

August 2012 Newsletter

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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To the people of God at Our Redeemer,

Each year I imagine that summer will be a less hectic time where I will be able to accomplish all the things I failed to do during the school year, and I will also be able to rest and relax a little bit. Once again, I realize that such thinking is delusional and, just like for everyone else, summer is filled with time-consuming activities. It seems as if there is always someplace you should be, a gathering to attend, or an event to organize. I write this as I am packing for Montana. By the time you read this, we will be home and I will be feeling like summer has gotten away from me.

I know that your schedules are equally chaotic. Quite often, when life is rushing by at 100 miles per hour, we feel duty bound to give our full attention to our work, mow the lawn, get the house cleaned, etc. And much of what consumes our time are necessary duties. However, much of what falls into "etc.", are not as necessary as we think, and we leave little or no time for that which is truly important. We forget that our spouse and/or children deserve much more attention than our lawn. Yet, statistics show that the average father spends more time attending the lawn than talking to his children.

When we are at home or work, we can always find something we should be doing, which is why every now and then we need to retreat from our daily routine. Even more, perhaps we would do well to examine our daily or weekly routine. Where does God fit in? Where does your family fit in? What is a priority?

Time is the greatest gift you can give to your spouse or child. Likewise, there is no commodity our Father in heaven desires more from His children than time.

In Christ,

Pastor Eden

Sunday August 26 a Workshop will be offered for lay leaders of LCMS congregations in the Quincy Circuit. The workshop, running from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Our Redeemer, will be presented by members of the Central Illinois District staff.

1. A plenary session focusing on what it means to be a member of a congregation board and how to make meetings more effective.

2. Breakout session will cover possible topics of church revitalization, what it means to be an elder, and stewardship. Final topics will be covered in a basic fashion; more in-depth workshops can be arranged as interest dictates.

3. One breakout session for pastors will present some information on the Mission Insite demographic information available to congregations. Specific demographic reports will be available for each individual congregation in the circuit.

4. Youth breakout session - Ellen Griffin will present program helps for youth leaders.

A more detailed agenda will be made available in mid-August.

Who's Who at Our Redeemer-

President	Larry Foster	Oct. 2011 – Sep. 2012
Vice-President	Bill Dicks	Oct. 2011 – Sep. 2012
Secretary	Wanda Spohr	Oct. 2011 – Sep. 2012
Treasurer	Donna Haire	Oct. 2011 – Sep. 2012
Financial Secretary	Janett Mueller	Oct. 2011 – Sep. 2012
Education Board	Becky Lunt	Oct. 2011 – Sep. 2013
	Lisa Howerton	Oct. 2010 – Sep. 2012
	Hannah Ott, S. S. Supt., ex officio	appointed
	Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio	appointed
Board of Elders	Terry Morse	Oct. 2011 – Sept. 2013
	Jerry Lunt	Oct. 2011 – Sept. 2013
	????	Oct. 2011 – Sept. 2013
	Chris Knapp	Oct. 2010 – Sept. 2012
	Ryan Vaughn	Oct. 2010 – Sept. 2012
	Ray Miklius	Oct. 2010 – Sept. 2012
Evangelism Board	Rosie Meyer	Nov. 2010 – Sep. 2012
	Michelle Urbon	Oct. 2011 – Sep. 2013
Property Board	Steve Kaiser	Oct. 2011 – Sep. 2013
	Bill Humphrey	Oct. 2010 – Sep. 2012
Stewardship Board	Eldon Schoch	Oct. 2011 - Sep. 2013
	Jim Howerton	Oct. 2010 – Sep. 2012
Youth Ministry Board	Heidi Schlipman	Oct. 2010 – Sep. 2012
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Remembering In Our Prayers

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY SERVICES: Mark and Kari Adams, Mark Borg, Paul Boriack, Steve Clark, Aaron DeWerff, Michael Goodwin, John Haines, Blake Hemmann, Zach Howerton, Ryan Keller, Jason Klauser, Dan Meyer, John Miller, Jeremy Myers, Amanda Schwartz, Jeremy Schwartz, Aaron Schmitt, Ryan Thruston, Marc Troxel, Kristen Vahle, and Patrick Wepler.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WITH ONGOING HEALTH NEEDS: Nick Austin, Sean Burner, Chris Clevenger, Joann Durbin, Max Ellerbrock, Joseph Hoebing, Elaine Hyer, Roger Hyer, Kim Long, Michael Morgan, Nancy Ott, Karen Lannerd Sams, Cole Schullian, Kory Tournear, Janet Terwische, Jacob Weimer, Vicki Wemhoener and Judy Wessel.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Norma Baird, Guye Dedert, Maxine Delven, Gloria Douglas, Barbara Ebel, Doreetha Elliott, Ralph Genenbacher, Ruth Holt, Merle Kuntemeier, Florence & Dorothy Lavery, Jesse Leenerts, Bob McGartland, Jacqueline Mickens, Marilyn Newman, Dorothy Pflantz, Dora Rodefeld, LaVora Scoggan, Ike Shaffer, Lucille Stuffing, Thea Sueltnan, Ida Utterback, Robert Wemhoener, Lucille Wiskirchen.

