Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus
For the week Feb. 16-23, 2014

Hospital:

Communed: Gloria Douglas, Mary Hurley, Don Sass, Anna Mae Parsons, Verna Harker, Elizabeth Barton

We Welcome to our Church family Kirk & Sharon Vahle by transfer and Evita Helm by Profession of Faith.

Garage Sale: Due to weather conditions the St. James L.W.M.L. Garage Sale has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 22nd, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the School Gym on 17th & Jefferson, Come find your treasure. Proceeds go to Mission Projects.

Quincy Bible Institute: TODAY- February 16

Memorization or Spiritual Alzheimer's by Pastor Marlin Rempfer - If there is one thing parents and students seem to think is unnecessary and pointless, it is memory work. But what is life like when you can't remember? How do we carry God's Word with us? What is it that God would have us remember? What might help us remember God and the things He wants us to remember?

Two Kinds of Righteousness by Pastor Mike Fieberkorn - "What is righteousness? What does it mean to be righteous?" This session will explore how Martin Luther understood righteousness to be of two kinds - our righteousness before God and before others. The Lutheran church, with its Law-Gospel dynamic, has done an excellent job of highlighting the first kind of righteousness, but we often neglect the second! This presentation will help Lutherans re-appropriate the Law as something positive - namely God's will for our Christian living.

Jesus Christ—Movie Star by Pastor Jeremy Latzke The story of Christ is the greatest story ever told. It's one that's made its way to the big screen multiple times. But Christ figures show up in far more movies than just those that directly set out to tell Scripture's story. What if I said you can see them in movies like Cool Hand Luke, Harry Potter, or even Kung-Fu Panda? During this session we'll take a look at some different ways Hollywood has framed their characters as Christ-like figures, and how to identify if the movie you're watching is attempting to do the same.

February 23 - Cookies by ORLC - *Bible Bowl*

Senior Singles: We will try again to meet for lunch on **Tues.**, Mar. 4th @ 11:30 a.m. at O'Shea. See the new sign-up sheet to reserve a spot.

CID Annual Workshop for anyone interested in Christian education for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. This year the workhop will feature the Rev. Daniel Preus & his wife Linda. The topic is: Sharing the Good News with persons with Mental Illness. It will be held at Faith Lutheran Church, 2320 North Kickapoo St., Lincoln, IL 62656 on **Saturday, March 22, 2014** from 9am-3:15pm. There is no registration fee. For more info. contact: Deaconess Linda Schaefer, PO Box 429, Atlanta, IL 61723 or schaeferdeac@aol.com. See the brochures on the Narthex tables.

Rada Cutlery is an on-going fundraiser & has a variety of, products: cutlery, stone-ware soy wax candles, and quick mixes. Orders are taken and when we have $60 worth, we place the order. You may leave completed Rada order forms with payment at the scrip table. Thank you for your support of PLuS!

Dogwood Parade 2014: Plans will soon be underway for the St. James float in the 2014 Dogwood Parade. This year the parade will be **Saturday, May 3rd**. We would love to have a grand representation for the school. If you are currently a family member of a student be it a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, a current student or a teacher or are St. James alumni, parent of alumni or teacher alumni, this is your invitation to join St. James school in the parade.

There are still some Year End Reports and contribution boxes left on the table in the Narthex. Please pick yours up and save us the postage to mail them.

LCMS Disaster Response Training: St. John's Lutheran Church, East Moline, Saturday, March 29th, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Cost is $35, but you will be certified to Volunteer to help in any disaster. Registration forms are in the office.

