



Michigan Minute

Weekly News and Events of the Michigan District, LCMS

GET EQUIPPED for Effective Gospel Ministry

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit" (Jeremiah 17:7-8 ESV).

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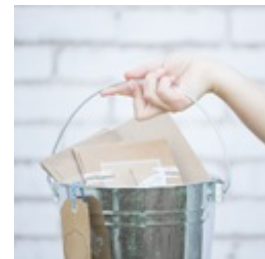
Becky Hooper (wife of Rev. Will Hooper, Chapel of the Lakes, Mecosta), who just entered into hospice care ... **The family and friends of Pamela Wenzel** (Commissioned Emeritus) who passed away on January 28 ... **Sam and Brooke Orozco** (New Life, Swartz Creek) upon the death of Sam's father, Bernable Orozco, on Feb. 9 ... **This week's congregations, schools, and ministries:** St. Mark, Saginaw; Living Hope of the Bay, Ray; St. Trinity, Clarkston; Our Shepherd, Birmingham; Community, Flat Rock.

On the Blog



[25 for 25: Richly Blessed](#)

by Derek Riddle



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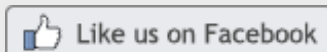
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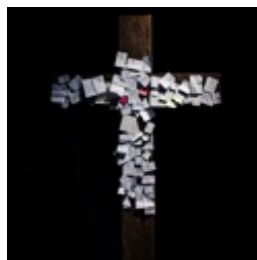
Submit News

To submit your prayer requests, news, events, and E-classified, [click here](#). Deadline to submit for the following week is Fridays at noon.



District News

BE CONSTANT IN PRAYER VIDEOS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE DISTRICT'S ONLINE RESOURCE LIBRARY

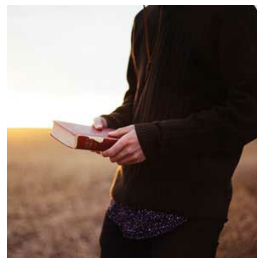


Videos from the 2019 Theological Conference, Be Constant in Prayer, are now available in our online Resource Library. They include: President Maier's introduction, a speaker playlist, and the panel discussion. For your convenience, the conference

booklet can be downloaded as well. Click on the upper left hand corner of the video player and choose which video you'd like to watch. [View now >](#)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE THIS THURSDAY FOR DCE/DFL CONFERENCE

February 25-27, 2019 | Drury Inn, Grand Rapids



"A Conversation on Church Worker Wellness" is the theme of our conference taking place February 25-27, 2019 in Grand Rapids. Don't miss this opportunity for a wellness check-up (spiritual, relational, emotional, physical, financial, vocational, and intellectual) and to

create an individualized strategy to weather the storms of life and ministry. Registration closes this Thursday, February 14. [Register now >](#)

SAVE THE DATE! OPERATION BARNABAS TRAINING

April 6, 2019 | Christ Our King, Saline

The Michigan District and the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces program, Operation Barnabas, will provide a training to assist local congregations in their care and support of local veterans and military members and their families. Registration will soon be open for the April 6 event at Christ Our King, Saline. Chaplain Gary Danielsen, Operation Barnabas Project Contractor will provide the training at this FREE event. For additional information, contact Rev. Randy Johnson at randy.johnson@michigandistrict.org or Tom Wright at 734.548.7250 or thomasjnwright@gmail.com.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT WEEK AT CAMP RESTORE

June 23-29, 2019 | Mt. Calvary, Detroit



June 23-29 is one of the busiest summer weeks for [Camp Restore Detroit](#). There are opportunities for **all ages to serve** in VBS, sports camp, construction, and urban blight clean-up. Watch for exciting information coming your way for an opportunity to serve individually, as a family, or as a church group! Lutherans in Michigan, let's love on Detroit!

STUDENT AID APPLICATIONS – START NOW

It is not too early to apply for student aid! The due date is June 1, 2019 but don't leave it for the last minute. You will need to fill out the [District Financial Aid Application Form](#) and your pastor will have to fill out the [Pastoral Verification Form](#). As a reminder, to be eligible for student aid, you must be: a member of a Michigan District, LCMS congregation preparing for and intending to enter full-time church work at one of the colleges of the Concordia University System or one of the LCMS seminaries.

Congregation News

SERVICE OF WELCOME & BLESSING FOR PASTOR MANDLA KHUMALO

March 3, 2019 | Our Savior, Lansing



Pastor Mandla Khumalo of St. Peter Confessional Lutheran Church, Middelburg, South Africa, is living in Michigan for a 2-year extended missionary stay. A service of Welcome & Blessing will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Church; 7910 E St Joe Hwy; Lansing MI 48917, on Sunday, March 3, at 4 p.m. Following the service there will be a where you can greet his wife, Lindiwe, and grandson, Nklaka. Clergy may vest (red) and everyone is welcome as we offer prayers and praises for Pastor Khumalo's ministry in our District.

