



# 2019 Newsletter

## Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod*

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

Entering into the Advent and Christmas seasons, we are reminded of who we are. We are God's children who are blessed to have received our adoption into His family. We celebrate the birth of Christ who has saved us through His death and resurrection. We wait for Him to return once again and we express a willingness to sacrifice of ourselves for the sake of Christ and His church. This is the focal point of our existence and everything else is outside noise. The world around us has created much "noise" which can be a distraction. It is my prayer that during these weeks filled with many celebrations and temptations for excess (the opposite of sacrifice), we would be able to filter out the noise and hear the clear voice which God intends.

During our Wednesday Advent services, we are turning our attention to the women of Advent as we will focus on Eve, Sarah, and Mary. Through them and to them the Lord promised that the Christ would come. Throughout our lives, but especially at this time of year, God's people are preparing for Christ to come once again, and we celebrate His coming as the child born in Bethlehem. It seems confusing that we celebrate His coming with watchful anticipation for His second coming, but our reason for doing this becomes clear when we understand that the Advent and Christmas seasons are distinct and separate seasons. Please join us throughout these seasons.

Whether we are watching for Him to come or celebrating that He has come, I pray these weeks ahead are filled with the clear voice of God's witness that the Messiah promised to Adam and Eve and to all of their children is the Christ-child born of Mary. Please join us as we celebrate this "good news of a great joy" with watchful anticipation for Him coming once again. Everything else is outside noise.

In Christ,

*Pastor Eden*

### ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS CALENDAR

**November 30:** Decorate Church for Christmas 9 AM

**December 4:** Meal at 5:30 PM hosted by LWML

**Advent 1 Mid-week Service at 7 PM "Women of Advent – Eve"**

**December 8:** Christmas Caroling 3 PM – 5 PM

**December 11:** Meal at 5:30 PM hosted by Youth Group

**Advent 2 Mid-week Service at 7 PM "Women of Advent – Sarah"**

**December 16:** Poinsettia Deadline

**December 18:** Meal at 5:30 PM hosted by Youth Group

**Advent 3 Mid-week Service at 7 PM "Women of Advent – Mary"**

**December 24:** Children's Christmas Eve Program 7 PM

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 10:30 PM**

**December 25:** Christmas Day Divine Service 9 AM

**December 28:** NO Saturday Evening Worship

**December 29:** Christmas Musicale 9 AM (NO Sunday School or Bible Class)

**December 31:** New Year's Eve service at The Lutheran Church of Saint John 6 PM

## Who's Who at Our Redeemer

President	Stan Yelton (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Vice-President	Chet Vahle (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Secretary	Barb Vahle (3 <sup>rd</sup> term )	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Treasurer	Michele Clevenger (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Financial Secretary	Wanda Spohr (2 <sup>nd</sup> term) – Counters	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Education Board	Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio	Appointed
	<b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
	Ryan Vaughn (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Board of Elders		
319-572-9558	Larry Foster (3 <sup>rd</sup> term) – Communion Asst.	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
217-617-7312	Darrell Drescher (3 <sup>rd</sup> term) – Special Services	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
217-257-6516	Gene Bluhm (1 <sup>st</sup> term) – Sunday Ushers	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
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) – Head Usher	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 (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
	Michele Schoch (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Property Board	Dennis Baker (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
	Gary Hyer (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Stewardship Board	Hannah Ajdinovich (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
	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, Jim Elliott, 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, Joann Durbin, Pat Florey, Marilyn Hanawalt, Isabelle Hillerts, Mary Hurley, Elaine Hyer, Bud Lohmeyer, Dolly Powers, Eleanor Schlegl, Todd Schroeder, 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 & April Benzinger, Trent, Kaela, Jakob, and Hadassah

4153 Woodstock Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46815

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 Laurie Bronson at 217-617-7267. 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.

### **UPCOMING...**

**Dec. 4** – Hosting a soup & sandwich meal before the mid-week Advent service

**Dec. 6** – 6 pm LWML Christmas Party

**Jan. 2** – 6:30 pm, Monthly Mtg., Fellowship Hall

**Feb. 6** – 6:30 pm, Monthly Mtg., Fellowship Halle our birthdays, TBA

### **November News**

Many thanks to Connie Louderback for hosting this month's meeting!

Our meeting opened with a devotion and a bible study.

