



Remembrance Sunday



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Connecting Individuals to Jesus and to One Another

Educating Minds – Growing Faith – Serving People

We are here to serve our community. As you worship with us online, the Lord Jesus is at work, uniting us as friends and family. If you are curious to learn more out ministry in the community, go to www.stl-eastpointe.org, or like us on Face Book. To get your questions answered in a more personal way, contact the church office (586-772-3370) and ask for a pastor/staff member to give you a call.

Remembrance Sunday

“Connecting To Jesus”

Prelude

“Proclamation of Gratitude”

M. Austin/D. Angerman

Announcements and Attendance/Communion Registration



We would like to know you attended service today!

To record your attendance, you can scan this QR code with your phone’s camera, it will take you to the web page/form for attendance. Fill out the form and hit the submit button.

The Scripture Reading

Romans 6:3-5, 10-11

Today, as we celebrate milestones in the new life we have in Christ, we recall how “all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his... For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So, we also must consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.”

Opening Hymn

“In Christ Alone”

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe.
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save.
‘Til on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.
'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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Baptismal Remembrance

[Psalm 34]

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

C: Amen.

L: Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!

C: When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.

L: The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

C: Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers us out of them all.

L: Let us, therefore, turn to our heavenly Father, imploring Him for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness and aid.

C: Lord, be merciful to us: Forgive our sins, strengthen our faith, give us Your comfort and peace, transform our lives, fill us with hope, and increase our love for all.

L: 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 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: Let us pray: Almighty and most merciful Father, through Holy Baptism you have washed us in the blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, made us to be your children and heirs of eternal life.

C: Renew in us this gift of your Holy Spirit, that we may grow in faith, hope, and love,

L: And be united in fulfilling your mission on earth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

L: As heirs of eternal life and members of Christ's mission team on earth, let us confess our faith:

C: 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

Hymn

"Father Welcomes"

LSB 605, vv. 1, 2

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

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**

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Kingdom Work – the Rite of Holy Baptism

Elizabeth Louise Ferdinande is baptized into the Lord's family.
She was born on August 26, 2024
She is the daughter of **David & Danielle Ferdinande**.
Her sponsors are **Scott Grzanka and Angel Makuch**.



The Welcome

Host: Through Baptism God has added **Elizabeth Louise** to his own people here at Saint Thomas, to join with us in declaring the wonderful deeds of our Savior, who has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

People: **We welcome you into the Lord's family and to our family here at Saint Thomas. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in his kingdom.**

Pastor: And you, **Elizabeth Louise**, the Lord bless you in all your ways from this time forth and even forevermore.

People: **Amen.**

Reception of New Members

**William and Theresa Erfourth, Michael and Christine Biafora,
Alina, Adisyn and Alexis Biafora, Rebecca Gladden, Patricia Fritz,
Joseph and Marilyn Brown, Jerry Roy, Ibrahim Byakika and Doreen Schroeder**

Prayer

Hymn

"Father Welcomes"

LSB 605, v 3

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

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**

"... And To One Another"

Recognition of Weddings and Anniversaries

R: A Scripture reading from Colossian 3:12-17.

C: **Open my ears, O Lord, that I may hear your word.**

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

“O Father, All Creating”

LSB 858, vv. 1, 4

O Father, all creating, Whose wisdom, love, and pow’r
First bound two lives together In Eden’s primal hour,
Today to these Your children Your earliest gifts renew:
A home by You made happy, A love by You kept true.

Unless You build it, Father, The house is built in vain;
Unless You, Savior, bless it, The joy will turn to pain.
But nothing breaks the union Of hearts in You made one;
The love Your Spirit hallows Is endless love begun.

Roll Call: Weddings and Anniversaries



Prayer

“Living With Jesus”

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:24-37

R: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, chapter 13.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] “In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning— lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

(after the reading)

R: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children’s Sermon

Hymn of the Day

“Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng”

LSB 813, vv. 1, 2, 6, 7

Rejoice, O pilgrim throng! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
Your festal banner wave on high, The cross of Christ your king. **Refrain**

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

With voice as full and strong As ocean’s surging praise,
Send forth the sturdy hymns of old, The psalms of ancient days. Refrain

At last the march shall end; The wearied ones shall rest;
The pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. Refrain

Praise Him who reigns on high, The Lord whom we adore:
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God forevermore. Refrain

Sermon

“The Joy of Waiting”

Mark 13:24-37

Anthem

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

J. Van Valey/S. Berry

“The Intimate Connection”

“As we receive the True Body and Blood of our Lord, our faith is fed, our spirits are encouraged, and we are moved to share God's grace with the world.”