Lutheran Marriage Encounter: Wondering what to give your spouse for Valentine's Day? Enjoy a weekend with private one-on-one time with your spouse. The next weekend is scheduled in Peoria, April 4-6th. Registration deadline is March 5th. Apply now at GodLovesmarriage.org or call Norm or Deb at 815-796-2248 for more info. Cost is $45.00. See the brochure on the Narthex table

Birthdays This Week

16 River Bugh
16 Adam Buss
16 Annalisa Eden
16 Darren Fink
16 Conall Wolfmeyer
17 Kimberly Gooding
17 Isabelle Hillerts
17 Ryne Lubben
17 Kenneth Wiesemann
19 Amy Buss
19 Raymond Miklius
19 William Schanbacher
20 Kelsey Valentine
21 Henry Hardy
21 Jason Klauser
21 Martha Otto

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

16 Randy Ellerbrock
17 Cameron McDowell
20 Bennie Hines Jr.
22 Ellie Bowles

Anniversaries This Week

17 Mark & Lynnette Carpenter

Lutheran Volunteer teacher of the Year nominations are being taken. Anyone can nominate any Teacher who is currently serving in the CID and has for at least 3 years. See the secretary for forms & details.

Thrivent Representative: Thrivent is looking for a local Thrivent Representative. Look at the flier included on the Narthex table for details & whom to contact.

Sunday School Offering for Feb. is for the ORLC Knitters.

Five14 High School Youth Event - Free to the first 100 to Sign Up - Five14 is a fun, interactive youth event with young and energetic presenters who use culturally relevant, cutting-edge media and music to help give teens the courage to take a stand for Christ in a world urgently in need of God's light and love. The youth speaker is from Lutheran Hour Ministries and music will be led by a student band from Concordia University Chicago. It is based on Matthew 5:14 "You are the light of the world…" The Youth will be encouraged to use their words and actions in a God-glorifying way that can create curiosity with their peers for the purpose of sharing the Gospel. Five14 is being hosted by St. John Sand Prairie Lutheran Church (Green Valley) on **Saturday, March 22 from 10am-3pm**. This event includes lunch and, because of special funding, it is free for the first 100 to sign up. Space is limited, so sign up ASAP. Go to this web link for more details: www.SandPrairieLutheran.org/five14

Lenten Service Desserts – There will be 6 Wed. Services during Lent for which we will need groups of people to provide the after service desserts. If you or your group would like to sponsor one of them, please call Renee Benedetto (224-2098) or the church office (223-1769).

Mar. 5th – LWML	Mar. 26 -
Mar. 12th –	Apr. 2 -
Mar. 19th -	Apr. 9 –

Woodcutters Retreat @ Camp CILCA: (Feb. 28 - March 2) Each year we have a retreat when men can gather to clear out some fallen trees and prepare firewood for the coming camping season. Come join us on Friday night or even just for Saturday. We will be staying in the Retreat Center. The suggested donation is $25 for housing, meals, and snacks. We begin with registration on Friday night at 7:00 pm and conclude at 11 am on Sunday. Details on Narthex table. More reservation forms available in the church office.

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® by March 31 Eligible members of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans who have been designated Choice Dollars: If you haven't already done so, be sure to direct your designated Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31, 2014. After that date, any undirected Choice Dollars® will expire. Don't miss this opportunity to help support Our Redeemer. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 800-THRIVENT and state "Thrivent Choice®."

Up Coming Events

Feb. 16 Quincy Bible Institute @ St. John's
Feb. 21-22, Higher Things Youth Retreat
Feb. 23 Qcy Bible Inst. - Bible Bowl at St. John
Feb. 28 – Mar. 2, Woodcutters Retreat @ Camp CILCA
Mar. 2 Meatloaf Dinner @ St. John's
Mar. 4 Senior Singles Luncheon
Mar. 5 Deadline for Marriage Encounter weekend
March 8 Spring Fling
Mar. 22 Garage Sale, 8-1 @ St. James
Mar. 22 Five14 High School Youth Event
Mar. 22 Sharing the Good News with those who have Mental Illness
Mar. 29 LCMS Disaster Response Training
May 3 Dogwood Parade
April 5 Spaghetti Dinner @ St. James

Food Bank Know anyone in our church family, who needs help? Contact Cyndi Ott @ 430-0301.

Higher Things Junior Youth Retreat – "Boys, Girls, Cooties & Jesus", $40 Feb. 21-22 @ Zion Lutheran in Staunton, IL. Contact Pastor Joel Frische at joelfritsche@me.com or 618-635-2880.

