Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus For the week of September 19 - 26, 2021

Prayers and Christian Sympathy for the family & friends of Matthew McDowell who went to his heavenly home on Friday, September 3. Funeral services are at 11 AM on Monday, September 20.

Birthdays This Week

- 19 Alex Fitch
- 19 Vicki Wemhoener
- 19 Mark Vahle
- 20 Piper Kuhn
- 21 Rosie Meyer
- 21 Heath Heitman
- 21 Rhonda Hummel
- 22 Jerry Lunt
- 22 Gretchen Kemp
- 23 Ace Weisenburger III
- 24 Nancy Bluhm
- 25 Kayzley Parrish

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 19 Nathan Hoebing
- 20 Gabriel Vaughn
- 20 Gene Bluhm
- 22 Janice Voepel
- 22 Pat Weppler
- 23 Frank Baird
- 23 Roger McGartland

19 Jerry and Becky Lunt

- 24 Jayme Jefferson
- 24 Bruce Burner
- 24 Melissa Smith
- 25 Phyllis Ashby
- 25 Ryan Vaughn

Anniversaries This Week

19 Anthony and Nichole Blickhan

12 years 40 years

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	5-Sep	9-Sep	12-Sep
Profit:	\$68.71	\$37.50	\$83.05
# orders:	10	1	13
Profit/Order:	\$6.87	\$37.50	\$6.39
Overall Profit:	¢2 000 05	¢2 025 55	¢2 019 60

Overall Profit: | **\$2,898.05** | **\$2,935.55** | **\$3,018.60** We have reached another \$1,000 in profits! A check for \$1,000 from the ORLC Scrip Fund will be gifted back to Our Redeemer! That brings our total for 2021 to \$3,000! Please continue to use scrip for your shopping needs. Thank you for supporting Lutheran education!

LWML Rummage Sale is October 8 & 9. We are accepting items for the rummage sale until October 2. Please use the Sunday School opening area for your items. Please do not put anything in the Fellowship Hall. Once the opening room is full, you can put items at the end of the hall in the Sunday School room area. No TVs. Thanks to everyone who have helped us raise over \$13,000 in the last six years. All of this for missions! Thanks again. Let's keep up the Lord's work!!

A heartfelt THANK You to all of you who called, sent cards or texts, or brought meals to Cameron & I during our quarantine and the loss of my son & his dad, Matthew. You're caring and support has helped us in dealing with the profound ache of our loss.

Evelyn & Cameron McDowell

New Member Class Pastor Eden will be holding classes for new members again. The plan is to meet for five sessions on Monday evenings: September 20, 27, October 4, 11, and 18. Please let Pastor Eden know your schedule and if you can attend.

Pastor Eden and the Elders are requiring masks when entering the building to adhere with the new state guidelines. Thank you for your understanding.

Sunday School Offerings: For Sept. and Oct., the Sunday School offerings will be designated for the Open Hands Food Pantry at St. John's. In addition to any monetary donations, we will also collect food pantry items, and personal care items. Please see the list below. Please take a box of Sun. School offering envelopes from the Narthex table. Serving our Community for September & October Open Hands Food Pantry In addition to food items that are always welcome, the following items are needed by those guests utilizing the Open Hands food pantry at St. John's. Many of these are personal care items that cannot be purchased with food stamps and can be expensive for many to purchase. Donated items may be brought to the collection site by the ORLC south entrance. We will deliver items to the food pantry at the end of each month.

> toothbrushes/toothpaste hair brushes/combs shampoo/soap shampoo for ethnic hair feminine hygiene products toilet paper baby wipes diapers (especially sizes 1 and 3 right now) dish and laundry detergent cough drops band aids (various sizes) (Any items you may find in a first aid kit) hand operated can openers

If want to volunteer at the Open Hands Food Pantry, please contact Erica Perry-Broekemeier, Director, at the office phone 217.222.8579 or email openhands@lcosj.org

Recycling ink cartridges will benefit Our Savior Lutheran Church -- Magamaga in Uganda. Rev. Peter Maganda and the members of Our Savior are buying and distributing food to those in the area. Please help by: 1. Either dropping off your used inkjet cartridges at church (where we will gather and then mail a combined shipment to Planet Green,) 2. Mailing your used empty inkjet cartridges by following these steps; Gather 4 or more ink cartridges. Retrieve FREE USPS label by using our Program ID Code 31683 at planetgreenrecycle.com, print, and mail.