[Because of the closeness of this sharing (and the concerns expressed in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29) we ask that those who have not been taught the faith at STL speak with a pastor or elder before communing.]

Prayer of the Church

L: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

(after each petition)

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

L: These are they who have come out of the great tribulation.

C: They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb.

L: God has chosen to give us birth through the word of truth,

C: That we might be a kind of first-fruits of all he created – his saved servants.

(time for personal reflection)

L: Make haste to deliver me, O God:

C: Make haste, O Lord, to help me, for I am hurting on the inside, and have failed in helping others around me. In you, Lord Jesus, do I take my refuge. In your mercy take away my sin and rescue me from all evil. You are my help and my deliverer. O Lord, do not delay.

L: God has come in the person of Jesus to rescue you. He died for your sins and was raised for your justification. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Jesus, and by His authority, I announce the full forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and

of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: We thank You for the life we have today, and for the new world to come, all given freely to us through Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Lord's Prayer

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: 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

Words of Institution

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 T 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 T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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

C: Amen.

Communion Cantic

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

LSB 621, vv. 1, 2, 4

Let all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in His hand
Christ our God to earth descending
Comes our homage to demand.

King of kings yet born of Mary, As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture, In the body and the blood,
He will give to all the faithful His own self for heav'nly food.

At His feet the six-winged seraph, Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the presence As with ceaseless voice they cry:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

Distribution

*Alcohol-free wine is available in the center of each individual cup tray.
Gluten-free host is available upon request from the host server.
If you are coming for a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest.*

Hymns during distribution

"I'm But a Stranger Here"

LSB 748

I'm but a stranger here, Heav'n is my home; Earth is a desert drear, Heav'n is my home.
Danger and sorrow stand Round me on ev'ry hand; Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.

What though the tempest rage, Heav'n is my home; Short is my pilgrimage, Heav'n is my home;
And time's wild wintry blast Soon shall be overpast; I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.

Therefore I murmur not, Heav'n is my home; Whate'er my earthly lot, Heav'n is my home;
And I shall surely stand There at my Lord's right hand; Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.

"Abide with Me"

LSB 878

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide. The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour; What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

Come not in terrors, as the King of kings, But kind and good, with healing in Thy wings;
Tears for all woes, a heart for ev'ry plea. Come, Friend of sinners, thus abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still if Thou abide with me!

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Post-Communion Canticle

"Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace"

LSB 937

Lord, bid Your servant go in peace, Your word is now fulfilled.
These eyes have seen salvation's dawn, This child so long foretold.

This is the Savior of the world, The Gentiles' promised light,
God's glory dwelling in our midst, The joy of Israel.

With saints of old, with saints to come, To You we lift our voice;
To Father, Son, and Spirit blest Be honor, love, and praise.

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Post-Communion Prayer

“The Ultimate Connection”

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

The Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:50-58

I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: “Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

(after the reading)

L: Lord God, Heavenly Father:

P: **We thank you for adopting us into your family through Holy Baptism.**

L: Lord Jesus, our Redeemer:

P: **We praise you as the first-fruits of the resurrection of all flesh.**

L: O, God the Holy Spirit:

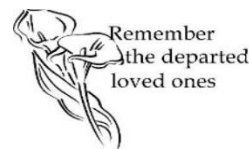
P: **We ask you to make us faithful to death, that we may receive the crown of eternal life.**

L: That we might celebrate with all who have gone before us in your glorious presence,

P: **in that ultimate connection with You forever and ever. Amen.**

Roll Call:

***Mary Agnes Bohde, Mary Burke-Gianino,
Whitney Gray***



Prayer

Carnations & Prayers

Solo

“Pie Jesu”

A. L. Webber

*(Merciful Jesus, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them rest.
O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.)*

Closing Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn

“Thine the Amen”

LSB 680

Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be
Thine the vision Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee
Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest
Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be
Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war
Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.

Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonder full surprise
Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways
Thine the glory Thine the story Then the welcome to the least
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

Thine the glory in the night No more dying only light
Thine the river Thine the tree Then the Lamb eternally
Then the holy holy holy Celebration jubilee
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

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- Text “GIVE” to 1-586-800-2223
- Visit: stl-eastpointe.org and click on “Mission Support”
- Through your Pay Pal account
- Scan this Quick Response (QR) code

These will connect you to our on-line giving form, where you can have your mission support offering automatically taken from your checking account or use your credit or debit card (STL is charged extra fees for debit and credit card transactions). **You can even set up recurring giving with many of these options!** IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, OR DESIRE ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE (586-772-3370).

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NEXT SUNDAY

The First Sunday of Advent Lessons and Carols

December 1, 2024

Up Coming Worship and Events

November 27 - Thanksgiving Eve Worship at 7 pm

November 30 - Decorate the Church starting at 9 am

Help is needed!

November 30 – Breast Cancer Awareness at 12 p.m.

December 1 – Lessons and Carols worship at 9:30 am

December 4, 11 & 18 Advent Midweek Worship at 7 pm

December 14 – Advent Aglow – 6 p.m.

December 20 - Holiday food basket packing 5:30 pm

Help is needed!

December 21 - Holiday food basket distribution starting at 10 am

Help is needed starting at 9 am!

December 24 - Christmas Eve Celebration at 4 pm

December 25 - Christmas Day at 10 am

December 31 –NYE service at 7 pm

(for more information on any of these events, please call the church office)

Advent Aglow – December 14th, at 6 pm, in the gym. A time for the women of St. Thomas and their friends to gather, worship and celebrate the upcoming birth of our Lord, before the busyness of the season takes over. All women are welcome either to host a table or just attend. Reservations are needed. Please see Kelly Crivella in the west entrance, following the service, to sign up for hosting or attending, or call her at 313-550-2950.

Patrons are needed to help defray the cost of the professional musicians we hire to accompany the Kapelle and enhance our Christmas Eve service. Please place your donation in an envelope marked "Patron for Kapelle" and place it in the offering plate, offering box, bring it to the church office or give electronically. Thank you for your support of the music ministry.

Godsword4u.org - Deacon Don has launched his website **Godsword4u.org**. You will find a Tuesday devotion, sermons, and merchandise on the site. With the ultimate goal of taking any profit from the purchases will go towards purchasing time on the local electronic billboards to post scripture. For any questions contact Deacon Don.

Does the church have all your current information?

Current address? Home Phone # active? Cell phone #? E-mail address?

Please fill out a "Change of Address" form (found on tables) or use the attendance form on last page and update your information with the church office. We will be using this information to communicate and share information.

Advent by Candlelight - Friday, December 6, 2024, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the St. Peter's Lutheran School Gym. All Ladies are welcome to host or cohost a table of 8 friends or come as an individual guest. Please reserve your space by calling Tina Johnson at 944-7213 or Patty O'Hara at 879-3340.

MCREST is in need of some help with providing transportation money for their guests. Not every week is sponsored by a church, and the need to provide, approximately \$25.00 per guest per week, for transportation is not being met. (about \$1,000.00 a week) Can you help with this in addition to your weekly giving? If so, please put "MCREST – TRANSPORTATION" on one of the envelopes by the offering boxes, and the church office will forward it to MCREST. Thank You!

It's Lutheran Witness time! This is the time to order or renew subscriptions of the *Lutheran Witness* (LW), the official periodical of the LCMS. It is published 11 times a year and provides laypeople with stories and information that complement congregational life, fosters personal growth in faith, and helps interpret the contemporary world from the Lutheran Christian perspective. The subscription year is March 2025 through February 2026. Yearly subscriptions are \$21.20/year each if orders are placed through the St. Thomas church office (if not the cost is \$24.99). Orders and money need to be in the office by December 8 (checks made payable to St. Thomas).

Breast Cancer Awareness – Community led session to learn about breast cancer prevention, risk factors, myths, resources and more! The session will be in Conference room 1 at 12 p.m. on November 30th. You must register in advance by visiting the link <https://bit.ly/RTREG18> or calling Madison Pavliscak at 313-576-8839 or scanning the QR code on the flyers on the tables.

