

# Michigan District, LCMS **All Pastors Conference**

October 9-12, 2022 - Boyne Falls, Michigan

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# A New Manne

"... and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give" (Isaiah 62:2).



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- Tweet during the sessions
- Post pictures to Instagram
- Snap a selfie with President Davis
- Tag and share the pictures being uploaded to the Michigan District LCMS Facebook page throughout the conference.

Thank you to the 2022 All Pastors Conference Committee:

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## Welcome

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I look forward to spending time with you during our All Pastors Conference. The committee has put together an exciting conference entitled *A New Name*. And of course we are in a great location at a great time of the year!

As you know, things have changed in my world having been elected to be your District President. This has shifted things in my mind and in my relationships with others. All of that can be summarized in the oft-asked question, "What shall we call you?"

That is an identity question. Who are you? Who am I?

Child of God in Christ.

Let's come together for a great conference and consider this crucial (get it?) topic for our congregations, for our community, and for ourselves.

By the way, the answer is "Dave."

... eyes on Jesus ...

Rev. David A. Davis

President, Michigan District, LCMS

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# **Agenda**

4–6 p.m.	Registration	Mountain Grand Lodge
7-8 p.m.	Opening Service   APC Committee	Matterhorn
8-10 p.m.	Reception	Matterhorn

Monday, October 10		
7:30 a.m2:30 p.m.	Exhibitors Open	Arlberg
8-10 a.m.	Conference Check-in	Civic Center Lobby
8-8:30 a.m.	Morning Devotions   Rev. Erik K. Cloeter	Matterhorn
8:30-9:30 a.m.	Session 1   Raymond O. Dreher	Matterhorn
	Live Not By Lies: Understanding and Respor to Soft Totalitarianism	nding
9:30-9:45 a.m.	Sponsor Presentation   CEF	Matterhorn
	Mr. James R. Saalfeld, Mr. John H. Bates, M	r. Andrew O. Sohn
9:45-10:30 a.m.	Break	Arlberg
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Session 2   Raymond O. Dreher	Matterhorn
	The Benedict Option: Building a Resilient	
	Christian Counterculture	
11:30 a.m12:30 p.m	ı. Lunch	Matterhorn
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Session 3   Raymond O. Dreher	Matterhorn
	World of Wonders: How We Lost Christian	
	Enchantment, and How We Can Get it Back	
1:30-2 p.m.	Break	Arlberg
2-3 p.m.	Session 4   Raymond O. Dreher	Matterhorn
3-3:05 p.m.	Lutheran's for Life   Rev. Paul M. Clark	Matterhorn
3:05-6 p.m.	Free Time   see page 8	
6-7 p.m.	Dinner	
	A-L & Special Dietary - Vienna   M-Z in Stei	
7-8:30 p.m.	Divine Worship   Rev. David A. Davis	Matterhorn
9-11 p.m.	Gemütlichkeit	Vienna/Stein Ericksen
	Sponsored by Church Extension Fund	

Tuesday, (	October	11
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7:30 a.m2:30 p.m.	Exhibitors Open	Arlberg
8-8:30 a.m.	Morning Devotions   Rev. Craig L. Bickel	Matterhorn
8:30-9:30 a.m.	President's Report   Rev. David A. Davis	Matterhorn
9:30-9:40 p.m.	Sponsor Presentation   CUAA/CUW	Matterhorn
	Rev. Dr. Ryan R. Peterson	
9:40-9:50 p.m.	Sponsor Presentation   Wellspring	Matterhorn
	Mr. David M. Gehm	
9:50-10:30 a.m.	Break	Arlberg
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Session 5   Rev. Dr. Joel D. Biermann	Matterhorn
	The Doctrine of Identity: Is Everything Finished	
	at the Font?	
11:30 a.m12:30 p.m.	Wives' Luncheon	Vienna
	Men's Lunch	Matterhorn
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Session 6   Rev. Dr. Joel D. Biermann	Matterhorn
	The Systematics of Self: No Secret Agents	
	We Will Be What We Are	
1:30-2 p.m.	Break	Arlberg
2-3 p.m.	Session 7   Rev. Dr. Chad D. Lakies	Matterhorn
	Plausible Hope Part II: Faithful Witness in an Age of I	Distrust
3-3:10 p.m.	Sponsor Presentation   Covenant Eyes	Matterhorn
	Mr. Rob Stoddard	
3:10-6 p.m.	Free Time	
6-8 p.m.	Banquet and Presentations	Matterhorn
8-10 p.m.	Gemütlichkeit	Matterhorn
	Sponsored by Lutheran Benefits Group and Luthera	n Trust

Wednesday, October 12			
8-8:30 a.m.	Morning Devotions   Rev. Darryl L. Andrzejewski	Matterhorn	
8:30-9:30 a.m.	Session 7   Rev. Dr. Chad D. Lakies	Matterhorn	
	How to "Find Yourself" in a Secular Age		
9:30-9:40 p.m.	Sponsor Presentation   Lutheran Benefits Group	Matterhorn	
	Mr. Keith Mueller		
9:40-10:20 a.m.	Break	Civic Center Lobby	
10:20-11:20 a.m.	Presenter Q & A	Matterhorn	
11:20 a.m12 p.m.	Closing Worship   Rev. Dean M. Davenport	Matterhorn	



**Cell Phones** – Please set cell phones to silent during all sessions. Also, please be sure to mute sound on your laptops. We want to spare you the embarrassment.