Penny's (and More) for Life It is time again for Adams County's Right to Life annual campaign. Each member of our congregation is encouraged to donate at least one cent for each year of his or her life in gratitude to God for the gift of life. (being 100-500 years old is also encourage for this worthy cause.) This allows them to purchase & distribute pro-life and pro-chastity materials. There will be a jar on the Narthex Table for the next 3 weeks.

Tri-state Health Care Coalition has free pharmacy cards on the Narthex table. This card is for anyone who doesn't have prescription coverage or is taking a medicine not covered by their insurance. When used at a participating pharmacy it provides a discount on your prescription. The average savings is 20%.

Camp CILCA – 3 Brochures about the camp, what activities they have and when they have them is on the Narthex table. More copies will be sent later.

Annual Soup Supper – Clayton, IL Sat., March 1 @ 5 p.m. Chili & Oyster Soup, Hot Dogs & Barbecue, Homemade Pies & Cakes all for a Free Will Offering.

St James School News

REGISTRATION for the upcoming school year has begun. Please encourage relatives, friends and neighbors to consider sending their children to St. James Lutheran School. The principal, Mr. Landskroener, would love to meet with anyone considering St. James to answer questions and to arrange a tour of our campus. Please contact him at school for further information.

ATTENTION ALL 2014-2015 KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES – An Open House for Kindergarten will be Saturday, March 1 from 10:00am – 12:00pm. All prospective kindergarten families are invited to attend. Come and meet the teacher and other staff members as we prepare for the upcoming school year. If you have any questions, please call the school office.

CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE POSITION AVAILABLE – St. James has an immediate opening for a custodian/maintenance position at the church and school. Please contact the church or school office if interested.

TEACHING POSITIONS AVAILABLE - Mrs. Haas (Pre-K 3) and Mrs. Yelton (morning 6th grade) have announced that they will retire at the end of the school year. We are looking to fill these positions. If you are interested, or know of someone who might be, please contact Mr. Landskroener.

SPAGHETTI DINNER – The Technology Committee/Alumni Spaghetti Dinner will be Saturday, April 5th at 5:00 and 6:00pm in the gym. Please plan to join us for an evening of food and fellowship as we support (free-will offering) technology at St. James.

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK AND SPRING FLING – Lutheran Schools' Week will begin with the Kindergarten Open House on March 1st (see above). The following day is the Meatloaf Dinner at the Lutheran Church of St. John. During the week many activities are planned for students. The week will conclude with the **Spring Fling** at the Senior Center on Saturday, March 8. The theme is *An Evening on the Nile*. It begins at 5:00pm with dinner being served at 6:00pm. The live auction will begin after dinner. Please come and join us for a fun evening of celebration! If you have not received an invitation, please contact the school office.

Remembering In Our Prayers

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY SERVICES: Mark and Kari Adams, Mark Borg, Paul Boriack, Steve Clark, Aaron DeWerff, Michael Goodwin, Robert Goodwin, John Haines, Blake Hemmann, Zach Howerton, Ryan Keller, Jason Klauser, Levi Meyer, Jeremy Myers, Amanda Schwartz, Jeremy Schwartz, Aaron Schmitt, Ryan Thruston, Andy Tipton, Marc Troxel, and Kristen Vahle**.**

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WITH ONGOING HEALTH NEEDS: Nick Austin, Gary Baker, Don & Becky Bangert, Sutton Perry-Brockemeier, Sean Burner, Chris Clevenger, Richard Grathwohl, Lisa Howerton, Elaine Hyer, Mary Lazzeri, Kim Long, Michael Morgan, Nancy Ott, Michelle Reinberg-Page, David Rickey, Cole Schullian, Kory Tournear, Jacob Weimer, Vicki Wemhoener, Jackson Weppler.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Norma Baird, Elizabeth Barton, Jim Callahan, Gloria Douglas, Doreetha Elliott, Ralph Genenbacher, Dorothy Hagemann, Ruth Holt, Mary Hurley, Patti Jenkins, Florence Lavery, Jesse Leenerts, Bob McGartland, Marilyn Newman, Nancy Ott, Anna Mae Parsons, Dorothy Pflantz, Don Sass, LaVora Scoggan, Joyce Southward, Ida Utterback, Robert Wemhoener, Lucille Wiskirchen.

