





2020 Newsletter

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

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To the people of God at Our Redeemer,

Nothing in 2020 has felt normal. We are preparing for a new school year, which means there are decisions to be made concerning Sunday School, Confirmation, and First Communion classes. As of the time of my writing this, Sunday School restarting remains a fluid situation. More information will be forthcoming as we have more data and can see how the elementary schools function in August and September. We would rather learn from their experiments than to do the experimenting ourselves.

Confirmation and First Communion classes will begin in September. I will be contacting the parents with details. As for the 2020 Confirmation Day, we will continue to put that on hold until we can do it with the pomp and celebration the day deserves. The good news is that all of those youth have gone through First Communion class so there is no delay in them receiving the Sacrament.

I appreciate the patience and understanding from our members as we strive to strike the balance of maintaining a functional ministry at Our Redeemer while also limiting risk of exposure to COVID-19

Some of our members, especially those who are in the higher risk groups, have felt uncomfortable being in any sort of crowd (and rightfully so). However, some have not received the Sacrament since early March. I would encourage you to take advantage of our Wednesday 11:30 AM Communion Service. The service lasts about 15 minutes and currently has had less than 20 people in attendance. It is very easy to stay socially distant in that setting even if attendance should double. There is no singing, and the distribution is a "no-touch" system.

There is no way to do anything in this sinful world where there is no risk. I understand that some are more able than others to take on risk in this environment. Back in May, in Bible class, I spoke of Ernie Johnson who did not join with his broadcast team on TNT for the charity golf match with Tom Brady and Peyton Manning because he has been caring for his son Michael who has muscular dystrophy and for the past nine years has been on a ventilator. His risk level is different than his co-workers.

And Ernie Johnson is a risk taker. In 1991, although he and his wife had two healthy children, they adopted Michael from an orphanage in Romania. At age 3, he could not speak or walk and had other developmental issues. I encourage you to go on YouTube and watch "Trust God – Ernie Johnson." Life in this fallen world is hard. It is demanded of us that we make difficult decisions about what we think is best for ourselves and for others. Asking "Why?" is a fool's errand. Ernie Johnson's approach is "Trust God – Period."

I can't offer better advice during this trying time. Trust God. When we pray "Thy will be done," understand that is a prayer that takes the ultimate decision making out of our hands. We will move forward along the path of His choosing. It will seem that mistakes are being made. It will seem that we are moving too fast or too slow. The one thing which is certain is that however we move forward, God's will is being accomplished. As Ernie Johnson says, "Trust God."

In Christ,

Pastor Eden

Who's Who at Our Redeemer

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

Remembering In Our Prayers



REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY SERVICES:

Mark & Kari Adams, Mark Borg, Paul Boriack, Steve Clark, Aaron DeWerff, Michael Goodwin, Robert Goodwin, John Haines, Zach Howerton, Ryan Keller, Jason Klauser, Levi Meyer, Jeremy Schwartz, Aaron Schmitt, Ryan Thruston, Andy Tipton, Marc Troxel, Brandon VanBastian, and Charles Wheeler.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WITH ONGOING HEALTH NEEDS:

Nick Austin, Sean Burner, Martha Canada, Steve Dunker, Jim Elliott, Lynda Hinkamper, Elaine Hyer, Becki Jones, Kim Long, Meghan Meyer, Michael Morgan, Carl Muehring, Angela Osmundsen, Sutton Perry-Brockemeier, Michelle Reinberg-Page, David Rickey, Cole Schullian, Kory Tournear, Jacob Weimer, Vicki Wemhoener, Jackson Weppler.



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Norma Begeman, Wayne Buesking, Martha Canada, Marcia Clevenger, Joann Durbin, Pat Florey, Marilyn Hanawalt, Isabelle Hillerts, Elaine Hyer, Dolly Powers, 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...

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

Aug. 21 & 22 – Annual Rummage Sale

Sept. 3 – Carry-in mtg., 6 pm @ the Ehmen's

Sept. 15 – Quincy Zone Fall Rally, Golden

Oct. 1 – monthly mtg., 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Oct. 4 – LWML Sunday

July News

Our annual birthday celebration meeting was cancelled.

Now, more than ever, LWML needs the support of your mites to help fund our local, District and National Mission Projects! Please pick up a mite box on the table in the narthex to fill or bring your mite coins to put in the large acrylic mite box! Your generosity is so very much appreciated!

