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2020 Newsletter

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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To the people of God at Our Redeemer,

As we move out of this lockdown due to COVID-19, under current guidelines, barring no setbacks or unforeseen outbreaks, we will be able to gather in groups larger than 10 by the final weekend of June. Current guidelines are that groups of 50 will be allowed as we move into Phase 4. There is a push to allow a percentage of the Fire Code capacity instead of a fixed number, which would make more sense. I spoke to the Fire Department and their guidance is that there will be no limiting fixed number of people in attendance, and that family units may sit together, but all others need to maintain six feet distance. We will keep monitoring the progress.

Therefore, as of now, we are prepared to have regular worship services beginning Saturday June 6 at 5:00 PM and Sunday June 7 at 9:00 AM There will be no communion during the service until June 21 when we will have Holy Communion distributed in the "no touch" manner we have been using in our Tuesday and Thursday services. There will be four such stations with the bread and the wine. We will keep a sanitary environment.

The recommendation from the Elders is that, even though we will block off every other pew and the congregation will maintain the recommended six foot barrier between them and anyone not from their household, as recommended by the CDC, masks are recommended (but not mandatory) and should especially be worn while singing as during that time in particular you are forcing the moisture in your breath a farther distance than normal speaking.

All Hymnals and Bibles will be removed from the pews and the entire service will be printed in the bulletin. Those attending Saturday night are asked to take their bulletin home with them. We will not be filling out attendance cards. We will not be collecting prayer requests. If you have a prayer request, please call the church office during the week.

These past few months have been very inconvenient to say the least. We will deal with these further inconveniences for a while. The good news is that the Word and Sacrament ministry at Our Redeemer has and will continue. I thank you for your support and patience during the ordeal.

There is some good which has come from being forced to conduct ministry in a different way. I have really enjoyed teaching in the current format. Therefore starting June 17, I will be moving our Wednesday Facebook Live Bible study to 10:00 AM. If anyone would like to come to church and be there in person, you are welcome. Then following the Bible Study, at 11:30 AM, we will have a Service with Holy Communion similar to what we have been doing on Tuesday and Thursday. The hope is that for those who are working this would fit into their schedule as it would be over their lunch hour.

St. Paul tells us that "God works all things for the good." As we move forward and venture back out into the world, I pray that you look for the good and see the good. Everyone will venture out at a different pace with different levels of comfort and risk tolerance. There is no uniform "one-size-fits-all" solution to dealing with this virus. We will do everything that we can to provide a safe and comfortable worship environment while maintaining the reverence and joy of fellowship which comes with worshiping together

In Christ,

Pastor Eden

Who's Who at Our Redeemer

Stan Yelton (3 rd term) Chet Vahle (3 rd term) Barb Vahle (3 rd term) Michele Clevenger (2 nd term) Wanda Spohr (2 nd term) – Counters Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2020
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VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Oct. 2019 - Sept. 2021
Ryan Vaughn (3 rd term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Larry Foster (3 rd term) – Communion Asst.	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
Darrell Drescher (3 rd term) – Special Services	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
Gene Bluhm (1st term) – Sunday Ushers	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
Bill Haire (2 nd term) – Saturday Ushers	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Steve Schoch (1st term) – Head Elder	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Jeff Wolfmeyer (1st term) – Altar Care	Oct. 2018 - Sept. 2020
Ruth Ann Snowden (3 rd term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
Michele Schoch (1st term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Dennis Baker (1st term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
Gary Hyer (1 st term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
Hannah Ajdinovich (1st term)	Oct. 2019 – Sept. 2021
David Pellman (3 rd term)	Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2020
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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:
Ian & Sarah Heinze – on Vicarage
Our Savior Lutheran Church, 7910 E. St. Joe Highway, Lansing, MI 48917

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.



UPCOMING...

June picnic meeting

– 6 pm, carry-in, date

TBA ---we shall see!!

June 27 – Blind Service meal @ St. James

July Birthday Celebration meeting

Date TBA

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

May News

No meeting was held!

Our annual rummage sale was postponed to the fall. A date will be announced later.

Our LWML CID 75th Anniversary Convention was cancelled. We will celebrate at next year's convention.

Our 2020 Missions Projects
National - Lutheran World Relief,
Lutheran Hour Ministries, African
Radio, Comfort Dogs

Local – Camp Callahan, ORLC St. James Endowment Fund, ORLC Youth, Camp Cilca 2019-2020 LWML CID Mission Grants

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

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

This grant will provide partial funding to CID students to become full-time church workers. The funds will be distributed through the LCMS CID Scholarship Committee.

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

Our CID mission goal is \$105,000, of which \$78,750 is for our grants and the remainder for our national mission grants.



