



2020 Newsletter

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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To the people of God at Our Redeemer,

Changing over to a new year is a strange, yet familiar event. Each year, we struggle the first few times we sign our name and write out the date. Changing over to a new year immediately declares the past year to be “old”. A few days ago, 2019 did not seem “old”. What happened? How did the movement of a clock or the dropping of a ball in Times Square change our view of something as significant as a decade? It hit me when I realized that I am entering into my seventh decade.

Time is such an interesting part of our existence. It is something intangible. You have a past. You live in something called the present. And you look forward into an unknowable future.

Our past is unchangeable. Whatever has happened, has happened. Yet, our memories do change. As we put more and more time between the past and the present, our opinion of the past tends to wax nostalgic. We remember “the good ole days.” I believe this phenomenon is partly due to the reality of forgiveness. We tend to look back at people we have known, especially our loved ones, and we “forget” about the faults and failures. This doesn’t mean we have a loss of memory, but we tend to look past the failures and remember the good. Listen to how people speak of the deceased at a funeral. Difficult and challenging times become humorous stories later in life. (Please realize that I am speaking in broad generalizations and I am well aware that some events of life will never be viewed as good or humorous.)

Just as we look with increasing fondness upon the past, we tend to look with hope for the future. This is why we welcome and celebrate the coming of the New Year. Everyone looks to the New Year as a chance to start over. Why do we all desire to make resolutions and start over? Perhaps it is because we recognize that the present or immediate past won’t be thought of as the “good ole days” for quite some time.

We want our years to be like our days as described by Luther in regard to Baptism: “The Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.”

Under the grace of your Baptism, each day you arise as a “new man” – that is, you are forgiven, pure, innocent, and righteous in the eyes of God. You are reborn as His child. Yesterday is a memory where all the faults and failures are forgotten. Today is a new day with a great hope for the future.

That is a wonderful approach to welcoming in this New Year. It will not become a reality by adhering to the demands of unrealistic resolutions. The Law only brings temporary change. We always figure out ways to break our resolutions.

Forgiveness for the past and hope for the future is a reality that only God brings. Throughout this year, every day remember your Baptism as you “emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.”

In Christ,

Pastor Eden

Who's Who at Our Redeemer

President	Stan Yelton (3 rd term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Vice-President	Chet Vahle (3 rd term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Secretary	Barb Vahle (3 rd term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Treasurer	Michele Clevenger (2 nd term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Financial Secretary	Wanda Spohr (2 nd term) – Counters	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
Education Board	Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio	Appointed
	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
	Ryan Vaughn (3 rd term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Board of Elders		
319-572-9558	Larry Foster (3 rd term) – Communion Asst.	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
217-617-7312	Darrell Drescher (3 rd term) – Special Services	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
217-257-6516	Gene Bluhm (1 st term) – Sunday Ushers	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
217-223-7949	Bill Haire (2 nd term) – Saturday Ushers	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
217-440-3606	Steve Schoch (1 st term) – Head Usher	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
217-430-2460	Jeff Wolfmeyer (1 st term) – Altar Care	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Evangelism Board	Ruth Ann Snowden (3 rd term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
	Michele Schoch (1 st term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Property Board	Dennis Baker (1 st term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
	Gary Hyer (1 st term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Stewardship Board	Hannah Ajdinovich (1 st term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
	David Pellman (3 rd term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Youth Ministry	Jamie Louderback (2 nd term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Endowment Chair	Larry Ehmen (2 nd 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 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**.

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

December News

Many thanks to Malinda Eden for hosting our Christmas party and putting together the Christmas bags for our shut-ins!

We enjoyed a delicious meal followed by Wanda Spohr giving a year-end report of our fundraising activities and mites! All of our mission projects are paid in full, along with a few more with extra funds we had! God is good!

The evening wouldn't be complete without our White Elephant gift exchange, which is a favorite!

A very blessed and Merry Christmas to all who gave so generously with their time and money!

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.

PAID IN FULL!!!

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.

UPCOMING...