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 #3 – Danville's Trinity Lutheran's "Food for the Children" Program- \$10,000

This program supplies food on the weekends for students, identified by school social workers, who have little or no food. The program has grown from 50 students in 2010 to over 450 in ten local schools.

All funds will be used to purchase the food and Jesus is introduced through pencils, prayer placemats, bookmarks, and Christian mementos

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.

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



National Mission Grants 2019-2021

LWML has donated over \$100 million since 1942!!

Women's Witness and Mercy Asia, Mission Central - \$100,000

Asia is predominantly secular, with Buddhist, Muslim, Hindu, and other false religions, making it a harvest field ripe for the Gospel! Mission Central provides needed supplies to support the work of 10 women missionaries. This grant will provide funds to support those women in the work they are doing in Asia through flights to and from their mission location, local transportation, insurance, supplies, materials, computers, payment for the education of their children, and other physical support.

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

August News & Notes

All Aboard! St. James Rocky Railway VBS! August 3-7 from 9 AM -12 PM PreK4-5th grade. Registration is mandatory! Contact St. James church office at (217) 222-8447 or sign up online: https://vbspro.events/p/events/stjamesrockyrailway/sessions/50942/participants/new Due to COVID we will NOT be accepting walk-ins, and we are limiting our occupancy. We have designed our VBS morning to provide for social distancing. If you require your child(ren) to wear a mask, you MUST attend VBS with them. We are not making masks mandatory for participants or volunteers. Come join us for a fun-filled week of learning how Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through! Volunteers are still needed! Contact the St. James office to help!

Save for this year's LWML Rummage Sale which is being planned for August 21-22. Call Mary Morse with any Questions.

Pastor Troxel will celebrate his **50th anniversary of Ordination** on **Sunday, August 23**. Again, just like with his retirement this is the date that matches the day. How wonderful of the Lord to have things like that happen. They are simply having a card shower. So, if anyone so desires, a card or note or picture of memory would be appreciated. Send to the Troxel home address: 180 Waukee Ave in Waukee, IA. 50263.

If you would like to attend worship, communion, or Bible study, please make sure you are letting the church office know at 217-223-1769 or signing up online.

Thanks: I greatly appreciate the gift of a new alb, cincture (my rope belt), and three clergy shirts given by ORLC in recognition of the 25th Anniversary of my ordination. I am so blessed to have been called to be your pastor. *Pastor Eden*

ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund - A New Matching Gift During the Corona Virus shut down, many activities came to a standstill. One of those activities was the work of the ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund committee. To help us get back to the work of raising funds for this endowment, a generous member of our church has offered a \$5000.00 matching gift, which will give us the opportunity to increase the fund by \$10,000.00. The donor has agreed to match up to \$5000.00 of your donations to the Endowment Fund made during the remainder of this calendar year. Please consider a donation to this fund as we continue to prepare for the future of Christian education for our children who attend St. James School. Please make checks payable to ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund.

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.

Please consider donating to the Matege Family Fund which Pastor Eden talked about in past newsletter articles and announcements. Please contact Pastor Eden or the church office 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.

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.

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.

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

Week ending:	30-May	21-June	28-June	5-July
Profit:	\$118.24	\$172.78	\$118.57	\$63.40
# orders:	13	20	12	8
Avg Profit/Order:	\$9.10	\$8.64	\$9.88	\$7.93
Overall Profit:	\$1,475.07	\$1,647.86	\$1,766.43	\$1,829.83

Upcoming Events

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

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

Women's Conference at Lutheran Church of Saint John Now September 12th Visit http://www.lcosj.org/home to register! 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.

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 for more info.

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.

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 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!

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 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@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.

August Birthdays

1 1 1 4 5 5	Austin Jones David Rickey Dalton Stockdale Mike Weisenburger Royal Bugh Austin Fischer Melissa Smith	50	9 10 10 11 11 11	Cameron Clevenger Barb Hall Shelly Schoch Nela Church Abby Fischer Steve Hyer Teresa Kemp	50	18 18 20 20 21 22	Caleb Buss Tanner Clevenger James Jones II Aubrey Robertson Abby Hibbert Mike Murphy	
6	Bonnie Blattner		13	Joshua Wemhoener	50	24 24	Bradley Longcor Jr Dolly Powers	90
6	Curtis Cramlett		14	Matt McDowell	40	25	Jim Dice	00
6	William Humphrey		15	Hayley Harvey		26	Jimmy Perry	
7	Brenda Scharnhorst		15	Caroline Weisenburger		26	Cindy Stegeman	
8	Audrea Fitch		16	Gary Gooding		28	Keaton Jones	
8	Jackson Goetz		16	Bonnie Hallerberg		30	Gene Bluhm	
8	Cristine Purcell		17	Lori Allen	60	30	Shirley Dieringer	
8	Gage Scharnhorst		18	Renee Benedetto		31	Cindy Spohr	