**Internet** – Wireless Internet is available for free in conference areas and guest rooms. No password required.

**Check-Out** – Check out time is 11 a.m. Please be sure to have your belongings out of your room by that time.

**Evaluation** – You will receive an online evaluation via email at the conclusion of the conference.

**Presentations** – Videos of speaker presentations from main room sessions will be available online to all attendees. You will be notified via email when available. Subscribe to our channel: *YouTube.com/michiganlcms* 

**Acknowledgments** – Thank you to our organist Stephen Bookshaw, Zion, Holland and the Michigan District Pastors Brass Ensemble for blessing us with their gift of music.

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#### **Child Care**

Wellspring Lutheran Services is providing FREE childcare during the conference through Boyne Mountain in Helga Haus.

Pre-Registration was required.

#### **Daycare Hours Paid for by Wellspring:**

Monday, October 7: 8:30–11:30 a.m. 1–6 p.m. & 7–10 p.m. Tuesday, October 8: 8:30–11:30 a.m. 1–6 p.m. & 7–10 p.m.

Notes: Please arrive a few minutes early to sign a waiver and introduce your child. If you child needs a diaper bag, please bring it with you. There is space in Helga Haus to park strollers if you need. Upon pickup, please be sure to sign your child out with a childcare staff member. Your child(ren) will need to eat their meals with you.

## **Area Activities**

- Petoskey Wine Region wine tasting
- Visit local breweries
- Northern Michigan Axe Company
- Explore shops in downtown Petoskey
- Know Way Out escape room
- Biking on property
- Hiking on property
- Restaurants in the area and on site (see pg 62)
   (Boyne City, Petoskey, Bay Harbor, Walloon Lake)
- Take a drive through Tunnel of Trees

For additional area activities & websites visit: michigandistrict.org/boynemountain

#### **Connect With Us**







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Pastors' wives! You can also connect on Facebook at "The Katie - Wives of Pastors in Michigan" click "Join Group"



Visit the Exhibitors' displays in the Arlberg: Monday, October 10 & Tuesday, October 11 | 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

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## **Keynote Speaker**

#### Raymond O. "Rod" Dreher

Live Not By Lies | The Benedict Option | World of Wonders

Monday, 8:30-9:30 a.m., 10:30-11:30 a.m., 12:30-1:30 p.m., 2-3 p.m.

Raymond O. "Rod" Dreher is a writer, journalist, and author of three *New York Times* bestsellers, including *The Benedict Option* (2017) and *Live Not By Lies* (2020), both of which have been translated into over ten languages. He is a senior editor at *The American Conservative* magazine, and a fellow of the Danube Institute, a think tank in Budapest. Dreher is at work on a book about rediscovering the presence of God in a disenchanted world. He is an Eastern Orthodox Christian who divides his time between Louisiana and Hungary.

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## **Keynote Speaker**

#### Rev. Dr. Joel D. Biermann

The Doctrine of Identity | The Systematics of Self Tuesday, 10:30–11:30 a.m., 12:30–1:30 p.m.

Dr. Joel D. Biermann is the Waldemar A. and June Schuette Professor of Systematic Theology at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Mo. (CSL). He earned his B.A. from Concordia College, Ann

Arbor in 1983 and an M.Div. from CSL in 1987. After serving as pastor in two congregations, Biermann returned to the Seminary in 1998 as a graduate student. He completed his Ph.D. in 2002 and joined the faculty at CSL. Biermann has authored three books and several Bible study guides and is a frequent speaker at LCMS District and congregational gatherings and conferences.







## **Keynote Speaker**

#### Rev. Dr. Chad D. Lakies

faith and culture.

Plausible Hope Part II | How to "Find Yourself" in a Secular Age

Tuesday, 2-3 p.m., Wednesday, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies is the regional director for North America at Lutheran Hour Ministries.

He previously served as department chair and associate professor of religion at Concordia University, Portland. Before that, he was involved in church planting in St. Louis. He holds a B.A. in philosophy and psychology from the University of Michigan and an M.Div. and Ph.D. in systematic theology from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Mo. He regularly speaks at national and international conferences for pastors and church

professionals and has published in several journals on the topic of

Plausible Hope Part II: Faithful Witness in an Age of Distrust

In this talk, I'll briefly review some of the key points of challenge we face in our current cultural moment, which I noted in my essay at the 103rd Michigan District Convention in June 2022. There I said that we tend, often unhelpfully, to perceive the present social and cultural world as threatening, especially for the life of the church. Our reactions to this perceived threat damage our witness and generate distrust in outsiders. In this talk I'll press more deeply into the challenge of engagement in this "new territory" that we find ourselves in. We'll seek to see our current context as one full of opportunities to give witness to the hope that we have. We'll reflect on the formative experience of worship as God's chosen place for us to experience divine hospitality and simultaneously be shaped to give hospitality as a gift to others, especially those outside the kingdom.

