Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus For the week of February 14 - 21, 2021

Birthdays This Week

- 13 Jennifer Tournear
- 16 Darren Fink
- 16 Annalisa Thewis
- 16 Conall Wolfmeyer
- 17 Isabelle Hillerts
- 17 Ryne Lubben
- 17 Kim Pracht
- 19 Amy Buss

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 14 Bob Frink
- 14 Shanna Wemhoener
- 15 Tad Douglas
- 15 Brandon McGartland
- 16 Randy Ellerbrock
- 16 John Go
- 17 Cameron McDowell
- 18 Billy Hindbough
- 20 Bennie Hines Jr.

Scrip Update

Week ending:	3 – Jan	10 – Jan	31 – Jan
Profit:	\$163.60	\$116.32	\$76.59
# orders:	18	12	12
Profit/Order:	\$9.09	\$9.69	\$6.38
Overall Profit:	\$163.60	\$279.92	\$356.52

Looking for dinner options? We have McAllister's Deli, Panda Express, Dominoes (\$10), and many more! We now also have Shutterfly (\$25) in stock. Planning ahead? Place your order with payment, and will have them ready the following week!

CONTACTLESS DELIVERY Just call the church office (217-223-1769) to place your order and then you can swing by to pay & pick up.

Christian Friends of New Americans COMING SOON **☆** VIRTUAL EVENTS VIA ZOOM **ENTERTAINMENT~~SILENT AUCTION~~TRIVIA BENEFIT** Last November, we hosted our first virtual events. We had so much fun, we are doing it again! Invite your family and friends from around the world to play Trivia April 9 or April 17, or both nights, and bid on the fantastic auction items available all through the week, to support the work of CFNA. In 2020, CFNA served 407 new contacts this almost doubled the new contacts served in 2019. Covid-19 brought many needy people and Covid-19 is still with us. Additionally, 2021 promises to bring countless new refugees to St. Louis. The opportunities to share Christ's love in Word and deed is immense. Let's raise funds for ministry among refugees and immigrants—so important in this Covid-19 crisis. "Welcome to CFNA" entertainment begins online April 9 and April 17, 2021 at 6:20 pm CDT and Trivia Questions start at 6:45pm CDT. (checkin begins at 6:00) SAVE THE DATE!

This week on KFUO.org, hear Midweek Lenten Service from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis on 2/17 at 11 AM, study a curious theological topic on Cross Defense with Rev. Tyrel Bramwell 2/15 at 2 PM, and hear a variety of topics and sacred music weekdays during Midday Moments at 12 PM. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on your podcast app!

2020 Giving Statements are now in the Narthex on the west table. If you would like your statement mailed or emailed to you, please let Gretchen know!

Please continue to wear a mask and wash your hands regularly and thoroughly. Our church sanctuary is cleaned and sanitized after every service (four times a week). We will continue to be diligent with this practice to help keep God's house safe for all who gather together.

Please make sure you sign the sheet in the Narthex. It is recommended that you let us know when you attend in the event contact tracing is necessary when someone contracts COVID-19. You can also sign up online or call the church office.

Please join the Quilters this Thursday, February 18 in the Fellowship Hall from 9 - 11 AM as they continue to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. No sewing experience is necessary. You will be tying knots. Please join them for wonderful fellowship and service. Please contact Connie Louderback at 217-430-3118 with any questions..

The last two months, we have had a great turn out at our Papa John's fundraising days. Those proceeds will go to the school library for the purchase of additional books to add to the wonderful collection available to students.

The rescheduled Marine Lab Trip to Florida is set for summer 2021 with proceeds from the fundraising days to help offset the cost. Order from Papa Johns on 2nd Thursday of the month and 20% of the order will be donated to the ST. JAMES SCHOOL to help offset the cost of the MARINE LAB Trip! Order online at papajohns.com OR in-store! When PLACING YOUR ORDER, either TURN IN the flyer, SHOW the online flyer, or MENTION ST. JAMES so that the school will receive the credit. Mark your calendar: Mar. 11, Apr. 8, May 13

Reminder to Designate Your Thrivent Choice Dollars Thrivent Financial members have until March 31 to direct their Choice Dollars for charity. Don't let them expire! Just log in to your Thrivent account today to direct your Choice Dollars. If you need help with the Thrivent site, contact the office.

ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment

Fund The committee continues to look for new ways to raise money. As we look forward to fundraising in the future, there are two sources of monies that we ask you to keep in mind. One, we would ask each of you to consider including the St. James School Tuition Fund in your will. Secondly, consider the Endowment Fund when making a decision about memorials for a loved one. We have been successful with matching grants if anyone is interested doing one, let us know. Checks should be made to ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund.

Central Illinois District Youth Bible Bowl (April 2021) Introducing the 2021 Central Illinois District Youth Bible Bowl: The Exodus. As, God willing, we have our own exodus from home confinement to meeting together as God's church in our various congregations, we seek God's guidance for our exodus by studying the historical portions of the biblical book of Exodus (chapters 1-20, 24, 32-34, & 40). We are working on developing an "online" Bible Bowl for this year. Contact Pastor Mark Eddy at zionlcms@juno.com if you would like more information about how your congregation's youth might participate in this year's Bible Bowl.

Re-Enrollment for current families for the 2021-22 academic school year began February 1st. Our enrollment process will be done electronically. Any parent wishing to re-enroll their student(s) in St. James for the 2021-2022 academic year must complete an online Registration via FastDirect at https://ssl.fastdir.com/stjamesqcy/ Enrollment will remain open until March 1st.

Pizza Order from Papa Johns on **the 2nd Thursdayn of each month** and 20% of the order will be donated to the ST. JAMES SCHOOL to help offset the cost of the MARINE LAB Trip! Order online at papajohns.com OR in-store! Be sure to mention St. JamesSchool so they get credit

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, February 14: *Transfirguration – Valentine's Day* 9:00 AM Communion Worship Service

(RSVP) Streamed on Facebook

10:15 AM Bible Class

(in the Sanctuary, Bring Your Own Bible)

Monday, February 15: Tuesday, February 16: 6:00 PM Elders

Wednesday, February 17: 10:00 AM Bible Class (RSVP) Streamed on Facebook

11:30 AM Holy Communion (RSVP) 5:00 PM Confirmation (until 6:30 PM)

7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service (RSVP) Streamed on Facebook

Thursday, February 18: Friday, February 19:

Saturday, February 20: 5:00 PM Communion Worship Service (RSVP)

Sunday, February 21: Lent

9:00 AM Communion Worship Service (RSVP) Streamed on Facebook

10:15 AM Bible Class (in the Sanctuary, Bring Your Own Bible)

3:30 PM Horizons Meal Prep until 7PM

Upcoming Events

February 24: Church Council 6 PM **February 24:** Lent 1 Service 7 PM **March 1:** Lutheran Education Week

April 4: Easter

May 13: Ascension Day Service 6 PM

May 15: Spring Fling

July 11-13: CID District Convention

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

TX



Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Offerings	February 7, 2021	
Needed Each Month	\$27,296.67	
Received Last Month	\$28,519.43	
Received This Month	\$4,005.00	
Needed This Year	\$327,560.00	
Received This Year	\$32,524.43	
Received This Week	\$4,005.00	

2021 Souper Bowl of Caring is an annual fundraiser that provides both financial and food donations for our local food pantries in Quincy. This year the four food pantries participating are: **Open Hands at the Lutheran Church of St. John**, **Catholic Charities, Quanada**, and **Horizons**. We hope that you would collect food items and monetary donations. Once you have collected food items and/or monetary donations, you can drop them off at one of the participating food pantries. It would be best if you could *drop off your items at the Lutheran Church of St.*

John Open Hands pantry. We have created a GoFundMe page, making it even easier for individuals and organizations to donate. We will still take food donations or monetary donations this year. However, we created the GoFundMe page to make it easier to make a monetary donation and to limit contact with other individuals due to Covid. The GoFundMe page link is:

https://www.gofundme.com/souperbowlofcaringADAMSCO?pc=em_dn_contacts_r&rcid=r01-161107404966-669350b8a9484c03&member=8137218 All funds will be distributed evenly among the following four pantries in Quincy: Quincy Catholic Charities, Open Hands Pantry at the Lutheran Church of St. John, Quanada, Horizons Thank you for your support. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Steve Barteau, Open Hands Food Pantry - Lutheran Church of St. John

HELP NEEDED: We have a dear congregation member that needs someone to help run errands or get groceries from time to time. Please contact Pastor Eden or the office for more information.