August Baptisms

3	Dane Douglas	18	Jessica Weisenburger	25	Julianna Eden
4	Edwin Blumenkamp	19	Anthony Ebel	25	Alayna Schlipman
4	Jane Haschemeyer	20	Joann Harvey	26	Tracy Bugh 50
5	Gretchen Wolfmeyer	20	Teresa Kemp 50	27	Buddy Weisenburger Jr.
6	Vicki Wemhoener	20	Heather Meyer	27	Mike Weisenburger
8	Jackson Goetz	23	Raven Bugh	28	Linda Waterkotte
9	Lee Hyer	23	Curtis Cramlett	29	Zoey Klauser
12	Mary Herschler	24	Tory Fitch	29	Aubrey Robertson
13	Chet Vahle 70	24	Gracelynn Smith	30	Lynda Baker
		24	Barb Wright		-

August Anniversaries

1	Ray & Gina Eickelschulte	33 years	28	Buddy & Jackie Weisenburger	21 years
2	Adam & Amy Buss	12 years	29	Randy & Michele Austin	28 years
4	John & Laurie Bronson	8 years	29	Jerry & Debbie Manton	39 years
4	Bradley & Morgan Longcor	9 years	31	Steve & Hannah Ajdinovich	7 years

August 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:

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<u>Term</u>	Rate	2
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.

June 2020 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

Income	<u>Jan-Jun '20</u>	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
001 · 001 General Offerings	151,474.78	150,760.50	714.28	100.5%
003 · 003 Loose Plate	1,549.07	3,000.00	-1,450.93	51.6%
011 · 011 General Fund Interest	7.56	24.98	-17.42	30.3%
019 · 019 ORLC Scrip Fund	0.00	2,752.02	-2,750.02	0.0%
020 · 020 Bequest Fund & Designate	ed <u>1,509.30</u>	3,108.00	-1,598.70	48.6%
Total Income	154,540.71	159,643.50	-5,102.79	96.8%
Expense				
Mission	5,750.00	8,499.98	-2,749.98	67.6%
Personnel	96,859.68	98,668.44	-1,808.76	98.2%
Program	35,081.34	32,230.56	2,850.78	108.8%
Property	19,388.81	26,654.94	-7,266.13	72.7%
Total Expense	157,079.83	166,053.92	-8,974.09	94.6%
Net Income	-2,539.12	-6,410.42	3,871.30	39.6%

August Puzzle Answer (Puzzle on page 13)

If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins. 1 John 1:9

PREK 3 TEACHER - St. James is **seeking a PreK 3 teacher** for the 2020-2021 school year. Please contact the school office for information.

WORKING LIKE MAD! The school board, the COVID committee and our faculty are working hard to prepare for the upcoming school year. Many plans are being made to insure our students and staff return to a clean and sanitized school. Additional plans include identifying how we will continue to provide a quality Christian education in a healthy environment. We would be happy to share with you a detailed copy of our fluid plans so far! Contact the school office. **School begins Wednesday, August 19th with face-to-face instruction.**

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/stjamesacy/. Have any questions? Call the school office!

SEARCHING FOR SUBS – St. James continues to request names of qualified people that would be interested in being a substitute teacher and/or aide during the school year. Please give the school office the names of interested people.

THANK YOU to everyone who donated to help a struggling family pay their tuition. The need remains and it's not too late to participate.

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION -Thank you and keep saving those labels!

<u>EAGLE VISION</u> 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 August 2020

Ushers:

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

Counters: Rosie Meyer and Joann Reichert

Altar Care: Barb Ellerbrock, Mary Morse, Amy Killday, Volunteer 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.

Pastoral Report (June 1 – 30, 2020)

Official Acts

Baptisms

First Communion

Adult Confirmation & Baptism

Youth Confirmation

Marriages

Funerals

David Nicholson

June 6, 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 [-1B, -1C]

Death [-1B, -1C]

Mary Hurley

June 27, 2020

Transfers Out [-0B, -0C]

Requested Removal [-0B, -0C]

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

Membership	Jan. 1, 2020	Gains	Losses	June 30, 2020
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by Bill Schlegl

Write the letter that comes between the two letters given. You will learn the proper way to handle sins in your daily life.

