



# August 2019 Newsletter

## Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod*



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### **To the people of God at Our Redeemer,**

In the coming weeks, any parent or grandparent with school-age children will be experiencing a change in their schedule. Some of the “back-to-school” advertisements strive for a humorous look at this change with frowning children accompanied by joyous parents as school resumes. This is the stereotypical view of modern family life. However, in reality, most parents will miss having the kids around during the day, and most kids will look forward to getting back into the school routine – even the learning part.

I know that most of the youth who read this would publicly reject that notion (especially if their friends were near). However, the truth is that children appreciate structure. They also enjoy learning. It gives them a sense of accomplishment. Learning is empowering. Why do you think that children ask so many questions? They do not like being ignorant, and they soak up information like a sponge. They want to know things and grow in their understanding of the world around them. Certainly, there is no age or level of learning that allows anyone to have all the answers, but having knowledge helps to take away fear of the unknown. Gaining knowledge and finding answers to your questions takes a lifetime of learning, and learning doesn't end when you put your diploma on the wall.

The same is true of the knowledge of God, yet it is different. Learning about our Creator and Redeemer, as God is revealed through His Word and the work of the Holy Spirit, is empowering. It takes away fear of the unknown. Yet, a baptized infant already has everything needed for salvation. Having been washed clean of all sin, the fullness of God's grace is upon that child. There is no age or level of knowledge acquired that makes you more ready to receive God's grace, just like there is no “age of accountability” when suddenly you are accountable for your sins (as if Baptism was unnecessary prior to that age). God's mercy is bestowed upon His children through a sheer act of grace. It is a gift we did not deserve. We did not “learn” to be faithful. God creates faith. However, there is a place for learning within the church.

Our place in this world is simple: we were born in the total corruption of the sin of Adam. We are saved by grace through faith, it is a gift from God, apart from our works [Eph. 2:8-9]. The message is so simple, yet we have a million questions about God and the meaning of life. We are children in need of learning. Certainly, there is no point in this life when everything about the complexity of God will be fully understandable. He is

incomprehensible. Yet, we strive to know Him through a lifetime of learning because knowledge of Him takes away fear of the unknown – even the fear of death.

As we prepare for Sunday School, Confirmation, and Bible classes to resume at Our Redeemer after Labor Day, I encourage you to make use of the opportunities for you and your children to grow in your knowledge and love of the Lord. If regular participation in Bible class has not been part of your schedule, I encourage you to start a new routine. Join us and continue in the lifetime of learning which began at your Baptism.

In Christ,

*Pastor Eden*

## August News & Notes

**Quincy Neighborhood Federation Update:** A huge thank you goes out to the VBS Participants, the Sunday School Program, and the members of ORLC for donating both food and school supplies to the Quincy Neighborhood Federation. The organizers were very grateful and appreciative for all of the much needed supplies. We collected 272 boxes of Mac N' Cheese and six totes of school supplies!

**Quincy Neighborhood Federation – Shoe Boxes:** This organization was founded by George Parsons, a former ORLC member, and we are going to continue our work with this organization throughout the year. The next item they are in need of are shoe boxes. They collect a shoe box for each child and fill them with items for Christmas but at this time they are just asking for the shoe boxes. So please search your homes for any boxes you might have and bring them to church. You may place them in the same spot the school supplies and Mac N' Cheese were collected. Our goal is 100 boxes!

**District LLL Retreat:** District LLL Retreat: “St. Paul’s Missionary Journeys”, **Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019** at Camp CILCA. Doors open at **8:00 AM**; opening devotion at 9:00 AM. Closing at 3:30 PM. Advance registration is requested. Payment can be made at check-in. It is open to anyone that is interested and registered.

The apostle Paul set out into the Mediterranean world, telling the Good News of Jesus. No setting proved too formidable for him, no place too forbidding. Paul got his resolve from his message and his Master. Facing with the mission challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, we will study how Paul by God’s grace met mission challenges in the first century.

Please read Acts, Chapters 13-20 ahead of time, and bring your Bible to the retreat!

Speaker: CID Executive for Missions, Rev. Dr. Ken Schurb. Dr. Schurb was a parish pastor for 19 years and for seven years an Assistant to the President of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. He taught theology (including the “Life of Paul” course) at Concordia College, Ann Arbor and is presently an adjunct instructor for Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne.

Registration is \$10.00 which includes lunch. For planning purposes, we request registration by Sunday, September 1, 2019. Contact **Deloris Blessman** for questions and to register at (309)-361-1461 or email: [delorisblessman@yahoo.com](mailto:delorisblessman@yahoo.com). Or snail mail: 24204 CR 1850N, Topeka, IL 61567. Payment can be made at check-in or by mail to Deloris.

