

TOGETHER IN FAITH



Saved by Christ, Connected by Love, Called to Care



“As we wait for Jesus to return, we are called to live holy lives as we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord.”

This Week at SCC

September 13: AA Meeting, 8:00 PM

September 14: Prayer Walk, 10:00 AM

September 16: Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Anthony's Church, 12:30-6:15 PM

September 18:

- Ladies Bible Study, 9:30 AM
- Praise Team Practice, 6:00 PM

September 19:

- Food Pantry, 2:00-4:00 PM
- Women's Life Group, 6:00 PM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th VOLUNTEERS

Lay Leader: Bob Hemmingsen

Reader: Marcia Culver

Praise Team: Nancy Downs, Bob Krieger

Singers: Melody Dotson, Terri Powers, Virgil Biggs, Jim Lóser

Tech Team: Luke Brogger, Lynn Kaufman, Dave Washburn

Ushers: Ed Culver & Robert Williams

Greeters: Terri McCready & June Seiler

Children's Worship: Margaret Chadwick/Jacob Bush & Sharon Darby/
Breia DeVries

Nursery: Carolyn Westbrook

Refreshments: Mary Williams & Nancy Benjamin

Sunday Service

“Growing in Grace”

Pastor Ethan Tews

15 September 2024

10:00am

Readings:

- Psalm 27:1-5, 10-14
- 2 Peter 3:11-18

Music Selections:

- “Everlasting God”
- “Psalm 213”
- “Create In Me A Clean Heart”

Bible Studies

Sundays:

- Men's Bible Study, 8:30 AM

Wednesdays:

- Ladies Bible Study, 9:30 AM

Thursdays:

- Women's Life Group, 6:00 PM

Ongoing Prayers



Cancer:

Dan Bowers
Pam Briest
Paula DeYoung
Brad Edwards
Clay McNeil
Chris, Pastor Tews' mother
Craig Schiller
Lenny Venneman
Stephanie Voland

Medical Needs:

Kelley Becker	Valerie Emelander	Gracia Tichelaar
Virgil Biggs	Kevin Hielman	Karen Taylor
Sawyer & Daxton Blain	Stan Hagemeyer	Patsy Veenstra
Catherine Cove	Nancy Justice	Stephanie Voland
Emma Dawson	Christopher Piché	Carol Washburn
David Downs	Sharon Ross	Dave Washburn
"Micki" (4-year old with leukemia)	David Seymour	Randalyne Westbrook
Mela Dotson	Jess Spychiger	Colin Williams
	Harvey & Estelle Stark	Scott Zeeryp

UPDATES: This list reflects current needs that we are aware of. Please contact the office if your name (or the name of your loved one/friend) should be on the list. Also let us know if names can be removed. (We will need permission prior to posting any prayer requests.) THANK YOU!



Military Friends

Riley Bedard	Tyler Johnson	Brian Swiger
Zach Bevington	Ben Littlejohn	Conor Talcott
Kristin Carl	Andy Lytle	Cody Westbrook
Jasmine Chadwick	Ian Manion	Robert Westover
Kameron Conroe	Trey Matthews	Jim Whittum
Alec Doll	Charlie Miller	Jayne Wilson
Tyler Gorby	Patrick Miller	Bryant Zander
Landon Hall	Maverick Musser	
Audra Hawkins	Jon Powers	
Kyle Hill	Richie Sands	
Levi Jackson	Mitchell Simmons	
Jared Johnson	Ryan Sweet	

Current Events

WE LOVE OUR COMMUNITY, SO WE'RE
PRAYING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Pray & Go PRAYER WALK

Starts @ 10:00 am
Saturday, September 14, 2024

Meet up here at Saranac Community Church
(Hosted by the Missions & Evangelism Commission)



September

- 16th Beth Simpson
- 25th Dean Gage, Sr.
- 28th Mary Williams

Women's Life Group:
"Now that Faith has Come"
~A 7-week Bible study on
Galatians



September 12-October 24, 2024
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
McCarty Room

Childcare provided!

Children's Worship starts THIS Sunday!



Vintage Pink Out Volleyball Tournament

Saranac Jr/Sr High School

Proceeds go to American Cancer Society
– Relay for Life of Ionia County

Wear any old pink tournament shirt or
pink shirt you may have in your closet



Silent Auction, Chance Drawings

9:00 am Saturday, September 14

**Food Pantry,
Sept 19th, 2-4 PM**



Upcoming Events

NEW

For those interested in becoming a member of Saranac Community Church, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex beginning Sunday, Sept 8th! More details to follow soon!!



Women of Worship (WOW)

Starting back up in October!

For more information, contact Sharon Darby

SCC Overtime!

For all Senior High Students



Free pizza, beverages, and fresh encouragement!