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

Ministry in Motion at Trinity in Mobile, AL - \$58,000

Trinity Lutheran Church serves an impoverished neighborhood in Mobile, Alabama.

This grant will provide transportation to and from church in a bus that provides easier and safer access for all ages with lower steps and handrails, a wider door, and wider rows and aisles. The bus, also, will be a big help to Trinity in expanding their outreach to those in need by making vital transportation available to children, youth, parents, and seniors.

For more information about this mission, go **lwml.org**, hover over missions and click on Mission Grants.

June News & Notes

Save for this year's LWML Rummage Sale which has been postponed until August or September. Call Mary Morse with any Questions.

Upcoming Events

September 12: Women's Conference at Lutheran Church of Saint John

September 20: Church Picnic 2 PM – 7PM

Sept. 26-Oct. 4: 2020 Guatemala Mission Team with LCoSJ

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 searching for volunteers to help our pantry run smoothly! We need people to help take patrons through the pantry, help stock shelves and portion items. Please consider giving your time to help this ministry that supports so many. We are also 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 Evandelism Committee has a Welcome basket that yo can give them while introducing yourself and inviting them to our church. Baskets are downstairs on the table as you enter the basement.

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! Go to: shopwithscrip.com for a complete list. We are happy to help you learn how to use scrip!

Scrip

Wook and ing:

8-Apr

4-May

12-May

Update

Week ending:	8-Apr	4-May	13-May	17- M ay
Profit:	\$141.29	\$145.04	\$50.49	\$50.49
# orders:	14	13	5	5
Avg Profit/order:	\$10.09	\$11.16	\$10.10	\$10.10
Overall Profit:	\$1,161.31	\$1,306.35	\$1,356.84	\$1,356.84

Seminarian Ian Heinze is now Vicar Ian Heinze. He will be serving at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 7910 E. St. Joe Highway, Lansing, MI 48917. His spouse is Sarah.

We are excited to share with you that the CID Facebook page has officially launched! Please "like" the page if you are on Facebook and share with your congregations! We currently have Holy Week devotions going up twice per day but are excited about other content we will be bringing to you in the coming weeks! https://www.facebook.com/cidlcms/?modal=admin_todo_tour

June News & Notes (continued)

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. Monthly team meetings start **Mar. 9.** Contact LCoSJ, 222-8579 or pastor@lcosj.org for more info.

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.

Women's Conference at Lutheran Church of Saint John Now September 12th 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.

Bible Bowl: Due to government actions aimed at limiting the spread of the new corona virus, there will be no Central Illinois District Bible Bowl this spring. If any circuit or congregation would like some Bible Bowl questions on the Acts of the Apostles for local use (since your youth have been studying this part of God's word hard), contact Pastor Mark Eddy at markeddy@att.net, and let him know how many sets of questions you can use. He'll e-mail them to you along with a copy of the rules. God bless you all. Pastor Mark Eddy

CPH FaithCourse: Paul's Missionary Journeys

Concordia Publishing House plans to make available online the above-named six lesson video Bible study, taught by Pastor Ken Schurb, one lesson a week starting on May 4. Every weekday a new short section of the week's lesson will be released. People can participate wherever they are. To join this free study, go to https://cphfaithcourses.com/dailypmj/

He will also host Facebook live sessions, 9:30 to 10 a.m. CDT on Saturdays, starting May 9, to cap each week's learning. To access these events on Facebook:

- 1. Log in to your Facebook account.
- 2. Search "CID LCMS" or "Central Illinois District LCMS"
- 3. "Like" our page so you get updates.
- 4. On the left side of the screen, choose Events tab.
- 5. In Events tab, find "Paul's Missionary Journey" event and choose "Attending/Interested" or "Maybe" to receive updates for the event. If you choose "Not Going/Not Interested" you will not receive additional information.
- 6. Check the page and the event for the most up-to-date information.

NOTE: If you do not have a Facebook account, you will not be able to watch the Saturday videos live. After each Saturday video session, however, we will post a link to the recording of it on our CID website. You will be able to view it at your leisure. Look for the link at http://www.cidlcms.org/news.html

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 aide which is a 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.

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.

June News & Notes (continued)

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, 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) regularly and often so information is current.

- LERT training: Scheduled at St. John's, East Moline has been postponed. Not re scheduled yet.
- Pre-Retirement Workshop: has been indefinitely postponed.

Unfortunately, Vacation Bible School is cancelled for this year. We look forward to VBS in June of '21!