Final plans were made for our hosting of the Soup and Sandwich meal on Dec. 4 before the mid-week Advent service. Any questions, contact Wanda Spohr.

Malinda Eden gave the details of our Christmas party on Dec. 6.

Remember to bring your White Elephant gift!!! She gave a report on the gift bags for the shut-ins, as well, which are being funded by a Thrivent Team Action card.

#### **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.

### ***2019-2020***

#### ***LWML CID Mission Grants***

#### **Grant #5 – Internships for Concordia University Chicago Churchwork Students - \$17,000**

This grant will allow the CID to make available to DCE and Deaconess Students non-credit internships during the summer between their junior and senior year to develop and practice "real world" evangelism skills, augmenting their training and experience in this important part of church life.

The funds would be used for a small stipend, transportation costs, and meals for the participants.

**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*

#### **God's Grace for This Generation, Lamp Ministry - \$100,000**

Nearly one million indigenous people live in isolated areas of northern Canada; half of whom are under the age of 14. Statistics show that over 15 percent of the youth in these areas will take their own lives out of despair and hopelessness. LAMP Ministry, Inc. goes into these communities with VBS, Bible studies, and one-on-one testimonies of the hope provided through faith in Jesus. This grant will allow LAMP to hire more missionary pilots and train more volunteers so that these communities will receive Christian education and the witness of the Gospel.

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

## December News & Notes

**CILCA for Christmas! 2020 Summer Camp registration opens *December 1!*** Give the gift of camp this Christmas to someone you love. Register by *Christmas Day* and receive a 10% discount. You can also order camp swag (hoodies, hats, & more) if you contact the office before **December 15<sup>th</sup>**.

### Hy-Vee/Open Hands Food Pantry **Festival of Lights Night – Monday, December 2nd**

Hy-Vee is partnering with the Lutheran Church of St. John's Open Hands Food Pantry to provide food for those in need during the Christmas season. There will be a discount of \$1.00 for admission if a non-perishable food item is donated, and a discount of \$2.00 for admission if two or more non-perishable food items are donated (up to \$2.00 discount). It is a great chance to see the lights, and help out the LCOSJ Food Pantry. Regular admission is \$12 per vehicle.

**Next Senior Singles Luncheon** is **Tuesday, December 3rd** at Sprout's Inn. Sign up in the Narthex.

**A Soup-and-sandwich supper** will be served by LWML on **Wed, December 4**, prior to the first Advent service, serving from about **5:30 to 6:45 pm**. Come and join us for food & fellowship! The **Youth Group** will serve the meals on **December 11 & 18** as fundraiser for the next Nation Youth gathering.

*For churches outside the St. Louis area for the week of **December 1:***

KFUO Radio, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on KFUE.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

This week on KFUE.org, we wish you a blessed Advent! Hear the Coffee Hour Choir demonstrate how to simply go Christmas Caroling this season (**12/4** at 9:00 a.m. CT), begin the book of 1 Thessalonians on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and worship with us in chapel service from the LCMS International Center (weekdays at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find programs on demand at kfuo.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

**Thrivent Members' BAKE & GOODIES SALE is December 7 & 8.** Profits go to the Concordia Seminary Food Bank in St. Louis. The future of the LCMS depends on the willingness of these men to enter our seminaries and study for the ministry. This can create challenges for them and their families. Our sale will be held before and after all services on **December 7 & 8**. **All ORLC members** are encouraged to help make items for the sale (*please bring items before either service*), purchase goodies and/or make a monetary donation. All funds collected will be sent to the food bank before Christmas to help these families celebrate.

Please join Christ Lutheran, Normal for a **Journey To the Manger** on **Sunday, December 8th, from 5-7pm**. This will include free tours with live animals, singing and music with both indoor and outdoor scenes. Please view the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

**Sunset Home** is looking to make the holiday season joyful for their residents. Please send gifts or cash donations to purchase gifts to Sunset Home, 418 Washington, Quincy, IL 62301. We would like to have all donations by **Monday, December 16, 2019**. Thank you for making our resident's Christmas special. Thanks, Tasha Rothweiler, Life Enrichment Coordinator (*There is a list of items they are looking for on the bulletin board.*)

**Help is Needed** with the Newsletter on **Friday December 20<sup>th</sup>** at **10:30 AM**. We need five to six volunteers. With enough help, we can be done in an hour or so. Please sign-up in the Narthex.

