



## 2020 Newsletter

### Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod*

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

Our nation and the world have been dealing with virus COVID-19 which has become a worldwide threat. Although it seems to be not particularly deadly to most people, it is very deadly to certain groups such as the elderly and those with certain health conditions. For young healthy people, especially sports fans, there has been a great deal of inconvenience.

There is a word for willingly being inconvenienced: sacrifice. Sacrifice is the willingness to give something of value today so as to have a better tomorrow. To sacrifice is to forgo today's pleasure for tomorrow's advantage. This applies to both secular and religious aspects of life. We don't immediately go out and spend our entire paycheck. We sacrifice potential joy today for a better and more secure future. In the Old Testament, God commanded the Israelites to offer sacrifices (which were a foreshadowing of Christ's sacrifice to come) and God forgave them their sin. They sacrificed the firstborn of their flock or something else of great value so that they would have a secure future.

With Holy Week and Easter on the horizon, we are reminded of what real sacrifice looks like. Jesus came to be the ultimate sacrifice so that we could have a much better future with Him for all eternity. His sacrifice was of great cost to Him and no cost to us, other than now the cost of discipleship. Not to compare any of us with Jesus, but we are often called upon to make sacrifices knowing we will see no tangible benefit for ourselves.

Many people who contract COVID-19 are barely bothered by it. Many will never know they had it. Yet, we inconvenience ourselves, we sacrifice for the sake of our neighbors. We do this in our everyday life all the time so that tomorrow will be better. It has been described as a bargain with the future. We don't drive as fast as we possibly can, even though it would be nice to get to where we want to be in a shorter time. Obeying authorities and not doing things which endanger our neighbors are sacrifices we make every day. Most everyone in the world has been inconvenienced in some way due to this virus. I greatly appreciate all of the sacrifices which have been made by our family at Our Redeemer for the sake of keeping others safe.

I pray the death toll in our nation and around the world stays low compared to other pandemics. I pray we are soon able to return to our normal schedules. However, when life as we knew it resumes, I pray that we will do so with a greater appreciation of the value of sacrificing for the sake of others.

**In Christ,**

***Pastor Eden***

## 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, David Nicholson, 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](http://www.lwml.org).

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

### March News

Thank you, Jane Haschemeyer, for hosting our March meeting!

A devotion entitled, 'What an Opportunity', encouraged us to look for opportunities this Lenten season to add or do something good to our lives that would be memorable and meaningful!

A bible study, 'Why the Joy of the Lord is our Strength', took us through scripture to show us why we sometimes 'lack' joy, how we experience 'living' joy and to remember our ever 'lasting' joy!

Don't forget...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 voted and Laurie will let us know the results at the next monthly meeting.

### 2019-2020

#### LWML CID Mission Grants

#### **Grant #8, Creating a Lutheran Library for East African Pastors - \$5,000**

Pastors teach the catechism, train the little ones, and guide the flock, but imagine doing so without books in the language of your people.

Pastors in East African countries face this challenge daily while ministering to Swahili-speaking people. This grant would help provide Swahili language theology books for pastors in Kenya and Tanzania.

**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 our national mission grants

### UPCOMING...

**Apr. 2** – Cancelled, monthly meeting, Fellowship Hall

Rummage Sale – *Postponed until Fall*

LWML CID 75<sup>th</sup> Convention, Morton – *Postponed until April 29 – May 1, 2021*

**May 7** – 6:30 pm, monthly mtg., Fellowship Hall

**June picnic meeting** – 6 pm, carry-in, date TBA

### 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*

### **Lights for Christ Scholarships in Guatemala - \$95,000**

The Lights for Christ Program in Zacapa, Guatemala, provides spiritual, physical, and educational support for children and their families who are economically dependent on the municipal landfill. With your mites, this program will be able to expand and share Christ's blessings to include children in grades seven through twelve to continue their Christian education and rise above the poverty of their families.