NOTE: If you wish to review my presentation as essayist for the 103rd Michigan District Convention, you may view it here as well as slides of the presentation with additional notes: www.michigandistrict.org/convention2022videoplaylist.



How to "Find Yourself" in a Secular Age
Every person tells a story to themselves about themselves— THIS is who I am. We're encouraged to live authentically, to find ourselves, to become who we are, and to stand out. We've been told (and often tell others) that we can be whatever we want to be if we desire it strongly enough.
What if this path is a false form of freedom? What if becoming who we are is rooted in the gifts given by our Creator? What if seeking to distinguish ourselves from others in our own authentic uniqueness actually means relying on others, recognizing our inter-dependence? What if identity is not a journey of becoming who we are but a movement of recognition and realization that our callings and relationships always already establish who we are? This presentation will offer an alternative vision for understanding authenticity and identity in our secular age.
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## **Worship Services**

#### **Opening Service**

Sunday, 7-8 p.m.

#### Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

#### **Address**

#### **Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, You withdrew Yourself for times of prayer and brought Your disciples with You that they might also rest with You. Be present with us during this time of retreat that, gathered together in Your name, we may profitably meditate on Your Word and be strengthened with a good will to serve You and Your people; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### The Litany

- L: O Lord,
- C: have mercy.
- L: O Christ,
- C: have mercy.
- L: O Lord,
- C: have mercy.
- L: O Christ,
- C: hear us.
- L: God the Father in heaven,
- C: have mercy.
- L: God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
- C: have mercy.
- L: God the Holy Spirit,
- C: have mercy.
- L: Be gracious to us.
- C: Spare us, good Lord.
- L: Be gracious to us.
- C: Help us, good Lord.

#### Reading | Genesis 2:18-24

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

#### **The Litany**

L: From all sin, from all error, from all evil;
From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death;
From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion;
From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

#### Hymn | O Sing of Christ - LSB 362

- O sing of Christ, whose birth made known The kindness of the Lord, Eternal Word made flesh and bone So we could be restored. Upon our frail humanity God's finger chose to trace The fullness of His deity, The icon of His grace.
  - What Adam lost, none could reclaim,
    And Paradise was barred
    Until the second Adam came
    To mend what sin had marred.
    For when the time was full and right
    God sent His only Son;
    He came to us as life and light
    And our redemption won.

- 3 He came to that which was His own,
  But He was not received;
  Yet still through Him God's glory shone,
  And some His name believed.
  To these He gave the right to be
  The heirs of heav'n above,
  Born not of human ancestry
  But born of God in love.
- 4 Lord Jesus Christ, You deigned to dwell Among us here on earth As God with us, Emmanuel, To bring this holy birth.
  Though rich, You willingly became One with our poverty,
  That we might share Your wealth and name For all eternity!

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#### Reading | Isaiah 43:1-7

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

"Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the LORD your  $\operatorname{\sf God},$  the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you,

I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life.

Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you.

I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

#### **The Litany**

- L: By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity; By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial; By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:
- C: Help us, good Lord.

- L: In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:
- C: Help us, good Lord.
- L: We poor sinners implore You
- C: to hear us, O Lord.

#### **Hymn | How Firm a Foundation - LSB 728**

- 1 How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
- 3 "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose I will not, I will not, desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never, forsake!
- 4 "When through fiery trials your pathway will lie, My grace, all-sufficient, will be your supply. The flames will not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
- 5 "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

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#### Reading | Hosea 1:2-2:1, 21-23

When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, "Go, take to yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the LORD." So he went and took Gomer, the daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

And the LORD said to him, "Call his name Jezreel, for in just a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. And on that day I will break the bow of Israel in the Valley of Jezreel."

She conceived again and bore a daughter. And the LORD said to him, "Call her name No Mercy, for I will no more have mercy on the house of Israel, to forgive them at all. But I will have mercy on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the LORD their God. I will not save them by bow or by sword or by war

or by horses or by horsemen."

When she had weaned No Mercy, she conceived and bore a son. And the LORD said, "Call his name Not My People, for you are not my people, and I am not your God."

Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured or numbered. And in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God." And the children of Judah and the children of Israel shall be gathered together, and they shall appoint for themselves one head. And they shall go up from the land, for great shall be the day of Jezreel.

Say to your brothers, "You are my people," and to your sisters, "You have received mercy."

"And in that day I will answer, declares the LORD,

I will answer the heavens,

and they shall answer the earth,

and the earth shall answer the grain, the wine, and the oil,

and they shall answer Jezreel,

and I will sow her for myself in the land.

And I will have mercy on No Mercy,

and I will say to Not My People, 'You are my people;'

and he shall say, 'You are my God.'"

#### **The Litany**

L: To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living;

To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived:

To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

- C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- L: To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted and the distressed:
- C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

#### Hymn | Comfort, Comfort Ye My People - LSB 347

1 "Comfort, comfort ye My people, Speak ye peace," thus saith our God; "Comfort those who sit in darkness, Mourning 'neath their sorrows' load.

