



2024 Newsletter

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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To the people of God at Our Redeemer,

I can't believe that June is here. This year is moving so fast. In our family, 2024 is the year of weddings. Malinda and I will be attending nine weddings this year, the last one being the wedding of our youngest daughter Julianna. We have been talking about wedding-related topics for a long time. October seems off in the distance, but so did June a few months ago. April and May have been a blur. It seems like everything is happening so fast and there are "loose ends" dangling everywhere. Whenever I begin to feel this way and sense anxiety building, I like to go to a quiet place and repeat the Lord's word in Psalm 46, "Be still, and know that I am God."

I also try to remind myself daily that life doesn't have to be perfect for life to be good. When I was Julianna's age, I would be home for two or three weeks after getting home from college, pack up my car and work with corn detassling crews from Michigan to Nebraska until the first of August. One summer I worked in five different states. My parents got one phone call every Sunday evening to let them know that I'm OK. I never once took into account the anxiety that my parents might have.

When Malinda and I were married, we went on a honeymoon in Osage Beach, MO (I was in charge of honeymoon plans and was told "anywhere with a beach" would be wonderful, so we get to Osage Beach and I ask the lady at the hotel where the beach is located. . . there is no beach). I had one job. The honeymoon was not "perfect" – but it was wonderful.

After the honeymoon, we packed a U-Haul and moved to an apartment neither of us had ever seen and Malinda had to find a job as a secretary for an employer who is willing to train someone who will be moving away in eleven months. Thankfully, the Lord provided.

While helping my parents move to Curtis Creek, my mom reminded me of the story of when my parents got married in 1963, they immediately headed off to Detroit for my dad's year of Vicarage. When moving back to St. Louis, they had all of their belongings crammed into their car. It was so full that my mom rode the whole way from Detroit with one foot in a bucket.

This past year, we keep trying to remind Julianna and Kolton (and ourselves) that not everything needs to work out perfectly for everything to be good. Honestly, looking back on my own early days of marriage and listening to the stories of my parents and others who have said they barely had \$40 to their name when they started, there is a part of me that hopes Julianna and Kolton don't have everything go perfectly for them. Overcoming small challenges tend to make the best memories. Overcoming small challenges builds strength and resolve for when the big challenges come. This is important, because those bigger challenges always come. And when challenges come, whether they are great or small, take to heart the words of the Psalmist, "Be still and know that I am God."

In Christ,

Pastor Eden

Who's Who at Our Redeemer

President	Larry Foster (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2024
Vice-President	Stan Yelton (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2024
Secretary	Monica Foster (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2024
Treasurer	Josh Hennig (<i>3rd term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2024
Financial Secretary	Renee Benedetto (<i>1st term</i>) – Counters	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2024
Education Board	Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio	Appointed
	Heidi Schlipman (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	Ryan Vaughn	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
Board of Elders	Mike Herschler (<i>2nd term</i>) – Special Services	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	Ted Hea (<i>1st term</i>) – Sound & Live Stream Help	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	Jeff Wolfmeyer (<i>3rd term</i>) – Head Elder	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	Doug Allen (<i>1st term</i>) – Saturday Volunteers	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
	Dennis Fleming (<i>2nd term</i>) – Altar Care	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
	Gene Bluhm (<i>3rd term</i>) – Sunday Volunteers	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
Evangelism Board	Barb Vahle (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	Jane Haschemeyer (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
Property Board	Gary Herman (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
	Gary Hyer (<i>3rd term</i>)	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
Stewardship Board	Hannah Ajdinovich (<i>3rd term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
	Michele Urbon (<i>1st term</i>) – Registration Slips	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2024
Youth Ministry	Connie Louderback (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
Endowment Chair	Monica Foster (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
	Jerry Lunt (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	Becky Lunt (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024

Pastoral Report

(April 1 – 30, 2024)

Official Acts

Baptisms

Lincoln Michael Wray Stark – April 4, 2024

First Communion

Youth Confirmation

Adult Confirmation

Funerals

Weddings

Membership Changes

Gains [+1B, +0C]

Baptisms [+1B, +0C]

Lincoln Michael Wray Stark – April 4, 2024

Adult Confirmations [+0B, +0C]

Youth Confirmations [+0B, +0C]

Transfers In [+0B, +0C]

Affirmation of Faith (from other Lutheran) [+0B, +0C]