**Dear Our Redeemer Lutheran Church,** Thank you for being a generous sponsor of the Life is Sweet 5K. With your support, our event was able to raise much-needed funds for St. James Lutheran School. These funds will go towards the general operating costs of the school and help to continue to provide our students with a quality Christian education. We thank you again for your generosity and support. Sincerely, *Hayley Harvey, Life is Sweet 5K Race Director*

**LWML Joint Fall Retreat Presents** *A Woman of JOY: From CHRIST, In CHRIST, Through CHRIST* Key Note Speaker is Deb Burma. **October 4-5, 2019**, Friday Evening and Saturday, Registrations must be Post-Marked by September 14 **Where:** Lake Williamson Christian Center 17280 Lakeside Drive, Carlinville, IL 62626. See the Narthex table for forms and a more detailed description.

## Who's Who at Our Redeemer

|                     |  |                        |
|---------------------|--|------------------------|
| President           | Stan Yelton (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)                         | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2019 |
| Vice-President      | Chet Vahle (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)                          | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2019 |
| Secretary           | Barb Vahle (2 <sup>nd</sup> term )                         | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2019 |
| Treasurer           | Michele Clevenger (1 <sup>st</sup> term)                   | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2019 |
| Financial Secretary | Wanda Spohr (1 <sup>st</sup> term) – Counters              | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2019 |
|                     |  |                        |
| Education Board     | Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio                      | Appointed              |
|                     | Gretchen Wolfmeyer (3 <sup>rd</sup> term) – Registr. Slips | Oct. 2017 – Sept. 2019 |
|                     | Ryan Vaughn (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)                         | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |
| Board of Elders     |  |                        |
| 319-572-9558        | Larry Foster (2 <sup>nd</sup> term) – Communion Asst.      | Oct. 2017 – Sept. 2019 |
| 217-617-7312        | Darrell Drescher (2 <sup>nd</sup> term) – Special Services | Oct. 2017 – Sept. 2019 |
| 217-228-3127        | Jerry Lunt (1 <sup>st</sup> term) – Sunday Ushers          | Oct. 2017 – Sept. 2019 |
| 217-223-7949        | Bill Haire (2 <sup>nd</sup> term) – Saturday Ushers        | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |
| 217-440-3606        | Steve Schoch (1 <sup>st</sup> term)                        | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |
| 217-430-2460        | Jeff Wolfmeyer (1 <sup>st</sup> term) – Altar Care         | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |
|                     |  |                        |
| Evangelism Board    | Ruth Ann Snowden (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)                    | Oct. 2017 – Sept. 2019 |
|                     | Michele Balzer (1 <sup>st</sup> term)                      | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |
|                     |  |                        |
| Property Board      | Jeff Smith (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)                          | Oct. 2017 – Sept. 2019 |
|                     | Gary Hyer (1 <sup>st</sup> term)                           | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |
|                     |  |                        |
| Stewardship Board   | Larry Ehmen (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)                         | Oct. 2017 – Sept. 2019 |
|                     | David Pellman (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)                       | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |
|                     |  |                        |
| Youth Ministry      | Jamie Louderback (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)                    | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |
|                     |  |                        |
| Endowment Chair     | Larry Ehmen (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)                         | Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020 |

# Remembering In Our Prayers



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY SERVICES:

Mark & Kari Adams, Mark Borg, Paul Boriack, Steve Clark, Aaron DeWerff, Michael Goodwin, Robert Goodwin, John Haines, Zach Howerton, Ryan Keller, Jason Klauser, Levi Meyer, Jeremy Schwartz, Aaron Schmitt, Ryan Thruston, Andy Tipton, Marc Troxel, Brandon VanBastian, and Charles Wheeler.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WITH ONGOING HEALTH NEEDS:

Nick Austin, Sean Burner, Martha Canada, Steve Dunker, Lynda Hinkamper, Elaine Hyer, Becki Jones, Kim Long, Meghan Meyer, Michael Morgan, Carl Muehring, Angela Osmundsen, Sutton Perry-Brockemeier, Michelle Reinberg-Page, David Rickey, Cole Schullian, Kory Tournear, Jacob Weimer, Vicki Wemhoener, Jackson Weppeler.



## REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Norma Begeman, Wayne Buesking, Martha Canada, Marcia Clevenger, Ralph Genenbacher, Isabelle Hillerts, Mary Hurley, Elaine Hyer, Dolly Powers, Eleanor Schlegl, Kitty Schuckman, Michael & Missy Simminger.