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 Send your Bible story video to Mr. Rodgers at trodgers@cidlcms.org

CID Endowment Fund: The CID Endowment Fund Board of Trustees is elected at the Endowment Fund convention every three years at the CID District convention. Current board members are, Rev. Martin Eden, Rev. Karl Eckhoff, Mr. Richard McMullen, Ms. Cheryl Neal, and Mr. John Rodenburg. The board meets four times each year to oversee the operations of the fund, review investments and related returns, and administer funds distribution to the CID for scholarships. Non-voting Trustees are CID President Miller, CID Treasurer Mr. Dale Dirks. The board normally meets in February, May, August and November each year. Recently the board decided to hold the May and November meetings via phone conference to reduce expenses. In the coming weeks, we will share more information with you on our investment history and results.

We are pleased to announce the following anniversaries at ORLC:



Rev. K. Michael Simminger, Emeritus, will celebrate his 50th year in ministry on June 14, and on June 25, and Rev. Martin Eden will mark his 25th year in ministry. Please join us in thanking these gentlemen for their many years of service to God and their guidance for us in our spiritual journey!

*Years

We are planning to properly recognize these anniversaries, but unfortunately any formal celebrations

will be delayed until the COVID restrictions are reduced/lifted. However, we wanted to notify our membership now, so they are aware of these important dates in a timely manner for acknowledgement purposes. We will advise you on the "official" celebrations once they have been finalized.

Miscellaneous Constant Information

Newsletter & Calendar Deadline -

All newsletter & Calendar submissions must be sent in **no later than the 20**th **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.

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 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@ourredeemerguincy.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.

June Birthdays

1	Kitty Schuckman		11	Allison Smith	21	Tory Fitch
2	Hannah Ajdinovich		12	Janelle Burner	21	Mike Schoch
2	Jim Bangert		12	Ada Miller	22	Laurie Bronson
4	Scott Baird		13	Heather Meyer	22	Melissa Knapp
4	Irene Drescher	75	13	Craig Wiesemann	22	Addison Kuhn
5	Larry Bugh		14	Dane Douglas	22	Jamie Louderback 40
5	Trent Douglas		14	Connie Louderback	22	Jessica Weisenburger
7	Marilyn Hanawalt		14	Lynn Sharrow	23	Betty Blumenkamp
8	Patricia Baker		14	Amanda Spilker	23	Raven Bugh
8	Al Ebel		15	Debbie Manton	24	Alexandrea Scharnhorst
8	Kent Schnack		15	Avery Schlipman 20	25	Sam Killday
8	Kirk Wemhoener		15	Stephanie Yates	26	Donna Goodwin
9	Amya Allensworth		16	Carol Muehring	26	Audrey Howell
9	Brenda Fleming	60	18	Todd Shackelford 60	26	Tom Wemhoener
10	Madeline Ehmen		19	Marilyn Lehenbauer 80	26	Gretchen Wolfmeyer
10	Dennis Go 7	70	19	Terry Vaughn	27	Frank Baird
11	Chris Clevenger		20	Lee Hyer	29	Barb Wright
11	Evelyn McDowell		20	Sandra Peters	30	Karol Ehmen
			20	Gracelynn Smith		

June Baptisms

1	Ruth Snowden	9	Sky Fischer	23	Dick Reichert
3	Marcia Clevenger	10	Jessie Huebner	25	Gretta Otto
4	Gary Cramlett	13	David Showman Jr	26	Addison Kuhn
5	Linda Go	16	Nela Church	26	Kirk Wemhoener
6	Dan Hufendick	16	Chance Clevenger	27	Alexandrea Scharnhorst
7	Gary Hyer	17	Mike Vahle	28	Sherry Yelton
8	Holly Casanova	21	Gina Eickelschulte	29	Lynn Wombles
9	Emma Fischer	21	Dalton Stockdale	30	Eric Fischer
9	Kaitlyn Fischer	23	Brandy Gilbert		

June Anniversaries

2	Jeremy and Christa Holtman	2 years	22	Hunter and Annalisa Thewis	2 years
5	Mark and Kari Adams	11 years	25	Alejandro and Holly Casanova	15 years
11	Jim and Denise Lucas	32 years	25	Howard and Ruth Snowden	43 years
11	Chad and Amanda Manton	9 years	27	Larry and Tracy Bugh	28 years
11	Dennis and Darylene Mix	26 years	28	James II and Rebecca Jones	29 years
12	Bradly and Laura Essington	27 years	29	Ryan and Michelle Schnack	14 years
17	Paul and Arjee Weisheit	7 years	30	Dick and Joann Reichert	57 years
18	Tafone and Taylor Mayfield	2 years	30	Brandon and Melissa Smith	13 years
20	Ray and Donna Johnson	61 years			

June News & Notes (continued)

The Church Extension Fund doesn't want your first fruits!

