

# All Saints Lutheran Church

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

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## The Herald

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A regional Church.....serving Brighton, Commerce Township, Davisburg, Fenton, Grand Blanc, Hartland, Highland, Holly, Howell, Linden, Lyon Township, Milford, South Lyon, Union Lake, Walled Lake, Waterford, White Lake, Wixom and always expanding.

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JUNE 14, 2026  
3RD SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST

SUNDAY WORSHIP AT ALL SAINTS AT 10:00 AM

HOLY COMMUNION AT ALL SAINTS IS OPEN TO ALL CHRISTIANS  
WHO PUT THEIR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST AS THEIR LORD AND SAVIOR.

### Welcome Visitors!

We are glad you are here! Please fill out a Pew Card located in the seat pocket in the chair in front of you. Let us know how we may serve you. Drop the bottom half in the offering plate or hand it to an usher before you leave. We hope that you will join us again for worship!

### Sunday Morning Coffee

All are welcome to meet for coffee and fellowship at 9:30 am before Sunday worship service.



### All Saints Worship on Video

All Saints worships in-person on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am. Our worship services are also available online. Go to our website: [www.myallsaints.com](http://www.myallsaints.com) for the link to view live stream or by video.

### Simply Giving®

The Simply Giving® program endorsed by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans 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. It is a reliable, safe way to move your stewardship plan into action. To enroll, please fill out the Authorization Form and turn it into the office.

### Prayer Requests & Updates

Prayer requests can be forwarded to: [office@myallsaints.com](mailto:office@myallsaints.com); or call Julie Markwart at 248-887-9513 or email Julie at [j.markwart@comcast.net](mailto:j.markwart@comcast.net).

### Summer Blood Drive - Wednesday, July 8th

All Saints' is hosting our annual Summer Blood Drive on Wednesday, July 8th from noon-6pm. The need for blood continues to be great - please consider donating! You can sign up to donate at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). Click "Find a Drive," enter the church's zip code (48353) and page down to find our drive. Or, if you prefer, contact Deb Curcuru for help signing up. Tell your friends, and let's fill our drive to capacity!



Do you have a favorite summer time pie? Please sign-up to bring your favorite pie to help us thank our donors for giving the gift of life!

Volunteers are always needed. Opportunities include:  
Set up from 11am-noon  
Welcome and help donors sign-in, two shifts 11:45am-3pm and 2:45-6pm  
Serve pie and beverages to donors as they recover in the cantina, again we have two shifts, noon-3pm and 3-6pm and Clean up from 6-7pm.

Sign up sheets for pies and volunteers are on the counter in the gathering space.

### **Readings for Week of June 14**

Sunday	Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35-10:8
Monday	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45 Joshua 1:1-11 1 Thessalonians 3:1-5
Tuesday	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45 1 Samuel 3:1-9 2 Thessalonians 2:13---3:5
Wednesday	Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45 Proverbs 4:10-27 Luke 6:12-19
Thursday	Psalm 69:7-18 Jeremiah 18:12-17 Hebrews 2:5-9
Friday	Psalm 69:7-18 Jeremiah 18:18-23 Acts 5:17-26
Saturday	Psalm 69:7-18 Jeremiah 20:1-6 Luke 11:53---12:3

### **THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS:**

#### Sunday, June 14

9:30 AM Coffee & Fellowship  
10:00 AM Sunday Worship

#### Monday, June 15

9:00 AM Vacation Bible School

#### Tuesday, June 16

9:00 AM Vacation Bible School  
3:00 PM Fiction Book Group  
6:30 PM Boy Scout Meeting

#### Wednesday, June 17

9:00 AM Vacation Bible School

#### Thursday, June 18

9:00 AM Vacation Bible School  
7:00 PM Council Meeting

#### Friday, June 19

9:00 AM Vacation Bible School  
5:30 PM AA/Al-Anon Meeting

#### Saturday, June 20

### **Driving Out Childhood Hunger**



Golfers, please consider joining us at Fenton Farms Golf Club on August 22nd. They are hosting the Eleventh Annual Driving Out Childhood Hunger. This event benefits Fueling Kids' futures which provides food for food insecure children in the Holly community. Price includes

- 18 holes Scramble with cart
- Hole-in-one Contest
- Hot dog at turn
- Use of range and practice green before play
- Buffet dinner following golf
- Awards.