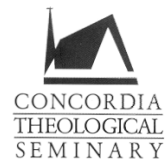
Keep Our Missionaries in Your Prayers

Our Family in Turkey
Apple of His Eye Mission Society,
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Latvia,
The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Harlow, Essex, U.K.,
The Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany,
Mrs. Alvina Federwitz in Liberia, West Africa,
Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz and their children in Papua New Guinea,
Danny and Becca DeLoach and their children in Pasadena, California (Studying for Doctorate)
Mrs. Julie Lutz, home on furlough.



Our Seminary Students

Concordia Theological Seminary, St. Louis:
Chris Troxel, 21 Founder's Way, Unit C, Clayton, MO 63105



Our Mission

To the glory of God we are SHARING Our Redeemer by ...
CARING for one another in Christian love and compassion
ENCOURAGING growth and outreach through worship and Bible study

Sunday School Staff

Superintendents – Melissa Knapp & Hannah Ott
Kindergarten – Suzanne Troxel
Grades 3 & 4 – Hayley Ott
Grades 7 & 8 - Cyndi Ott

Pre-school – Kari Mercurio & Susan Weiss
Grades 1 & 2 – Monica Foster
Grades 5 & 6 - Donna Haire
High School – Steve & Donna Schoch

News & Notes

Drawer Cart by the Office Steps

Top Drawer: For McDonald's receipts, Campbell's labels & General Mills box tops for education, HyVee UPCs, & Tyson A+ labels. They benefit the St. James school library. They can't use the Betty Crocker or the Kool-Aid points though. Thanks!

2nd Drawer: For any type used greeting card fronts. Good Samaritan home uses them to make things.

3rd Drawer: For cancelled stamps for missions. They must be complete stamps.

GREETING CARDS (sponsored by the PLuS group) Be sure to check out the variety of assorted greeting cards. Each card is only \$.50.

Lutheranism & the Classics II, Fort Wayne, September 28-29 – Register by Sept. 14 on www.ctsfw.edu/Classics See the brochure in the secretary's window.

Summer schedule. Sat night service @ 5:00 p.m. One service @ 9:00 on Sunday morning & No Sunday School for children or adults. June 10th - August 19th. During this time we plan to remodel the Sunday School opening room, the Classrooms and the Nursery.

Aug. 26th, Rally Day for Sun. School.

EMAIL REQUEST- We would like everyone who has email to give us your email address. Just write it on the bottom of your attendance card or send it to secretary@ourredeemerquincy.org

Do you have a little time to give? The ORLC Scrip Fund is in need of volunteers for all shifts and especially the shift after late service. You don't have to be a St. James parent to volunteer. Anyone can volunteer! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask a current scrip volunteer. All help is very much appreciated. Thank you for your support of the ORLC Scrip Fund

Food Bank – Our Church still offers food to our families who need a helping hand. If you know of someone who needs some help, contact Cyndi Ott @ 223-1769.



GOT TOMATOES?

Well, we have a wonderful TOMATO SLICER that is going to make preparing your tomatoes a breeze!

There are some slicers in stock in the Old Chapel. Check out our other products as well!

We have started taking orders for our next RADA order. Once we have \$60 in orders, we will place the next order. So, if you don't see something in our "in stock" items, go ahead and fill out an order form with payment. We will hang onto it until we order. There are still a few more catalogs available on the scrip table. Those are good until the end of July. Thanks for your continued support of PLuS and Lutheran Education!

The Rada Cutlery is an ongoing fundraiser. Rada has a variety of products: cutlery, stoneware, soy wax candles, and quick mixes.

The Magdeburg Conference - The goal of the Magdeburg Conference is to foster the study of the Confessions among laity & clergy.

Speaker: Dr. Cameron MacKenzie

Topic: Augsburg Confession Article IV -

When : August 18, 2012

Justification

Where: Christ Lutheran Church, Normal, IL.