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Hello to all our friends at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Quincy.

So here we are once more hoping that you have come through the Covid-19 without any harm. I have to send this letter by e-mail as once again I have been self-isolating for two weeks in anticipation of a hip replacement operation on the 1st August. So I am unable to get out to post a letter and hope you will accept this in the spirit it is sent.

I am not sure if you are able to continue with your church services, and if so, have you many restrictions placed upon the return of worship service? We in England are just beginning to organise some church services, but at Redeemer we are hoping for a return on the 2nd August. This does mean, however, many restrictions, no singing for one, which is a blow as we all love our hymns and the service itself has to be short and sweet. Also as we are few in numbers and have quite a bit of space in the sanctuary itself, we can distance ourselves quite well. But we have signage and cleaning materials and no cups of tea after the service. So although it will be lovely to meet up once more, socialising really is not ideal at present.

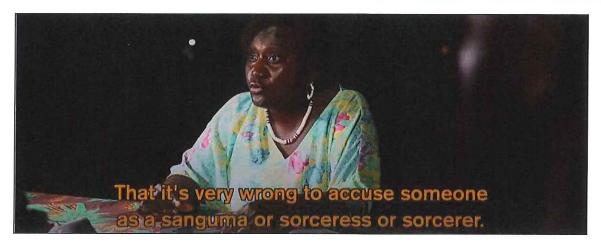
However, we have been having regular Zoom services on Sunday mornings, and at Redeemer we have two bible studies per week, via Zoom again, so we have been really lucky in that respect. There are a few who cannot do this, so Pastor sends them copies of the service and if they wish, can listen on the telephone. How we all long for this horrible pandemic to be gone.

So once more we wish to send our heartfelt gratitude for your continuing donations, especially at this fraught time for everyone. I wish to reiterate again, the money is always a Godsend via Quincy; especially as we now have to find a large amount of cash for the cleaning of our water system and boiler. As we have not used our building for over four months there is the possibility of Legionnaires disease in the water, so we have to have that sorted before we can re-enter our church. So here once more your timing and generosity is timed perfectly. So we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Our re-development plans have been changed to a much better proposition and if all goes well, we should be starting on it within the next few months. So keep well as we are here at Redeemer and next time of writing I hopefully will be far more mobile. Until then.

God's Blessing to one and all. Paw.

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Martin and Marie Dicke—Missionaries Serving the Lord in Papua New Guinea



New Movie to Fight SARV: "Peter and Grace Make a Difference"

By Martin Dicke

Officially the Coronavirus pandemic does not seem to have had much of an impact on the people of Papua New Guinea. Considering the health care system there, the predictions were that if it reached PNG it could spread like wildfire and have devastating effects on vast swaths of the population. The Prime Minister placed restrictions on travel to and from

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You may also call the LCMS at (800) 843-5267 or Mission Central at (712) 882-1029. China shortly after President Trump did and implemented some additional travel restrictions and lockdowns. Things are slowly opening up, but travel restrictions remain in place. Thankfully to date the country has had only 15 official cases with no Covid deaths.

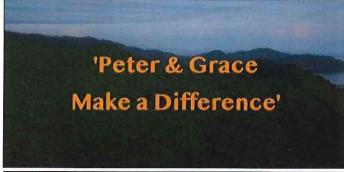
The country however is still struggling to effectively address the scourge of Sorcery Accusation-Related Violence (SARV) otherwise known as Sanguma. These are instances where upon a death, a woman or man or sometimes now even a child is accused of being a sorcerer or sorceress and causing the death. Justice is swift and implemented without due process or mercy by men of the tribe who torture the accused and often kill them. Tragically there continues to be some SARV instances in the Enga Province.

In 2018 the LCMS missionaries in PNG issued a theological statement strongly condemning this practice and offering God's grace and forgiveness to those who repent of it. The purpose was also to encourage and equip

Christians to speak against it. Now one of our LCMS missionaries, Anton Lutz (below), has helped complete a movie addressing the issue.

A leading voice against SARV at both the provincial and national level, Anton wrote a book several years ago to equip children to stand against SARV. With the help of a youth leader and her children in Bougainville,

they have made this story into a movie. It tells of a boy and a girl who when confronted with a SARV incident in their community learn how to respond to it. To view the movie, please visit YouTube and search for the title Peter and Grace Make a Difference. Please pray for the victims of SARV and for an end to this horrific practice and share this story with anyone who might be interested in joining us in prayer.