Good News for the St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund An anonymous donor has offered to match up to \$5,000.00 in donations so whatever you contribute will effectively be doubled! This matching challenge will run until the end of the year. If you are not familiar with this endowment or have any question about it, please check with any of the committee members. Checks should be made out to: ORLC St. James School Tuition **Endowment Fund**

There are some children's books on the scrip table. If you would like any for children or grandchildren, please stop by and make your selection. Available first come, first serve until September 30th. Any that are left will then be donated to the LWML rummage sale.

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL, QUINCY, IL https://www.stjamesquincyschool.org 217-222-8267

PTL held the first meeting of the academic year and had a good turnout. Thank you for everyone who attended. The **next meeting is October 5**th and we'd love to see you there.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS The date for our **Fall Festival was set for Saturday, October 16**th. The Fall Festival is a wonderful opportunity for everyone in PreK through grade 8 and their families to enjoy many great activities that the fall season brings our way. More information will be forthcoming.

St. James main fundraiser, **Spring Fling, is set for Saturday, March 5th.** Mark your calendars now for this big event. The Spring Fling is a dinner, silent auction, and live auction, and is the one major yearly fundraiser for St. James Lutheran School. It is organized by members of the PTL and helps the school fund a variety of items. Examples of what the Spring Fling funds include: classroom fund for each teacher for supplies each year, technology upgrades, manipulatives for classrooms, and updates for classrooms/facilities/playground.

Food and Fundraising - eat at these restaurants on the specific date and a portion of sales will be given back to St. James School. Make sure to mention St. James Lutheran School. November 29th – Papa Murphy's December 27th – Papa Murphy's St. James Fundraising days at Papa John's 2nd Thursday of each month - Oct 14, Nov. 11, Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 10, Apr 14, and May 12. If you present a flyer when ordering, then St. James will receive 20% of the sales. (You can even order online, and then bring the flyer when you pick up from the store.)

As in years past, Kindergarten thru 8th grade students have sung at our three sister churches. This is a tradition at St. James to show our appreciation of their support to our school. All the congregations welcome and love to hear the children sharing their music. The three churches are St. James, St. Johns, and Our Redeemer. Please find below the dates, locations, and service times that students will be singing. The first date is just right around the corner! <u>Church Singing Dates</u> Sunday, September 26th; St. James; 8:00 am, Sunday, November 7th; Our Redeemer; 9:00am with Bake Sale for Marine Lab Trip, Sunday, February 6th; St. Johns; 10:30 am, Sunday, April 24th; St. James; 10:30am

	This Week at Our Redeemer	
Sunday, September 19:	Pentecost 17 9:00 AM Communion Worship Service (RSVP) Streamed on Facebook 10:15 AM Bible Class and Sunday School 4:00 PM Church Picnic	
Monday, September 20:	New Member Class	
Tuesday, September 21:	9:00 AM Pastors' Circuit Meeting, St. James, Quincy 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study – Esther	
Wednesday, September 22:	10:00 AM Bible Study (RSVP) Streamed on Facebook 11:30 AM Holy Communion (RSVP) 5:00 PM Confirmation <i>until 6:30 PM</i>	
Thursday, September 23:	9:00 AM Quilters	
Friday, September 24:		
Saturday, September 25:	5:00 PM Communion Worship Service	
Sunday, September 26:	Pentecost 18 Bible Translation Sunday 9:00 AM Communion Worshin Service (RSVP)	

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9:00 AM Communion Worship Service (RSVP)

Streamed on Facebook

10:15 AM Bible Class and Sunday School

11:15 AM Voters' Meeting

Upcoming Events

October 1-2: Catechetical Retreat: Camp CILCA October 3: LWML Sunday October 5: Pastors' Circuit Meeting, Holy Cross, Golden, IL October 6: LWML Meeting October 8 & 9: LWML Rummage Sale (Fri 3-7 Sat 8-Noon)

October 10: Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch Honey Sunday October 23: Trunk or Treat at LCoSJ November 2: Pastors' Circuit Meeting – Concordia, Warsaw, IL

November 3: LWML Meeting

November 12-13: CID Jr High Lock-in 5 Points–Washington, IL December 3: LWML Meeting

December 7: Pastors' Circuit Meeting – LCoSJ, Quincy, IL **July 9-13, 2022:** National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX **July 17- 19, 2022:** CID District Convention – Springfield, IL

The Lutheran Church of St John is not accepting any clothing or household or toy donations at this time. Our storage is still beyond capacity and we've had a small amount of people

asking for clothing. If any friends ask you about dropping off donations, please tell them thank you, but not right now. Please do not leave items outside the doors as our dumpster is small. If you or someone you know has items to donate, you might call Ladies of Charity at 217-222-6359. Thank you.