Jan. 2 – 6:30 pm,
monthly mtg.,
Fellowship Hall

Feb. 1 & 2 – Soup
and Bread fundraiser

Feb. 6 – 6:30 pm,
monthly mtg.,
Fellowship Hall

Mar. 5 – 6:30 pm,
monthly mtg.,
Fellowship Hall

Apr. 2 – 6:30 pm,
monthly mtg.,
Fellowship Hall

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 Word Changes Everything, Lutheran Bible Translators - \$95,000

There are over 170 million people who speak more than 1,500 languages who have never read the Bible in their native dialect. Bible translation is absolutely foundational to the mission of the church. This grant will pay for one year of a four-year training program for pastors and church leaders in Tanzania, Ethiopia, and elsewhere to be directly involved in translating God's Word for their people. This vital ministry will share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the language of the people. For more information about our missions, go to www.lwml.org, then to Missions tab and click on Mission Grants.

January News & Notes

The Senior Singles are taking a break from their monthly lunches for the Winter.

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.

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.

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.

The Bake Sale for the St. Louis Seminary Food Bank was a great success. ORLC will send over \$600 to them to help the seminary families celebrate Christmas. Thanks to who all who worked, baked, bought or donated to this worthy cause.

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. 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@concordiaspfld.org.

January News & Notes *(continued)*

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, 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:	10-Nov	17-Nov	24-Nov	1-Dec	8-Dec	15-Dec
Profit:	\$101.92	\$93.67	\$132.83	\$121.71	\$237.93	\$257.52
# orders:	17	11	20	13	27	26
Avg Profit/order:	\$6.00	\$8.52	\$6.64	\$9.36	\$8.81	\$9.90
Overall Profit:	\$4,528.07	\$4,621.74	\$4,754.57	\$4,876.28	\$5,114.21	\$5,371.73

HOMEMADE SOUP AND BREAD FUNDRAISER Take it easy and enjoy a night off from cooking by letting the LWML ladies do the cooking for you! Preorder a quart of Chili, Chicken Noodle or Cheesy Vegetable soup and a 4 oz. loaf of bread for only \$8! Oyster is \$9. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex or you can call the church office. **Orders will be taken until Jan. 26th.** Your soup and bread will be **ready for pickup on Feb. 1st and 2nd** after each church service. Delivery is available upon request. Payment is made at the time of pickup or delivery. Thanks for your help in supporting our mission projects!

Save the dates! Have a meal and help raise funds for the St. James 7th and 8th grade Marine Lab Trip:
January 16th – Papa John's Night *(present flyer) (also on 2/9, 3/19, 4/16, 5/21)*
February 9 – Bake Sale at St. John's *(PreK - 8 sing)*
February 13 – Culver's *(4 pm to 8 pm)*
May 23 – Applebee's Pancake Breakfast

Thank you to all who helped support the ORLC Youth by attending and donating at the Advent dinners. Donations will go toward the next National Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas.

The Bake Sale Fundraiser for the St. Louis Seminary Food Bank raised over \$600 for seminary families to help them celebrate Christmas. Thanks to who all who took part in this worthy cause.

Special Thanks to all who helped create the beautiful outdoor church nativity set – Dennis Baker, John Fodor, Andrew Fodor, Wanda Spohr

Camp CILCA for Christmas! 2020 Summer Camp registration open now! Give the gift of camp this Christmas to someone you love. Register by *Christmas Day* and receive a 10% discount.

March for Life, Chicago, January 11, 2020 - The largest pro-life event in the Midwest. Join thousands of pro-lifers in speaking out for life. Right to Life of Adams County is organizing a 1-day trip to the March for Life Chicago via Amtrak. The day will include leaving at 6:12 a.m. on January 11, 2020, arriving at Union Station at about 10:40 a.m., walking about .8 mile to Daley Plaza, (stopping for lunch on the way), attending the Rally from 1:00-1:45, and walking in the March from 1:45-3:00 back to Convention Headquarters at the Congress Plaza Hotel. There should be time to attend the convention exhibits for about an hour before walking back to Union Station and taking the 5:58 p.m. train back to Quincy. Arrival in Quincy is at about 10:20 p.m. Participants will need to be able to walk about 3-4 miles (total from and to the train and in the March). Participants should purchase their own round-trip train ticket(s). (www.amtrak.com) Prices on Amtrak increase as the date approaches, so it would be wise to purchase tickets early. Right to Life of Adams County will subsidize a portion of the cost of the train. Be sure to sign up for the free convention fast pass, www.marchforlifechicagoconvention.org as there will probably be time to visit the exhibits at the convention for about an hour before leaving to catch the train. Everyone needs a pass to enter the exhibits, and having this pass ahead of time will make entry easier and faster. If interested in attending, please call Lyn Schlipmann, 217-653-0075 or Jane Haas, 217-257-0533.