Losses [-0B, -0C]

Death [-0B, -0C]

Transfers Out [-58B, -38C] *Elders Requested – Moved without Transfer*

Michael (-1B, -1C) & Ashley (-1 B, -1C) Badamo with Olivia (-1B, +0C)

Danny Baker (-1B, +0C)

John Baker (-1B, -1C)

Marjorie Baker (-1B, -1C)

Philip Baker (-1B, -1C)

Rick (-1B, -1C) & Rita (-1B, -1C) Boerema with Aaron(-1B, -0C) and Rachel (-1B, -0C)

Gail Church (-1B, -1C) with Obediah (-1B, -0C)

Ethan Clevenger (-1B, -1C)

Tanner (-1B, -1C) & Faith (-0B, -0C) Clevenger with Eleanor (-0B, -0C)

Darren (-1B, -1C) & Margie (-0B, -0C) Fink

with Cody (-0B, -0C), Jasmine (-0B, -0C), and Matthew (-0B, -0C)

Eben Fischer (-1B, -1C)

Jim (-0B, -0C) & Carmell (-1B, -1C) Fitch

with Alex (-1B, -0C), Victoria (-1B, -1C), and Audrea (-1B, -1C)

Matt (-1B, -1C) & Valerie (-0B, -0C) Frohn

with Monica (-0B, -0C), Jonas (-0B, -0C), Karl (-0B, -0C), and Zoe (-0B, -0C)

John (-1B, -1C) & Dana (-1B, -1C) Frohn with Madison (-1B, -1C) and Morgan (-1B, -0C)

Transfers Out [-58B, -38C] Elders Requested – Moved without Transfer

Dan Hendrian (-1B, -1C)
 Eric Hensley (-1B, -1C)
 Matt (-0B, -0C) & Jessie (-1B, -1C) Huebner with Chance (-0B, -0C) and Ryan (-0B, -0C)
 Erin Humphrey (-1B, -1C)
 Kent (-1B, -1C) & Karen (-0B, -0C) Knoernschild with Ben (-1B, -0C) and Kevin (-0B, -0C)
 Terry (-1B, -1C) & Carole (-1B, -1C) Lannerd
 Roger (-1B, -1C) & Doreen (-0B, -0C) McGartland
 Aaron Miller (-1B, -0C)
 Ada Miller (-1B, -1C)
 John Moffitt (-0B, -0C) & Tara Walker-Moffitt (-1B, -1C) with Kayla Walker (-1B, -0C)
 Dustin (-1B, -0C) & Ann (-1B, -1C) Nickelson
 with Ava (-1B, -0C), Simon (-1B, -0C), and Joseph (-1B, -0C)
 Cristine Purcell (-1B, -1C)
 Dustin (-0B, -0C) & Jennifer (-1B, -1C) Tournear with Rosalyn (-1B, -0C)
 Aaron (-1B, -1C) & Janice (-1B, -1C) Tronsgard with Jack (-1B, -0C) and Jonah (-1B, -0C)
 Steve Voepel (-1B, -1C) with Katie (-1B, -0C) and Brandon (-1B, -0C)
 Charla Weisenburger (-1B, -1C)
 Jessica Weisenburger (-1B, -0C)
 Joshua Weisenburger (-1B, -1C)
 Tim Westberg (-1B, -1C)

Statistical Adjustment [+/-0B, +/-0C]

Membership	January 1, 2024	Gains	Losses	April 30, 2024
Baptized	604	+3	-59	548
Confirmed	474	+0	-39	435

June Puzzle Answer (Puzzle on Page 14)

Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: No one comes to the Father except through me.
 John 14:6

2024 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

Income	<u>Jan. – Apr. '24</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
001 - 001 General Offerings	107,231.07	123,333.36	-16,102.29	86.94%
003 - 003 Loose Plate	997.00	1,000.00	-3.00	99.70%
Total Interest Income	3.18	3.36	-0.18	94.64%
019 - 019 ORLC Scrip Fund	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.00%
020 - 020 Bequest Fund	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.00%
Total Income	108,231.25	126,036.72	-17,805.47	85.87%
Expenses				
Mission	7,500.00	5,666.64	1,833.36	132.35%
Personnel	74,095.35	77,698.12	-3,602.77	95.36%
Program	36,593.94	27,187.00	9,406.94	134.60%
Property	18,265.87	21,253.36	-2,987.49	85.94%
Total Expense	136,455.16	131,805.12	4,650.04	103.53%
Net Income	-28,223.91	-5,768.40	-22,455.51	489.29%