For more information about this mission, go [lwml.org](http://lwml.org), hover over missions and click on Mission Grants.

## April News & Notes

### **Women's Conference at Lutheran Church of Saint John Now September 12<sup>th</sup>** Visit

<http://www.lcosj.org/home> to register! Please spend the day with us as guest speaker, Jill Savage helps us accept the imperfect and embrace real life! This event is certain to touch your heart and leave you encouraged and inspired! Jill is an author and speaker who is passionate about relationships. Lunch will be provided. Join us on **September 12, 2020, 9 am to 3 pm**. Seating is limited, tickets must be purchased in advance.

**Unfortunately, Vacation Bible School is cancelled** for this year. We look forward to **VBS in June of 2021!**

**Save for this year's LWML Rummage Sale which has been postponed until August or September.**

Call Mary Morse with any Questions.

### **Upcoming Events**

**May 17:** Armed Forces Sunday

**May 21:** *Papa John's Night (present flyer)*

**May 23:** *Applebee's Pancake Breakfast (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip)*

**June 28:** *Horizons Meal*

**September 13:** *CID Scholarship Sunday*

**September 20:** *Church Picnic 4 PM*

**October 5-7:** *Central Illinois Pastors Conference at Our Saviors Lutheran Church, Springfield IL*

**April 29 – May 1, 2021:** *CID LWML Convention*

**May 4-5, 2021:** *Concordia Seminary Multiethnic Symposium in St. Louis, MO*

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

**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.

**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.

**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).

**Open Hands Food Pantry** at The Lutheran Church of Saint John is in need of personal care products & baby diapers. These items are rarely donated and a significant expense to those already having trouble financially.

**Please consider donating to the Matege Family Fund** which Pastor Eden talked about in his last newsletter article and announcements. Please see the Narthex bulletin board for more information.

**Did you recently have someone or a new family move to your neighborhood?** The Evangelism Committee has a Welcome basket that you can give them while introducing yourself and inviting them to our church. Baskets are downstairs on the table as you enter the basement.

**Concordia Lutheran School, Springfield** is looking for qualified individuals to fill open positions. We are looking for an individual to organize and conduct our summer camp program, camp is designed for students going into kindergarten through fifth grade. We are also looking for a part-time preschool aid, this year-round position that will begin at the start of summer 2020. If interested in either position, please send your resume to [school@concordiaspfld.org](mailto:school@concordiaspfld.org).



## April 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](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:	2-Feb	9-Feb	16-Feb	23-Feb	1- Mar	8-Mar	8-Mar
Profit:	\$80.51	\$109.27	\$58.42	\$113.89	\$100.00	\$86.92	\$70.58
# orders:	13	14	13	15	18	14	10
Avg Profit/order:	\$6.19	\$7.81	\$4.49	\$7.59	\$5.56	\$6.21	\$7.06
Overall Profit:	<b>\$480.93</b>	<b>\$590.21</b>	<b>\$648.63</b>	<b>\$762.52</b>	<b>\$862.52</b>	<b>\$949.44</b>	<b>\$1,020.02</b>

Scrip Inventory Highlights: We currently we have some cards in stock for Applebee's (\$25) and Steak n Shake (\$10). We also have some cards for Target (\$10), and Bath & Body Works (\$10). Stop by the scrip table for these cards and many others! Thanks for your support! We are getting closer to our first \$1,000 profit goal of 2020!

**2020 Guatemala Mission Team** Consider joining a week of service in Guatemala from **Sept. 26-Oct. 4, 2020**. Help lead a daily Bible lesson for children, visit with people in their homes, and support the work of the mission-aries from Groundwork Guatemala. No experience is necessary and this is a wonderful opportunity to experience mission work in another country. Contact LCoSJ, 222-8579 or [pastor@lcosj.org](mailto:pastor@lcosj.org) for more info.