**Mobile Food Pantry** delivery to Lampe is **Saturday, December 21, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** We will meet at Lampe at **10:15 a.m.**

**Volunteers Needed:** Any members not presently serving as **ushers, communion assistants, or altar care helpers** please contact the church office or Larry Foster (319) 572-9558. We are making the 2020 schedules soon.

**Adopt a Lutheran School Student** This fund is to help the families of children that are currently attending St. James school. If making a donation, please specify if it is for our children in need or for the tuition Endowment Fund which we are building to help the church and families with tuition in the future.



## December News & Notes *(continued)*

**American Heritage Girls** are now **collecting new clothing and personal care items** to be donated to Quincy Public Schools. Often children do not come to school adequately dressed, often they need personal care items to take care of daily needs. We will be helping children from Pre-School through 6th grade. After the holidays we will be going out to shop the bargains, so if you do not like to shop we will gladly accept monetary donations. Watch for our Christmas tree and box. See Donna Haire if you have questions. Donation suggestions include the following and all sizes are needed: Personal care items like toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, Winter boots, Coats, Gloves and Mittens, Hats, Gym shoes, Sweatpants and shirts, Underwear, Socks

**Sunday School needs** someone to *play the piano* during the Sunday School opening. It would be from approximately **10:10 AM until 10:30 AM**. Please talk to Melissa Knapp to check out a packet that you could take home and look over.

**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.

**There are GOOD NEWS magazines** available in the Narthex for only **\$3.00 each**. These are a great way to witness to your neighbors, friends, and family. Thank you – The Evangelism Committee

### **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.

**Thank you** for your generous donations at the bake sale to support for the St. James 7th/8th grade Marine Lab Trip. We hope you enjoyed the delicious treats.

**A note of Thanks from the Troxel Family:** Suzanne Troxel completed 25 radiation treatments and did pretty well with them. She did have burns from which she is recovering pretty well. She has now completed treatment and is now on maintenance hormone therapy which she will probably continue for the rest of her life. Her bone and CAT scans have come back clear & free of Cancer. We all know that this is for the moment, but we will praise God no matter what. We offer up prayers of praise for God's Grace acting in her life. She feels good, looks good, and is ready to get on with life. The next big prayer is for a job!

The prayers of all of our ORLC people make such a difference! We cannot begin to say thank you adequately for all of the cards, calls, texts, warm thoughts---any and all of it has been and will be most appreciated! We miss our folks so very much and hope and pray all is going well with you. Please stay in touch. *Love, Donna Troxel*

We are next scheduled to work at **Horizons** from **3-7 PM Sunday, January 5**. Volunteers are needed. Please sign-up in the Narthex. We need 12 people. **We need volunteers who are Thrivent members to write up an Action Team request to cover the costs for each meal**. If you need assistance in doing that, please reach out to Gretchen or Pastor Eden. Thanks so much for your assistance.

**January 26, 2020: Camp CILCA Annual Banquet** Join us at Our Savior's in Springfield to celebrate 70 years of outdoor blessings with Guest Speaker **Rev Jonathan Fisk!** The night includes great food from Nelson's Catering, musical entertainment, Rev Fisk, and a presentation about the camp. Tickets are \$40 and can be reserved by contacting the camp office by **January 2**.

**CID youth Bible Bowl** coming on **March 29, 2020**: The Topic is "The Acts of the Apostles." Study this Bible book with your youth (6th-12th graders) and learn about the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ and God's power and protection for His people. Then participate in your District Bible Bowl in Springfield.

## December News & Notes *(continued)*

### **Hello from Pam (Secretary) at Redeemer, Harlow. England.**

This is once more a message of gratitude for your continual financial support to us at Redeemer over the many years. We have received your latest donation, and here I must hope you will accept my apologies for the delay in response, but I have been laid low with a nasty virus, but am on the road to recovery and can catch up with my duties.

It has occurred to us at Redeemer that whenever we are in need of something that involves a large outlay, you always seem to oblige by sending us a donation.