Speak ye to Jerusalem

Of the peace that waits for them;

Tell her that her sins I cover

And her warfare now is over."

- Yea, her sins our God will pardon, Blotting out each dark misdeed; All that well deserved His anger He no more will see or heed. She hath suffered many\_a day, Now her griefs have passed away; God will change her pining sadness Into ever-springing gladness.
- Hark, the herald's voice is crying
  In the desert far and near,
  Calling sinners to repentance,
  Since the Kingdom now is here.
  O that warning cry obey!
  Now prepare for God a way;
  Let the valleys rise to meet Him
  And the hills bow down to greet Him.
- 4 Make ye straight what long was crooked; Make the rougher places plain. Let your hearts be true and humble, As befits His holy reign. For the glory of the Lord Now o'er earth is shed abroad, And all flesh shall see the token That His Word is never broken.

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#### Readings | 1 Peter 2:4-10

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture:

"Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,"

and

"A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but

now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

#### The Litany

L: To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need:

To direct and defend our [president/queen/king] and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our people; To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel;

To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them;

To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

#### Hymn | Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation - LSB 909

- Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ, our head and cornerstone, Chosen of the Lord and precious, Binding all the Church in one; Holy Zion's help forever And our confidence alone.
- 2 To this temple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of hosts, and stay; Come with all Your loving-kindness, Hear Your people as they pray; And Your fullest benediction Shed within these walls today.
- 3 Grant, we pray, to all Your faithful All the gifts they ask to gain; What they gain from You, forever With the blessed to retain; And hereafter in Your glory Evermore with You to reign.
- Δ 4 Praise and honor to the Father, Praise and honor to the Son, Praise and honor to the Spirit, Ever three and ever one: One in might and one in glory While unending ages run!

#### Reading | Revelation 22:12-17

"Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

#### The Litany

- L: To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:
- C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.
- L: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
- C: we implore You to hear us.

#### **Hymn | Christ the Eternal Lord - LSB 829**

- 1 Christ the eternal Lord, Whose promise here we claim, Whose gifts of grace are freely poured On all who name Your name; With thankfulness and praise We stand before Your throne, Intent to serve You all our days And make Your glory known.
- 2 Christ the unchanging Word To ev'ry passing age, Whose timeless teachings still are heard Set forth on Scripture's page; Transform our thought and mind, Enlighten all who read, Within Your Word by faith to find The bread of life indeed.
- 3 Christ the redeeming Son, Who shares our human birth, And by His death salvation won

For ev'ry child of earth; Inspire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love abroad, That all may honor Christ today And follow Him as Lord.

- 4 Christ the unfading Light
  Of everlasting day,
  Our Morning Star in splendor bright,
  The Life, the Truth, the Way;
  That light of truth You give
  To servants as to friends,
  Your way to walk, Your life to live,
  Till earth's brief journey ends.
- 5 Christ the ascended King Exalted high above, Whose praise unending ages sing, Whom yet unseen we love; When mortal life is past Your voice from heaven's throne Shall call Your children home at last To know as we are known.

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#### Reading | Matthew 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

#### The Litany

- L: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C: have mercy.
- L: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C: have mercy.
- L: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C: grant us Your peace.

#### Hymn | Built on the Rock - LSB 645

- Built on the Rock the Church shall stand Even when steeples are falling. Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling, Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the souls distressed, Longing for rest everlasting.
- 2 Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High, is not dwelling; High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love, Making our bodies His temple.
- We are God's house of living stones, Built for His own habitation.
  He through baptismal grace us owns Heirs of His wondrous salvation.
  Were we but two His name to tell, Yet He would deign with us to dwell With all His grace and His favor.
- 4 Here stands the font before our eyes,
  Telling how God has received us.
  The altar recalls Christ's sacrifice
  And what His Supper here gives us.
  Here sound the Scriptures that proclaim
  Christ yesterday, today, the same,
  And evermore, our Redeemer.
- 5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the church bells are ringing, Many in saving faith may come Where Christ His message is bringing: "I know My own; My own know Me. You, not the world, My face shall see. My peace I leave with you. Amen."

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#### The Litany

L: O Christ,

C: hear us.

L: O Lord.

C: have mercy.

- L: 0 Christ,
- C: have mercy.
- L: O Lord,
- C: have mercy. Amen.

#### Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### **Benediction (Pauline)**

- L: The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: Amen.

#### Hymn | Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow - LSB 805

Δ 1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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#### **Morning Devotions**

Monday, 8-8:30 a.m.

#### Hymn | Holy, Holy, Holy - LSB 507

- Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
   Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
   Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
   God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons. blessèd Trinity!

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- L: Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
- C: have mercy and hear us.

#### **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life +everlasting. Amen.

#### Reading | Genesis 32:22-32

The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. Therefore to this day the people of Israel do not eat the sinew of the thigh that is on the hip socket, because he touched the socket of Jacob's hip on the sinew of the thigh.