January News & Notes *(continued)*

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.

Upcoming Events

January 15: Church Council

January 19 - 20: Confirmation Retreat at Camp CILCA

January 26: Voters' Meeting

January 26: Annual Banquet at Camp CILCA

February 1 & 2: LWML Soup & Bread Fundraiser

February 2: Lutheran Hour Ministries Sunday

February 8: 2020 Altar Care Brunch

March 29: CID Bible Bowl

March 29: Confirmation Questioning and New Member Dinner

April 4: Applebee's Pancake Breakfast Youth Group Fundraiser 8-10 AM

April 5: Confirmation and Palm Sunday

April 22 - 25: Church Directory Pictures (2 to 9 PM on weekdays and 10 AM to 5 PM on Saturday)

May: LWML Rummage Sale

July 20-30: Montana Adventure

September 20: Church Picnic 2 PM – 7PM

July 9-13, 2022: National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL, QUINCY, IL

217-222-8267

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

ST. JAMES WINTER CARNIVAL will be **Saturday, January 18 from 4-6pm** at the school. Please come for a fun evening of playing games and eating with each other.

SAVE THE DATE - Join us for the 16th annual Spring Fling Dinner and Auction **Saturday, March 7th at 5:00 pm** at the Senior Center!! This year's theme is ***Old Hollywood***. Dressing up is not required, but definitely encouraged. Mark your calendars now so as not to miss this tremendous event.

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.

November 2019 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

Income	Jan. - Nov '19	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
001 · 001 General Offerings	265,164.73	276,394.25	-11,229.52	95.9%
003 · 003 Loose Plate	4,919.19	6,416.67	-1,497.48	76.7%
011 · 011 General Fund Interest	24.25	45.83	-21.58	52.9%
019 · 019 ORLC Scrip Fund	4,000.00	6,416.67	-2,416.67	62.3%
020 · 020 Bequest Fund	<u>3,686.25</u>	<u>5,555.00</u>	<u>-1,868.75</u>	<u>66.4%</u>
Total Income	277,784.42	294,828.42	-17,034.00	94.2%
Expense				
Mission	13,750.00	15,583.33	-1,833.33	88.2%
Personnel	174,774.80	177,016.75	-2,241.96	98.7%
Program	54,056.69	69,317.43	-15,260.74	78.0%
Property	<u>48,665.28</u>	<u>46,759.16</u>	<u>1,906.12</u>	<u>104.1%</u>
Total Expense	291,246.77	308,676.68	-17,429.91	94.4%
Net Income	-13,452.35	-13,848.26	-395.91	97.1%

Miscellaneous Constant Information

Newsletter & Calendar Deadline –

All newsletter & Calendar submissions must be sent in **no later than the 20th 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 some-thing 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 pay-ment 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.

2nd 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.*

3rd 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 or contact us at 630-521-8281 or 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.

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.