**Basic LERT training for 2020 has been postponed** at St. John's Lutheran Church, 1450 30th Avenue, East Moline, Illinois 61244

**During this time of social distancing, the Thrivent Member Network Heartland Region** would like to invite you to the following virtual events. To learn more about these events or to register, click on the dates and times below.

**Social Security: Money Left on the Table with Guest Speaker: Jim Caulder** Join us virtually for a valuable event with national Social Security expert Jim Caulder. Jim is known as "Mr. Social Security" for his years of helping thousands with decisions on how best to utilize Social Security benefits based on their life situations. Join this webinar to learn how to find money and avoid costly mistakes.

[April 28th, 6:30 pm](#)

**Date Night from Home** Put the kids to bed, grab your favorite drink and snack and join us for a fun and interactive workshop designed for couples to create a financial future together. [April 23rd, 8:00 pm](#)

**Thrivent Thursday** Join us on Zoom or Facebook Live every Thursday at 9:00 am. A different guest speaker will be featured each week providing tips and resources for caregivers to use as they take on the role of school teacher, how to manage stress, make healthy family friendly meals with what's in your pantry, exercising at home, and much more. Every Thursday, 9:00 am

To view more events visit our Thrivent Member Network website and don't forget to follow us on Facebook

**CID Endowment Fund** started by investing in CID Church Extension Fund CDs. Approximately five years ago the board started to explore options due to declining interest rates on the CDs held for investment. One of the options was Lutheran Legacy Foundation which offered more diversity of investment and matching funds for a portion of the amount invested there. The board has two investments with Lutheran Legacy Foundation which achieves some diversity of investment. In 2016 the board developed and adopted an Investment Policy Statement to guide further diversification of its investments. In August 2016 the board elected to convert about half of its CDs to a managed equity portfolio at the Illinois National Bank. Today, the investments held by the Endowment Fund consist of Church Extension Fund CDs, Lutheran Legacy Foundation and assets managed by the Illinois National Bank. The assets of the CID Endowment Fund totaled \$881,858 at the end of 2011. Seven years later, at the end of 2018, the assets totaled \$1,175,224. Next month's Endowment Fund paragraphs will discuss historical and current approaches to funding CID scholarships.

LWML District Convention has been postponed until April 29 – May 1, 2021.

**ST. JAMES SCHOOL is where...**

- The Christian faith is nurtured and fed every day and is integrated throughout the day.
- Accelerated Reading is part of our Language Arts curriculum.
- Computer/technology instruction is part of our curriculum.
- Weekly school-wide chapel service with pastors leading each week.
- Student recognition for academic success, church attendance and Accelerated Reading success.

**2020-2021 Enrollment** -is now open and will be online for both current and new students. <https://ssl.fastdir.com/stjamesqcy>, please share if you know someone who is looking for a great Christ-centered educational experience.

**LEARNING PACKETS** are now available on Fast Direct.

**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

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

<b>Income</b>	<u>Jan. '20</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
001 · 001 General Offerings	24,792.31	25,126.75	-334.44	98.8%
003 · 003 Loose Plate	256.25	500.00	-234.75	53.1%
011 · 011 General Fund Interest	1.42	4.16	-2.75	34.1%
019 · 019 ORLC Scrip Fund	0.00	458.34	-458.34	0.0%
020 · 020 Bequest Fund	0.00	518.00	-518.00	0.0%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>25,058.98</b>	<b>26,607.25</b>	<b>-1,548.27</b>	<b>94.2%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
Mission	500.00	1,416.00	-916.16	35.3%
Personnel	17,160.77	16,444.73	716.04	104.4%
Program	1,053.45	5,371.77	-4,318.32	19.6%
Property	2,537.93	4,445.48	-1,904.55	57.1%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>21,252.15</b>	<b>27,675.65</b>	<b>-6,423.49</b>	<b>76.8%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>3,806.83</b>	<b>-1,068.39</b>	<b>4,875.22</b>	<b>-356.3%</b>