Luther Hostel – October 6-9, for adults 55 & older. An Education & Fellowship Opportunity at Concordia Seminary. The theme this year is: *"One King-Two Kingdoms: Living as a Christian American"* Cost is \$325 per person and on-Campus housing is available. Side trips are also available. See the office for the flyer and registration forms. Deadline is Sept. 7, 2012.

LWML asking for HELP - For one of their second quarter mission projects they are funding a Lutheran World Relief Gift of a Community Water System. In some countries around the world there is no fresh drinking water. A donation of \$500 will fund a water solution that's appropriate, sustainable and life-giving. The LWML is asking for the congregation to help them by matching their \$250 contribution. They appreciate all the help you can give by putting your weekly mites in the acrylic mite box in the narthex.

OAFC Events: Join us at our events for fun, fellowship and the joy of spreading the Good News of Jesus. Help us make the Central Illinois Area grow. If you have questions contact Jamie Louderback at jamieoafc@live.com or 1-217-430-4760.

Here is an updated list of the 2012 weekends, so that you can plan to take the appropriate time off from work, etc.

August

Sept. 21-23 Good Shepherd, Sherman, IL

October

November

December New Years TBA

Lutheran's For Life National Conference

– Aug. 3 - 4, Westin Chicago Northwest Hotel, 400 Park Blvd., Itasca, IL. Rev. Ken Klaus (formerly of the Lutheran Hour) will be the keynote speaker. To register or for more information go to www.lutheransforlife.org



Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois



Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois' professional licensed counselors can help with any problem. They provide individual, couple, marital and family counseling to help address all types of situations. Insurance is accepted. Call 800-363-LCFS (5237) to schedule a FREE confidential initial consultation.

Sunday School Position Available

- Preschool co-teacher (can work out schedule with other teacher)
- Starting Fall 2012 (Rally Day is later part of August)
- Growing in Christ materials are used (lesson plans and student material provided)

If interested or if you have further questions, please contact Hannah Ott or Melissa Knapp.

CRAYONS - Do you have old or broken crayons lying around? We have two young brothers who are working to take old crayons and make them into new crayon shapes. There is a bucket on the countertop in the lounge where you can deposit your donated crayons. You can leave the paper on, and they will take care of the rest. Thanks!!



Summer Camp: If you are looking for a summer camp that will enrich your child's spiritual life and outdoor appreciation then

consider Camp CILCA. Visit www.cilca.org and see the wonderful and exciting times your child/children may have at camp this summer. Lots of new programs and traditional programs available. If you have any questions feel free to call Pastor Johnson at 217-416-1833.

Summer Choir will meet on Sun. morning, Aug. 19th @ 8:40 a.m. & rehearse a familiar hymn to sing in the service that day.

ANYONE who would like to sing, feel free to join us. (no parts required!) So, if you have always wanted to sing with the choir, but felt unable to attend rehearsals, this your chance make "a Joyful noise unto the Lord".



St. James Lutheran School Cookbooks

for sale! These are hardcover, 3-ring bound cookbooks listing hundreds of recipes submitted by LCMS churches and school families. The cost is \$20 per cookbook. They make great presents!! Checks should be made out to St. James Lutheran School PTL. They are on display in the old Chapel.

SCRIP Patrons: In thanks for your use of the SCRIP program, on the first weekend each month, we are offering \$1 off for each \$100 purchased. For example, if you purchase \$100 of Kohl's or HyVee, you only need to pay \$99. It is just our way of returning thanks.

Concordia Food Bank If anyone is interested in mailing coupons to the Seminary Food Bank, the address is: Concordia Food Bank, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105.

Free Christian Teen Concert in St. Louis on Sat., Aug. 11 @ the Chesterfield Amphitheater featuring Mynista. Free food too! Five14 from the Lutheran Hour Ministries offers cutting edge evangelism.



Cool school supplies, school clothes, college dorm necessities... it'll be time to start shopping before we know it. Don't forget ORLC Scrip Fund Program to do your

shopping. Not sure if your stores are available, take a look in the green binders (located at the scrip table) to find out or ask any scrip volunteer, they would be glad to help you. Thank you for your support of the program and the Lutheran education of the ORLC kids! It is very much appreciated!

Careers for Christ Weekend, Concordia University in Chicago. Nov. 2-4, 2012. For High school children who are interested in becoming a church professional. Go to CUChicago.edu/C4C.