## Keep Our Missionaries in Your Prayers

Apple of His Eye Mission Society

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Latvia

The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Harlow, Essex, U.K. (*Together in Missions*)

The Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany

Mrs. Alvina Federwitz in Waxhaw, North Carolina

Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz and their children in Papua New Guinea

Danny and Becca DeLoach and their children, 6915A Cinder Run, Waxhaw, North Carolina 28173

Mrs. Julie Lutz, home on furlough

Dr. Martin & Marie Dicke, Musical Specialist serving in Papua New Guinea (*Together in Missions*)

## Our Seminary Students



Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN:

Tyler Arends – on Vicarage

926 East 1000 North Road, Melvin, IL 60952

Timothy Benzinger



Concordia Theological Seminary, Saint Louis, MO:

Mr. Ian M. Heinze

Campus Post Office Box, 801 Seminary Place, Saint Louis, 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

Superintendent – Melissa Knapp

Pre-School – Gina Eickelschulte

Kindergarten – Gina Eickelschulte

Grades 1 & 2 – Gina Eickelschulte

Grades 3 & 4 – Amy Killday

Grades 5 & 6 – Donna Haire

Grades 7 & 8 – Donna Haire

Teens – Gretchen Wolfmeyer



## **We welcome you to join us in “Serving the Lord with Gladness”!**

Did you know that you can be a member of LWML without attending meetings? Please speak to one of our LWML members or call Colleen Westberg at 217-257-1481. To learn more about the mission and great history of the LWML, go to [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org).

**Like our Facebook pages...** Lutheran Women in Mission - LWML and Lutheran Women's Missionary League – Central Illinois District.

### **July News**

June and July have been months of rest for us!

We enjoyed our June carry-in picnic in the fellowship hall of Our Redeemer to escape the gnats! Again, thanks to Pastor, Malinda & Julianna for hosting!

In July, we celebrated all of our birthdays with a night off from cooking at The Patio Restaurant, hosted by Barb Vahle and Joann Reichert.

We enjoyed fabulous food, fellowship, devotions, and learned fun & interesting facts about each other both nights!!

### **Our 2019 Missions Projects**

Concordia Food Banks, Comfort Dogs, Lutheran Prison Ministries, Orphan Grain Train, Camp Callahan, ORLC Youth Group, ORLC St. James School Endowment Fund, and Advocacy Network

### **UPCOMING...**

**Aug. 1** – 6:30pm, monthly mtg., Fellowship Hall

**Sept. 5** – 6pm, carry-in mtg. @ Reva Ehmen's

**Sept. 17** – Quincy Zone Fall Rally, Good Shepherd in Clayton

**Oct. 3** – 6:30pm, monthly mtg., Fellowship Hall

**Oct. 4 & 5** – CID Fall Retreat, Carlinville

### **2019-2020 LWML CID Mission Grants**

#### **Grant #1 – Student Aid for Church Workers - \$30,000**

Due to the high cost of becoming a full-time church worker, many students find it difficult to complete their schooling.

This grant will provide partial funding to CID students so they may realize their dreams of becoming full-time church workers.

These funds will be distributed through the LCMS CID Scholarship Committee.

**Please support this grant by donating to our LWML society mite fund!**

Our CID mission goal is \$104,800, of which \$78,600 is for our grants and the remainder for the national mission grants

### **The Widow's Mite---**

And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." **Mark 12:42-44 ESV**



### **National Mission Grants 2019-2021**

*LWML has donated over \$100 million since 1942!!*

**On June 22, the LWML delegates to the National Convention in Mobile, AL approved 21 new mission grants for the 2019 – 2021 biennium totaling \$2,100,000!!!**

These grants will be featured here each month! We greatly appreciate you supporting us through your prayers and your donations to our society mite fund!

For more information about our missions, go to [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org), then to Missions tab and click on Mission Grants.



## August News & Notes

### ORLC TOTE BAG FUNDRAISER for Parents of Lutheran Students (PLuS)

These bags are perfect for carrying your Bible Study Materials or whatever you'd like! **Cost is \$10 per tote bag.** They are available before and after the Saturday and Sunday services.

**ORLC St. James Tuition Endowment Fund:** Update on the \$20,000.00 Matching Grant – We have reached our goal of matching the \$20,000.00. Thanks to all of you donors for your support of this project. *Tuition Endowment Fund Committee*

**Help is Needed** with the Newsletter on **Wednesday, August 28 at 10:30 AM.** We need five to six volunteers and with enough help, we are usually done within 90 minutes. Please sign-up in the Narthex to help.

**SCRIP NEWS:** THANK YOU for your continued support of the ORLC SCRIP program. Another \$1,000 check has been delivered to Our Redeemer this week. Please continue to support the program. Come check us out if you have any questions on how to get started!

| Week ending:      | 9-June            | 16-Jun            | 23-Jun            | 30-Jun            | 7-Jul             | 14-Jul            | 21-Jul            |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Profit:           | \$72.60           | \$46.52           | \$87.73           | \$124.74          | \$136.99          | \$73.15           | \$84.09           |
| # orders:         | 13                | 12                | 15                | 16                | 18                | 14                | 14                |
| Avg Profit/order: | \$5.58            | \$3.88            | \$5.85            | \$7.80            | \$7.61            | \$5.22            | \$6.01            |
| Overall Profit:   | <b>\$2,481.79</b> | <b>\$2,528.31</b> | <b>\$2,616.04</b> | <b>\$2,740.78</b> | <b>\$2,877.77</b> | <b>\$2,950.92</b> | <b>\$3,035.00</b> |

**Save the Date: October 27, 2019,** Immanuel Lutheran in West Ely, MO 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

**Next Senior Singles Luncheon** is back to the **1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>,** at Coach House's. Sign up in Narthex.

