

Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus
For the week of November 26 – December 3, 2023

Birthdays This Week

27 Jeremy Holtman
27 Pat Griffin
29 Adrian Zehnle
30 Kristen Buerstatte
30 Brandon McGartland
30 Carolyn Eden
30 Rod Hibbert
30 Stephanie Bush
1 Kaitlyn Fischer
1 Max Showman
1 Kayla Terstriep
1 Harrison Knapp
1 Larry Foster
2 Brian Manton

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

26 Ethan Sass
27 Robert Gooding
27 John Baker
28 Jan Colvin
29 Karen Lohmeyer
30 Nora Meyer
30 Kari Frink
30 Erica Dedert
30 Pat Florey
30 Keaton Jones

Anniversaries This Week

26 Harry and Barb Hall 48 years
26 Jim and Shelly Holtman 38 years
28 Dennis and Patricia Baker 53 years
28 Gene and Nancy Bluhm 42 years
1 Brett and Brianna Lehman 1 year

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 have any questions about it, please check with *Chet Vahle, Marty Otto, Jeff Wolfmeyer, Jerry & Becky Lunt, and Larry Foster*. Checks should be made out to: **ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund**

Please prayerfully consider and fill out our new **Time & Talent Survey**. It has been almost ten years since our last one and you might be in a new season of life. We would like to update our records to give you the best opportunities to serve the Lord with gladness!

Please consider volunteering for Altar Care. If you are already signed up, please let the church office know if you are willing to continue serving.

COATS FOR ECFC KIDS The Sunday School will be **designating their offering for November and December to help buy coats for the kids in need** at the QPS Early Childhood and Family Center. We will also be **collecting new coats in size 3, 4, and 5/6**. There will be a collection area by the south entrance.

Guitar for Christmas Eve We are looking for someone to accompany the Sunday School children at the Christmas Eve service. This would include practices on Sundays during Dec. If you may be interested, please talk to Melissa Knapp.

Christmas cards and many others are available on the card rack. All cards are still just **50 cents** each.

Mini-Christmas Silent Auction is happening now by the stairs. All of these beautiful, donated items are **raising money for LWML Missions**, so come, bid on these items, and help a good cause!

Voters' meeting on **Nov. 26, 2023**, at **11:15 AM** in the Fellowship Hall to discuss the budget.

Volunteers needed to **decorate** the church for **Christmas** on **Saturday, December 2** at **9 AM**.

We plan to do fellowship **meals before Advent services**. If a church group is **willing to serve** one of the meals, **please get in touch with Connie Louderback**.

ORLC Quilters will meet again on **December 7th & December 14th** from **9 - 11 AM**.

Immanuel - Macomb Pastor Installation - All are invited to join in celebrating the installation of Reverend Christopher Hull as Pastor to Immanuel Lutheran Church and Student Center on **Sunday, December 10, 2023**. The service will be held at the student center near the WIU campus (*303 N Clay Street, Macomb, IL 61455*) at **4 PM**. We look forward to celebrating together God's provision of another worker in His field here in central Illinois.

Life Skills with Laura: Join us the **2nd Tuesday of every month** at Bella Ease, 707 Broadway, **5:30-6:30 PM**. Register at bellaease.com/event or call 217-209-0632 **December 12 Social Skills**. Dinner and Childcare Provided.

Please join us for our Daniel Bible Study starting **Tuesday, January 9, 2024**, at **9:15 AM**. Please contact Gretchen in the office if you would like to purchase a workbook!

Dollar for Missions: A Dollar for Missions gathers many small gifts – one dollar at a time! – to add up to a big impact for the spread of the saving Gospel of Christ. Our current project is to **provide payments to churches for pastors visiting 4 new prisons or county jails in 2024**. To watch a video about his next project, follow the link here: <https://youtu.be/JcC9nwejYK8>

For the week of November 26: on KFUE.org: Look ahead to the First Sunday in Advent on The Coffee Hour (**11/29 at 9 AM**), study 1 Corinthians 6-9 on Sharper Iron's "Nothing but Christ Crucified" (*weekdays at 8 AM*), and finish the Gospel of Mark and begin the book of Micah on Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app!

Toys for Tots Online registration now through December 1 at quincy-il.toysfortots.org or in person at Quincy Catholic Charities, 620 Maine, 8:30 am-noon and 1-4:30 pm, November 13-17 and November 27-December 1 or at Toys for Tots, Quincy Office, 436 S. 6th, November 7 & 21, 5-7 pm, November 18 10 am-noon, or November 26, 3-6 pm. (*Photo ID, proof of residence, and proof of life for children required*) **Distribution** will be on **December 14 & 15**.

Save the Date! – **2025 LCMS Youth Gathering July 19-23** in New Orleans, LA

New safety procedure...all visitors will be asked to **report to the school main office to sign in** and receive a **visitor badge** to wear during your time on campus. Visitors are asked to use the Madison Street or Parking Lot entry with intercom. Church members are also asked to wear a badge if you will be coming into the school area. This is a measure of security for our students and we appreciate you making their safety a priority.