#### Devotion | Rev. Erik Cloeter, Fourth Vice-President, Michigan District

#### **Morning Suffrages**

- L: I cry to You, O Lord;
- C: in the morning my prayer comes before You.
- L: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
- C: and uphold me with a willing spirit.
- L: My mouth is filled with Your praise,
- C: and with Your glory all the day.
- L: Every day I will bless You
- C: and praise Your name forever and ever.
- L: By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,
- C: O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.
- L: Bless the Lord, O my soul;
- C: and all that is within me, bless His holy name!
- L: He redeems your life from the pit
- C: and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.
- L: Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C: let my cry come to You.
- L: Let us pray.

  Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C: Amen.
- C: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.
- L: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- L: The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to ever lasting life.
- C: Amen.

#### Hymn | Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing - LSB 924

- 1 Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each, Your love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us; O refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness.
- 2 Thanks we give and adoration For Your Gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of Your salvation In our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, ever faithful To Your truth may we be found.
- 3 Savior, when Your love shall call us From our struggling pilgrim way, Let not fear of death appall us, Glad Your summons to obey.

  May we ever, may we ever Reign with You in endless day.

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#### **Divine Service**

Monday, 7-8:30 p.m.

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

# Hymn | Baptized into Your Name Most Holy - LSB 590

- Baptized into Your name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and lowly, Among Your saints, Your chosen host. Buried with Christ and dead to sin, Your Spirit now shall live within.
- 2 My loving Father, here You take me To be henceforth Your child and heir. My faithful Savior, here You make me The fruit of all Your sorrows share. O Holy Spirit, comfort me When threat'ning clouds around I see.
- 3 My faithful God, You fail me never; Your promise surely will endure. O cast me not away forever If words and deeds become impure. Have mercy when I come defiled; Forgive, lift up, restore Your child.
- 4 All that I am and love most dearly— Receive it all, O Lord, from me. Let me confess my faith sincerely; Help me Your faithful child to be! Let nothing that I am or own Serve any will but Yours alone.

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- L: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- L: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

  Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C: who made heaven and earth.
- L: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- L: O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- L: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +I+ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

#### **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

#### Introit

O LORD, our Lord.

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!\*

You have set your glory above the | heavens.

Out of the mouth of babes and infants,

you have established strength because | of your foes,\* to still the enemy and the a- | venger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your | fingers,\* the moon and the stars, which you have | set in place,

what is man that you are mind- | ful of him,\* and the son of man that you | care for him?

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings\* and crowned him with glory and | honor.

You have given him dominion over the works | of your hands;\* you have put all things under | his feet,

all sheep and | oxen,\*

and also the beasts | of the field,

the birds of the heavens, and the fish | of the sea,\* whatever passes along the paths | of the seas.

O | LORD, our Lord,\*

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

#### Gloria Patri

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### **Kyrie**

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### **Gloria in Excelsis**

L: Glory be to God on high:

C: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray.

Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## Old Testament Reading | Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory,

and you shall be called by a new name

that the mouth of the LORD will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your sons marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Epistle | 1 Peter 2:1-10**

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture:

"Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,

a cornerstone chosen and precious,

and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone,"

and

"A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia

C: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,

## Holy Gospel | John 15:12-17

- L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.
- C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I

call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

#### Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

## Hymn | Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee - LSB 803

- Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Praising Thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.
- 2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays, Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,

Chanting bird, and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.

△3 Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest, Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest! Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Fountainhead of love divine: Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit! Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

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## Message | Rev. David A. Davis, Michigan District President

#### **Offering Announcement**

#### **Prayer of the Church**

#### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

#### **Preface**

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And with thy spirit.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up unto the Lord.
- L: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C: It is meet and right so to do.
- L: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

## **Lord's Prayer**

- L: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- C: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### The Words of Our Lord

L: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### Pax Domini

- L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.

#### **Agnus Dei**

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

#### Distribution

## Hymn | God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It - LSB 594

- 1 God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ! He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price. Do I need earth's treasures many? I have one worth more than any That brought me salvation free Lasting to eternity!
- 2 Sin, disturb my soul no longer: I am baptized into Christ! I have comfort even stronger: Jesus' cleansing sacrifice. Should a guilty conscience seize me Since my Baptism did release me In a dear forgiving flood, Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?

- 3 Satan, hear this proclamation:
  I am baptized into Christ!
  Drop your ugly accusation,
  I am not so soon enticed.
  Now that to the font I've traveled,
  All your might has come unraveled,
  And, against your tyranny,
  God, my Lord, unites with me!
- 4 Death, you cannot end my gladness: I am baptized into Christ!
  When I die, I leave all sadness
  To inherit paradise!
  Though I lie in dust and ashes
  Faith's assurance brightly flashes:
  Baptism has the strength divine
  To make life immortal mine.
- There is nothing worth comparing
  To this lifelong comfort sure!
  Open-eyed my grave is staring:
  Even there I'll sleep secure.
  Though my flesh awaits its raising,
  Still my soul continues praising:
  I am baptized into Christ;
  I'm a child of paradise!