Keep Our Missionaries in Your Prayers

Our Family in Turkey
Apple of His Eye Mission Society,
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Latvia,
The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Harlow, Essex, U.K.,
The Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany,
Mrs. Alvina Federwitz in Liberia, West Africa,
Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz and their children in Papua New Guinea,
Danny and Becca DeLoach and their children back in Papua New Guinea
Mrs. Julie Lutz, home on furlough.

Our Seminary Students

Concordia Seminary

Concordia Theological Seminary, St. Louis, MO:
Chris Troxel, 21 Founder's Way, Unit R, St. Louis, MO 63105-3088
Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, IN:
Timothy Wilcoxen, 514 East Washington Center Road, Ft. Wayne, IN 46825

CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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 – Susan Weiss, Gretchen Wolfmeyer, Katherine Reddick
Kindergarten – Suzanne Troxel
Grades 1 & 2 – Monica Foster
Grades 3 & 4 – Hannah Ajdinovich
Grades 5 & 6 - Donna Haire
Grades 7 & 8 - Cyndi Ott
High School – Steve & Donna Schoch

Serving in Special Ways Today

Altar Committee: Kathy Hyer, Michele Clevenger, Ellie Bowles, Renee Benedetto

Communion Assistants this week: Saturday: 5:00 p.m. – Ryan Vaughn
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – Larry Foster & Gary Hyer
Sunday: 10:15 a.m. – Terry Morse & Chet Vahle

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Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – Larry Ehmen & Jerry Lunt
Sunday: 10:15 a.m. – Jeff Wolfmeyer & Stan Yelton

Ushers: Saturday: 5:00 p.m. – Chris Knapp
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – Larry Ehmen, Jerry Manton Clint & Craig Gooding
Sunday 10:15 a.m. – Don Blattner, Jim Howerton, Jeff & Randy Wolfmeyer

Greeters: Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – East – Norma Begeman & Karen Lohmeyer
- West – Ed Betty Blumenkamp
Sunday: 10:15 a.m. – East – Jim & Denise Lucas, with Autumn, Becky, Beth & Sarah
- West – Steve & Donna Schoch

Registration Slips: Eleanor Schlegl

Counters: Rosie Meyer & Wanda Spohr

Parish Nurse: None

Drivers: Jerry Manton, Steve Hyer, Ryan Vaughn, Ruth Hall & Wanda Spohr

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	February 8 & 9, 2014		February 8 & 9, 2014
Sat. Night	37	General Fund	$5,316.00
Sun., 8:00 a.m.	58	Specials	$1.36
Sun., 10:15 a.m.	63	Bequests	
Total Attendance	158	Kleinsorge Income	
Holy Communion	133	Building Fund	
Adult Bible Class	30	Endowment Funds	
Sunday School	16	Memorial Fund	$225.00
High School	6	Total	$5,542.36

$6,940.15 is needed in General Fund per week to meet budget.

Offerings donated to the Lutheran Bible Translators, from the Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class, during the month of **January** was $131.00.

✠ This Week at Our Redeemer ✠

Sunday: **Epiphany 6**
February 16
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
9:10 a.m. Adult & Children's Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Holy Communion
4-6 p.m. Quincy Bible Institute

Monday: **President's Day** (no School)
February 17
7:00 p.m. Men's Club @ St. James

Tuesday:
February 18
9:30 a.m. Bible Study on David
1:30 p.m. Holy Communion @ Good Samaritan
7:00 p.m. Senior Choir Practice

Wednesday:
February 19
1:00 p.m. Bible Study *(Gospel of St. John)*
4:00 p.m. Youth Choir
5-**6:00** p.m. Confirmation
6:00 p.m. Elder's Meeting
7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting

Thursday:
February 20
6:45 a.m. Bible Study at the Coach House
7:00 p.m. PLuS Meeting

Friday:
February 21

Saturday:
February 22
5:00 p.m. Holy Communion

Sunday: **Epiphany 7**
February 23
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
9:10 a.m. Adult & Children's Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Holy Communion
4 - 6 p.m. Quincy Bible Institute – BIBLE BOWL

*__4th CID Convention__ – March 15th @ Our Redeemer in Jacksonville, IL. See enclosed flyer for details and registration information. Deadline for registration is March 5th. This is open to anyone who is interested.