We are all experiencing hardship during this COVID-19 outbreak. Like many of you, our staff are working primarily from their homes. One group particularly hard hit are new Americans; those immigrant and refugee families that are learning the ways of our country, the language and the nuances of being an American. Most of them have entry level jobs and several have been laid off or had had their hours significantly reduced. Additionally, many have been relying on the school system to feed their children breakfast and lunch and are now trying to keep up with rising food bills. Our partners in ministry, Christian Friends of New Americans, are reaching out to these distressed families through congregations to provide much needed help and assistance. And they need our help. Recently through the generosity of some donors, CFNA is matching your financial gifts dollar for dollar up to \$10,000. Also, if you are a new donor, your gift will be matched two dollars for every dollar donated. Click on their website [cfna-stl.org](http://cfna-stl.org), then on "Give Now" and then the DONATE button. Thank you and God Bless!

**CID Updates:** Due to the stipulations put into place to reduce the size of gatherings, many events of the Central Illinois District have been postponed or canceled. Please note that we update the website ([www.cidlcms.org](http://www.cidlcms.org)) regularly and often so information is current. -LERT training: Scheduled at St. John's, East Moline has been postponed. No new date has been scheduled at this point. -Pre-Retirement Workshop: has been indefinitely postponed.

**Attic Spring Cleaning:** In the Northwest corner of the Old Chapel are a number of items which haven't been used for a quite awhile. If anyone thinks some-thing should be saved out of these items, please let Gary (257-2437), Dennis (242-9083) or Gretchen (223-1769) know. Otherwise the items will be donated to the LWML Rummage Sale

## 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 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.

*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.



## April Birthdays

1 Chris Allen	12 Jean Ennen	70	20 Angie Klauser
1 KayLynn Blickhan	12 Morgan Frohn		21 Gina Eickelschulte
2 Emma Showman	12 Greg Zehnle		21 Amanda Zehnle
3 Kate Foster	13 Anderson Knapp		22 Carmell Fitch
3 Terry Morse	15 Holly Casanova	45	23 Craig Gooding
4 Brad Scharnhorst	15 Evan Sass		23 Joseph Ott
6 Emanuel Voepel	17 John Dicks		25 Gary Hyer
8 John Go	17 Mona Fischer		27 Marcia Clevenger
8 Joseph Ohnemus	17 Mary Hurley		27 Rhoda Wemhoener
8 Bill Schlipman Jr.	17 Tina Vaughn		29 Ruth Snowden
10 Amy Edwards	17 Linda Wingerter		30 Brandy Gilbert
11 Cailin Clevenger	19 Alexis Hibbert		30 Naomi Tipton

## April Baptisms

1 Christina Kaltenbach	15 Phyllis Cook	23 Eleanor Schlegl
1 Tina Vaughn	16 Ashley Brown	23 Grace Vaughn
2 Kaiden Weisheit	16 Coby Klauser	24 Donna MacFadden
3 Carl Muehring	17 Stacy Kuhn	25 Joshua Weisenburger
5 Edwin Murphy	17 Brian Manton	26 Reagan Spilker
6 Mike Douglas	17 Chad Manton	27 Farren Campbell
6 Conall Wolfmeyer	17 Kara Mercurio	27 Kate Foster
9 Darren Fink	17 Jennifer Tournear	27 Greg Zehnle
11 Marilyn Hanawalt	18 Ron Bowles	28 Evan Baker
12 Deanna Hibbert	18 Robert Mehl	28 Madelynn Jones
13 Lillian Cramlett	19 Aaron Goodwin	28 Dave Wombles
13 Erin Humphrey	19 Kathy Ragsdale	29 Stephanie Bush
14 R.P. Schaller	20 Erin Fischer	29 Mona Fischer
15 Levi Cook	22 Tiffany Hines	29 Brett Scharnhorst
	22 Kim Pracht	