**A Wheelchair** has been donated by Barb Ellerbrock for the basement.

**Lutheran Child & Family Services** is in need of **Volunteers** for their Quincy Office. They are looking for Receptionists, Administrative office workers & Case aides. Contact [LCFS.org/Volunteer](http://LCFS.org/Volunteer), (708) 488-5558, or [Matt.McDermott@lcf.org](mailto:Matt.McDermott@lcf.org) if interested.

### PORTIONING BAGS COLLECTION & PAPER PRODUCTS at Lutheran Church of St

**John:** A Thrivent Action Team has formed to collect ziplock plastic bags for portioning bulk frozen and dry items for the Food Pantry. If you would like to donate gallon size freezer or quart size storage bags, you can place them in the Boat in the narthex or bring to the LCOSJ office in February. They will also be collecting napkins, little plates, Styrofoam cups (6-8 oz), coffee, sugar, and creamer to be used by those patrons of the Food Pantry. Volunteers will be able to offer a cup of warm coffee which provides a relaxed opportunity to share the Gospel or take prayer requests. Our food pantry serves over 1000 individuals (including children) each month.

**Dear Brothers and Sisters** in Christ, We are next scheduled to work at Horizons from 3-7 PM Sunday **August 11.** Volunteers are needed from **3-7 PM.** Please sign-up in the Narthex. We need 12 on each day. While it is unfortunate that 130 in Quincy needed to seek out a meal, what a privilege to serve. **We need volunteers who are Thrivent members to write up an Action Team request to cover the costs for each meal.** We can pick any Sunday as the target date. It is just that they are counting on Thrivent money every other month to help offset the costs. Please let Gretchen know if you are willing to do the Action Team and when you have that accomplished so that we don't overlap. If you need assistance in doing that, please reach out to Gretchen or myself and we can walk you through it. Again, thank you so much for your assistance in this endeavor. In Christ, *Pastor Eden*

**New Ladies Bible Study** will be starting **August 6<sup>th</sup>.** Please Sign-up on the Narthex table so we know how many workbooks to order. We will be Studying "David, Seeking a Heart Like His." It's an 11-week Beth Moore study so will run until Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Can you fill in the missing data?** If so, call the church office (217-222-1769),

### **Unknown or Incomplete Baptismal Dates**

|                    |                  |                   |
|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Hannah Ajdinovich  | Adelina Goetz    | Sandra Peters     |
| Rod Allensworth    | Jeffrey Goetz    | Bev Post          |
| Michele Austin     | Jessica Goetz    | Dolly Powers      |
| Ashley Badamo      | Clint Gooding    | Betty Pracht      |
| Michael Badamo     | Ruth Graham      | Cristine Purcell  |
| Cindy Baird        | Bill Haire       | David Reinburg    |
| Debbie Baird       | John Hallerberg  | Kathryn Ripper    |
| Jim Bangert        | Ginger Heitman   | Chaz Robertson    |
| David Bent         | Evita Helm       | Bill Schlipman    |
| Leslie Bent        | Dan Hendrian     | Steve Schoch      |
| Bonnie Blattner    | Ellen Hines      | Kitty Schuckman   |
| Don Blattner       | Lynda Hinkamper  | Amanda Schweitzer |
| Jeff Blattner      | Kristin Humphrey | Jesse Schweitzer  |
| Nichole Blickhan   | William Humphrey | Susan Schweitzer  |
| Rick Boerema       | Thom Hurley      | Joe Sharrow       |
| Laurie Bronson     | Elaine Hyer      | Michael Simminger |
| Claudia Brown      | Kathy Hyer       | Missy Simminger   |
| Jennifer Burner    | Kat Kittrell     | Jeffrey Smith     |
| Lynnette Carpenter | Angie Klauser    | Howard Snowden    |
| Mary Church        | Jason Klauser    | Nick Stark        |
| Shanon Church      | Cindy Klingele   | Cindy Stegeman    |
| Angie Clevenger    | Linda Knowles    | Annalisa Thewis   |
| Cameron Clevenger  | Pete Knowles     | Naomi Tipton      |
| Chris Clevenger    | Kris Kutcher     | Aaron Tronsgard   |
| Marcia Clevenger   | Alischia Langan  | Jack Tronsgard    |
| Michele Clevenger  | Carole Lannerd   | Michele Urbon     |
| Paul Clevenger     | Terry Lannerd    | Barb Vahle        |
| Chrissy Dietrich   | Morgan Longcor   | Sharon Vaughn     |
| Al Ebel            | Randy Luker      | Terry Vaughn      |
| Missy Ebel         | Cody Martin      | Linda Waterkotte  |
| Malinda Eden       | Dylan Martin     | Jeff Wemhoener    |
| Karol Ehmen        | Julie Martin     | Joshua Wemhoener  |
| Jean Ennen         | Darylene Mix     | Rhoda Wemhoener   |
| Carmell Fitch      | John Morgan      | Tom Wemhoener     |
| Sheldon Foulk      | Carol Muehring   | Kenny Wiesemann   |
| Dana Frohn         | Becki Murphy     | Brent Wingerter   |
| John Frohn Jr.     | Mike Murphy      | Linda Wingerter   |
| John Frohn         | Cheryl Newbrough | Anita Wolfmeyer   |
| Matt Frohn         | Carol Nunn       | Stephanie Yates   |
| Ralph Genenbacher  | Jim Ott          | Stan Yelton       |
| Dennis Go          | Erica Parrish    |                   |