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## Hymn | We Sing for All the Unsung Saints - LSB 678

- 1 We sing for all the unsung saints,
  That countless, nameless throng,
  Who kept the faith and passed it on
  With hope steadfast and strong
  Through all the daily griefs and joys
  No chronicles record,
  Forgetful of their lack of fame,
  But mindful of their Lord.
- 2 Though uninscribed with date or place, With title, rank, or name, As living stones their stories join To form a hallowed frame Around the myst'ry in their midst: The Lamb once sacrificed, The Love that wrested life from death, The wounded, risen Christ.

3 So we take heart from unknown saints Bereft of earthly fame,
Those faithful ones who have received A more enduring name:
For they reveal true blessing comes When we our pride efface
And offer back our lives to be
The vessels of God's grace.

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## Hymn | Bind unto Myself Today - LSB 604

- I bind unto myself today
   The strong name of the Trinity
   By invocation of the same,
   The Three in One and One in Three.
- 2 I bind this day to me forever, By pow'r of faith, Christ's incarnation, His Baptism in the Jordan River, His cross of death for my salvation, His bursting from the spicèd tomb, His riding up the heav'nly way, His coming at the day of doom, I bind unto myself today.
- 3 I bind unto myself today
  The pow'r of God to hold and lead,
  His eye to watch, His might to stay,
  His ear to hearken to my need,
  The wisdom of my God to teach,
  His hand to guide, His shield to ward,
  The Word of God to give me speech,
  His heav'nly host to be my guard.
- 4 Against the demon snares of sin,
  The vice that gives temptation force,
  The natural lusts that war within,
  The hostile foes that mar my course;
  Or few or many, far or nigh,
  In ev'ry place and in all hours,
  Against their fierce hostility,
  I bind to me those holy pow'rs.
- ∆ 5 I bind unto myself the name,
   The strong name of the Trinity
   By invocation of the same,
   The Three in One and One in Three,

Of whom all nature has creation, Eternal Father, Spirit, Word. Praise to the Lord of my salvation; Salvation is of Christ the Lord!

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#### Hymn | Praise Be to Christ - LSB 538

- 1 Praise be to Christ in whom we see
  The image of the Father shown,
  The firstborn Son revealed and known,
  The truth and grace of deity;
  Through whom creation came to birth,
  Whose fingers set the stars in place,
  The unseen pow'rs, and this small earth,
  The furthest bounds of time and space.
- 2 Praise be to Him whose sov'reign sway And will upholds creation's plan; Who is, before all worlds began And when our world has passed away: Lord of the Church, its life and head, Redemption's price and source and theme, Alive, the firstborn from the dead, To reign as all-in-all supreme.
- 3 Praise be to Him who, Lord Most High, The fullness of the Godhead shares; And yet our human nature bears, Who came as man to bleed and die. And from His cross there flows our peace Who chose for us the path He trod, That so might sins and sorrows cease And all be reconciled to God.

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#### **Nunc Dimittis**

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## **Thanksgiving**

- L: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- C: and His mercy endureth forever.

L: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### The Rite of Installation

## Rev. Ricardo Granado Lizardo Missionary Pastor for Hispanic Ministries

#### Salutation and Benedicamus

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And with thy spirit.
- L: Bless we the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### Benediction

- C: Amen, amen, amen.

## Hymn | Jesus Shall Reign - LSB 832

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Does its successive journeys run; His kingdom stretch from shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To Him shall endless prayer be made, And endless praises crown His head; His name like sweet perfume shall rise With ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue Dwell on His love with sweetest song; And infant voices shall proclaim Their early blessings on His name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns: The pris'ners leap, unloose their chains, The weary find eternal rest, And all who suffer want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring Honors peculiar to our King;

Angels descend with songs again, And earth repeat the loud amen.

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## **Morning Devotions**

Tuesday, 8:00-8:30 a.m.

## **Opening Versicles**

- L: O Lord, open my lips,
- C: and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- C: make haste to help me, O Lord.
  Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
  as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## Reading | Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets. Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

## Hymn | My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less - LSB 575

- 1 My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; No merit of my own I claim But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain
- ref. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.
- When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain

- 3 His oath, His covenant and blood Support me in the raging flood; When ev'ry earthly prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain
- 4 When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found, Clothed in His righteousness alone, Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

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## Devotion | Rev. Craig Bickel, Third Vice-President, Michigan District

## **Kyrie**

L: O Lord.

C: have mercy.

L: O Christ,

C: have mercy.

L: O Lord,

C: have mercy.

## **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life T everlasting. Amen.

#### Versicles

L: Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C: let my cry come to You.

L: In the day of my trouble I call upon You,

C: for You answer me.

- L: Hide Your face from my sins,
- C: and blot out all my iniquities.
- L: Create in me a clean heart, O God,
- C: and renew a right spirit within me.
- L: Cast me not away from Your presence,c: and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
- L: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
- L: Restore to me the joy of Your Salvation
- C: and uphold me with a willing spirit.
- L: Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
- C: my lips will praise You.
- L: For You have been my help,
- C: and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.
- L: Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;
- C: unite my heart to fear Your name.
- L: I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
- C: and I will glorify Your name forever.
- L: May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.
- C: May those who love Your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"
- L: Save Your people and bless Your heritage!
- C: Be their shepherd and carry them forever.
- L: Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
- C: listen to my plea for grace.