This morning as I was printing (trying) out our bulletins, our printer packed up. This is an old printer given to us when our normal gave up the ghost, and here we are again in trouble. However, it was decided the time had come to actually buy a new one, so with your generous gift, that is what we have done today. Hopefully it will arrive tomorrow, and all that is left, is to learn how to set it up and work it. God moves in wonderful ways through your love and goodness.

Our church year has gone well, and we have added to our congregation again.

Not many of us, but growing slightly which is encouraging. Our re-development is still an ongoing trial, but we will get there in the end.

So with our love and gratitude we send our thanks and may God bless you all as you as a congregation, have been a blessing to us at Redeemer.

Trinity Lutheran School in Springfield, Illinois is hiring. They are currently interviewing candidates for the following two early childhood positions: **Part-Time Lead Teacher for Two-Year Olds** and **Part-Time Teacher Aide for Two-Year Olds** (with potential for additional hours in other early childhood classrooms). Hours would be Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday mornings from 7:30 AM - noon starting in **January 2020**. Pay would be determined based on experience and degree level. If you are interested, please email your resume and a letter of recommendation to Trinity's Early Childhood Director, Alicia M. Klug, at [aklug@trinity-lutheran.com](mailto:aklug@trinity-lutheran.com). If you have any questions about either of the positions, you can call the Early Childhood office at (217)787-2323, extension 3.

**Concordia Lutheran School** in Springfield is seeking a part-time teacher for middle grades to work three afternoons a week for 3 hours per day. Please contact Jan Burmeister or the school office at 217-529-3307 or [school@concordiaspfd.org](mailto:school@concordiaspfd.org).

**Contemplate March 5-7, 2020:** St. Louis Seminary for college-age or older potential students. It provides an opportunity to learn more about life at the seminary & the preparation that leads to service as a pastor, missionary, chaplain or deaconess in The Lutheran Church.

**Save for next year's LWML Rummage Sale in May of 2020.** Call Mary Morse with any Questions.

**SCRIP NEWS!** You can help earn rebates for the ORLC Scrip Fund that will benefit the education of children attending St. James Lutheran School. As you plan your weekly and monthly purchases, keep SCRIP in mind! Stop by the SCRIP table: 1) for a full list of retailers, or go to: [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com), 2) for additional order forms as you plan your purchases, and 3) to ask any questions you have about the program. We are happy to help you learn how to use scrip!

Week ending:	13-Oct	20-Oct	27-Oct	3-Nov	10-Nov	17-Nov
Profit:	\$60.02	\$46.11	\$128.63	\$124.40	\$101.92	\$93.67
# orders:	11	11	15	14	17	11
Avg Profit/order:	\$5.46	\$5.76	\$8.58	\$8.89	\$6.00	\$8.52
Overall Profit:	<b>\$4,127.01</b>	<b>\$4,173.12</b>	<b>\$4,301.75</b>	<b>\$4,426.15</b>	<b>\$4,528.07</b>	<b>\$4,621.74</b>

**CHRISTMAS TREES NEEDED** – We are in need of 3 Christmas trees (5-7 ft.) to decorate for the Christmas programs **December 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>**. If you have one to donate or lend, please contact the school office.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US** for chapel every **Wednesday at 8:45 am** in the church.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS** – Our PreK – Kindergarten program (*Hooray for Baby Jesus!*) will be **Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**. The first – eighth grade program (*Red-Letter Christmas*) will be **Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**. Both programs will begin at 6:00 pm. Please plan to join us.

**FOOD DRIVE CONTINUES**-For Chapel offering this month, school and church families are encouraged to bring nonperishable food for the Food Pantry. The class who brings in the most items will receive a free recess! Thank you for helping to serve others.