### **Unknown Anniversary Dates**

|                           |                          |                           |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Ashley & Michael Badamo   | Glenna & David Nicholson | Luke & Morgan McElfresh   |
| Lynda & Steve Baker       | Carol & Gary O'Dell      | Joseph & Kelsey Ott       |
| Jeff & Renee Blattner     | Dennis & Linda Go        | Wade & Katie Pellman      |
| Rick & Rita Boerema       | Jeffrey & Jessica Goetz  | Michael & Missy Simminger |
| Lynnette & Mark Carpenter | Bennie & Ellen Hines.    | Amanda Steve Spilker      |
| Tanner & Faith Clevenger  | Audrey & Tyler Howell    | Paul & Arjee Weisheit     |
| Mona & Dennis Fischer     | Jessie & Matt Huebner    | Jeff & Debbie Wemhoener   |
| Carmell & Jim Fitch       | Jason & Kami Klauser     | Tom & Rhoda Wemhoener     |
| Kari & Sheldon Foulk      | Stacy & Chris Kuhn       | Matt & Carrie Wepler      |
| John & Dana Frohn         | Julie & Don Martin       | Jeanette & Charlie Wyatt  |

**If you know** any of the following missing data please call the church office (217-222-1769), so we can complete our church records.

### Unknown or Incomplete Birthdates

|                  |                 |                   |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Ashley Badamo    | Jeffrey Goetz   | Julie Martin      |
| Michael Badamo   | Jessica Goetz   | John Morgan       |
| Dennis Baker     | Shelby Gooding  | Joseph Nickelson  |
| Patricia Baker   | Joann Harvey    | Erica Parrish     |
| Shelly Balzer    | Leslie Henricks | Betty Pracht      |
| Helen Bestman    | Eric Hensley    | Marilyn Schroeder |
| Rick Boerema     | Billy Hindbough | Susan Schweitzer  |
| Charles Bowles   | Bennie Hines    | Michael Simminger |
| Claudia Brown    | Lennox Hines    | Missy Simminger   |
| Sophia Brown     | Kat Kittrell    | Nick Stark        |
| Mary Church      | Pete Knowles    | Tanner Tanner     |
| Shanon Church    | Jim Leathers    | Aaron Tronsgard   |
| Chrissy Dietrich | Linda Leathers  | Janice Tronsgard  |
| Adelina Goetz    | Randy Luker     | Jeanette Wyatt    |

### ST. JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL, QUINCY, IL

217-222-8267

**ST. JAMES ENROLLMENT** – Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year continues. Share this great opportunity with everyone you know. I would love to speak with families about our school and how they can become a part of our St. James family and a St. James Eagle! *Principal Landskroener*

**SCHOOL ACCREDITATION** – St. James Lutheran School is in the process of becoming accredited through the National Lutheran School Accreditation. We are currently in a self-study to evaluate the actual conditions that are related to school quality which are evaluated and measured in seven specific areas. This is important for our school and we solicit your prayers and help in completing this process. Please talk to Principal Landskroener for ways you can become involved. Thank you!

**POSITION AVAILABLE** – St. James School Board is currently taking applications for school secretary for the 2019-2020 school year. This is a part-time position from **8:15 am – 12:15 pm**. If interested, please pick up an application in the school office.

**BOXTOPS AND UPC LABELS** – Please continue to save General Mills Box Tops, Hy-Vee UPCs and Tyson A+ labels throughout the summer and school year. They help support our school library! Thank you!