Opening Thoughts:

"And (Jesus) said to them, 'Why were you looking for Me? Did you not know that I must be in My Father's house?'" *Luke 2:49*

When Jesus was just twelve, He spent considerable time in the temple at Jerusalem, "sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions." (2:46) Though His mother and Joseph did not understand it, Jesus was exactly where He needed to be, in His heavenly Father's house, actively engaged in the word of God. He loved His Father's house, and loved His Father's word. Unlike us, Jesus was keeping the Third Commandment perfectly.

Jesus is certainly the perfect Example for us, demonstrating for us the God-pleasing love of the Father's house and the Father's word. May we all follow Him in this!

More than that, Jesus is the perfect Savior for us. His holy obedience, including His perfect keeping of the Third Commandment, is for our salvation. For God graciously gives all believers in Jesus credit for His sinless obedience. And for the sake of His sinless death in punishment for our disobedience, God graciously forgives all our transgressions of all His Commandments. Thank You, Jesus, our Example and Savior!

Prayers for CID Missions

During the next 30 days please pray for the Latino Outreach Ministry through St. John's Lutheran Church, Beardstown. Pastor Douglas Evenson of St. John's, members of the congregation, area lay people, along with Pastor Pablo Dominguez, CID Hispanic Missionary-at-Large (East Moline, Christ the King Lutheran Church); and the Central Illinois District are working hard telling the Latino people the Good News of Jesus Christ our Savior. Please pray that our request for a Spanish speaking vicar called by St. John's will be answered and that the entire work of spreading God's Word in the Beardstown area will be blessed.

St John's Lutheran Church in East Moline, IL will be hosting a Disaster Response Training on Saturday, March 29th. As of January 2010, federal guidelines require that any volunteers responding to a disaster must be trained and certified or they will be turned away. This training will provide volunteers with National Incident Management System/FEMA credentialing and authorization to enter and provide assistance in a disaster stricken area.

SAVE THE DATE: Each year our District coordinates a workshop for professionals, lay members, teachers, parents and anyone interested in Christian education for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. This year the Special Education Workshop will feature the Rev. Dr. Daniel Preus and his wife Linda Preus. The topic is: Sharing the Good News with persons with Mental Illness.

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Board of Director Notes:

- In their regular focus on a District Mission, Board heard from Pastor Rick Milas on campus ministry work at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- President Miller noted in his report that 1st VP of Synod Herb Mueller and Regional VP Daniel Preus will be officially visiting the District March 24-26. President Miller also reported making appointments to the Camp CILCA Board for the 2014 term.
- President Miller discussed recent action by the Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois choosing compliance with the laws of the State of Illinois over the Biblical teachings of the LCMS. Rather than withdrawing their own application for recognition as a Recognized Service Organization, the LCFS Board of Trustees recognizes that the LCMS may withdraw RSO status, but in order to continue work in foster care, LCFS must abandon church doctrine when in conflict with state law. With deep regret, CID Board of Directors passed a resolution to request the Synod to revoke the RSO status of LCFS of Illinois. The Board will also communicate their deep regret and sadness to LCFS.
- With contributions coming in right at the expected amount and expenses a little lower than anticipated, the District has finished in the black for the first time since 2008. Praise be to God for His great blessings. Board approved the 2014 Budget of $2,357,789.
- Rev. Joel Cluver's regular evaluation has been completed and an additional three year term as Executive Assistant to the District President was approved by the Board.
- Ed Schoenbaum was appointed as a District reconciler.