College Students: We would be happy to connect any college students with their campus Pastor, so please let us know!

Thrivent Events: "The Pursuit of Happyness" with Chris Gardner Hear from American businessman, author and motivational speaker, Chris Gardner. The critically acclaimed movie and best-selling book, "The Pursuit of Happyness," is based on his life. He'll share his amazing and inspiring story and discuss the importance of a sound financial plan. **Tuesday, February 16**, Available 24 Hours On- Demand

Savvy Social Security Careful planning can help you get the most out of your Social Security benefits. This webinar will help attendees determine the ideal time to apply and ways to maximize Social Security benefits while minimizing taxes on those benefits. **Wednesday**, **February 17**, **6:30 PM**

Economic Update The market shifts. Laws change. But when your long-term goals remain the same, what do these mean for your financial strategy? As you continue to save for your goals and retirement, a market fluctuation can have you questioning if you're still on track. This webinar will provide timely economic insights to help you learn how recent trends may impact your financial strategy, ways to navigate market volatility or

another recession and information about the new SECURE Act. <u>Thursday, February 18, 12:00 PM</u> <u>Tuesday, February 23, 6:30 PM</u>

Savvy Tax Strategies Want to understand how taxes might affect your retirement? This webinar provides a fundamental overview of the topic, including the critical tax question you must answer before retirement, the Social Security "tax trap" and how you can avoid it and mistakes to avoid when it comes to your investment portfolio, health care, and estate. Wednesday, February 24, 12:00 PM Thursday, February 25, 6:30 PM

For churches outside the St. Louis area **for the week of February 21**: **KFUO Radio**, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. **This week on** **KFUO.org,** join us for Midweek Lent Worship and Organ Concert on **2/24 at 11:00 AM**, continue studying Ephesians on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 AM), and continue studying the Gospel of Mark on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 AM). Find your favorite programs at kfuo.org or on your podcast app.

YouthLead Training February 25-28, 2021 – St. Louis, MO YouthLead (formerly Lutheran Youth Fellowship) has equipped teens to develop and use their leadership skills as they serve Christ within their congregations and communities. The Synodical annual leadership training event in St. Louis is led by our teen Executive Team and gives teens the tools they need to mature in their faith, become leaders in their congregations, and reach out to their peers with the love of Christ. **Who is Invited** Any high school youth who is an active member of an LCMS congregation can join us. We encourage you to contact your district before you register as some districts have supports for those attending this training. (CID has budgeted limited scholarship funds). We prefer teens attend with an adult leader from their congregation. Arrangements can be made for them to come unaccompanied. **Registration** for youth and adults is \$375. This covers your food, housing, supplies and a shirt during the whole training. You will need to also cover your transportation to and from St. Louis. REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW. GO TO LCMS.ORG/YOUTHLEAD FOR MORE INFORMATION.

2021 CID LLL District Annual Meeting Promotion

As we celebrate 90 years of The Lutheran Hour®, Lutheran Hour Ministries impact has grown beyond the radio signal reach, spiritual growth within homes is still a vital component for strengthening the family of God. You are invited to the Central Illinois LLL District Convention on Saturday, March 6 at St. John Lutheran Church, 901 W Jefferson Ave, Effingham, to join us in learning from Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of the Lutheran Hour®, in a virtual presentation how God's timely release of the Households of Faith research in partnership with Barna is offering a new opportunity and resources to share the Good News within our own families and in our communities, to around the world.

Registration is \$15 per person, with students and children free. Included in your registration cost is a catered lunch and refreshments. Other highlights include ministry updates from the CID LCMS and LWML representatives and Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty.

Register today – check the church office for a registration information or contact Deloris Blessman, by phone (309)361-1461 or by email <u>delorisblessman@yahoo.com</u>. For more information you can contact <church ambassador/CID LLL VP Dale Wetherall by phone 217-259-4728 or by email dalewet51 @gmail.com. > Registration is due by February 25, 2021.

