

Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus
For the week of February 5 -12, 2023

Birthdays This Week

- 5 Richelle Anderson
- 5 Jeffrey Smith
- 5 Clint Gooding
- 5 Dan Hufendick
- 5 Sheldon Foulk
- 6 Archer Ott
- 7 Becky Lunt
- 9 Randy Wolfmeyer
- 9 Cyndi Ott
- 9 Aaron Goodwin
- 9 Rob Edwards
- 9 John Frohn Jr.
- 10 Ben Knoernschild
- 11 Farren Campbell
- 11 Ellen Stockhecke
- 11 Reva Ehmen
- 11 Elise Luker

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 5 Kirk Vahle
- 6 Melanie Zehnle
- 8 Eric Fischer
- 9 Rebecca Jones
- 11 Mary Lazzeri
- 11 Don Fink
- 11 Renee Durst

Anniversaries This Week

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| 5 Rob and Naomi Tipton | 17 years |
| 8 Charlie and Pam Church | 20 years |

Upcoming Events:

February 19-20: Camp CILCA Confirmation Retreat

February 26: St. James School sings ORLC 9 AM

March 19: Jonathan Federwitz, missionary to visit

March 19: Sunday dinner at Horizons

April 9: Easter

May 21: Armed Forces Sunday

HOMEMADE SOUP AND BREAD LWML

FUNDRAISER Take it easy and enjoy a night off from cooking by letting the LWML ladies do the cooking for you! Pre-order a quart of **Chili, Vegetable Beef, Chicken Noodle or Cheesy Vegetable** soup and a 4 oz. loaf of bread for only **\$8.00**. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex, or you can call the church office. **Orders will be taken until Feb. 5th.** Your soup and bread will be **ready for pickup on Feb. 11th and 12th** after each church service. Delivery is available upon request. Payment is made at the time of pickup or delivery. Thanks for your help in supporting our mission projects!

Offerings donated to **Lutheran Bible Translators** from the Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class for the month of **January** were **\$184.00**.

Sunday School Substitute Teachers: If you are interested in being on the substitute teacher list for Sunday School, please contact Melissa Knapp at 217.653.9501. You can list what classes you prefer: early childhood (PreK & K) class, lower grades (1st to 4th) class, the Junior High class (5th to 8th) and/or the High School class.

Thank you to everyone who remembered our family with prayers, cards, support, donations of food and/or donations to the ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund at the time of Larry's death. All were greatly appreciated at this difficult time.
The Family of Larry Ehmen

College Care Packages: We will be preparing our first set of college care packages of the new year! The plan is to send packages in mid-February, late March, and late April/early May in time for final exam prep! We currently have seven members of the congregation that receive college care packages. We will have a note writing station in the narthex. Students have commented how much they appreciate the hand written notes of encouragement. Please share your favorite scripture, encouraging words, etc. If you would like to donate items for care packages, we will have a collection bin near the south entrance. Whatever donated items we may have on hand will be included in upcoming packages. Here are some ideas of items: **gum, chocolate candy bars, Skittles, Sour Patch, tic tacs, mints, Ramen noodle cups, oatmeal cups, granola bars, protein bars, drink mix packets, dried fruit, trail, hot chocolate mix packets, pop tarts, individual bags of chips, pens, post it notes, pudding cups, microwave popcorn, small hand sanitizers, eyeglass cleaner wipes, playing cards, note pads, pocket size Kleenex, travel size hand lotion, ponytail holders**, etc. If anyone would like to do a **Thrivent Action Team** for college care packages throughout the year, that would be welcome. Please **contact Malinda Eden or Melissa Knapp**.

Thank you for the generous amount of items donated for the socks, hats, gloves, and mittens collection! We also received scarves and blankets! Items have been distributed locally. We continue to **collect items until the end of February**.

Because of Spring Break and other scheduling conflicts, we are shifting the night of our **junior high youth nights**. Here are the correct dates. **February 15 & March 15 at the Lutheran Church of Saint John** Please invite and encourage your 6th-8th grade youth to attend. We typically have between 10-15 youth and our adults plan some really fun activities

High School Mission Trip. The youth of Our Redeemer are invited to join the youth of the Lutheran Church of St. John to serve with Heart of a Servant in Forest Lake, MN. We will be assisting with maintenance on homes of those who are financially or physically unable to do the work. Work may include building a wheelchair ramp. We will leave **Sunday, July 16 and return Saturday, July 22**. Students in 8th grade and older are eligible to attend. There will be an informational/registration meeting for students and parents on **Sunday, February 5 at 6:30pm at The Lutheran Church of St. John**. If you are unable to attend but interested in the trip contact Pastor Steve at pastor@lcosj.org

For the week of February 5: on KFUE.org: Dive into a curious theological topic on Cross Defense (**2/11 at 11 AM**), study John 6-7 on Sharper Iron's "The Word Made Flesh" (*weekdays at 8 AM*), and finish the book and Esther and begin the book of 1 Timothy on Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org, the KFUE Radio app, or wherever you get podcasts!

Do you have a **prayer request**? Our faculty have daily devotion before school and on Thursdays is our prayer day. We would like to pray for you if you have a request. Submit your prayer request anytime and we will add it to our prayer list. God's Blessings. Submit your prayer request online at:

<https://forms.gle/sGUC4ZfjTMdFBQ126>

100th day was celebrated on Tuesday, January 31st. If you're by the school stop in and see our "100 reasons, we love St. James" bulletin board.

There's still time to sign up. Join us for a **family fun night of football Bingo, tonight**. Feel free to bring snacks and drinks, there will be some that will be some provided. The event will take place in the school cafeteria. Invite family and friends to come with you and have a fun night. Event begins at **5:30pm**. Please sign up and let us know how many in your group so we can have enough bingo cards! Sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/jGVRXZzKTcLhBKUF9>

Enrollment - 2023-24 registration is right around the corner. Do you know someone looking for a faith-based education? If you do, have them call the school office at 217-222-8267 to schedule a tour!