## April Anniversaries

3 Eric and Stacy Fischer	23 years	21 Brad and Kim Scharnhorst	30 years
3 Mark and Nerissa Vahle	8 years	22 Tanner and Faith Clevenger	3 years
5 Rod and Teresa Allensworth	23 years	22 Randy and Stacy Luker	20 years
8 Thomas and Amy Killday	18 years	24 Brian and Jennifer Burner	27 years
14 Edwin and Betty Blumenkamp	64 years	28 Dennis and Mona Fischer	41 years
16 Keith and Michele Urbon	26 years	29 Ron and Ellie Bowles	64 years
20 Dennis and Brenda Fleming	35 years		

### April Puzzle Answer *(Puzzle on page 13)*

Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God. Matthew 5:9

## April News & Notes *(continued)*

**Classic Lutheran Hour Sermons . . . for a time such as this** These sermons were preached decades ago, when no one had heard of the Coronavirus. But since the Word of the Lord endures forever, each of them speaks to us today. You can share these sermons with your friends by sending one or more of the links below. Don't forget the unchurched! The sermons are archived on the Concordia Theological Seminary website.

A Kind Word	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9835">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9835</a>
A Season To . . .	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9415">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9415</a>
The Church at its Best	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9877">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9877</a>
Comfort	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9542">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9542</a>
Courage to Care	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/10061">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/10061</a>
Dying is Gain	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9345">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9345</a>
Fear, Faith, and the Future	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9956">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9956</a>
Fear of God	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9537">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9537</a>
For the Birds	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9982">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9982</a>
God, our Dwelling Place	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9647">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9647</a>
God is our Strength	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9749">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9749</a>
How to Pray	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9687">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9687</a>
Just Plain Crazy	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9783">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9783</a>
Marathon	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9610">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9610</a>
One Day at a Time	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/10147">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/10147</a>
Pass the Bread	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9894">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9894</a>
Pray Like This	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9819">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9819</a>
Promises! Promises!	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9696">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9696</a>
Satan Is	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9399">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9399</a>
Survival Plus	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9436">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9436</a>
Telling God Where to Go	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9406">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9406</a>
The Last Word	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9591">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9591</a>
The Lord Will Provide	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9508">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9508</a>
The Untouchables	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9359">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9359</a>
When Bad Things Happen	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/10148">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/10148</a>
When You're Up Against It	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9791">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9791</a>
Who Wants to Live Forever?	<a href="http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9973">http://media.ctsfw.edu/Audio/ViewDetails/9973</a>

**Tell Mr. Rodgers a Bible Story!** Our Central Illinois District "neighborhood" has a Mr. Rodgers. He is Mr. Trip Rodgers, who works out of the District office in the areas of Education and Congregational Life. Mr. Rodgers has a bit of a problem, with schools being closed for the moment. He's a little bored. The rest of us in the office are trying to give him some of our work to do, but that only makes him sad! Here's a way to put a smile on Mr. Rodgers' face: tell him a Bible story. Submit a video in which you tell Mr. Rodgers a Bible story. Tell a story of your choosing from the Bible. Tell it straight and true, and be as inventive as you can be in the way you tell it. Kids in every Central Illinois District church can do this project, family by family. Preschoolers can do it, as can those in kindergarten, early grades (1-2), higher grades (3-5), middle school (6-8), even high school! Get your parents to help, if you want and they are willing. Wouldn't it be great if Mr. Rodgers receives so many Bible story videos that it will be hard for him to watch them all? But he *will* watch them, and he will post the best ones so everyone can see them too. Just think: maybe a video that YOU do! Check the CID website, [www.cidlcms.org](http://www.cidlcms.org) Send your Bible story video to Mr. Rodgers at [trodgers@cidlcms.org](mailto:trodgers@cidlcms.org)

CID Endowment Fund CID scholarship funding for the 2019-20 academic year was the first year CID knew in advance what would be received from the Endowment Fund. The CID received in excess of \$44,000 to fund scholarships. The Endowment Fund Board of Trustees has indicated to the CID the continued proactive funding for each academic year equal to 4% of fund assets at the end of each calendar year. The amount will be determined at the February board meeting, with the amount communicated to the CID at that time for their planning purposes. In 2019 the board provided one half of the funds in July and half in November to coordinate with CID's disbursements of funds for students.

