Marty Mills
Mary – sister of Don Lawrence
Mary DeGiorgio – mother-in-law of Linda DeGiorgio
Mike Holewinski – friend of Patti Nicolo
Phillip Cook II – son of Sue Horn
Tara AuBuchon – friend of Sue Horn
Tim Carney