Sunday to Sunday A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus

For the week of December 16 - 23, 2018

Communed: Ralph Genenbacher, Bee Wagner, Don Green, Wayne Buesking, Marilyn Hanawalt,

Frank Hanawalt Jr., Marilyn Lehenbauer

Serving in Special Ways Today

Communion Assistants this Week:

Saturday: 5:00 PM – Bob Frink Sunday: 9 AM – Nathan Hoebing and Jeff Wolfmeyer **Communion Assistants next week:** Saturday: 5:00 PM – Bob Frink Sunday: 9 AM – Gary Hyer and Chris Knapp **Ushers this week:**

Saturday: 5:00 PM - Bill Haire

Sunday: 9:00 AM – Gary Hyer, Jerry Manton, Chet Vahle, Barb Vahle, Ryan Vaughn Wednesday: December 19, 7:00 PM – Steve Hyer,

Stan Yelton, Bill Haire, Randy Wolfmeyer **Greeters:**

Sunday: 9:00 AM

East – Larry & Beverly Post

West – Malinda Eden with Julianna

Birthdays This Week

- 16 John Hallerberg
- 17 Ron Bowles
- 20 Alison Zehnle
- 22 Kari Adams
- 22 Emma Fischer
- 22 Bev Post

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 16 Sean Burner
- 16 Suzanne Troxel
- 16 Colleen Westberg
- 17 Carol O'Dell
- 17 Adrian Zehnle
- 19 Frank Hanawalt Jr.
- 20 Shirley Foster
- 20 Ryan Schnack
- 22 David Ott

Anniversaries This Week

17 Jonathon and Jessica Campbell 9

19 Jerry and Rosie Meyer 54

Camp Cards FINAL REDUCTION to \$3 PER

CARD The cub scout pack had a large number of cards left in stock that they had to purchase. We are trying to help sell them in order to recoup those funds. These are still good the remainder of the year. ATTENTION HYVEE SHOPPERS: You will get a \$5 off \$50 one- time use. (What a deal!!!) All are good thru 12.31.18, except the Dick's one-time use is good thru 1.3.19. Checks payable to PACK #2. To view all of the "deals," please see the display on the scrip table. If you have any questions, please see Melissa Knapp. Thanks for supporting scouting!

Sunday School Opening will be in the Sanctuary during the month of December, so that we can practice for our Christmas Eve Program.

We have a generous donor who has committed to matching up to \$20,000.00 to the ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund. We are calling this drive the "2019 Match Challenge" and will be in effect during 2019 or until the \$20,000.00 match is made. We decided to kick it off on December 15, 2018 for the benefit of those that want to make a charitable donation yet in 2018. This is a chance to give to the endowment and have your donation doubled. Thank you for your support, Endowment Committee MARCH FOR LIFE CHICAGO: Join area Lutherans at the March for Life Chicago on January 13, 2019. LCMS President Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison is among the featured speakers. Meet on Federal Plaza (50 W. Adams Street, Chicago) at 1:55 p.m. under the LOVE AFFIRMS LIFE and the EYES FOR LIFE banners. RIDE A BUS LEAVING FROM TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH IN LISLE, 1101 Kimberly Way, Lisle, at 1 p.m. FREE WILL DONATIONS are received to cover cost for the round-trip bus ride. Call Kris Blackwell at 630.234.1491 to reserve your seat. Space is limited.

SCRIP UPDATE: Thank you for thinking of the **ORLC SCRIP** program when planning ahead on your purchases. We have seen a continued increase in orders and sales. If you have been thinking of purchasing gift cards, but have questions, please stop by the scrip table for assistance. Please remember to place your orders for any gift cards you plan on giving, or using, this Christmas season. Just stop by the scrip table and fill out a form with payment. You can then take the cards if we have them in stock, and the following weekend, you can pick up any cards that we had to order for you. For WEEK ENDING December 2, the PROFIT was \$181.73 with 21 ORDERS. The average profit per order was \$8.65. The OVERALL 2018 PROFIT is \$4,419.68.

Youth Group News! Thank you to the Thrivent members that have directed their "Choice Dollars" to the Youth Group. Thanks also to the congregation for the generous response to our fundraising for those that are planning to attend the National Youth Gathering next summer. The following upcoming events provide opportunities for participation: TODAY -- "For a donation" Christmas cookie and candy bake sale in the lounge before and after services. All donations will help fund our team's attendance at the National Summer Youth Gathering. December 16, 6:00 – 8:00 The Youth Group of St. John's has invited ORLC Youth Group to their Christmas Party. Bring a white elephant gift and wear an ugly Christmas sweater.

December 19, 5:30 – 6:30 -- Serve a delicious freewill offering meal before Advent service. Bring a friend. Reservations requested by signing the sheet on the table in the narthex.

January 6, 6:00 – 7:00 National Youth Gathering Team bonding time at St. John's.

Help is Needed with the Newsletter on Wednesday, December 26 at 10:30 AM. We need five or six volunteers & with enough help are usually done within 1½ hrs. Please sign-up in the Narthex if you can help.