Upcoming blood drive near you: Lutheran Church of St John, 3340 State ST, Quincy, IL 62301 Tuesday, March 2, 2021 from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM For members that received the COVID vaccine, here is the COVID-19 Vaccine and Blood Donor Eligibility Information The Red Cross is following FDA blood donation eligibility guidance for those who receive a COVID-19 vaccination, and deferral times may vary depending on the type of vaccine an individual receives. If you've received a COVID-19 vaccine, you'll need to provide the manufacturer name when you come to donate. Upon vaccination, you should receive a card or printout indicating what COVID-19 vaccine was received, and we encourage you to bring that card with you to your next donation. In most cases, there is no deferral time for individuals who received a COVID-19 vaccine as long as they are symptom free and feeling well at the time of donation. The following eligibility guidelines apply to each COVID-19 vaccine received, including boosters: -There is no deferral time for eligible blood donors who are vaccinated with an inactivated or RNA based COVID-19 vaccine manufactured by AstraZeneca, Janssen/J&J, Moderna, Novavax, or Pfizer. -Eligible blood donors who received a live attenuated COVID-19 vaccine or do not know what type of COVID-19 vaccine they received must wait two weeks before giving blood. -If you have an appointment scheduled and need to change your donation date based on the above guidance, click here. -If you have further eligibility questions, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Please note: The Red Cross, as an organization, is not a healthcare provider and is not administering COVID-19 vaccinations in the U.S. However, Red Cross volunteers who are medical professionals may work with local authorities to help give vaccinations if their state licenses permit them to do so. In addition, Red Cross teams are currently helping to vaccinate U.S. service members on bases around the world.

CID-LCMS ITEMS OF INTEREST TO SHARE

LCMS- Virtual Life Conference March 19-20 Cost: For \$20, you get access to the event live. For \$40, you get that, plus ongoing access to the recordings for another 90 days. Each participant must register individually. See the following link for additional information and to register. https://www.lcms-life.org/?r_done=1.

Here I Stand Sunday April 18th More information will be released from the Synodical Office in the future. As a reminder in its 2019 convention, the Synod adopted the following resolution: 4-09, To Declare April 18, 2021, as "Here I Stand" Sunday and to Encourage Multi-Congregation Celebrations

- † "Resolved, That April 18, 2021 be declared "Here I Stand" Sunday throughout The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, its districts, circuits, and congregations; and be it further
- * "Resolved, That these entities be encouraged to gather for worship celebrations to commemorate this event; and be it further
- † "Resolved, That a synod wide thank offering be coordinated and collected for this day, to be used toward the continued proclamation of the Gospel throughout the world . . ."

<u>Stay Connected with your District</u> <u>Looking for additional information visit</u> <u>https://linktr.ee/cidlcms</u> or <u>connect with the following items:</u> CID's GatePost (newsletter), Subscribe to the E-GatePost/News You Can Use, Stay connect with us on Facebook and Instagram -- <u>Central Illinois District-LCMS</u>

Lutherans For Life 2021 Illinois Essay Contest Sponsored by the Council of Federation Presidents For students in Grades 6 through 12 Any Lutheran student in a Lutheran school or church is eligible. Lutheran students may also enter through a home school or congregation e.g. confirmation class, youth group when validated by a pastor or teacher. Contest Guidelines Students will write a life-affirming essay based on the theme: God Chose You with the bible verse: "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit". (John 15:16) For questions or resources on the sanctity of life, see: https://literansforlife.org **Guidelines are:**

- 1. Not incorporating the theme and verse in the essay will disqualify the entry.
- 2. Examples of topics the essay could deal with are, but not limited to: abortion, the handicapped, adoption or foster care, infanticide, cloning, stem cell research, physician assisted suicide or euthanasia etc.
- 3. Essays should include student's name, grade (Identify school or church) and email address. All entries submitted by a teacher or pastor, should include their name and email address. This information should be submitted on the rubric page used in grading the essay. Teachers are encouraged to consult the rubric (see Gretchen) and submit qualified entries.
- 4. All sources for references, statistics and quotes should be incorporated within the essay and then included in a bibliography at the end. Grades 6 8 should submit essays up to 400 words Grades 9 12 should submit essays up to 750 words.
- 5. Entries should be submitted digitally using Microsoft Word or Google Docs to by **April 1, 2021** to cathy.benning.os@gmail.com
- 6. There will be a \$100 first place award & a \$50 second place award for each of the two. The two first place category winners will advance to the national contest. Email the address above with questions.
- 7. Grand Prize for the national winning entry at each level: \$250 plus free conference registration to a 2021 Regional Conference and one night stay at the conference hotel.
- 8. All entries become the property of Lutherans For Life.