Fridays following the Varsity Game
Sept 6th, 27th,
Oct 4th (Homecoming),
& 18th



Sponsored by Saranac Community Church



EXPERIENCE CAMP ALL YEAR
2024 RETREAT DATES

- QUILTING RETREAT: SEPT 17-22
- JR HIGH RETREAT: NOV 8-10
- WOMEN'S RETREAT: SEPT 27-29
- TRAILBLAZERS RETREAT: NOV 15-17
- MEN'S RETREAT: OCT 11-13
- SLEIGHBELL: DEC 6-8
- GALA: NOV 2

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ABIDE

SAVE THE DATE

WOMEN'S RETREAT

SEPT 27-29 2024

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A TIME TO DRAW NEAR TO GOD & EACH OTHER

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

2024 PLCBC Gala

11.02.2024 5:30 PM First Covenant Church, Grand Rapids, MI

EARLY BIRD PRICING: \$60 PER TICKET THROUGH SEPT 30TH
PRICE INCREASES TO \$70 OCT 1

PORTAGE LAKE BIBLE CAMP

SAVE THE DATE

MEN'S

OCT 11-13, 2024

RETREAT

PORTAGELAKE.ORG/MENS-RETREAT/

Register for any camp opportunities by clicking [HERE](https://portagelake.org/fall-2024/)
(<https://portagelake.org/fall-2024/>).

Opportunities **TO SERVE**

Nursery Volunteers Needed!

Sign up in the Narthex!!



Greeters Needed!



Sign-Up in the Narthex

Communion Servers Needed!



Sign-Up in the Narthex

A flyer for the 43rd Annual Ionia Area Crop Hunger Walk. The flyer features the text: "The USA Crop Hunger Walk is in its 55th year of active walker participation." "43rd Annual Ionia Area Crop Hunger Walk" "ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME" "crophungerwalk.org" "25% of all monies collected are returned back to community food pantries: Zion Food Pantry IM kids 3rd meal Saranac/Clarksville Food Pantry Ionia Commission on Aging" "Contribute on-line to Team: SCC 2024" "Walk start location: First Christian Church parking lot 130 East Washington St. Ionia, Mi." "Walk Date: Sunday Oct. 6th" "Walk start time: registration@ 1:30PM start time 2PM" "To donate on-line visit Crophungerwalk.org / search / ioniaareacrophungerwalk"

Consider walking and/or making a donation on the website (crophungerwalk.org, SCC2024) See Ed Culver for more details

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

~1 Peter 4:10



Meals Ministry

Handy in the kitchen? Volunteers needed to prep and deliver meals to designated homes (e.g., new baby, death in the family, etc.). Everything you need to know is provided! Sign-up in Narthex.

DON'T MISS OUT!



SCC Coffee Cups are in! Email or call the church office to get yours for only \$5.00 each!



Get Your SCC T-Shirt!

For just \$10.00 each, you can get your Saranac Community Church T-shirt! Orders are due no later than September 19th! Shirts will be available in the following fashionable colors:

- Red with white logo
- Blue with white logo
- Light Gray with black logo

Contact the church office (616-642-6322 or churchoffice@saranacchurch.org) to place your order!

PRAYER WARRIORS NEEDED!

One way we can stay Connected by Love is thru prayer! As James 5:16 says
“...confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.
The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.”



This Week's Prayer Needs

Glenn Gage, Pastor Ethan's mother (Chris), Sharon Ross,
Keith Simmons, Craig Schiller (Jan Renwick's brother)
Gracia Tichelaar, Todd Rosenberger's co-worker
Dina Schueller & Robert Shepherd (relations of Terri McCready),
Brent (friend of Pastor Ethan)
Peace for Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, & the Middle East

(If prayers have been answered and therefore someone
needs to be removed from this list above, please let the office know.)

Special People of the Week: Julie & Dean Gage, Jr.

SCC Leaders of the Week: Carolyn Westbrook, Chair of Sacraments & Visitations Commission

Community Group of the Week: Saranac Girl Scouts for donating special Birthday packages to give to our Food Pantry families with children.

Church of the Week: River of Life Church

Government and Military Friends around the world

UPCOMING EVENTS AT SCC

September 27th:

- SCC Overtime, following the varsity game

September 27th-29th:

- Women's Retreat at Portage Lake Bible Camp

October 1st:

- Christian Formation Commission Meeting, 6:00 PM
- Music & Worship Commission Meeting, 6:00 PM (virtual)
- Missions & Evangelism Commission Meeting, 7:00 PM

October 2nd:

- Pastoral Relations Commission Meeting, 5:00 PM
- Sacraments & Visitations Commission Meeting, 6:00 PM

If you are NOT receiving weekly announcements and/or prayer chain information and would like to, please complete the form located in the church office or contact Jim Lóser at the email or phone number listed under "Contact Information."

Contact Information

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