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, February 5:

Epiphany 5 - Last day to order **HOMEMADE SOUP AND BREAD**
9:00 AM Holy Communion Service *Streamed online*
 10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School

Monday, February 6:

Tuesday, February 7:

9:15 AM Women's Bible Study
 7:00 PM Choir

Wednesday, February 8:

10:00 AM Bible Study *Streamed online*
11:30 AM Holy Communion
 5 PM Confirmation *until 6:30 PM*

Thursday, February 9:

6:45 AM *Coach House Bible Study*
 9:00 AM Quilters

Friday, February 10:

Saturday, February 11:

5:00 PM Holy Communion Service
 HOMEMADE SOUP AND BREAD Pickup

Sunday, February 12:

Epiphany 6 - HOMEMADE SOUP AND BREAD Pickup
9:00 AM Holy Communion Service *Streamed online*
 10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	January 29, 2022
Saturday at 5:00 PM	48
Sunday at 9:00 AM	97
Total Attendance	145
Holy Communion	120
Sun. School	21
Bible Class	31

Offerings	January 29, 2023
Needed Each Month	\$31,768.90
Received Last Month	\$43,088.62
Received This Month	\$36,728.03
Needed This Year	\$358,605.00
Received This Year	\$36,728.03
Received This Week	\$6,315.26

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	1-Jan	15-Jan	16-Jan	29-Jan
Profit:	\$158.81	\$90.21	\$27.50	\$82.55
# orders:	14	11	1	9
Profit/Order:	\$11.34	\$8.20	\$27.50	\$9.17
Overall Profit:	\$158.81	\$249.02	\$276.52	\$399.00

16-Jan numbers represent the amount of sales we earned in November from Presto Pay orders through the Shop with Scrip site by individual users.

Some local fast food/restaurant gifts cards in stock: Burger King \$25, Dairy Queen \$10, Dominoes \$10, Hardees \$10, Culvers \$25, Jimmy John's \$10, Little Caesar's \$20, McDonalds \$10 and \$25, Panda Express \$25, Papa Murphys \$10, Pizza Hut \$10, Sonic \$10, Subway \$10, Taco Bell \$10, and Texas Roadhouse \$25.

LERT will be hosting a **Basic Disaster Response Training**. The training will be held on **Saturday, March 11, 2023** at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 200 Cole Street, East Peoria, Illinois 61611 from **9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

(Sign-in begins 8:30 a.m. and sessions begin 9 a.m.) The **registration fee (\$35.00)** will include a light breakfast, lunch, manual, and credential card. Please make checks payable to the church. Walk-ins are welcome, but registration is appreciated. If you are already LERT certified, the event is considered continuing education, so there is no charge for re-training. To register, follow the registration link below. You will need to register for access to the LCMS LERT website first and then you can view training events and deployments. LINK: https://www.lcms-lert.org/need/detail/?need_id=773174 For further information, please contact Cindy Steinwedel at cmsteinwedel@gmail.com or Stephen Born at 217.220.0162 or email at bornstephen@yahoo.com

Announcing the 2023 Central Illinois District LCMS Youth Bible Bowl: “Judges and Ruth.” In the best way you know how, study these two biblical books about a difficult period of history for God’s people. And talk within your circuit about holding your Circuit Bible Bowl in the weeks before the District Bible Bowl scheduled for **Sunday, April 16, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at Camp Cilca**. The Bible Bowl provides an opportunity for our youth (6th-12th grade) to be involved in Scripture study and thus to grow in their knowledge of God’s Word and to deepen their faith. Each circuit gets to send its top two teams to Springfield.

ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund – In September of 2016, the ORLC congregation approved the creation of an endowment fund. The objective of this fund was to raise enough money to be able to pay the full tuition for children of our membership to attend St. James School and thus receive a superior education in a Christian environment. The ORLC Endowment Fund currently has investments with the LCMS Foundation. At this time, assets total approximately \$230,000. The Endowment Fund Committee continues in its mission to increase the Fund’s investments. Over the years, several members of our church have generously donated money for “matching challenges.” If you are interested in doing this, or including the Endowment Fund in your estate planning, or remembering a loved one with a memorial, or simply making a personal gift to the Fund, contact anyone on the Endowment committee.

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For the week of February 12: KFUE Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on KFUE.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfue.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org: Hear episode 3 of "The English Reformation" with Dr. Cameron MacKenzie on The Coffee Hour **(2/15 at 9 AM)**, study John 8 on Sharper Iron's "The Word Became Flesh" (*weekdays at 8 AM*), and study 1 Timothy 2-5 on Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfue.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

Savvy Tax Strategies | February 7th at Noon and 6:00 PM Want to understand how taxes might affect your retirement? Join us for Savvy Tax Strategies. This free educational event 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 - Mistakes to avoid when it comes to your investment portfolio, health care, and estate https://thrivent.zoom.us/webinar/register/7416733848762/WN_hnmmf6HwS7CSvVvKKFFrLg

Using Behavioral Science to Improve Financial Well-Being with Wendy De La Rosa | **February 21 at 7:00 PM and February 23 at Noon and 6:30 PM** Ever wonder why you handle money the way you do? Then, this event is for you. Making sense of the emotional side of money can help you take steps to manage it better. Change how you save, borrow and spend with tips from Wendy De La Rosa, an assistant professor at The Wharton School who focuses on using behavioral science to help people make better financial decisions https://thrivent.zoom.us/webinar/register/7816744979168/WN_TaS_QqDbSrWisVFGQcnSMw