**Camp CILCA** Their annual Chicken Dinner and auction is over Labor Day weekend. In order to have another successful auction we are asking various LWML groups and congregations in the CID to donate a basket for the auction. The theme could be anything such as Camping, Picnic, Kids Play Toys, A Day at the Beach, Gardening, Sports, Handyman, Worship, Scrapbooking, spa, favorite sports teams, movie night, DIY, crockpot/soup, Disney, date night, sandbox, baseball lovers, ice cream sundae, fishing, etc. The possibilities are endless! Please use your imagination and put together a basket that we will sell on the live auction on Labor Day weekend. We would love to see you all at the worship service and chicken dinner! We also love donations of quilts, blankets or anything else that we could put on the live auction. There will be a silent auction of various items which usually includes some delicious homemade goodies. If you would like to donate something for the auction, you may send it to the address below or contact someone from our LWML Group

**2019 Whippoorwill Golf Challenge:** Bring your foursome or join one! **When: Friday, September 27, 2019**  
**Where:** Hickory Point, Forsyth, IL **Check-in:** 11:30am, **Shotgun Start:** 1 PM **Format:** Scramble (build or join a team) email individual or group registration to: revdms@gmail.com call or txt: 309-335-1532 **Costs:** Due to the generosity of the Lutheran Legacy Foundation, much of the costs of the outing have been underwritten. Proceeds collected from sponsors and players will all go directly to Camp CILCA and the CILCA Endowment Fund! While **\$60** will cover your basic **cost** (golf, cart & dinner), you are free to give more with the knowledge that it will go for betterment of Camp CILCA. Make checks payable to: CID Golf Fundraiser, Grace Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 493, Paris, IL 61944-0493 Email individual or group registrations to: revdms@gmail.com call or txt: 309-335-1532 **Deadline:** 9/23/19.



## Miscellaneous Constant Information

### Newsletter & Calendar Deadline –

All newsletter & Calendar submissions must be sent in **no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month**. Please let the church office know about any needed changes

**GREETING CARDS** (sponsored by the PLuS group) Be sure to check out the variety of assorted greeting cards. Cards are \$ .50.



**Rada Cutlery** is an on-going fundraiser. Rada has a variety of, products: cutlery, stone-ware soy wax candles, and quick mixes. We have started taking orders for our next RADA order. Once we have \$60 in orders, we will place

the order. So, if you don't see something in our many "in stock" items, go ahead and fill out an order form with payment. Please **visit the Rada display in the old chapel. You may leave a completed Rada order form with payment at the scrip table.** Thank you for your support of PLuS!

### Drawer Cart by the Office Steps

*Top Drawer:* For cancelled stamps for missions. They must be complete stamps.

*2<sup>nd</sup> Drawer:* General Mills box tops for education, HyVee UPCs, & Tyson A+ labels. They benefit the St. James school library. *We no longer accept Campbell's Soup Labels.*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Drawer:* For any type used greeting card fronts. Good Samaritan home uses them to make things.

**Church Office Hours** are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM with time out for lunch between 12 and 1. Staff may be in the office before or after these hours, but please call before stopping in so that we can have items ready for you (keys, sermon copies, envelopes, etc.)

**Considering adoption?** Lifelink International Adoption (a ministry of Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois, LCFS) is seeking families interested in adopting from Korea. We're receiving child referrals again after a temporary break and have a limited number of families on our waiting list. Our South Korean program is one of our most enduring (twenty-nine years) and reliable. Learn more about Lifelink's adoption programs at [www.lifelinkadoption.org](http://www.lifelinkadoption.org) or contact us at 630-521-8281 or [intadopt@lifelinkadoption.org](mailto:intadopt@lifelinkadoption.org). Lifelink International Adoption is a program of Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois.

**Want to Go Paperless?** We would be happy to email you any church correspondence and newsletters if that is the option you prefer. Contact the church office, write your email on the bottom of your attendance card, or email [secretary@ourredeemerquincy.org](mailto:secretary@ourredeemerquincy.org).

**PLEASE SAVE LABELS - Please continue to** save HyVee UPCs, General Mills Box Tops, and Tyson A+ labels. Place them in the white drawer by the Church Office at ORLC. Thank you! *We no longer accept Campbell's Soup Labels.*

### Attention Parents of College Students:

If your child is away at college, please let the church know their new address and/or email as soon as you get it. We would like to nurture those relationships, pray for them, and help to keep them informed.



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.

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**If you are a member of Thrivent** and desire to have your Thrivent Choice Dollars directed to the ORLC's St. James Tuition Endow. Fund, you will have to use the following process. Inform your Thrivent representative to direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. Then ***you must notify Gretchen*** of the amount which you want to be put in to the Endowment account. She will make sure it gets transferred to that account.

