

2020 Newsletter

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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To the people of God at Our Redeemer,

Most of you are aware that over the past year, through social media, I had become friends with a man in Uganda named Waihda Geofrey Matege. He was serving as a vicar in the Lutheran Church of Uganda. He was to be ordained in June. He invited me to come. I regretfully had to decline. For those of you on Facebook, you probably saw some of the pictures that Waidha sent me throughout the year.

The week after Thanksgiving he was taking his semester finals and then leaving for home. A couple days later, I messaged him letting him know that I had been praying that his exams and his journey home went well. I did not hear from him for 10 days. When he did respond, he told me that he had been in the hospital with a serious illness. I told him I would pray for him. That was December 16. I messaged him again on the 21st and wished him a Merry Christmas on Christmas Eve. He did not respond, but on Christmas Day, another Facebook friend from Uganda informed me that Waihda had died.

Waihda had a wife named Reachael Nankwanga and five children (one boy and four girls – two sets of twins and a baby daughter). Lawrence Waiswa and Violet Babirye are 10 years old, Gift Kaudha and Anita Babirye are five years old, and Rehannah Namusobya is one year old.

I have contacted Rev. Maganda Peter – Dean of Eastern Uganda of the Lutheran Church of Uganda who also happens to be Waidha's brother-in-law. I asked him for advice on ways to help Waidha's family. Reachael, his widow, has a sewing machine and plans to support her and her children by making clothes. Her biggest needs are money for fabric and money for sending her children to school. Education is a privilege which costs about \$500 per child per year (which includes all school supplies and daily meals). Rev. Peter asked that any proceeds be sent through the Lutheran Church of Uganda.

I invite you to join me in supporting this family. I would like to "adopt" at least some of the education costs for these children this year and through the years to come. It is the least I can do for my friend.

I miss my friend. At least several times a week, I would hear from him and he would send pictures from their worship services. His deep and abiding faith was so refreshing. This sinful world became an even more unhappy place when Waidha departed from us. My joy is that I will see him in the resurrection.

In Christ,

Pastor Eden

Who's Who at Our Redeemer

President	Stan Yelton (3 rd term)	Oct 2010 Sont 2020	
		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	
Stowardship Deard	Hannah Aidinayish (1st tarm)	Oct 2010 - Sept 2021	
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 Weppler.



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



UPCOMING...

monthly mtg.,

Fellowship Hall

Feb. 26 – Ash

dinner before

monthly mtg.,

monthly mtg.,

Fellowship Hall

Apr. 24 & 25 -

Rummage Sale

Fellowship Hall

Apr. 2 - 6:30 pm,

church, 5:45 pm

Mar. 5 – 6:30 pm,

Wednesday Lenten

Feb. 6 – 6:30 pm,

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.

January News

Thank you, Renee Benedetto and Marilyn Lehenbauer for hosting our January meeting! The dessert was so delish!

Plans were finalized for our Soup and Bread fundraiser. Many hands make for short work, especially when it comes to chopping vegetables!

Lenten dinners were discussed with our LWML group hosting on Ash Wednesday. Please join us, won't you!

Also, rummage sale items may be brought in and placed in the basement Sunday School room at the end of the hallway.

Our 2020 Missions Projects

We'll be voting on these at our next monthly get-together!

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

Mobile Medical Mercy Mission Bus for Guatemala - \$100,000

A network of LCMS partner churches has been developed to send medical professionals and mission teams to Guatemala on short-term medical mission trips to bring the love and mercy of Jesus through medical and dental clinics to Guatemala's many citizens who live in extreme poverty and in isolated villages. This grant will allow them to purchase a bus, the 4M Bus (Mobile Medical Mercy Mission), to be retrofitted, and stocked with medical and Bible school equipment. For more information about this mission, go **lwml.org**, hover over missions and click on Mission Grants.

Grant #6 "With God's Little Ones" in Ankepaka, Madagascar - \$2.500

Working with partners in the Malagasy Lutheran Church, this grant would construct and equip a women's craft center where women and girls learn a variety of incomeproducing skills. Also, constructed would be a larger, open-sided shelter where this Lutheran community could worship (they currently have no church building) and meet in all kinds of weather.

2019-2020

LWML CID Mission Grants

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.

February 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.

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.

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.

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 <u>school@concordiaspfld.org</u>.