#### **Collect of the Day**

- L: Let us pray.
  - Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.
- C: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

#### **Benedicamus**

- L: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

## **Blessing**

- L: The Lord bless, us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

## Hymn | Church of God, Elect and Glorious - LSB 646

- 1 Church of God, elect and glorious, Holy nation, chosen race; Called as God's own special people, Royal priests and heirs of grace: Know the purpose of your calling, Show to all His mighty deeds; Tell of love that knows no limits, Grace that meets all human needs.
- 2 God has called you out of darkness Into His most marv'lous light; Brought His truth to life within you, Turned your blindness into sight. Let your light so shine around you That God's name is glorified And all find fresh hope and purpose In Christ Jesus crucified.
- 3 Once you were an alien people, Strangers to God's heart of love; But He brought you home in mercy, Citizens of heav'n above. Let His love flow out to others, Let them feel a Father's care; That they too may know His welcome And His countless blessings share.
- 4 Church of God, elect and holy, Be the people He intends; Strong in faith and swift to answer Each command your Master sends: Royal priests, fulfill your calling Through your sacrifice and prayer; Give your lives in joyful service—Sing His praise, His love declare.

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## **Morning Devotion**

Wednesday, 8:00-8:30 a.m.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

L: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: In the morning, O Lord, You hear my voice;

C: in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for You and watch.

L: My mouth is filled with Your praise.

C: and with Your glory all the day.

L: O Lord, open my lips,

C: and my mouth will declare Your praise.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### **Hymn | Father Welcomes - LSB 605**

ref. Father welcomes all His children
To His fam'ly through His Son.
Father giving His salvation,
Life forever has been won.

- 1 Little children, come to Me, For My kingdom is of these. Life and love I have to give, Mercy for your sin. Refrain
- In the water, in the Word,
   In His promise, be assured:
   Those who are baptized and believe
   Shall be born again. Refrain
- 3 Let us daily die to sin; Let us daily rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord, Live in the peace of God. Refrain

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## Reading | Galatians 3:23-4:7

Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into

Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

#### Devotion | Rev. Darryl Andrzejewski, Second Vice-President, Michigan District

## **Apostles' Creed**

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And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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## **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

L: Almighty God, merciful Father, who created and completed all things, on this day when the work of our calling begins anew, we implore You to create its beginning, direct its continuance, and bless its end, that our doings may be preserved from sin, our life sanctified, and our work this day be well pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

#### C: Amen.

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and

every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

- L: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### Hymn | Children of the Heavenly Father - LSB 725

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father Safely in His bosom gather; Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish; In His holy courts they flourish. From all evil things He spares them; In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord His children sever; Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth.
- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh; His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.

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## **Closing Worship**

Wednesday, 11:20 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

## Hymn | Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness - LSB 563

- 1 Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness My beauty are, my glorious dress; Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
- 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and redeemed, no debt to pay; Fully absolved through these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
- 3 Lord, I believe Thy precious blood, Which at the mercy seat of God Pleads for the captives' liberty, Was also shed in love for me.
- 4 Lord, I believe, were sinners more Than sands upon the ocean shore, Thou hast for all a ransom paid, For all a full atonement made.
- 5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies, This then shall be my only plea: lesus hath lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me, For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

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## **Opening Versicles**

- L: This is the day which the Lord has made:
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C: the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L: Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

- L: Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C: Teach me Your paths.
- L: Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C: Your Word is truth.
- L: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C: the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### **Old Testament Canticle**

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.

And you will say in that day:

"Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted."

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

## Reading | Matthew 5:13-16

L: A reading from Matthew, the fifth chapter.

"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

- 1: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

## Responsory

- L: Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

#### **Ten Commandments**

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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## **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Devotion | Rev. Dean Davenport, First Vice-President, Michigan District

#### Hymn | O Word of God Incarnate - LSB 523

- 1 O Word of God incarnate,
  - O Wisdom from on high,
  - O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
  - O Light of our dark sky:

We praise You for the radiance

That from the hallowed page,

A lantern to our footsteps,

Shines on from age to age.

- 2 The Church from You, dear Master, Received the gift divine; And still that light is lifted O'er all the earth to shine. It is the chart and compass That, all life's voyage through, Mid mists and rocks and quicksands Still guides. O Christ, to You.
- 3 O make Your Church, dear Savior, A lamp of burnished gold To bear before the nations Your true light as of old! O teach Your wand'ring pilgrims By this their path to trace Till, clouds and darkness ended, They see You face to face!

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## **Prayer**

- L: In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

#### Collect of the Day

- L: Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

#### **Collect for the Word**

- L: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God. now and forever.
- C: Amen.

## **Evening Prayer**

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

#### **New Testament Canticle**

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia, Alleluia.

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.

Raised from the dead, He will never die again.

Death has no more dominion over Him.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia, Alleluia.

Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.

Living, He lives to God.

Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia, Alleluia.

#### **Blessing**

- L: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- L: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the 

  → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C: Amen.