OfferingsSept. 12, 2021Needed Each Month\$27,296.67Received Last Month\$38,617.62Received This Month\$16,751.00Needed This Year\$327,560.00Received This Year\$249,474.27Received This Week\$8,553.00

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	Sept. 12, 2021	
Saturday at 5:00 PM	47	
Sunday at 9:00 AM	77	
Total Attendance	124	
Holy Communion	105	
Bible Class	22	
Sunday School	15	

Women's Conference <u>Postponed</u> September 18th Women's Conference with Jill Savage has been postponed. Spring of 2022 date is to be determined. You may contact Erica to receive a refund at 217--316-1454 or <u>eperryx@yahoo.com</u>

Whippoorwill Golfing Challenge Hickory Point, Forsyth, IL, September 24, Check-in at 11:30 AM, Shotgun start at 1 PM., Format: Scramble Register at revdms@gmail.com or call 309-335-1532 \$60.00 cover costs. Funds will go to Camp CILCA.

If you would like to **help the LWML with their mission work, please grab a mite box** from the Narthex table and fill it with your donation. Please return the boxes on **LWML Sunday, October 3**. Thank you for your support! These funds will be used for missions within the community and all around the world.

Beta Sigma Psi - Alpha Chapter offers a \$3,000 scholarship given out to a Lutheran male freshman attending the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in Fall 2022. Digital application forms may be found online at: <u>https://www.betasigmapsi.org/scholarships-for-high-school-students</u>. The application is due by **March 5th at 11:59PM**. Runner-ups may be eligible for \$500 awards. There is no obligation to join Beta Sigma Psi or be related to a member of the fraternity to receive this award. If you have any questions please email <u>UIUCscholarship@betasigmapsi.org</u>. The Beta Sigma Psi Educational Foundation also offers additional scholarships and grant opportunities for members of the Lutheran community. These opportunities can be found here <u>https://www.betasigmapsi.org/scholarships-for-high-school-students/</u>

On behalf of our church and the entire community of Magamaga, I would like to extend a warm appreciation to the saints and brothers at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church ILLINOIS USA for the great support towards the feeding of people here. The funds you supported us with to buy the food greatly helped us to reach 150 families each getting 20kgs though some got less depending on the sizes of their families. It was a great opportunity for OSLC to also share the love of Jesus to mostly Muslims because of the fact that Magamaga is highly concentrated with Muslims. Out of the 150 families 54 were for Muslims. As food was being distributed we also gave a printed passage from Matthew 25. On a happy note, the inter-District travels are open. People can now go to work. The Churches are still in doors. But we are reaching out to our communities through worship on radio. The schools are still closed and we have encouraged our people to have home schooling for the children though the majority can't afford.

SENIOR (OLDER ADULT) RETREAT Southern Illinois District and the Missouri District will hold the retreat on **October 20 (Wednesday) and October 21 (Thursday)** at the Pere Marquette Lodge & Conference Center in Grafton, II. The theme is "20/20 Perfect Cross-Eyed Vision" ("Cross Eyed" simply means that our **Eyes** are focused on the **Cross** of Christ!) Dr. Rich Bimler and Professor, Rev. Dr. Jeff Gibbs, will be sperakers.

Each day features an Opening Devotion, followed by 8 one-hour workshops, which seniors may choose 2 each day. Wednesday dinner will be followed by Musical Entertainment from "The 60's Chicks", performing popular songs from the 1960's. During the Retreat you will also have time to relax, enjoys the sight, and fellowship.

The Retreat cost is \$100/per person for both days, \$75 for Wednesday only, & \$50 for Thursday only. Meals included are Lunch & Dinner on Wednesday, Breakfast & Lunch on Thursday. The cost for Lodging, however, is **NOT** included. Make your room reservations by calling the Lodge at 618-786-2331 Tell them your reservation is for "Lutheran Older Adult Retreat" at a rate of \$99 for a single or double, plus 11% tax. **This rate is good until 10/06/21.** The Retreat Brochure/Registration Form can be found at <u>www.sidlcms.org</u>. Click on Forms/Registration. You will need to download and print the Registration Form and mail it. Each district congregation has been mailed a copy too. If you have questions call Margo Wolf at 618-979-3376.