**EAGLE VISION** **EVERYONE** deserves our respect **ACT** with kindness **GOD'S LOVE** is our greatest strength

**LOVE** one another **EVERY DAY** live for Jesus **SHOW OTHERS** we are Christian.

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

Income	Jan. - Oct '19	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
001 · 001 General Offerings	240,524.11	251,267.50	-10,743.39	95.7%
003 · 003 Loose Plate	4,505.32	5,833.34	-1,328.02	77.2%
011 · 011 General Fund Interest	21.04	44.65	-20.62	50.5%
019 · 019 ORLC Scrip Fund	4,000.00	5,833.34	-1,833.34	68.6%
020 · 020 Bequest Fund	<u>3,686.25</u>	<u>5,050.00</u>	<u>-1,363.75</u>	<u>73.0%</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>252,736.72</b>	<b>268,025.84</b>	<b>-15,289.12</b>	<b>94.3%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
Mission	13,250.00	14,166.66	-916.66	93.5%
Personnel	159,708.13	160,924.32	-1,216.19	99.2%
Program	47,837.43	63,015.86	-15,178.43	75.9%
Property	<u>45,326.70</u>	<u>42,508.32</u>	<u>2,820.38</u>	<u>106.6%</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>266,124.26</b>	<b>280,615.16</b>	<b>-14,490.90</b>	<b>94.8%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-13,387.54</b>	<b>-12,589.32</b>	<b>-798.22</b>	<b>106.3%</b>

### December Puzzle Answer (Puzzle on page 14)

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance. Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15



## 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.

## December Birthdays

1 Kaitlyn Fischer	8 Lillian Cramlett	20 Alison Zehnle
1 Larry Foster	8 Elizabeth Fodor	22 Kari Adams
1 Harrison Knapp	8 Amie Hoebing 50	22 Emma Fischer
1 Max Showman	8 Chad Purcell	22 Bev Post
1 Kayla Terstriep	9 Emily Drescher	23 Darrell Drescher
2 Brian Manton	9 Nathaniel Hurley	23 Carole Lannerd
3 Tad Douglas	9 Bill Perry	23 Kaiden Weisheit
3 Morgan Longcor	9 Heidi Schlipman 50	24 Ann Knoernschild 90
3 Cheryl Newbrough	9 Eldon Schoch 91	25 Briana Robertson
3 Carol O'Dell	11 Valerie Spillman	26 Charla Weisenburger
3 Jeff Wemhoener	13 Jonah Tronsgard	27 Donna White
4 Phyllis Cook	13 Tim Westberg 40	29 Emma Campbell
4 Cindy Klingele	14 Anne Schanbacher	29 Monica Foster 60
4 Allan Murphy	14 Shanna Wemhoener	29 John Frohn
4 Allan Struve-Murphy	15 Sean Burner	29 Mary Lazzeri
6 Tony Bowles	15 Eric Fischer	30 Elizabeth Burner
6 Barb Ellerbrock 83	15 Merinda Jones	31 Savannah Edwards
7 Linda Go	16 John Hallerberg	31 Jane Howlett
7 Olivia Showman	17 Ron Bowles 87	

## December Baptisms

3 Donna Johnson	11 Kelle Baird	25 Paul Weisheit
3 Jaela Vaughn	11 Rob Tipton	26 Anne Schanbacher
3 Emily Weppler	11 Charla Weisenburger	26 Brandon Voepel
4 Alexis Hibbert	12 Mayce Bent	27 Carolyn Cramlett
4 Clayton Hibbert	12 Mike Schoch	27 Irene Drescher
4 Janice Tronsgard	15 Piper Kuhn	27 Kristen Vahle
6 Sarah Lucas	16 Sean Burner	28 Barb Ellerbrock
7 Brady Essington	17 Carol O'Dell	28 Heidi Schlipman
7 Heather Feinstein	17 Adrian Zehnle	29 Bethany Foster
8 Olivia Badamo	19 Frank Hanawalt Jr.	30 Charlie Church
8 Olive Cook	20 Shirley Foster	30 Donna Church
8 Elizabeth Fodor	20 Ryan Schnack	30 Gail Church
8 Olivia Hoebing	22 David Ott	30 John Church
10 Rita Boerema	24 Andrew Allen	
10 Steve Voepel	25 Kainalu Klauser	

## December Anniversaries

4 Richard and Mary Lazzeri	48 years	23 Brad and Karol Ehmen	19 years
5 Bob and Kriss Frink	49 years	23 Steve and Li Voepel	24 years
11 Kirk and Sharon Vahle	43 years	26 Don and Bonnie Blattner	55 years
15 Steven and Cheryl Newbrough	24 years	28 Kody and Briana Linder	1 year
17 Jonathon and Jessica Campbell	10 years	30 Aaron and Janice Tronsgard	13 years
19 Jerry and Rosie Meyer	55 years		