Beginning 2nd trimester, we are transitioning to **“Learn-by-Heart”** memory schedule. This will be a memory work schedule that teachers will follow and will be school-wide. A benefit to this is if you have multiple students they will be learning the same memory verse; therefore, you can **work together as a household rather than a variety of memory verses** each week. Thank you to Pastor Riley for working on this for us and faculty for their implementation.

THANKS(for)GIVING food Our foodbank needs some help, so beginning Friday, November 10th if students bring in (5) canned food donations they get a **FREE Dress Day** (*that same Friday*). Dates are: **12/1 12/8 12/15**.

Mark your calendars for our **Christmas Program**. Pre K - 8th grades **Friday, December 8**.

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, November 26: *Pentecost 26 (DS IV)*
Last Sunday of the Church Year
9:00 AM Holy Communion *Streamed online*
 10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School
 11:15 AM **Voters’ Meeting**

Monday, November 27:

Tuesday, November 28: 7:00 PM Choir

Wednesday, November 29: *Pastor at Chapel*
10:00 AM Bible Study *Streamed online*
11:30 AM Holy Communion
 5:00 PM Confirmation *until 6:30*

Thursday, November 30: *6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study*


Friday, December 1:

Saturday, December 2: **5:00 PM Holy Communion Service**

Sunday, December 3: *Advent 1 (DS I)*
9:00 AM Holy Communion *Streamed online*
 10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School

Another way to Give to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

1. Open your phone camera
2. Scan the QR Code



3. Click the link displayed
4. Donate

Thank you for your donation!

Response Last Weekend to God’s Grace

Attendance	Nov. 19
Saturday at 5:00 PM	46
Sunday at 9:00 AM	139
Total Attendance	185
Holy Communion	143
Adult Bible Class	29
Sunday School	22

Offerings	Nov. 19
Needed Each Month	\$31,768.90
Received Last Month	\$29,743.21
Received This Month	\$23,371.62
Needed This Year	\$358,605.00
Received This Year	\$263,538.63
Received This Week	\$2,045.00

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	22-Oct	29-Oct	5-Nov	6-Nov	12-Nov
Profit:	\$60.52	\$109.56	\$65.07	\$62.00	\$53.02
# orders:	11	11	10	2	7
Profit/Order:	\$5.50	\$9.96	\$6.51	\$31.00	\$7.57
Overall Profit:	\$2,795.12	\$2,904.67	\$2,969.74	\$3,031.74	\$3,084.76

We have some \$5 and \$10 cards on hand for Target, Panera, Starbucks, and Bath and Body Works. We can always order more cards than what we have in stock. If you know you will have some gift card purchases for the Christmas season, please consider placing an order with ORLC Scrip!

Join us for our Small Church Summit in 2024! Please note that there will be two events happening on different dates, but they will be covering the same topics. This will allow those in Central IL and those in Southern IL to attend a session within their district. However, you are welcome to attend both if you would like!
SID -- January 6 (*Weather date: January 27*) Messiah Lutheran Church, 1091 13th St. Carlyle, IL
CID -- February 3 (*Weather date February 10*) Faith Lutheran Church, 2320 N Kickapoo, Lincoln IL 62656
Both events will be from 10 am-2:30 pm with Registration beginning at 9:30 am. Please use the following link to register today! <https://forms.gle/aBapr1qv3wQ9Ths5> Feel free to reach out to amy.holmes@cidlcms.org with any questions.

College Care Packages: THANK YOU for your continued donations for this program and also to those who were able to sign the notecards that are included in each package. We are well stocked for the next round that will be sent right before final exams! Donation of items can be left in the basket near the south entrance. Monetary donations can be made out to the church and please note on the memo line: **COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES**. These funds will be used for postage as well as any additional items that are purchased for the packages.

UPDATE Inkjet Cartridge Recycling: We have had an overflowing response to the ink cartridge recycling project. Recently, **106 cartridges were donated** to the collection box at church and mailed off to Planet Green Recycling. We will be receiving a **check for \$88.75** for our recycling efforts! Those funds will be **sent to the Uganda Mission!** This is **in addition to the \$12.75 check** that we received earlier this year. Each cartridge is examined for its value. Even the ones which they cannot use and refill we will **receive 25 cents** each for our effort. Your combined efforts of simply recycling your inkjet cartridges will result in a larger sum being sent to Uganda. Here are ways you can help:

1. Bring your used INKJET cartridges and deposit them in the collection box outside of the church office. OR
2. If you prefer to mail your own cartridges (*at least 7*) you can do so by using our **PROGRAM ID: 31683** at planetgreenrecycle.com to request a **FREE USPS label** to print and then mail.

St. Luke Lutheran Church, rural San Jose, IL will host its annual **Chili and Oyster Stew Supper** on **Monday, December 4, from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.** Chili, oyster stew, chicken salad, ham sandwiches, hot dogs, and a wide variety of desserts will be served for a donation. The church is located at 15757 N. County Road 3600 E., San Jose, IL. Please come and enjoy food and fellowship!

Please update the schedule for SS Lessons/Dates to:

Dec 24 - Christmas Lesson (special stand alone CPH lesson/flyer)

Dec 31 - No Sunday School

Jan 7 - Bible Bowl