Jr. High Youth Rafting Trip- A rafting trip on Meremac River is being planned for the Jr. High (anyone going into 6th, 7th, or 8th in the fall) August 3-5. The plan is to leave around 4pm on the 3rd, raft the next day, and return on Sunday the 5th. The cost will be around \$80 including food, rafting and lodging. Call Heidi Schlipman, 430-7901, if you are interested in going, or if you want more details.

Walk to End Alzheimers – Thurs., Sept. 6 @ 6 p.m. in Clat Adams Park. Free t-shirt for those who bring \$100.00 in donations plus a chance to win an iPad 3. Register on-line @ www.alz.org/illinoiscentral or call 800-272-3900. Check out the booklet on the table in the Narthex for classes that are available.

Walk For Life: Care Net is sponsoring a Family & Friends Night, Tues., Aug. 14th. Register for the walk @ 5:30 p.m. in Upper Moorman Park. The walk starts @ 6:00 p.m. and is only a mile so the whole family can participate. Free T-shirts to those with \$150 in pledges. Afterwards there will be food, bounce houses, games & Dunk the Director. All money earned will be used locally to help families in need, while sharing God's love for them.

St. James School News

PRE-K 3 & PRE-K 4 PICNIC will take place at St. James on Tues., Aug. 7th at 5:00p.m. Come meet your teacher & other families of students in your child's class. Enjoy hamburgers, hot-dogs, chips, vegetable tray, pasta salad and cookies. You can register your child for school in the Pre-K house at the same time.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION will be Tues., Aug. 7th from 7a.m.-1p.m. and 4p.m.-7p.m. A mailing was sent this past week. You should have received it or soon will receive it.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - Mon., Aug. 20th - Dismissal at 11:30a.m. Bus service that day for before school only. Extended Care open!

PTL PAINT PARTY – St. James PTL is sponsoring a paint night for Wed., Aug. 1st beginning at 5:00p.m. A dinner of pizza and drinks will be provided. The plan is to paint the school cafeteria (only 10 feet up from the floor, not up to the ceiling). All are welcome to help get one more project finished before the new school year starts. Thank you for your help!

SUPPORTING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – The members of St. James, ORLC & St. John's have done a marvelous job in supporting St. James Luth. School, but we are asking your help in reaching beyond our local congregations. A few weeks ago a letter was made available to you. What we want you to do is mail this letter to four or five individuals who you think love the Lord, children and Lutheran Schools. Copies are on the table in the narthex. How many letters have you mailed? If you haven't yet, do so today! Thanks for your help to meet the needs of our school.

ATTENTION ST. JAMES ALUMNI, PARENTS OF ALUMNI, FORMER STUDENTS, FRIENDS, AND SUPPORTERS OF ST.

JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL – The Board of Christian Education would like you to join us this year at our first Alumni Picnic, Sat., Aug. 25., 2012, 3-7 p.m. Mark your calendars and share your memories with us! Join us for a special chapel service with Pastor Chris Decker, Class of 1993, an open house, games, activities and a special picnic! Come one, for this, please call the office and let us know how many will be attending.



July is always a fun month! It's like a vacation for us because we do not hold a regular meeting. We hold a 'Birthday Celebration' meeting of sorts where we spend an evening out planned by one of the members, who serves as hostess.

Could be at a restaurant or a member's home...it's always a surprise to all the others as to what we might be doing and where we're going! You can count on it to never be boring, which makes for wonderful memories!

This year our celebration took us to the One Restaurant downtown! Some had been there already, some had not. Very fun to share it with them because of the beautiful revitalization of the old Adams Theater! If you're familiar with it...they were playing Andy Griffith reruns on the big screen!

No business meeting so no news to report below!

For unfinished business...

New business discussed...

Our next monthly meeting will be held on August 2nd with Ruth Hall and Colleen Westberg hosting. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall unless the construction prohibits us from doing so.

Also, on August 17th, we are holding another movie night for all the ladies of Our Redeemer. Malinda Eden is chairing this event. Look for an announcement of the details in a Sunday to Sunday very soon! The last movie night was well attended and the movie was excellent! Hope you can join us!

Any of you ladies who are thinking you might like to be a part of our group; we hope to see you at a meeting soon to check us out! Our group is so blessed with the many gifts, talents and resources of all the ladies and we welcome you to join us in "serving the Lord with gladness"!

*Lutheran Women
in Mission*

If you would like more information about our Evening Ladies Aid Society, please contact any LWML member, Michele Clevenger at 217-224-7881 or m.l.clevenger@comcast.net or check out the LWML on the World Wide Web at www.lwmlcid.org or www.lwml.org.