## Assignments for December 2019

### Communion Assistants:

Sunday, December 1 at 9 AM	Steve Kaiser	Ryan Vaughn
Saturday, December 7 at 5 PM	Bob Frink	
Sunday, December 8 at 9 AM	Steve Schoch	Larry Foster
Saturday, December 14 at 5 PM	Bob Frink	
Sunday, December 15 at 9 AM	Nathan Hoebing	Jeff Wolfmeyer
Saturday, December 21 at 5 PM	Bob Frink	
Sunday, December 22 at 9 AM	Stan Yelton	Randy Wolfmeyer
Wed., December.25 at 9 AM	Larry Foster	Larry Ehmen
Sunday, December 29 at 9 AM	Brad Ehmen	Steve Schoch

### Ushers:

Saturdays at 5:00 PM	Bob Mehl
Sundays at 9:00 AM	Jerry Manton, Gary Hyer, Ryan Vaughn, Chet Vahle, Barb Vahle
Wednesday, December 4 at 7:00 PM	Don Blattner, Jerry Manton, Jeff Wolfmeyer, Randy Wolfmeyer
Wednesday, December 11 at 7:00 PM	Larry Ehmen, Darrell Drescher, Clint Gooding, Craig Gooding
Wednesday, December 18 at 7:00 PM	Steve Hyer, Stan Yelton, Brad Essington, <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Christmas Eve Children's Program, December 24 at 7 PM	Ryan Vaughn, Chris Knapp, Gary O'Dell, <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, December 24, 10:30 PM	Nathan Hoebing, Steve Schoch, Bob Mehl, Jeff Wolfmeyer
Christmas Day, December 25 at 9 AM	Chris Clevenger, Michelle Clevenger, Larry Foster, Monica Foster

**Counters:** Glenna Nicholson and Barb Ellerbrock

**Registration Slips:** Marilyn Lehenbauer

**Altar Care:** **Mona Fischer**, Amy Killday, Wanda Spohr, **Volunteer Needed**

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

**Pastoral Report**  
(October 1 – 31, 2019)

**Official Acts**

**Baptisms**  
**First Communion**  
**Adult Confirmation & Baptism**  
**Youth Confirmation**  
**Marriages**  
**Funerals**

**Membership Changes**

**Gains** [+6B, +4C]

**Baptisms** [+0B, +0C]  
**Adult Confirmations & Baptisms** [+0B, +0C]  
**Youth Confirmations** [+0B, +0C]  
**Transfers In** [+6B, +4C]

Taylor Nicole (Turner) Mayfield – September 9, 2019  
Reese Taytom Muse – September 9, 2019  
Kaisley Caydence Turner – September 9, 2019  
Mike & Mary Herschler – October 27, 2019 (*paperwork pending*)  
Susan Weiss – October 30, 2019

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

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

**Death** [-0B, -0C]  
**Transfers Out** [-0B, -0C]  
**Requested Removal** [-0B, -0C]

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

<b>Membership</b>	<b>Jan. 1, 2019</b>	<b>Gains</b>	<b>Losses</b>	<b>Oct. 31, 2019</b>
Baptized	561	+15	-8	568
Confirmed	436	+13	-8	441

## Coloring Page:



# PUZZLE PAGE

## THE REAL REASON

by

Bill Schlegl

Christmas is a time of much happiness, singing, exchanging gifts, and other wonderful activities. But what is the real reason for Christmas. Write the letter that comes 5 letters after the letter given to learn this wonderful reason for the season.

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(Answer Found on Page 8)







## Poinsettias for Christmas

Poinsettias complete the decoration of our chancel for Christmas. You may help underwrite the cost of these poinsettias with by "sponsoring" one as a memorial to a loved one, as a thank offering for God's blessings, or as a gift to the glory of God and the beauty of his house. A listing of those who have sponsored these poinsettias will be included in our bulletins for the Christmas season. The poinsettias are available at a cost of \$7.00 each. You will be able to take home your poinsettia(s) after the conclusion of the Christmas Musicale on December 29<sup>th</sup>.

. If you would like to sponsor one or more poinsettias, please fill out the form below and bring or mail it to the church office. Payment should accompany the order.

I would like to sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ poinsettia(s).

The poinsettia(s) is/are given:

☐ in loving memory of \_\_\_\_\_

☐ in thanksgiving for blessings received

☐ for the glory of God and the beauty of his house

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please bring or mail this completed form to the church office.)  
(All orders must be received by Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.)*