If you are not a golfer, you can join us for dinner, Silent Auction and Raffle. Flyers are available in the gathering space. See Karen Stewart for more information.

### **My Favorite Bible Verses**



Romans 5:1-4 NIV

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character, and character, hope".

I never want us to suffer, but we know our reality is that we have times when we do. This reminds me that God can take a difficult thing and make some good come from it.

Judy Peterson

### **Countdown to VBS**

In less than one week we will be heading to the rainforest with 46 kids! Now we need a rainforest! Can you help?



Here's how:

- Someone to set up a pop-up tent and hang backdrop curtains behind the altar. This needs to be done between Monday, June 8 and Thursday, June 11.
- Someone to cut and fold handouts for the kids.
- Someone to make paper foliage for the tops of two tall trees in our rainforest.
- Someone to make some large colorful paper flowers for altar decorations.
- People to help put up the decorations from 9am to Noon Friday and/or Saturday June 12 & 13

Please see Sue LaRoy if you're willing to help!

### **Need Volunteers for Coffee Crew**



Our coffee crew is a very important job and we could use some help. We're looking for folks to come in by 9:00 AM to start the coffee and hot water. Directions for coffee making are available. There is also a need for volunteers to bring a snack to go with the coffee. Lastly, we need help after worship to be the coffee cleanup crew. There is a signup sheet on the table in the Gathering Space.

## How cultivating Joy can change the World



This past Sunday our congregation had a very joyful celebration as we confirmed four very special individuals.

The service was lovely, music inspiring and the sermon deeply meaningful. The tradition here at All Saints is to have the confirmation class rewrite the Lord's Prayer as they understand it,. Each year the prayer is different but it is always meaningful and gives the rest of our congregation something to ponder, to see the prayer in a new way..

We all know the Lord's Prayer, we recite it together, our voices joining as one as we lift our hearts to the Lord. As I hear the sacred words I have wondered if we are truly praying; do the words reach our heart and go out to God or are they so familiar we recite them without much thought?.

On Sunday as we read the understanding of the confirmands about this prayer many of us paused to reflect in wonder at how fresh and alive it became and we also marveled that four young people understood the original version so well that they were able to breathe this new life into it.

This week I offer their version of the prayer and encourage you to read it and let it sit in your heart. May you fully feel the joy of God's love as you do.

God our Father, we are so grateful that you watch over us, love us and forgive us.

We trust you with our troubles and our future. Give our community safety, food, shelter, hope and healing. Forgive us our past, present and future mistakes and help us to forgive those who hurt us. For this is your world. Let love be true forever and ever and always.

Amen

## Lunch Bunch Wednesday, June 17

All ladies and men are invited to the next monthly luncheon at Baker's of Milford on Wednesday, June 17, at noon. Baker's of Milford is located at 2025 S Milford Rd, Milford.

**This is on Wednesday instead of Tuesday this month since Baker's is not open on**

**Tuesdays.** Please RSVP to Rosemarie Clements at 248-790-0528. There is also a signup sheet in the Gathering Space.

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



## Financial Update

Thank you all for supporting the mission of All Saints Lutheran Church with your financial offerings. To keep everyone informed of our income and expenses, the following summarizes the previous month's numbers followed by the Year to Date (YTD) summary. *Please note the YTD Income includes multiple annual offerings that are given during the first few months of the year.*

May Income - \$17,464

May Expenses - \$17,082

YTD Income - \$161,451

YTD Expenses - \$119,124

## Picture This

Our congregation is active and social but we currently have no way to capture that. We would like someone who enjoys photography to help us by capturing All Saints in action, from candid coffee hour shots to children's services and special events that our congregation hosts. If you feel you might be interested please contact Sue Steuf. We also have a slightly easier request, please look around you and snap pictures of these events. Maybe during one of the breakfast or lunches where smaller groups gather, Bible studies, Congregational Life making wonderful meals for us all, there are so many opportunities. Let's leave a lasting memory of our congregation for the future.