**Saint John's Food Pantry** has enough egg cartons at this time. Thanks for all your help!

**Concordia Food Bank** is no longer accepting clipped coupons.

## August Birthdays

|                      |                          |                        |
|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Austin Jones       | 9 Cameron Clevenger      | 18 Caleb Buss          |
| 1 David Rickey       | 10 Barb Hall             | 18 Tanner Clevenger    |
| 1 Dalton Stockdale   | 11 Nela Church           | 20 James Jones II      |
| 4 Mike Weisenburger  | 11 Abby Fischer          | 20 Aubrey Robertson    |
| 5 Royal Bugh         | 11 Steve Hyer 60         | 21 Abby Hibbert        |
| 5 Austin Fischer     | 11 Teresa Kemp           | 22 Mike Murphy         |
| 5 Melissa Smith      | 13 Joshua Wemhoener      | 24 Bradley Longcor Jr. |
| 6 Bonnie Blattner    | 13 Abbie Wolfmeyer       | 24 Dolly Powers        |
| 6 Curtis Cramlett    | 14 Matt McDowell         | 25 Jim Dice 60         |
| 6 William Humphrey   | 15 Hayley Harvey         | 26 Jimmy Perry         |
| 7 Brenda Scharnhorst | 15 Caroline Weisenburger | 26 Cindy Stegeman 60   |
| 8 Audrea Fitch       | 16 Gary Gooding          | 28 Keaton Jones        |
| 8 Jackson Goetz      | 16 Bonnie Hallerberg     | 30 Gene Bluhm 65       |
| 8 Cristine Purcell   | 17 Lori Allen            | 30 Shirley Dieringer   |
| 8 Gage Scharnhorst   | 18 Renee Benedetto       | 31 Cindy Spohr         |

## August Baptisms

|                      |                         |                           |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 3 Dane Douglas       | 18 Jessica Weisenburger | 25 Julianna Eden          |
| 4 Edwin Blumenkamp   | 19 Anthony Ebel         | 25 Alayna Schlipman       |
| 4 Jane Haschemeyer   | 20 Joann Harvey         | 26 Tracy Bugh             |
| 5 Gretchen Wolfmeyer | 20 Teresa Kemp          | 27 Buddy Weisenburger Jr. |
| 6 Vicki Wemhoener    | 20 Heather Meyer        | 27 Mike Weisenburger      |
| 8 Jackson Goetz      | 23 Raven Bugh           | 29 Zoey Klauser           |
| 9 Lee Hyer           | 23 Curtis Cramlett      | 29 Aubrey Robertson       |
| 13 Chet Vahle        | 24 Tory Fitch           | 30 Lynda Baker            |
|                      | 24 Barb Wright          |                           |

## August Anniversaries

|                              |          |                                |          |
|------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|----------|
| 1 Ray and Gina Eickelschulte | 32 years | 4 Bradley and Morgan Longcor   | 8 years  |
| 2 Adam and Amy Buss          | 11 years | 28 Buddy & Jackie Weisenburger | 20 years |
| 4 John and Laurie Bronson    | 7 years  | 29 Randy and Michele Austin    | 27 years |

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### August Puzzle Answer

(Puzzle on page 14)

Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.  
Acts 4:12

## Assignments for August 2019

### Communion Assistants:

|                             |                |                 |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Saturday, August 3 at 5 PM  | Bill Haire     |                 |
| Sunday, August 4 at 9 AM    | Steve Kaiser   | Terry Lannerd   |
| Saturday, August 10 at 5 PM | Bill Haire     |                 |
| Sunday, August 11 at 9 AM   | Nathan Hoebing | Chet Vahle      |
| Saturday, August 17 at 5 PM | Bill Haire     |                 |
| Sunday, August 18 at 9 AM   | Stan Yelton    | Gary Hyer       |
| Saturday, August 24 at 5 PM | Bill Haire     |                 |
| Sunday, August 25 at 9 AM   | Steve Schoch   | Randy Wolfmeyer |
| Saturday, August 31 at 5 PM | Bill Haire     |                 |

### Ushers:

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| Saturdays at 5:00 PM | Darrell Drescher  |
| Sundays at 9:00 AM   | Jerry Lunt, Larry Foster, Clayton Hibbert, Tom Killday, Sam Killday |

**Counters:** Rosie Meyer and Joann Reichert

**Registration Slips:** Jane Voepel

**Altar Care:** Barb Ellerbrock, Mary Morse, Amy Kilday, **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

**Drivers:** Steve Hyer, Jerry Manton, Wanda Spohr, Ryan Vaughn

### June 2019 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

| <b>Income</b>                   | <u>Jan - June '19</u> | <u>Budget</u>     | <u>\$ Over Budget</u> | <u>% of Budget</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 001 · 001 General Offerings     | 143,064.25            | 150,760.50        | -7,696.25             | 94.9%              |
| 003 · 003 Loose Plate           | 3,037.59              | 3,500.02          | -462.43               | 86.8%              |
| 011 · 011 General Fund Interest | 16.59                 | 24.98             | -8.39                 | 66.4%              |
| 019 · 019 ORLC Scrip Fund       | 3,000.00              | 3,500.02          | -500.02               | 85.7%              |
| 020 · 020 Brackensick Bequeth   | 0.00                  | 3,030.00          | -3,030.00             | 0.0%               |
| <b>Total Income</b>             | <b>149,118.43</b>     | <b>160,815.52</b> | <b>-11,697.09</b>     | <b>92.7%</b>       |
| <b>Expense</b>                  |                       |                   |                       |                    |
| Mission                         | 6,500.00              | 8,499.98          | -1,999.98             | 76.5%              |
| Personnel                       | 93,487.65             | 96,554.56         | -3,066.91             | 96.8%              |
| Program                         | 34,120.22             | 37,809.58         | -3,689.36             | 90.2%              |
| Property                        | 34,857.75             | 25,504.96         | 9,352.79              | 136.7%             |
| <b>Total Expense</b>            | <b>168,965.62</b>     | <b>168,369.08</b> | <b>596.54</b>         | <b>100.4%</b>      |
| <b>Net Income</b>               | <b>-19,847.19</b>     | <b>-7,553.56</b>  | <b>-12,293.63</b>     | <b>262.8%</b>      |