For more information, contact the church office at 517.882.8665.

Other Ministries

LWR SEASON OF HOPE RESOURCES FOR LENT



Proclaim to the world that the hope of Christ makes a new season possible: a Season of Hope. Lutheran World Relief has an abundance of resources to show your congregation the impact they can make in the lives of poor and struggling families around the world. Invigorate your congregation for global good with: weekly devotionals by Lutherans in the U.S. and LWR staff; Palm Sunday bulletin insert and children's activity sheet; and Season of Hope Homily Series centered on Matthew 25:34-36. Visit lwr.org/lent and journey through this Lenten season with Lutheran World Relief.

Community Calendar

The following is a list of events happening in the congregations and schools of the Michigan District, LCMS and other ministries.

[Family Feud](#)

Feb 16 | Lutheran High North

[The Doctrine of Scripture Seminar](#)

Feb 16 | Hope, Dewitt

["I Can Only Imagine" Movie](#)

Feb 17 | Faith, Bridgeport

[Organ Concert](#)

Feb 17 | Trinity, Monroe

[Best Practices for Ministry: Arizona](#)

Feb 21-23 | Christ, Phoenix, Ariz.

[Let's Go to Kindergarten](#)

Mar 20 | Our Savior, Grand Rapids

[Sportsman's Dinner & Charity Auction](#)

Mar 23 | St. Martin, Birch Run

[Downriver Women's Retreat](#)

Mar 23 | St. Paul, Trenton

[Girls of Grace Worship Concert](#)

Apr 6-7 | Temple Theatre, Saginaw

[Faith Family Reunion Retreat](#)

Apr 27 | St. Paul, Hamburg

[Potato Pancake Supper](#)
Feb 24 | St. Peter's, Richmond

[Lutheran High School Baseball Night](#)
May 13 | Jimmy John's Field, Utica

[School Open House](#)
Feb 26 | Our Savior, Grand Rapids

[Faith Family Reunion Retreat](#)
Jun 29 | Redeemer, Jackson

[Blood Drive](#)
Feb 28 | Christ, Milford

[Forts and Sorts Servant Event](#)
Jun 16 | Youth Haven Ranch

[13th Annual Barnabas Benefit Auction](#)
Mar 2 | Our Savior, Marlette

[The Summit Worship Arts Conference](#)
Jul 24-26 | Shepherd of the Lakes, Brighton

[Mom2Mom Sale](#)
Mar 9 | Shepherd of the Lakes, Brighton

[En Gedi Music Festival](#)
Jul 27 | St. Pauls, Colon and Centreville

[Council of Lutheran Women Luncheon](#)
Mar 19 | Burton Manor, Livonia

[SUBMIT YOUR EVENT HERE](#)

*Please note: you **must** have a web link to your event in order to be listed in the Community Calendar. Thank you!*

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VIDEO JOURNALIST/DIGITAL MEDIA DIRECTOR SOUGHT



The Michigan District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod is seeking applicants for a full-time (part-time negotiable) Video Journalist/Digital Media Director. The position's role is to envision, produce, and maintain digital media, especially video, telling the story of impactful mission and ministry in order to encourage and empower further ministry in the District and beyond. The ideal candidate would be proficient in Adobe Creative Suite, video editing software, and WordPress. The candidate should be detailed, able to multi-task, a self-starter, have excellent communication skills, and work well in team settings. A full job description can be found at michigandistrict.org/business. Please mail cover letter, resume, samples of video work (DVD, USB flash drive, or web link) and salary expectations to: Chad Woltemath; Michigan District, LCMS; 3773 Geddes Rd; Ann Arbor, MI 48105 no later than March 1, 2019.

FREE STEPHEN MINISTRY RESOURCES

St. Paul, Flint has 9 unopened sets of Stephen Ministry Training Packets which includes: Volumes 1 & 2 of the Stephen Ministry Training Manual; *Speaking the Truth in Love* by Ruth Koch & Kenneth Haugk; *When & How to Use Mental Health Resources* book by Haugk; and *Christian Caregiving: A Way of Life* book by Haugk. There is NO charge for the books, you only pay shipping costs. If interested, contact Sandy Seibt at 810.239.6200 or sseibt@stpaulflint.com.

FREE STUDENT DESKS

St. Thomas, Eastpointe has approximately 72 student desks with attached chair and approximately 44 without chairs (adjustable legs for height). Must pick up. Contact the church office at 586.772.3370 or churchoffice@stl-eastpointe.org for more information or to arrange pick up.

FREE WORSHIP ITEMS

Emmanuel, Cadillac has paraments, a set of stoles, Bible markers, and 300 individual candles with plastic cups. All in good shape and available for free. Please contact Bekki at 231.775.3261 or bekki@emmanuelcadillac.org for more information.



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