We ask that you offer your first fruits to your local church by continuing with your regular contributions so that your church has the means to support your brothers and sisters in Christ during these difficult times. You are their lifeline.

But where God has provided you with additional financial blessings, we do want to offer you an opportunity that will benefit both you and the churches and schools in the Central Illinois District.

The Church Extension Fund has several investment opportunities available to LCMS members and to our local churches, schools, and organizations that provide returns which are more than competitive with other financial institutions during this economic downturn. Minimum investment is only \$500. Our interest rates and terms are listed below:

	Interest
<u>Term</u>	Rate _
24-month	1.90% Special Rate – Limited Time Offer
60-month	1.75%
36-month	1.50%
12-month	1.00%
6-month	.50%

If you are interested, you can find our application on the District website (www.cidlcms.org) – click on the Church Extension Fund box in the left-hand column, or email us at cef@cidlcms.org or call our office at 217-793-1802 and ask for Susan or Chris. All your investment dollars stay in the Central Illinois District and support the churches and schools within the District.

Hello all at Redeemer Quincy from Pam on behalf of Redeemer, Harlow. I am hoping everyone is keeping safe and well and that the Covd-19 has past you all by. Here at Harlow, most of us are observing the 'keep indoors' rule and some of us are allowed out for exercise and shopping. However, generally our families are shopping for us. As for myself, we go out for an hour walk daily and will be shopping on Wednesday for the first time in seven weeks, as we take all the precautions advised. So as we cannot visit our church, it is only today we received your very welcome cheque. We have had another break in recently, and although they couldn't get into our office, they caused quite a bit of damage and we are going to have to repair much and also replace one of our fire doors. So once again your gift has been timed perfectly. Thank you so much for your continued support to us here at Redeemer we are very blessed indeed. God watch over each and everyone of you and keep you safe. Love and blessings from me on behalf of Redeemer. Pam

April 2020 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

Income	Apr. '20	<u>Budget</u>	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
001 · 001 General Offerings	98,223.17	100,507.00	-2,273.83	97.7%
003 · 003 Loose Plate	1,100.07	2,000.00	-899.93	55.0%
011 · 011 General Fund Interest	5.60	16.64	-11.04	33.7%
019 · 019 ORLC Scrip Fund	0.00	1,833.36	-1,833.36	0.0%
020 · 020 Bequest Fund & Designat	ed <u>0.00</u>	2,072.00	-2,072.00	0.0%
Total Income	99,338.64	106,429.00	-7,090.16	93.3%
Expense				
Mission	4,750.00	5,666.64	-916.64	83.8%
Personnel	65,168.95	65,778.92	-609.97	99.1%
Program	28,004.76	21,487.08	6,517.68	130.3%
Property	<u>13,239.13</u>	<u> 17,769.92</u>	<u>-4,580.79</u>	<u>74.5%</u>
Total Expense	111,162.48	110,702.56	460.28	100.4%
Net Income	-11,824.00	-4,273.56	7,550.44	276.7%



Camp CILCA was supposed to open its gates in the summer of 1949. But Polio happened, and camp was delayed until 1950. This is the 70th anniversary of that first camping season, and so it is in some ways fitting that a virus should once again strike and close CILCA's gates. It is with great sadness that I write this. *There will be no overnight camp in 2020*.

The annual *Hog Roast* has also been transitioned from a physical fundraiser into a *virtual fundraiser*. We pray that in lieu of attending the hog roast you will consider making a donation to the camp. Those donations can be sent in the mail or made online at:

(http://www.ultracamp.com/donations/donationselection.aspx?idCamp=741&campCode=vbp&idDonationCategory=1223).

The Chicken Fry and Auction are still planned for Labor Day Weekend. It is my prayer that by then this will all be an unpleasant memory.

Our lives rest in the pierced hands of our risen Savior. Let us trust that He will bring us through, and continue to work for our good. God bless you all.

Joshua W Theilen
Director, Camp CILCA

Here are a few commitments from CILCA in 2020:

- The grounds will remain open for families and small groups (10 people or less) to hike, fish, boat, or camp out in tents, trailers, or cabins. We pray that you will take advantage of this and come out to enjoy God's wonderful creation.
- 2. We will be selling "Camp-From-Home" kits. These will include a camp t-shirt and other merchandise, as well as the Bible study, a craft, and a variety of activities designed to help you engage with God's creation. These will be on sale by Memorial Day weekend. The cost will be around \$50, depending on the cost of shipping.
- 3. We will also have *some on-line content*. These videos on our website, or Facebook, however, are not designed to keep children indoors and staring at a screen. There are enough of those out there. Our hope is that these videos will encourage you and your campers to *connect with our Lord in His Word and to engage His creation first hand*.
- 4. We also hope to have day-camps on Saturdays in July and August if we reach phase 4 by then. We will keep you updated on that as the summer progresses.