## Fiction Book Group

Our group meets at church the second Tuesday of each month, at 3 PM. All are welcome to join and if you have any questions please contact Milissa Schmantowsky, 248-420-8756. July 14, we will discuss "Run Away" by Harlan Coben. We would love to have you join us!



## Call Committee Update

On May 3, the Call Committee completed the second of two "practice" interviews required by the Synod office. They were good preparation for interviewing actual candidates for our congregation. We are expecting to get news about potential candidates in a couple of weeks. Thank you for your continued prayers.

**Worship Participants – June 14**

Anna Gibson - Assisting Minister  
Bill Lane – Communion Assistant, Lector  
Carol Fletcher – Counter  
Gail McIntosh - Usher  
Gary LaRoy –Video  
Harlow Wheeler - Basket Holder  
Jennifer Hardy – Greeter, Usher  
Jenny LaRue - Communion Assistant  
Jo Ellyn Bernardin – Worship Coordinator  
Julia Keller - Visitor Support  
Leah Gibson – Acolyte  
Lori Wackerman - Counter  
Margaret MacDonald – Sacristan  
Sue LaRoy - Sound  
Suzanne Clickett – Prayer Corner  
Vivienne Wheeler - Basket Holder

**Worship Participants – June 21**

Bill Clements - Usher  
Bill Lane - Greeter  
Elsie LaRue – Acolyte  
Gail McIntosh - Usher  
Jennifer Hardy – Communion Assistant  
Jo Ellyn Bernardin – Assisting Minister,  
Visitor Support  
Kevin Flatt – Video  
Margaret MacDonald – Basket Holder  
Milissa Schmantowsky –Lector, Prayer  
Corner  
Richard Sommers – Sound  
Shannon Hammond –Sacristan  
Sharyn Sommers – Counter  
Sonja Markwart - Communion Assistant,  
Counter  
Sue Stuef - Worship Coordinator

***Need - Basket Holder***

**COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS- MAY**

All Council meetings are open to anyone to attend.

**Call Update:** Paperwork is complete, the Synod is now looking for candidates for us to interview. We are working with the Synod to determine our mission as we move forward in this new phase.

**Sign Update:** Waiting for Livingston County to process all the paperwork for the go ahead.

**Grant Update:** Due to the efforts of Ken Hartford, we received a \$1,000 grant from Meijer for roof repairs.

There is a **new facelift** to our Information Table wall and Visitor area. Be sure to check it out.

We are gearing up for our June **“Junk in the Trunk” sales**. We hope this will be a time to let others in the community find out more about All Saints as well as provide us with some passive income to further our mission. Please help us out by telling your friends, attending the sales, and providing goods for our donation-only bake sale.

Activities to put on your Calendar:

**MAY 21:** LITTLE SAINTS PRESCHOOL GRADUATION 6 PM

**MAY 31:** 5TH SUNDAY POTLUCK FOLLOWING SERVICE

**JUNE 6:** JUNK IN THE TRUNK SALE 10 TO 3

**JUNE 7:** CONFIRMATION WITH CAKE RECEPTION

**JUNE 11-13:** VBS DECORATING

**JUNE 15-19:** VBS 9-12 EACH DAY

**JUNE 21:** GRADUATION SUNDAY

**DATE TO BE SET IN JUNE:** VISIT TO THE APPLEWOOD ESTATE IN FLINT

**JULY 19:** ICE CREAM SOCIAL

**AUGUST 2:** PULPIT SWAP AND POSSIBLE CHURCH PICNIC, COMBINED WITH LORD OF LIFE CHURCH

**AUGUST 30:** 5TH SUNDAY POTLUCK FOLLOWING SERVICE