For the week of September 19: 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 <u>kfuo.org</u> and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>. CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Study Ezekiel 5-9 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), hear about Mental Health with Deaconess Heidi Goehmann on The Coffee Hour (9/20 at 9:30 a.m. CT), study Leviticus 5-10 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and dig into our Lutheran Confessions on Concord Matters (9/25 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!

Offerings donated to Lutheran Bible Translators from the Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class for the month of August was \$96.00.

Thank You A most humble and profound Thank You for all your prayers, cards, encouragement, and support during the past month and more as I underwent surgery at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City. Recovery seems to be going well. Soon I will begin 33 radiation treatments, 5 days/week. That should cover all of September and a good part of October. God has been faithful and gracious through all of this. He will continue to do so. Donna and I praise Him for all He has done, especially by providing the excellent team of surgeons, residents, students, nurses, and others at Iowa City. Thanks be to God for the warm fellowship of His people throughout the church, and that means YOU!

CILCA Catechetical Retreat will be held **Friday & Saturday, October 1-2**. Anyone in grades 5-12 is welcome to enjoy this weekend of worship, study, games, campfires, and good friends. Cost is \$40 per camper. Sign up today at <u>http://www.cilca.org/catechetical-retreat.html</u>.

For churches outside the St. Louis area for the week of September 26: 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 <u>kfuo.org</u> and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>. CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Study Ezekiel 10-14 on Sharper Iron's "The Faithful Watchman"

(weekdays at 8 AM), study Leviticus 11-16 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 AM), and worship with us in Daily Chapel services at 10 AM. Find your favorite programs, plus our LCMS partner podcasts, at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

Join us as we celebrate the impact that **Thrivent** has made in our local communities in 2021 and participate in a **virtual service project** that can make a difference in your own local community. Father Leo, Catholic Priest and Celebrity Chef, will lead attendees through making two delicious freezer meals-- one to keep and one to give away to someone in the community that could use a helping hand. The first 100 people to register can opt-in to receive a special event box with helpful kitchen tools to use as you cook and additional goodies to help you package up your gifted meal. **Thursday, October 7 at 6:30 p.m.** Online Webinar

Check out **more great upcoming events** hosted by the Thrivent Member Network and use the links to reserve your spot!

Uncommon with Tony Dungy – On-demand A Super Bowl winner as both a player and head coach, and a member of the Hall Of Fame, Tony Dungy reached the peak of professional football. But even with all his success on the field, he knew it had little to do with his ultimate significance as a man. Join us as New York Times best-selling author and former Kansas City Chiefs assistant coach Tony Dungy shares his path to living a life of significance. Register and watch anytime **Friday, September 17th, through Sunday, September 19th, on-demand**

Planning for Long Term Care No one ever hopes they'll need extended or long-term care. You'd rather your family spends time with you, not caring for you. Join us and learn how to develop a long-term care strategy that can help you preserve your independence, protect your income and assets, and reassure your family about the future. **Wednesday, September 29th, 12:00 PM and 6:30 PM**

Put Your Dreams to the Test with John Maxwell – On-demand John Maxwell is a top leadership speaker, author, and entrepreneur. His belief that "everything rises and falls on leadership" motivates him to help individuals reach their potential. Join us for this special on-demand event as John shares his philosophy to help you make good decisions and maximize every moment to achieve your dreams. Register and watch anytime on **Thursday, September 30th, on-demand**

Savvy Tax Strategies Looking to understand how taxes can affect your retirement? Join us as Mike Fuehrmeyer shares insights from his 39-year Thrivent career about the critical tax question you must answer before retirement, as well as how to avoid the Social Security "tax trap" and other mistakes. **Wednesday**, **October 5th**, **12:00 PM CT**

What Women Want with Personal Finance Expert Jean Chatzky Longtime NBC Today show financial editor, Jean Chatzky, shares her insights in Women And Money: Create The Joyful, Less Stressed, Purposeful (And, Yes, Rich) Life You Deserve. Women are different in their goals and expectations surrounding money. Learn Jean's plan for understanding your relationship with money and how to use it to accomplish the thing you want most. **Thursday, October 14th, 7:00 PM CT**

Savvy Social Security Careful planning can help you get the most out of your Social Security benefits. Join us as John Estes uses his more than 34 years with Thrivent to help attendees determine the ideal time to apply and ways to maximize Social Security benefits while minimizing taxes on those benefits. **Wednesday**, **October 20th, 12:00 PM CT and 6:30 PM CT**

No products will be sold. For more information visit <u>Thrivent.com/Social</u>.