#### Hymn | Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow - LSB 805

1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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# **Dining Options**

#### **Onsite**

**Everett's** The restaurant, located in the Mountain Grand Lodge, serves an array of American cuisine, including mouthwatering steaks, seafood, pasta dishes, sandwiches, burgers, salads, and more, plus healthy children's options and delicious desserts. The bar features an extensive wine list, featuring many Michigan-made products.

**Forty Acres Tavern** | Celebrates the spirit of that fortuitous transaction taking the pleasure of the familiar to completely new territory. Forty Acres offers a satisfying selection of spirits, and a Michigan microbrewery heavy roster of 40 beers. Bar fare food is available.

**Trophy Room Pub & Pizzeria** The pub, located in the Clock Tower Lodge, offers a large selection of beer and wine, and the menu features delicious specialty pizzas, salads, pasta dishes, grinders, and more. Indoor or outdoor patio seating is available, as well as fast and FREE on-property delivery for resort lodging guests.

The hotel has a brochure with all onsite restaurant options and hours of operation.

#### **Offsite**

Café Sante | One Water St, Boyne City magnumhospitality.com/cafeSante

A casual, European-style bistro serving The Classics—simply and with flair. Featuring Belgian beers, wood-fired pizzas, mussels and frites, pastas, Panini, unique breakfasts, and casual cuisine.

Red Mesa Grill | 117 Water St, Boyne City

magnumhospitality.com/redmesa

Mexican, Caribbean, South American, Central American; all of the flavors of Latin America are celebrated at Red Mesa Grill. We offer traditional dishes and exotic specialties.

**Bella Vita** | 2911 Boyne City Rd, Boyne City bellavitaboyne.com 231.582.3341 Great Italian Dining with American Favorites

**Stiggs Brewery & Kitchen** | 112 S Park St, Boyne City stiggsbrewingcompany.com *231.497.6100* 

Craft Beer, locally-sourced items, from scratch recipies and hand-crafted cuisine.

**Lake Street Market** | 306 S Lake St, Boyne City *lakestreetmarket.com* 231.582.4450 Gourmet sandwiches and soups, pizza, salads, and more!

# **Information for Wives**

The Katie— a Michigan District conference for the wives and widows of pastors, deacons, and vicars—is designed with prayer and love for this special group of women. A gathering unique to the Michigan District, The Katie has been made possible through the years by an amazing collection of highly creative and deeply committed leaders who have a passion for



uplifting, encouraging, and supporting. The result is an opportunity to draw near to God through worship and praise, prayer, Bible study, small group discussion, social gathering opportunities, sharing, and laughter.

As Lutheran Christians, we hold onto the doctrine of Jesus as True God and True Man as it is clearly outlined in Scripture. This spiritual concept lies at the center of our discussion for The Katie 2023. When we recognize Jesus as the very definition of truth, we are better able to grasp our own true identity as people created, saved, and sanctified by the Living God. That understanding colors first our relationship with God and then with each other. And may even have an impact on our relationship with ourselves. *True God/True Man/True You* will lean primarily upon the Gospel of John for instruction, insight, and challenge as together we dive even deeper into our relationship with the Lord.

As always, our conference will seek to provide spiritual refreshment to the women God has chosen to be His hands and heart to the men He has called into the ministry. While these women carry a unique set of burdens, they also enjoy some amazing and abundant blessings. The Katie is a celebration of those blessings and a support for those burdens. Join us on April 21–23, 2023 in Bay City as the Holy Spirit deepens our faith through "*True God/True Man/True You*."

If you are a wife new to the Michigan District or have never attended, there is a \$50 scholarship gift available for you from the Michigan District Church Extension Fund. This is a great opportunity to meet new friends and renew old relationships!

# **Michigan District Events**



## **Theological Conference**

February 4, 2023 Lansing, Mich. michigandistrict.org/theological23



#### The Katie

True God, True Man, True You April 21–23, 2023 Bay City, Mich. michigandistrict.org/katie23



## **North and East Pastors Conference**

May 1–2, 2023 Bay City, Mich. michigandistrict.org/ne23



## **South and East Pastors Conference**

Hunted May 9–10, 2023

Frankenmuth, Mich. *michigandistrict.org/se23* 



## **Circuit Visitors Conference**

May 10–11, 2023 Frankenmuth, Mich. michigandistrict.org/cvspring23



## **West Pastors Conference**

May 15–16, 2023 St. Joseph, Mich. michigandistrict.org/west23



## **Intentional Interim Ministry Conf.**

May 24–25, 2023 Hillsdale, Mich. *michigandistrict.org/iimspring23* 



## **Junior High Youth Gathering**

June 2–4, 2023 Frankenmuth, Mich. michigandistrict.org/jrhigh23



## **Senior High Youth Gathering**

Anchored in Hope
June 25–28, 2023
Mackinac Island, Mich.
michigandistrict.org/srhigh23



## **LCMS Synodical Convention**

We Preach Christ Crucified July 29–August 3, 2023 Milwaukee, Wisc.



## **Professional Church Workers Conf.**

Abide In Jesus

November 19–21, 2023

Grand Rapids, Mich.

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