Rev. Steve Southward, pastor at St. Paul Lutheran in Pittsfield, has been conducting prison ministry for many years. The funding for prison ministry from the Central Illinois District has been reduced. The churches of the Quincy Circuit are working together to raise \$2000 for the continuation of his ministry in 2019. We will be collecting funds through the end of January. Any funds collected over the \$2000 threshold will be donated to the Campus Ministry in Macomb, as their funding has been reduced also.

POPCORN/BREAD FUNDRAISER:

Thank you for your donations for the popcorn and bread fundraiser. Through your generous donations, \$435 was gifted to the ORLC Youth Group for the National Youth Gathering expenses. It was so nice to hear how folks enjoyed the festive popcorn and homemade bread. ~ *Melissa Knapp*

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL, QUINCY, IL

Quilters will not meet on Thursday, December 27, 2018.

On the Counter in the Lounge are devotional books and cookbooks which were cleaned out. If you want anything, please help yourself. Anything not claimed will be donated locally.

217-222-8267

ST. JAMES CHALLENGE – Getting ready for the next school year is approaching very quickly. Enrollment will begin in mid-January. Word of mouth has proven to be a highly successful marketing tool. Therefore, while seeing many people over the holidays, please participate in a challenge to tell <u>five</u> different families about St. James Lutheran School and the awesome opportunity that lies before them for a strong Christian education along with rigorous academics. Let me know how this goes. If you need further information or just want to talk about it, please contact the school office.

EXTENDED CARE WORKER NEEDED – St. James is looking to hire an Extended Care worker beginning January 7th. This position will be supervising 1st - 8th grade students, Monday - Friday from 3:00 – 5:30 pm, (Wednesday begin at 2:30 pm). If you are interested or know of someone who might be, please contact the school office. (222-8267)

BOXTOPS AND UPC LABELS – Please continue to save General Mills Box Tops, Hy-Vee UPCs and Tyson A+ labels throughout the school year. They help support our school library! Thank you!

COLLECTING LIDS – We are again in the business of collecting lids to purchase a hallway bench. (The current bench will find its permanent home on the playground.) We will collect lids until we have enough to get the bench (200 pounds). You can bring them into the church or school office. <u>The lids must be clean</u>!! **Unacceptable caps** include metal lids or trash, soap/lotion pumps, grocery bags, K-Cups, straws, fast food drink lids, plastic pieces that are not a lid. **Acceptable caps** include caps from medicine bottles, milk jugs, detergent, hair spray, toothpaste, deodorant, apple sauce pouch, drink bottle (soda, water, juice, sport drinks), flip-top (ketchup), spout (mustard), spray paint, ointment tube, baby food, shampoo/conditioner, cottage cheese container, mayonnaise jar, yogurt, peanut butter jar, ice cream bucket (under 8 inches), Cool Whip container, coffee can, cream cheese container, butter container and Pringles lids. <u>Remember, the lids must be clean</u>! Thank you for helping us purchase another bench!

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

Sunday, December 16:	This Week at Our Redeemer Advent 3 9:00 AM Holy Communion 10:10 AM Bible Study & Sunday School - Practice Christmas Program Youth Group Cookie & Candy Sale 6:00 PM Youth Group Christmas Party at LCoSJ (White Elephant Gift)
Monday, December 17:	7:00 PM PLuS
Tuesday, December 18:	<i>1:30 PM Holy Communion at Good Samaritan</i> 7:00 PM Senior Choir
Wednesday, December 19:	 1:00 PM Bible Study 4:15 PM Youth Choir 5:00 PM Confirmation <i>(until 6 PM)</i> 5:30 PM Advent Meal by Youth <i>(until 6:30 PM)</i> 7:00 PM Advent Service
Thursday, December 20:	6:45 AM Bible Study at Coach House 4:00 PM Newsletter Deadline
Friday, December 21:	11:00 AM Bulletin Crew
Saturday, December 22:	5:00 PM Holy Communion 10:30 AM Christmas Program Practice
Sunday, December 23:	Advent 4 9:00 AM Holy Communion 10:10 AM Bible Study & Sunday School - Practice Christmas Program

Upcoming Events

December 24 Children's Christmas Service 7 PM **December 24** Candlelight Christmas Eve 10:30 PM **December 25** Christmas Day Service 9:00 AM December 31 New Year's Eve at St. James 6 PM January 16 Church Council January 27 Voters Meeting

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	December 9, 2018	Offerings	December 9, 2018
Saturday 5:00 PM	63	Needed Each Month	\$28,151.52
Sunday 9:00 AM	105	Received Last Month	\$21,634.70
Total Attendance	168	Received This Month	\$14,708.11
Holy Communion	140	Needed This Year	\$337,818.25
Adult Bible Class	16	Received This Year	\$287,131.73
Sunday School	20	Received This Week	\$7,893.11
Teens	2	Advent 2 Mid-Week 7 PM	40

Adult Bible Class collected \$152.82 for Lutheran Bible Translators during the month of November.