# Pastoral Report

(June 1 – 30, 2019)

## Official Acts

**Baptisms**

**First Communion**

**Adult Confirmation & Baptism**

**Youth Confirmation**

**Marriages**

**Funerals**

David Pellman

June 28, 2019

## Membership Changes

**Gains [+2B, + 1C]**

**Baptisms [+0B, + 0C]**

**Adult Confirmations & Baptisms [+0B, +0C]**

**Youth Confirmations [+0B, +0C]**

**Transfers In [+2B, + 1C]**

Hannah Ajdinovich June 17, 2019

Jack Ajdinovich June 17, 2019

**Affirmation of Faith (from other Lutheran) [+0B, +0C]**

**Losses [-1B, -1C]**

**Death [-0B, -0C]**

**Transfers Out [-1B, -1C]**

Colleen Westberg June 4, 2019

**Requested Removal [-0B, -0C]**

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

| Membership | Jan. 1, 2019 | Gains | Losses | June 30, 2019 |
|------------|--------------|-------|--------|---------------|
| Baptized   | 561          | +8    | -7     | 562           |
| Confirmed  | 436          | +9    | -7     | 438           |

# Coloring Page:

Doodle Art Alley ©



# PUZZLE PAGE

## WHY

by

Bill Schlegl

Write the letter that comes 5 letters after the letter given. You will learn why Jesus is so important in our lives.

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I Z D O C Z M

D N

O C Z M Z

N V G Q V O D J I

D I

V I T

J O C Z M

A J M

O C Z M Z

D N

I J I Z

J O C Z M

I V H Z

P I Y Z M

C Z V Q Z I

B D Q Z I

V H J I B

H Z I

R C Z M Z W T

R Z

H P N O

W Z

N V Q Z Y

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(Answer Found on Page 10)



## Still More August News & Notes

**State Fair Church** You don't have to miss church services if you go to the State Fair on Sundays! There will be a LCMS church service at 9:00 am upstairs in the Illinois Building each Sunday of the Fair. Enter thru the south doors for easy access.

### **Former Muslim to speak at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Manito**

Hesham Shehab grew up in a world of bitter animosity between Muslims and Christians, which he experienced personally in a physical attack when only about 7. By age 13 he was recruited by the Muslim Brotherhood (Lebanese Chapter) and later fought against Christians in the 1975 war in Lebanon.

In 1980, while Hesham was going to the American University of Beirut, Lebanon (AUB), for premedical studies, his brother was killed by a Christian militia. Hesham's response was to study by day, and by night take out his revenge in attacks on Christians. However, hearing the Sermon on the Mount, in a course of cultural studies (at that college), brought him to faith. Hesham found in Jesus Christ a way of forgiveness and reconciliation with God instead of hatred and revenge. Ultimately, the Lord led Hesham to the vocation of pastor.

In 2008, with the support of local churches, Rev. Shehab planted Salam Christian Fellowship, a mission to Muslims in the western suburbs of Chicago. This mission reaches out to refugees and new immigrants from eight Middle Eastern countries and shares the Gospel with Muslims in three languages (Arabic, Farsi, and English).

Rev. Shehab has earned an MA in the History of the Arabs and Ph.D. studies in Islamic History. He has worked as a journalist at two Lebanese newspapers and adjunct professor at AUB.

Rev. Shehab will be the special guest of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in rural Manito, IL on **August 25, 2019**. He will conduct a special Sunday School hour and preach at the church service. He will answer questions about the Middle East, Political Islam, and Terrorism at a potluck after the service. Then He will make a special community-wide presentation that afternoon. St. Paul's invites all members of the community to take advantage of this special opportunity.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is in the countryside about half-way between Forest City and Green Valley IL. Our street address is: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 21819 N. Co. Rd. 3300E, Manito, IL. 61546. The schedule for the day will be:

- 9:00 AM Sunday School in the Parish Hall
- 10:00 AM Service in the main church building
- NOON Potluck Dinner in the Parish Hall
- 1:00 PM Community-wide Presentation in the Parish Hall