All Ladies Welcome! Just a gentle reminder that our monthly **HIS II meeting** is coming **Monday, November 25th at 7pm**. Karen Dolan will be leading the Study: "**Mountaintop Journeys with Jesus**", **Lesson 3: MOUNTAINTOP OF VICTORY OVER TEMPTATION**. Our agenda includes discussing a place for our **December dinner out**- so put your thinking caps on to help recommend a cozy place. Come join us for **fun and fellowship as we are refreshed in His Word!**

Giving Tree Remember to stop by the Giving Tree in the west entrance and select a card for a person who needs you to share Christ's love this season. The cards are for our Great Start Readiness Program Preschool – 20 children and 30 children from Evergreen Lutheran Church & School in Detroit. **Please follow the directions on the table for each card selected. Gifts must be back at the church by December 15!**

Advent Devotionals Pick up your copy of "Come, Let Us Adore Him" advent devotional from LHM. They are available in baskets by each of the entrances and on tables throughout the building.

News on Pastor Lemley – He has accepted a call as Interim Pastor at Trinity Lutheran, Clinton TWP. Because of this call he will no longer be helping Pastor Dietrick with services or visits. Pastor Lemley will be fondly remembered, and missed, for all the help he gave St. Thomas during his time here.

Pastor Hetzner – Good News! Pastor Hetzner is now our Pastor Emeritus and has offered to be our Visitation Pastor. He will begin to visit our shut-ins with Pastor Dietrick and the elders.

NEXT SUNDAY
The First Sunday of Advent
Lessons and Carols
December 1, 2024

October through December Mission Envelopes
CAMP RESTORE - DETROIT
(Housed in Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church)

DID YOU KNOW? The area surrounding Camp Restore Detroit (9th Precinct of Detroit) is only 20% populated. This means many houses, lots, and even entire blocks are abandoned. Camp Restore works to restore hope in the community through hosting groups of all ages and sizes, housing and feeding them, and partnering with community leaders and community organizations in activities of environmental cleanup, construction, and human care.

100% of your Mission Envelope donations (either using the envelop provided in your box or through your designation electronically or with a different envelope) to STL during the months of October, November, and December will be given directly to CAMP RESTORE DETROIT. For more information on the ministry, go to www.camprestore.org or call 313-527-3366.

Our Confession of Faith

As members of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (LC-MS), we subscribe to the three ecumenical creeds (Apostles, Nicene and Athanasian) and the Christian faith as confessed in the Book of Concord. This includes believing that:

- Jesus Christ is both true God and true man who died for our sins and rose again to save us.
- His body/blood are truly present in communion under the form of bread/wine (page 326).
- Communion is, among other things, an expression of doctrinal unity.
- Infant baptism is a Means of Grace through which God delivers one from sin and gives eternal salvation to all who believe (page 325 in Lutheran Service Book).

Weekly Worship with Communion - Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Monday at 7:30 p.m.

“The Flock” for children and Cross†raining JC Style for youth

Faith Hope Love Gatherings - Sunday and throughout the week

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

November 24, 2024

Our Primary Prayer focus for this week is on Christ's work through his Word:

- All new believers and the newly baptized members of Christ's kingdom
- Healing all who are stymied by fear, shame, pain, or grief.
- Greater diligence in reading, marking, learning, and inwardly digesting God's Word.
- Many to publicly express thanks to Jesus in words, deeds, and generous gifts.

And we remember those at both ends of life on this earth, the unborn and newly born, the elderly and those nearing life's end, remembering especially all pregnant mothers, and those who are in hospice care.



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† In Our Thoughts and Prayers †

†**Praise and Thanksgiving:** for the baptism of Elizabeth Louise Ferdinande, daughter of David & Danielle, granddaughter of Keith and Christine Corderre.

†**God's Healing Hand on:** Debbie Closurdo, Jan Patty, Fred Bauss, Russ Semenjuk, Larry Cichocki, Janet Edwards, Roy Leidich, Tim Schnepfer (nephew of John Hupp and Ann), Steven Eubanks (Barbara's son), Robert Miller (Heather's father), Tim Setter (nephew of Caroline Henze), John Belvedere (son-in-law of Caroline Henze), Julie Tyner (friend of Caroline Henze), Doug Klawender (son of Shirley).

†**Continued prayers for Healing & Strength for:** Janet Semenjuk, Joanne Awe, Brenda Finger, Harrison Ahee, Andrew Brejnak, 19, (grandson of Gerry & Nola Klonowski, son of their daughter, Lisa), Robert Laroche (family of Jan Adams), Jan Adams, Claire Armstrong (granddaughter of Clyde & Carolyn Armstrong), Kennedy Pank (great-granddaughter of Marilyn Redmond), Sally Burk (sister of Lois Revard), Tamara Sommer (Connie's daughter-in-law).