Position Available - Director of Worship Arts If you have a passion for music, a love of worship and strong leadership skills then this could be the position for you. The Lutheran Church of St. John is seeking a Director of Worship Arts to coordinate and lead music for both a traditional and contemporary worship service. The ideal candidate will also have strong interpersonal skills to recruit and develop a strong volunteer base to support not only music, but all aspects of the worship experience. This is a full time position which includes medical and retirement benefits. Interested individuals can submit a resume to the Lutheran Church of St. John (3340 State Street) or call the St. John's church office (222-8579).

Come and Join us for ORLC Bible Bowl Sunday Feb 23rd in the old Chapel during the Sunday School hour. It will be a review of the lessons we've studied from December 1 – February 16.

Save for next year's LWML Rummage Sale April 24 & 25, 2020. Call Mary Morse with any Questions.

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.

February News & Notes (continued)

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:	1-Dec	8-Dec	15-Dec	29-Dec	5-Jan	12-Jan	19-Jan	26-Jan
Profit:	\$121.71	\$237.93	\$257.52	\$67.61	\$116.73	\$52.61	\$95.82	\$135.25
# orders:	13	27	26	14	16	11	13	19
Avg Profit/order:	\$9.36	\$8.81	\$9.90	\$4.83	\$7.30	\$4.78	\$7.37	\$7.12
Overall Profit:	\$4,876.28	\$5,114.21	\$5,371.73	\$5,629.98	\$116.73	\$169.35	\$265.17	\$400.42

Scrip Inventory Highlights: Headed to any of the following spots for a bite to eat? We currently have some gift cards in stock for Applebee's (\$25), Golden Corral (\$25), IHOP (\$10, \$25), and Steak n Shake (\$10). We also have some cards for Claire's (\$10), Target (\$10), and Bath & Body Works (\$10). Stop by the scrip table for these cards, and many others!

Save the dates! Have a meal and help raise funds for the St. James 7th and 8th grade Marine Lab Trip: **February 9** – Bake Sale at St. John's (*PreK - 8 sing*)

– Papa John's Night (present flyer) (also on 3/19, 4/16, 5/21)
February 13 – Culver's (4 pm to 8 pm)
May 23 – Applebee's Pancake Breakfast

2020 Illinois Essay Contest by Lutherans For Life **for students in Grades 6 through 12.** Any Lutheran student may enter. Entries should be submitted digitally using Microsoft Word via email to cathy.benning.os@gmail.com by **April 1, 2020**. There will be a \$100 first place award and \$50 second place award. Grand Prize for the national winning entry at each level: \$250 plus free conference registration to a 2020 Regional Conference and one night stay at the conference hotel. For topics and more details see the form on the Narthex table.

A Special Thank You to our brothers and sisters in Christ for your Christmas gift. It was greatly appreciated. We pray for you and give thanks for you! The Drescher Family

Upcoming Events

February 1 & 2: LWML Soup & Bread Fundraiser, Pick-up February 2: Lutheran Hour Ministries Sunday February 8: 2020 Altar Care Brunch February 9: Bake Sale at St. John's (PreK - 8 sing) February 9: Papa John's Night (present flyer) for 7th-8th grade trip February 23: Bible Bowl Sunday at ORLC March 19: Papa John's Night (present flyer) for 7th-8th grade trip 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 16: Papa John's Night (present flyer) for 7th-8th grade trip April 24 - 25: LWML Rummage Sale May 17: Armed Forces Sunday May 21: Papa John's Night (present flyer) 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

YOU'RE INVITED to join us in worship **Wednesday mornings from 8:45 – 9:15 am**. Every trimester our offerings are designated to a nonprofit. This trimester our offerings are going to help support the St. John Food Pantry.

THE DOT FOOD \$5000 CHALLENGE GRANT has been met! We will now receive an additional \$10,000 to help enhance our technology structure at St. James. Thank you DOT Foods for this remarkable opportunity and to all who helped reach this goal.

SPRING FLING - 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 <u>**Old Hollywood**</u>. Dressing up is not required, but definitely encouraged. Mark your calendars now so as not to miss this tremendous event.

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION – We received a check for \$353.70 which helps fund our school library. Thank you and keep saving those labels!