January Birthdays

1 Wade Pellman	13 Grace Vaughn	24 Connor Smith
3 Judi Burner	14 Norma Begeman 90	25 Steve Kaiser
3 Michele Urbon	14 Donna Haire	26 Don Fink 75
5 Brady Essington	14 Melanie Zehnle	26 Cameron McDowell
6 Phyllis Ashby	15 Brett Baird	27 Christina Kaltenbach
6 Addison Buss	16 Larry Ehmen 80	27 Jim Lucas
6 Linda Knowles	16 Thom Hurley	28 Angie Clevenger
7 Ruth Hall 90	17 Luke McElfresh	28 Phillip Weisheit
7 David Showman Jr.	18 Sky Fischer	29 Brooke Gooding
11 Gary O'Dell	18 Kirk Vahle	29 Lauren Mueller
12 Brian Burner	21 Ellie Bowles	30 Jane Voepel
12 Bradly Essington	23 Kris Kutcher	31 Matt Frohn
13 Hannah Mixer	24 Lynnette Carpenter	31 Josh Jefferson
	24 Kathy Hyer	

January Baptisms

1 Ben Knoernschild	11 Ava Langan	25 Rachel Boerema
1 Stacy Luker	13 Savannah Edwards	25 Harrison Knapp
1 Kent Schnack	15 Kent Knoernschild	26 Bradly Essington
1 Mary Tipton	18 Amie Hoebing	26 Valerie Spillman
1 Tim Westberg	18 Briana Robertson	28 Chris Knapp
3 Jessica Hibbert	18 Gage Scharnhorst	29 David Rickey
5 Ann Knoernschild	19 Tory Hufendick	29 Eric Sass
6 Myley Longcor	19 Jonah Tronsgard	29 Warren Vahle
8 Tony Bowles	19 Alison Zehnle	29 Tara Walker-Moffitt
9 Mark Vahle	20 Eldon Schoch	30 Merinda Jones
11 Kari Adams	21 Norma Begeman	30 Hannah Mixer
11 Marjorie Baker	22 Donna White	
11 Lily Kuhn	24 James Jones III	

January Anniversaries

3 Gary and Kathy Hyer	45 years	8 Tony and Susan Bowles	35 years
3 Dustin and Ann Nickelson	16 years	21 David and Glenna Nicholson	9 years
3 Chet and Barb Vahle	44 years	30 Chaz and Briana Robertson	10 years

January Puzzle Answer *(Puzzle on page 13)*

Let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves
has been born of God and knows God. 1 John 4:7

Assignments for January 2019

Communion Assistants:

Saturday, January 4 at 5 PM	Rob Edwards	
Sunday, January 5 at 9 AM	Jeff Wolfmeyer	Randy Wolfmeyer
Saturday, January 11 at 5 PM	Rob Edwards	
Sunday, January 12 at 9 AM	Gary Hyer	Ryan Vaughn
Saturday, January 18 at 5 PM	Rob Edwards	
Sunday, January 19 at 9 AM	Chris Knapp	Larry Ehmen
Saturday, January 25 at 5 PM	Rob Edwards	
Sunday, January 26 at 9 AM	Brad Ehmen	Nathan Hoebing

Ushers:

Saturdays at 5:00 PM	Darrell Drescher
Sundays at 9:00 AM	Larry Foster, Monica Foster, Jerry Lunt, Becky Lunt, Steve Kaiser

Counters: Mary Lazzeri, Anita Wolfmeyer

Registration Slips: Cindy Spohr

Altar Care: Ruth Ann Snowden, Mary Herschler, Gretchen Wolfmeyer, Sharon Vaughn

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

Pastoral Report
(November 1 – 30, 2019)

Official Acts

Baptisms

Nora Meyer

November 30, 2019

First Communion

Adult Confirmation & Baptism

Youth Confirmation

Marriages

Funerals

Membership Changes

Gains [+1B, +0C]

Baptisms [+1B, +0C]

Nora Meyer

November 30, 2019

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

Youth Confirmations [+0B, +0C]

Transfers In [+0B, +0C]

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]

Membership	Jan. 1, 2019	Gains	Losses	Nov. 30, 2019
Baptized	561	+16	-8	569
Confirmed	436	+13	-8	441

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PUZZLE PAGE

LOVE

by

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Why is love so important in our daily lives? Use the number code to learn why we should show love in our daily lives.

(A = 1, Z = 2, B = 3, Y = 4, C = 5, X = 6)

23 09 14

12 16

23 24 10 09

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01 26 24 14 15 09 18

11 24 18

23 24 10 09

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