Camp CILCA exists to foster and strengthen faith in Jesus Christ and relationships with others in a unique outdoor setting.



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.

Thrivent Thursday (Every Thursday, 9:00 am)

Join us on Zoom or Facebook Live. 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.

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

June Puzzle Answer (Puzzle on page 15)

I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the father but by me. John 14:6

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL, QUINCY, IL

WHAT A YEAR! – Never in our wildest dreams would anyone have thought that we would experience the type of school year we just finished. Students, parents, and teachers were in uncharted waters. We all experienced the same storm, even though we may have been in different boats. Our 2020 upcoming St. James graduates include: Anna Ehmen, Xavier Hawkins, Lily Hayes, Phoebe Hayes, Landon Hill, Anderson Knapp, Ethan Mohr, Tristan Mohr, Edwin Murphy, Hutson Vander Ley, and Grace Vaughn. We will have a graduation service at a later date. Additional information will be upcoming. Congratulations Class of 2020!

GET THE WORD OUT! – St. James Lutheran School has served the Quincy community since 1851 with quality Christian education. We are thankful that the Lord has blessed the efforts of many people for these many years. We pray for God's continued blessings as we begin preparing for the 2020-2021 school year. Tell your friends and neighbors about St. James and encourage them contact the school or give their contact information to Principal Landskroener. The process for registering for the upcoming school year has been simplified this year. Go to http://www.fastdir.com/stjamesqcy/. Have any questions? Call the school office!

FAMILY IN NEED – St. James School has a family really struggling with paying their tuition since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. Any financial help you could possibly provide for this family would be greatly appreciated. Contact Principal Landskroener if you have any questions.

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION - 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

Assignments for June 2020	
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Ushers:

Saturdays at 5:00 PM	Dennis Baker
Sundays at 9:00 AM	Larry Ehmen, Brad Ehmen, Gene Bluhm, Terry Morse

Counters: Larry Ehmen, Marty Otto

Altar Care: Becky Lunt, Gina Eickelschulte, Deanna Hibbert, One Needed

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

If anyone does not feel comfortable doing their assigned jobs yet please let the person in charge of your job know so a replacement can be found if needed.

Official Acts

Baptisms

First Communion

Adult Confirmation & Baptism

Youth Confirmation

Marriages

Funerals

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]

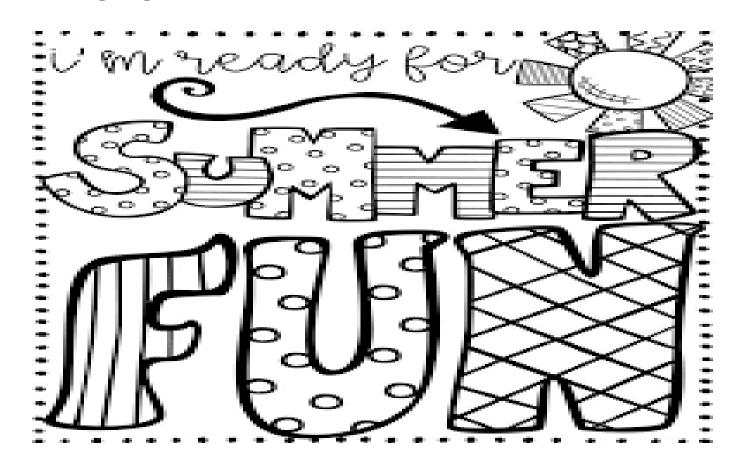
Transfers Out [-0B, -0C]

Requested Removal [-0B, -0C]

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

Membership	Jan. 1, 2020	Gains	Losses	Aprr. 30, 2020
Baptized	568	+3	-0	571
Confirmed	440	+3	-0	43

Coloring Page:





PUZZLE PAGE

WONDERFUL WORDS

by

Bill Schlegl

Write the letter that comes between the two letters given. You will learn wonderful words that Jesus spoke.

	HJ	ZB LN	SU GI DF	VX ZB	XZ
SU GI DF		SU QS TV SU GI	ZB MO C	 E SI	J GI DF
KM HJ EG	DF	MO NP	LN ZB MO	BD NP	LN DF SU GI
TV MO SI	J NP	SU GI DF	EG ZB SU G	BI DF QS	AC TV SU
AC XZ		 N DF			

(Answer Found on Page 11)