Dear friends at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Quincy, III, -

The blessings of our Lord Jesus be with you and yours always.

It is now a little more than a month since I stood outside The Senior Center and so many of you drove by, waving, honking your horns, and giving cards and gifts. You are a beautiful group of Lutheran Christians and I will not forget you.

By the time we arrived at my new home, family members had done a great deal of work and except for what we brought with us-had done a beautiful job of preparation. The place looked great.

While it is true that I was born here—1941—and later lived here,—1980-1983—that was over 35 years ago, I get lost even more easily than in Quincy.

The virus had hit Emmaus, Ft. Wayne more than Our Redeemer, Quincy. They had been hit with it when I arrived—one of whom was taken home shortly afterwards. But no new cases of which I am aware.

My daughter, Miriam, and her husband and four kids have been wonderful. We are able to worship together and I am invited to various get-togethers.

I do love my old church-also in its new location. But! They do not sing as well as Our Redeemer, Quincy! Please do not stop singing, please! You are as good as any I have heard.

You were a great blessing in our lives and I pray that you will always be that in each other lives.

Pastor Eden is a very good Pastor and so is Pastor Olsen, here at Emmaus. The Synod is blessed to have confessional men like these.

I will not forget you—please send me a picture book the next time you do one. We pray that God richly blesses you—one and all.

In Jesus' name,

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The Camp CILCA Lowdown

August, 2020

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Camp CILCA needs your help!



Plans are moving forward with the renovation of the beloved Dining Hall. This is an exciting and demanding project that will require all the volunteers CILCA can muster.

The Lord has blessed CILCA with partners like Laborers for Christ to lead the construction, but more help will be needed. And the more volunteers we have the quicker the work goes and the less financial burden is placed on the camp.

TOGETHER we can do this!

Construction will begin in August. Here are some needs:

- *Donations of snacks for Laborers*
- Carpenters and craftsmen
- Extra hands
- Demolition crew
- Clean up crew
- Donations of materials
- Concrete pourers
- Plumbers
- Electricians
- Roofers

Work will be done Tuesdays through Saturdays starting August 18. If you are able to help in any way, please contact the camp office to coordinate the best use of your time and resources. THANK YOU!

Find out more on-line at www.cilca.org

Email camp@cilca.org

Call 217-487-7497



Camp CILCA Outdoor Ministries

March 20, 2020

To: LWML Group Leader and Church congregations of the CID

I have agreed to be the chairman for the auction on Labor Day weekend once again. As you may know, Camp CILCA serves hundreds of youth and adults from throughout Illinois and neighboring states during summer camps and other activities. Year-round retreats and other programs provide services to hundreds of other individuals as well.

Camp CILCA has two major fundraisers each year. One is a hog roast on Memorial Day weekend and our annual Chicken Dinner and auction over Labor Day weekend. I volunteered to be in charge of obtaining donations of any type that could be placed on our live auction and a silent auction. The money raised through the auction will be used to continue the vital ministry of our camp.

In order to have another successful auction we are asking various LWML groups and congregations in the CID to donate a basket for the auction. The theme could be anything such as Camping, Picnic, Kids Play Toys, A Day at the Beach, Gardening, Sports, Handyman, Worship, Scrapbooking, spa, favorite sports teams, movie night, DIY, crockpot/soup, Disney, date night, sandbox, baseball lovers, ice cream sundae, fishing, etc. The possibilities are endless! Please use your imagination and put together a basket that we will sell on the live auction on Labor Day weekend. We would love to see you all at the worship service and hog roast!

We also love donations of quilts, blankets or anything else that we could put on the live auction. There will be a silent auction of various items which usually includes some delicious homemade goodies.

If you are a Thrivent Member, please consider applying for an Action card to be used as a project to provide a basket, handmade blanket, etc.

If you would like to donate something for the auction, you may send it to my address below or contact me to make arrangements to pick it up. You can call me at 309-696-3782 or my e-mail address is weselohamy@yahoo.com. I will make arrangements to pick it up. You can also drop it off at the camp office if that is more convenient for you.

We thank you for your support of the ministry of Camp CILCA. We also ask that you keep the camp and all of our programs in your prayers. For more information on Camp CILCA, check out our website at cilca.org.

Sincerely yours,

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