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

<u>**RIGHT TO LIFE POSTER WINNERS**</u> - Congratulations to the following students for winning the *Right To Life* poster contest at St. James. The theme this year was *Defend Human Life* **Boldly**. First place winners in their grade category were **Gabby Vaughn, Emma Schell, Grace Vaughn**. Second place winners were **Bella Jackson, Harrison Vander Ley, Sarah Kim**. Third place winners were **Falynn Craig, Amelia Knapp, Anna Ehmen** and Fourth place winners included **Emaline Garman, Bennett Soltwedel** and **Grace Marner**. All posters are currently being displayed at the Quincy Mall until January 26th and the Right to Life Resource Center display window, 109 N. 8th, during the following weeks! Also, congratulations to **Phoebe Hayes** for entering her essay on *Defending Human Life Boldly*.

Income 001 · 001 General Offerings 003 · 003 Loose Plate 011 · 011 General Fund Interest 019 · 019 ORLC Scrip Fund 020 · 020 Bequest Fund Total Income	<u>Jan Dec '19</u> 293,181.35 7,843.82 25.54 5,550.00 <u>6,113.06</u> 312,713.77	Budget 301,521.25 7,000.00 50.00 7,000.00 6,060.00 321,631.00	<u>\$ Over Budget</u> -8,339.65 843.82 -24.46 -1,450.00 <u>53.06</u> -8,917.23	<u>% of Budget</u> 97.2% 112.1% 51.1% 79.3% <u>100.9%</u> 97.2%
Expense Mission Personnel Program Property Total Expense	17,000.00 190,710.29 65,231.35 <u>52,050.45</u> 324,992.09	17,000.00 193,109.20 75,619.00 <u>51,010.00</u> 336,738.20	0.00 -2,398.91 -10,387.65 <u>1,040.45</u> -11,746.11	100.0% 98.8% 86.3% <u>102.0%</u> 96.5%
Net Income	-12,278.32	-15,107.20	2,828.88	81.3%

December 2019 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

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 as 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 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.*

 3^{rd} 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' 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. Page 8

- 1 Randy Ellerbrock
- 5 Sheldon Foulk
- 5 Clint Gooding 50
- 5 Dan Hufendick
- 5 Jeffrey Smith
- 7 Becky Lunt
- 9 Rob Edwards
- 9 John Frohn Jr. 50
- 9 Aaron Goodwin 50
- 9 Randy Wolfmeyer
- 10 Ben Knoernschild
- 11 Farren Campbell
- 1 James Jones II
- 1 Jim Lucas
- 2 Monica Foster
- 3 Darrell Drescher
- 3 Barb Hall
- 3 Luke McElfresh
- 5 Kirk Vahle
- 6 Melanie Zehnle
- 8 Eric Fischer
- 9 Rebecca Jones
- 11 Renee Durst

- 11 Reva Ehmen
- 11 Elise Luker
- 11 Ellen Stockhecke

February Birthdays

- 12 Donna Eisenbeiss
- 12 Jaela Vaughn 25
- 13 Jennifer Tournear
- 16 Darren Fink
- 16 Annalisa Thewis
- 16 Conall Wolfmeyer
- 17 Isabelle Hillerts
- 17 Ryne Lubben
- 17 Kim Pracht
- **February Baptisms**
- 11 Don Fink
- 11 Mary Lazzeri
- 12 Larry Ehmen
- 12 Larry Foster
- 12 Stacey Gruen
- 12 Harry Hall Jr.
- 13 Nathaniel Hurley
- 14 Bob Frink

14 years

- 14 Shanna Wemhoener
- 15 Tad Douglas
- 15 Brandon McGartland

- 19 Amy Buss
- 19 Kenny Wiesemann
- 21 Jason Klauser
- 21 Marty Otto
- 23 Ricky Goertz 55
- 24 Phillip Baker
- 24 Levi Cook
- 25 Mike Douglas
- 25 Kara Mercurio
- 26 Shelly Holtman
- 27 Gary Cramlett 65
- 29 Laura Essington
- 16 Randy Ellerbrock
- 16 John Go
- 17 Cameron McDowell
- 18 Billy Hindbough
- 20 Bennie Hines Jr.
- 21 Charles Bowles
- 22 Ellie Bowles
- 27 Jessica Campbell
- 28 Brian Burner
- 28 Judi Burner
- 28 Austin Fischer

February Anniversaries

- 5 Rob and Naomi Tipton
- 8 Charlie and Pam Church 17 years
- 13 Jason and Stephanie Bush 14 years

February Puzzle Answer (Puzzle on page 13)

If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Romans 12:18

Assignments for February 2020

Communion Assistants:

Saturday, February 1 at 5 PM	Brad Essington	
Sunday, February 2 at 9 AM	Jerry Lunt	Tom Killday
Saturday, February 8 at 5 PM	Brad Essington	
Sunday, February 9 at 9 AM	Mike Herschler	Chet Vahle
Saturday, February 15 at 5 PM	Brad Essington	
Sunday, February 16 at 9 AM	Gary Hyer	Stan Yelton
Saturday, February 22 at 5 PM	Bill Haire	
Sunday, February 23 at 9 AM	Chris Knapp	Nathan Hoebing
Wed., February 26 at 7:00 PM	Chris Knapp	Larry Foster
Saturday, February 29 at 5 PM	Bill Haire	

Ushers:

Saturdays at 5:00 PM	Dennis Baker
Sundays at 9:00 AM	Larry Ehmen, Brad Ehmen, Jeff Wolfmeyer, Randy Wolfmeyer, Clayton Hibbert
Wed., February 26 at 7:00 PM	Steve Kaiser, Ryan Vaughn, VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Counters: Renee Benedetto, Shelly Holtman

Registration Slips: Cindy Spohr

Altar Care: Kathy & Gary Hyer, Michele Clevenger, Renee Benedetto, Mary-Ann & Steve Hyer

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

Pastoral Report (December 1 – 31, 2019)

Official Acts

Baptisms				
First Communion				
Adult Confirmation & Baptism				
Youth Confirmation				
Marriages				
Funerals				
Missy "Ann" McGurk Doyle-Simminger				

December 23, 2019

Membership Changes

Gains [+0B, +0C]

Baptisms [+0B, +0C]

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

Youth Confirmations [+0B, +0C]

Transfers In [+0B, +0C]

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

Losses [-1B, -1C]

Death [-1B, -1C] Missy "Ann" McGurk Doyle-Simminger

December 19, 2019

Transfers Out [-0B, -0C]

Requested Removal [-0B, -0C]

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

Membership	Jan. 1, 2019	Gains	Losses	Dec. 31, 2019
Baptized	561	+16	-9	568
Confirmed	436	+13	-9	440

Coloring Page:



PUZZLE PAGE

YOUR LIFE

by

Bill Schlegl

Use the number code to learn the best way to live your life.

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February News & Notes (continued)

New member adult instruction class starting in February. If you are interested, please let Pastor Eden know so that he may coordinate everyone's schedules.

St. James School 7th & 8th Grade **Marine Lab Fundraisers for February: Monday, February 3** - Papa Murphy's - all day. Online code: SCHOOL **Thursday, February 20** - Papa Johns - all day, with flyer **Sunday, February 23** - Bake sale at the Lutheran Church of St. John **Thursday, February 27** - Culver's - from 4 to 8, no flyer needed. 10% of sales from drive thru & in store.

Many Thanks to all the members who were Greeters for services this past year. You have made our members and guests feel welcome at our services and included in our church fellowship. As stated in 2 Corinthians 13:12, "Greet each other warmly, in the Lord." If you would like to be a Greeter, please contact Sandy Callahan at (217) 334-5301.

Lenten Meal Schedule so far is:

February 26LWMLMarch 4Youth GroupMarch 11Youth GroupMarch 18St. James School Marine Lab TripMarch 25St. James School Marine Lab TripApril 1OpenIf your group would like to host the April 1 meal, please let the church office know.

Beta Sigma Psi - Alpha Chapter offers a \$1,500 scholarship given out to a Lutheran male freshman attending the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in Fall 2020. Digital application forms may be found online at: https://www.betasigmapsi.org/scholarships-for-high-school-students. The application is due by **March 20th** at 11:59PM. Runner-ups may be eligible for \$500 awards. There is no obligation to join Beta Sigma Psi or be related to a member of the fraternity to receive this award. If you have any questions please email UIUCscholarship@betasigmapsi.org.

Camp CILCA 2020 Summer Camp registration open now! Give the gift of camp to someone you love.

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For the week of **February 2**: This week on KFUO.org, hear meditation on scriptures on Moments of Assurance with Pastor Mark Hawkinson (weekdays at 12:00 p.m. CT & weekends at 7:45 a.m. CT), dig into curious theological topics on Cross Defense with Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller (**2/3** at 2:00 p.m. CT), and continue in the Gospel of Matthew on Sharper Iron's "All Righteous Fulfilled" series (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT). Find programs on demand wherever you get your podcasts!