**Pastoral Report**  
(February 1 – 29, 2020)

**Official Acts**

**Baptisms**

**First Communion**

**Adult Confirmation & Baptism**

**Youth Confirmation**

**Marriages**

**Funerals**

Robert E. Gilker – February 21, 2020

Frank E. Hanawalt – February 27, 2020

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

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

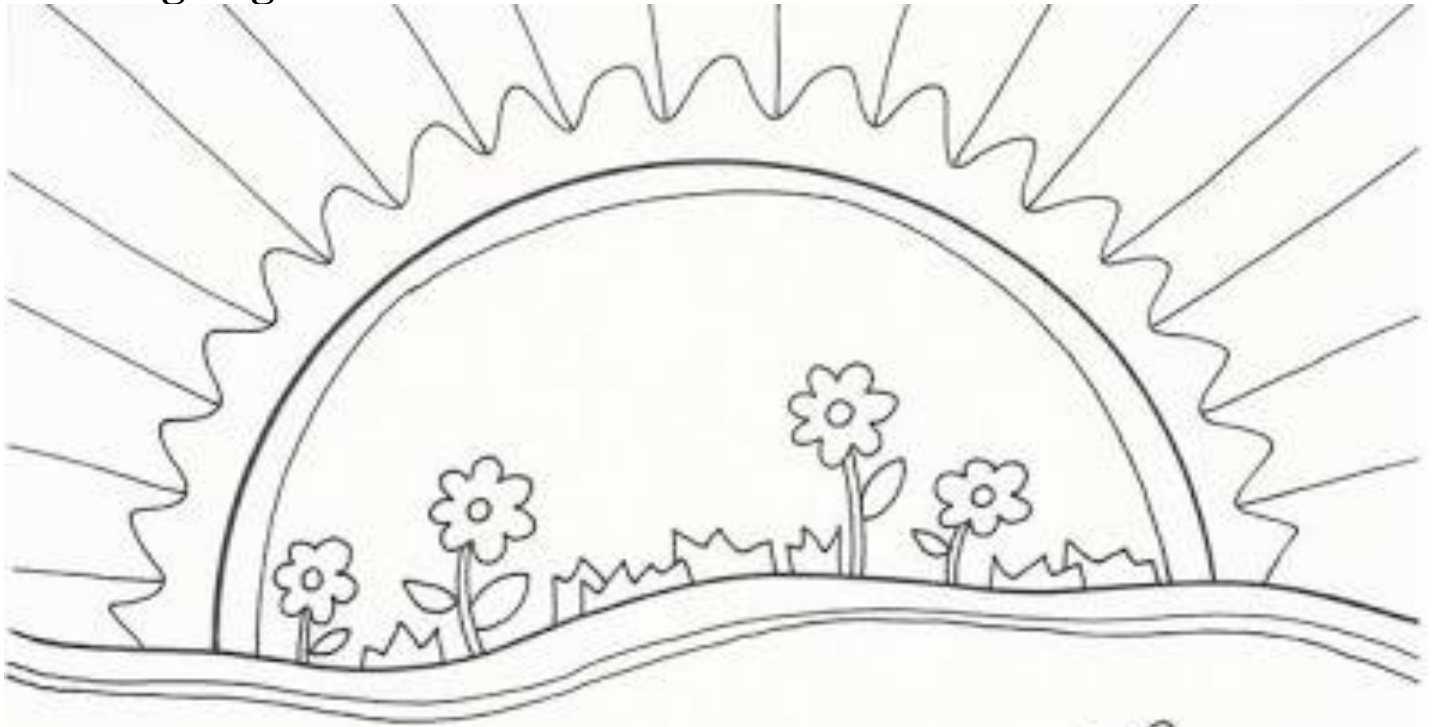
**Transfers Out** [-0B, -0C]