August Puzzle Page Answer: page 12

My Life — "If we live by the spirit, let us also be guided by the spirit. Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another." Gal.5:25, 26



August Birthdays

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| 1 David Rickey | 11 Zhanela Church | 20 Larry Troxel |
| 1 Dalton Stockdale | 11 Abigail Fischer | 21 Abby Hibbert |
| 4 Ruth Essington | 11 Steven Hyer | 21 Patricia Jenkins |
| 4 Lauryn Schnack | 11 Teresa Kemp | 21 Donna Troxel |
| 4 Michael Weisenburger | 13 Bernard Ott | 23 Samantha Bowles |
| 5 Royal Bugh | 13 Joshua Wemhoener | 24 Bradley Longcor II |
| 5 Jane Cleaves | 13 Abigail Wolfmeyer | 24 Dolly Powers |
| 5 Austin Fischer | 14 Matthew McDowell | 24 William Waterkotte |
| 5 Melissa Smith | 15 Hayley Harvey | 25 James Dice |
| 6 Bonnie Blattner | 15 Caroline Weisenburger | 25 Larry Post |
| 6 Curtis Cramlett | 16 James Callahan | 26 Susan Doran |
| 6 William Humphrey | 16 Gary Gooding | 26 James Perry |
| 7 Brenda Scharnhorst | 16 Bonnie Hallerberg | 26 Cynthia Stegeman |
| 8 Max Ellerbrock | 17 Marion Allen | 27 Susannah Go |
| 8 Audrea Fitch | 18 Renee Benedetto | 27 Kenneth Knoernschild |
| 8 Cristine Purcell | 18 Caleb Buss | 30 Shirley Dieringer |
| 8 Gage Scharnhorst | 18 Tanner Clevenger | 31 Shawn Doran |
| 9 Cameron Clevenger | 20 Flanagan Brassfield | 31 John Fodor |
| 10 Barbara Hall | 20 Nicole Kaltenbach | 31 Cynthia Spohr |

July Anniversaries

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| 1 Ray & Gina Eickelschulte | | 26 John & Dana Frohn II |
| 2 Adam & Amy Buss | | 28 Bernard & Jacquelyn Weisenburger Jr. |
| 4 Bradley & Morgan Longcor II | | 29 Randall & Michele Austin |
| 18 Travis & Michelle Wolfmeyer | | 29 Jerry & Deborah Manton |
| 20 Larry & Donna Troxel | | |

BAPTISM

July Baptisms

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| 1 Madeline Miklius | 18 Jessica Weisenburger | 24 Barbara Creely |
| 3 Dane Douglas | 19 Anthony Ebel | 24 Victoria Fitch |
| 5 Gretchen Wolfmeyer | 20 Joann Harvey | 25 Alayna Schlipman |
| 6 Vicki Wemhoener | 20 Teresa Kemp | 26 Tracy Bugh |
| 9 Lee Hyer | 20 Heather Wingerter | 27 Bernard Weisenburger Jr. |
| 11 Michael Schoch | 21 Patricia Jenkins | 27 Michael Weisenburger |
| 13 Chet Vahle | 21 Jesse Leenerts | 29 Zoey Klauser |
| 14 Kase Thomure | 23 Raven Bugh | 30 Lynda Baker |
| 17 Ruth Essington | 23 Jane Cleaves | 30 John Go |
| 18 William Bowles | 23 Curtis Cramlett | 30 Mary Myers |
| 18 Kelsey Valentine | 23 Jamie Lunt | |

Assignments for August 2012

Communion Assistants:

Sat., August 4 @ 5:00 p.m.	Rob Edwards	
Sun., August 5 at 9:00 a.m.	Clint Gooding	Larry Foster
Sat., August 11 at 5:00 p.m.	Rob Edwards	
Sun., August 12 at 9:00 a.m.	Chet Vahle	Jeff Wolfmeyer
Sat., August 18 at 5:00 p.m.	Rob Edwards	
Sun., August 19 at 9:00 a.m.	Larry Ehmen	Jerry Lunt
Sat., August 25 at 5:00 p.m.	Rob Edwards	
Sun., August 26 at 8:00 a.m.	Bill Dicks	Brad Ehmen
Sun., August 26 at 10:15 a.m.	Steve Schoch	Randy Wolfmeyer

Ushers:

All August Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.	Dennis & Linda Go
Sun., August 5, 12, at 9:00 a.m.	Larry Ehmen, Nathan Hoebing, Gary O'Dell & Warren Vahle
Sun., August 19 at 9:00 a.m.	Bruce Burner, Steve Hyer, Terry Morse & Stan Yelton
Sun., August 26 at 8:00a.m.	Larry Ehmen, Nathan Hoebing, Gary O'Dell & Warren Vahle
Sun., August 26 at 10:15 a.m.	Don Blattner, Jim Howerton, Terry Morse & Ryan Vaughn

Registration Slips: Jane Voepel

Altar Care: Barb Ellerbrock, Patti Jenkins, Mary Morse and Joann Harvey

Counters: Jan Mueller & Bill Schlegl

Drivers: Roger & Steve Hyer

Parish Nurse: None

If you wish to help in one of these areas, please contact the church office at 223-1769 or by email: Secretary@OurRedeemerQuincy.org or one of the following people:

Greeters: Early Service – Sandy Callahan

Late Service -- Ruth Hall

Communion Assistants -- Ryan Vaughn

Altar Care – Ryan Vaughn

Special Services – Ray Miklius

Ushers: Early - Jerry Lunt

Late – Terry Morse

Saturdays – Chris Knapp

Pastoral Report
(June 1 – June 30, 2012)

Official Acts

Baptisms

Jordyn Kylee Turner 6/10/12

Confirmations:

Funerals

Norma Huss for St. James 6/22/12

Paul Hagemann 6/26/12

Sarama Schnack 6/27/12

Weddings

Linda Flesner & Jason Hardy 6/16/12

Membership Changes

Gains [+0B, +0C]

Infant Baptisms [+0B, +0C]

Confirmations [+0B, +0C]

Transfers In [+0B, +0C]

Losses [-2B, -2C]

Death [-2B, -2C]

Paul Hagemann 6/21/12

Sarama Schnack 6/22/12

Transfers Out [-0B, -0C]

Statistical Adjustment [+/-0B, +/-0C]

Membership	Jan. 1, 2012	Gains	Losses	May 31, 2012
Baptized	589	+22	-14	597
Confirmed	455	+21	-13	463



Back-to-School Drive

You've heard the adage, "Every little bit helps."
One family took that very much to heart this summer.



When Silver Daniel's three daughters said they wanted a lemonade stand, she saw it as a great opportunity to teach them about giving back to those less fortunate. So one sunny day, the three girls, Madeline, Kennedy and Caitlyn, all under age seven, set up their stand. They charged 50 cents a glass, with all proceeds going to LCFS' back-to-school drive. By the end of the day, those three little girls raised just over \$100, which provided four children served by LCFS with a backpack and school supplies for the coming year.

The Daniel family's generosity and determination is a great example for us all. Now, we're not suggesting you set up a lemonade stand, but that you consider how your congregation might be a part of sharing the blessings you've received with the more than 1,000 children we serve through foster care, Lutherbrook and our community services.

Please consider one of the following ways to help:

- **Give a gift today:** \$25 will provide one child with a complete set of age-specific supplies and a backpack.
- **Promote the drive:** Include a [blurb](#) about our Back-to-School drive in your next bulletin or newsletter.
- **Hold a door collection:** Consider holding a door collection one Sunday this summer and donate the proceeds.

Remember, every little bit helps. Thank you.

For additional information contact our Donor Relations Associate at 708-488-5568 or leslie_lopez@lcsf.org.

2013 National LCMS Campus Ministry Conference to be held @ St. Louis University Jan. 3-5, 2013. \$175 includes 3 nights at hotel in downtown St. Louis. UNWRAPPED will be an opportunity for college students and workers from across the nation to join together to celebrate the Incarnation of Jesus Christ, gather together around his Holy Word and be equipped to both defend and share that Word with others when they return to the academic square! Register Sept. 15- Nov. 15, 2012. For more info go to <http://unwrapped2013.org>

Lutheran Marriage Encounter: Communication is one of the beautiful delights of marriage. When it is present and working it is the lifeblood of a love filled relationship. Attend a Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn communication skills that will help you grow together as husband and wife. October 12-14, 2012 in Peoria, IL Registration deadline is Sept. 12th. After that it will depend on a space available basis. For information call Dan & Charlotte Ricks @ 309-682-7273 or go to www.godlovesmarriage.org

PUZZLE PAGE

MY LIFE

by
Bill Schlegl

What does the Bible tell you about living your own life, not always wanting things your friends have? Use the number code to learn how to be content with your own life.

(A = 26, E = 22, I = 18, O = 12, U = 6)

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