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THE ST. GEORGE GAZETTE

Official Newsletter of St. George Lutheran Church

PASTOR KEN STAIB

Dear friends in Christ,

April is a month of celebration at St. George. In two weeks, we will begin Holy Week by celebrating Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The celebration turns to a more solemn note as we follow Jesus to the cross. But the darkness of Good Friday will then give way to celebration on Easter, as we celebrate Jesus' victory over sin and death. I encourage you to attend worship during Holy Week as well as on Easter, as we experience the story that is at the heart of our faith. This season is also a wonderful opportunity to invite someone to worship.

On April 23, we will shift from the story that is at the heart of our faith to the story of our congregation. That evening we will kick off the celebration of the 180th Anniversary of St. George with a special worship service. I hope that you will be able to attend as we celebrate God's work through our congregation. This is another opportunity to invite someone to St. George.

The Easter story and the story of our congregation may seem like separate stories, but in reality they are connected. If it weren't for the resurrection of Jesus and for the women who told others about the empty tomb, we wouldn't be a congregation. Our story, along the story of churches around the world, is a continuation of the Easter story, as we continue to share the good news of Jesus Christ through word and deed.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Ken Staib

Pastor Ken's office hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:30am-12:30pm or by appointment. Friday is his day off, but he will respond to emergencies. Office hours are subject to change. You may contact him by cell phone at (810) 892-3043 or email at pastor.kenstaib@yahoo.com.

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

04/04 Jerry Dilloway
04/06 Matthew Gabrielle
04/09 Linda Fox
04/10 Sally Headley
04/11 Joyce Engenolf
04/12 Elaine McIntyre
04/26 Bruce Graenser

04/15 Judy and Jim Tavarozzi

April 27th at
10 AM WE'LL
CELEBRATE ALL
MARCH AND APRIL
BIRTHDAYS!

Don't see your birthday/anniversary on
the list? Email the office with your
special dates so we can celebrate YOU!



Lenten Schedule

April 2 & 9: Lenten
Soup Supper at
6:15pm

April 2 & 9: Lenten
Service at 7pm

Palm Sunday
Services: April 13 at
9am & 11am

Easter Egg Hunt:
April 13 at 10am

Maundy Thursday
Service:
April 17 at 7pm

Good Friday Service:
April 18 at 7pm

Easter Sunday
Services: April 20 at
9am & 11am

Easter Brunch:
April 20 at 10am



Youth Ministries



ANNUAL EASTER CELEBRATION

Sunday, April 13 from 10:00-11:00 AM

Join us for a free Easter Egg Hunt for all ages! Enjoy two egg hunts, bounce houses, free food, and more!

Invite your friends, family, and neighbors to enjoy this community celebration of Easter!

EARLY CHILDHOOD CLASSES SPRING SEMESTER

OUR FREE MUSIKGARTEN AND GYMNASTICS CLASSES ARE BACK!
JOIN US EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM FEBRUARY 19TH THROUGH
APRIL 30TH FOR FREE FAMILY FUN!



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St. George Book Discussion Group

Do you like to read and are looking for a casual book club?
We have a Book Discussion Group right here at St. George!

We meet in the Parish House on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 3:00. We meet year-round, except we will not meet this April, due to Maundy Thursday.

We read Top Selling Books and recommendations from each other. In 2024, some of the books we read were: The Women, We Were the Lucky Ones, West With Giraffes, The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post, and others. One book per month.

We have a wonderful group - we discuss the books, we talk, we laugh, and we eat! Feel free to join us any time.

Our book for March 20th is Small Things Like These, by Claire Keegan.

If you would like more information, please contact: Jennifer Knaus, jennifer81365@yahoo.com.





Council President's Report
Lorna Durand

St. George April newsletter article

180th Anniversary Announcement

St George Lutheran Church



180th Anniversary

Everyone is invited to celebrate worship with us...

Wednesday April 23, 2025 at 7:00 PM

803 W. Main Street, Brighton, MI 48116

I hope as we move into the month of April and Easter, we are able to realize the significance of this very special day within our Christian faith.

As we are aware, Easter Sunday marks the resurrection of Jesus Christ, signifying his victory over death and offering believers hope and the promise of eternal life.

And the resurrection is seen as a fulfillment of prophecies regarding the Messiah, confirming Jesus's identity as a son of God.

As a Christian, I have found Easter Sunday to be a time of joy and celebration for myself and family as I reflect on the significance of Jesus' sacrifice and the promise of eternal life.

I have also enjoyed the time with family and friends as we celebrated this holy holiday. As a child, I always enjoyed hunting for Easter eggs and finding my Easter basket filled with candy. I also came to realize how it drew my family together and how we shared our love with one another.

I hope that our congregational membership is not only able to celebrate Easter with families and friends, but also feel comfort in the promise that has been given to believers of the word of God.

May you have a wonderful Easter Sunday.



Needleworks

Needleworks News April 2025

Seafarers Christmas-at-Sea 2024 Report:

Our ELCA port mission reports: “**3,057** seafarers, regardless of faith, received Christmas-at-Sea satchels filled with warm clothing and holiday greetings prepared by volunteers to recognize their sacrifices.” Here at St. George, we are so happy to be blessed with the ability to contribute to this mission. Our congregation prepared and sent 35 of those satchels last November!

Needleworkers are busy now creating hats and scarves for the 2025 satchels!

March donations: 7 Blankets to Providence Park Hospital

Next meeting's project: It's time to get up in the attic and into our overflow yarn storage bins. We can do some sorting and decide what can come down to the shelves of the Yarn Room.

Next meetings: (1st and 3rd Fridays at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall)

April 4 and 18

May 2 and 16

June 6 and 20

July 5 (Saturday) and 18

“What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has the eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like.”

-St. Augustine

Seafarers International House



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		1	2 6:15 SOUP SUPPER 7 LENT SERVICE	3	4 10:00 AM NEEDLEWORKS	5
6 9 & 11 SERVICES 10- SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	7	8	9 OFFICE HOURS 8-1 6:15 SOUP SUPPER 7 LENT SERVICE	10	11 OFFICE HOURS 8-1	12
13 9 & 11 SERVICES 10- EASTER EGG HUNT	14	15 9:30 FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE	16 OFFICE HOURS 8-1	17 7:00 PM MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE	18 OFFICE HOURS 8-1 7:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 10:00 AM NEEDLEWORKS	19
20 9 & 11 SERVICES 10 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL	21	22	23 OFFICE HOURS 8-1 7:00PM 180 TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE	24 5:30 COUNCIL MTG	25 OFFICE HOURS 8-1	26
27 9 & 11 SERVICES 10- BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SUNDAY SCHOOL	28	29	30 OFFICE HOURS 8-1	31	OFFICE HOURS 8-1	



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Additional activities:

Men's Group: Every Wednesday at 8am
Musikgarten: Every Wednesday at 10:00-10:30am
Gymnastics: Every Wednesday at 10:45-11:30am

SUNDAY SERVICES
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9:00

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 11:00

BOTH SERVICES ALSO ONLINE

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www.stgeorgelutheran.org