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

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

<b>Membership</b>	<b>Jan. 1, 2020</b>	<b>Gains</b>	<b>Losses</b>	<b>Feb. 29, 2019</b>
Baptized	568	+0	-0	568
Confirmed	440	+0	-0	440

Coloring Page:



Have a  
blessed  
Easter

# PUZZLE PAGE

**PEACE**

by

**Bill Schlegl**

**Write the letter that comes between the two letters given. You will learn why we should live at peace with others.**

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*(Answer Found on Page 9)*





## Camp CILCA

**WORK DAY ~ CANCELLED THIS YEAR.**

**Camp CILCA EARLY BIRD Discount EXTENDED to April 30th! Get 8% off any week of camp when you register by the end of April.**

**WOMEN'S SCRAPBOOK RETREAT ~ April 24-26.** Women of all ages are welcomed for a weekend of scrapbooking, crafting, walks through the woods, fireside chats, Christian fellowship and devotions. Cost is \$80 for lodging and food. Contact the camp office or visit the website (<http://www.cilca.org/scrapbooking-retreat.html>) to register.

### Willing Workers Still Needed

**Part-Time COOK/Kitchen Assistant:** CILCA is still in need of a part-time cook to help with Outdoor Education, weekend retreats, and the Summer Camp program. 10-30 hours per week. \$12-\$14 per hour. Contact the camp office to apply.

**Part-Time Maintenance:** 10-30 hours per week. \$11-\$13 per hour. Contact the camp office to apply.



**Camp will be 20.**

## SUMMER PROGRAMS 2020

The Central Illinois Lutheran Camp Association (CILCA) exists to foster and strengthen faith in Jesus Christ and fellowship with others in a unique outdoor setting. CILCA strives to reconnect Christians to Christ and Creation.

**Another  
Generations  
held June 19-**

### GENERATIONS

Camper's age 3 thru 4th grade are introduced to camp with a 1-night stay with a parent or other adult. \$120\*

Session : July 10-11  
\*per parent/child

### PATHFINDERS

1st- thru 4th-grade campers break out on their own with a 2-night stay. \$140/\*\$175

Session I: June 10-12  
Session II: June 28-July 1\*  
Session III: July 26-28

### BOLD SPIRITS

4th-thru 6th-grade campers experience 5 nights of Camp CILCA. \$310

Session I: June 21-26  
Session II: July 5-10

### DAUNTLESS SOULS

6th- thru 8th-grade campers gather for a screen-free week of life-changing outdoor adventure. \$310

Session I: June 14-19  
Session II: July 12-17

### M.A.D. WEEK

5th- thru 8th-grade campers choose one track-Music, Art, or Drama- for the week & are led by experienced instructors. \$340

Session: June 14-19

### AQUA WEEK

4th- thru 6th-grade water-loving campers will enjoy a full week of water-based activities. \$340

Session: June 21-26

### JOYFUL HEARTS

Camper's age 13 and up with developmental disabilities experience the joys of the outdoors during a 4-night stay. \$300

Session: May 31-June 4

### ATHLETICS WEEK

5th- thru 8th-grade campers focus on a new sport every day: soccer, volleyball, track & more! \$340

Session: July 5-10

### NIGHT OWL

6th- thru 8th-graders experience camp while staying up all night and sleeping all day. Enough said! \$340

Session: July 12-17

### INTREPID HEARTS

High-School students enjoy the rejuvenation of God's creation in a laid-back week before school starts. \$310

Session: July 19-24

## WE NEED YOU!

High-Schoolers & Older! Stay at camp for free while serving as a Joyful Hearts volunteer or Junior Counselor (JC)! Junior Counselors are confirmed members of an LCMS congregation and assist Senior Counselors with the care of campers.

## Register Today!

To find in-depth details on each camp & register\* visit:

**[www.cilca.org](http://www.cilca.org)**

\*\$75 due at time of registration