Assignments for June 2024

Ushers: (*denotes Communion Assistants)

Saturdays at 5 PM	Bill Humphrey*, Bob Mehl*, Dennis Baker
Sundays at 9 AM	Jerry Lunt *, Larry Foster*, Nathan Hoebing*, Gene Bluhm

Altar Care: Becky Lunt, Gina Eickelschulte, Monica Foster

Registration Slips: VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Counters: Gene Bluhm, Marty Otto

Service Recording: June 2 at 9 AM – Gretchen
 June 9 at 9 AM – Jeff
 June 16 at 9 AM – Larry
 June 23 at 9 AM – Jeff
 June 30 at 9 AM – Larry

Drivers: Steve Hyer, Jerry Manton, Wanda Spohr, Ryan Vaughn

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	21-Apr	23-Apr*	28-Apr	28-Apr	15-May	19-May
Profit:	\$189.58	\$29.50	\$61.30	\$72.85	\$53.50	\$60.05
# orders:	22	1	8	8	9	3
Profit/Order:	\$8.62	\$29.50	\$7.66	\$9.11	\$5.94	\$20.02
Overall Profit:	\$1,004.15	\$1,033.65	\$1,094.95	\$1,167.81	\$1,221.31	\$1,281.35

*Presto
Pay /
Online
Orders

We have reached \$1,000 in profits thus far for the year! A check will be written to ORLC for that amount. Thank you for your continued use of the scrip fund. Want to learn how to start using it? Stop by the Scrip table and ask!



Remembering In Our Prayers

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN OUR NATION’S MILITARY SERVICES: Mark & Kari Adams, Mark Borg, Paul Boriack, Steve Clark, Aaron DeWerff, Michael Goodwin, Robert Goodwin, John Haines, Zach Howerton, Ryan Keller, Jason Klauser, Levi Meyer, Jeremy Schwartz, Aaron Schmitt, Andy Tipton, Marc Troxel, Charles Wheeler.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WITH ONGOING HEALTH NEEDS: Nick Austin, Sean Burner, Jim Elliott, Lynda Hinkamper, Becki Jones, Kim Long, Meghan Meyer, Michael Morgan, Carl Muehring, Angela Osmundsen, Sutton Perry-Brockemeier, Michelle Reinberg-Page, David Rickey, Cole Schullian, Jacob Weimer, Vicki Wemhoener, Jackson Weppler.



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Wayne Buesking, Donna Church, Marcia Clevenger, Jan Colvin, Joann Durbin, Pat Florey, Marilyn Hanawalt, Isabelle Hillerts, Lynda Hinkamper, Marilyn Lehenbauer, Donna MacFadden, Dick & Joann Reichert, Todd Schroeder, Kitty Schuckman

Keep Our Missionaries in Your Prayers

The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Harlow, Essex, U.K. (*Together in Missions*)
Rev. Jason and Anna Marie Steffenson and their children, serving the Lord in Tanzania (*Together in Missions*)
Our Savior Lutheran Church of Uganda - Magamaga
Apple of His Eye Mission Society
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Latvia
The Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany
Mrs. Alvina Federwitz in Waxhaw, North Carolina
Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz and their children, 8001 Hope Lane, Waxhaw, NC 28173
Danny and Becca DeLoach and their children, 6915A Cinder Run, Waxhaw, NC 28173

Our Seminary Students

Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN:

James & Amanda Martin with Emilee, Joseph, and Lucia
6600 North Clinton Street Box 317, Fort Wayne, IN 46825

Timothy & April Benzinger with Trent, Kaela, Jakob, and Hadassah
4153 Woodstock Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46815

Elizabeth & Quest Dobbelaire at Zion Lutheran Church,
508 Mentor Avenue, Painesville, OH 44077

Concordia Theological Seminary, Saint Louis, MO:

Ethan & Krista Boester at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
440 South 1st Avenue, Iowa City, IA 52245



Our Mission: To the glory of God we are SHARING Our Redeemer by CARING for one another in Christian love and compassion, ENCOURAGING growth and outreach through worship and Bible study

Sunday School Staff

Superintendent – Melissa Knapp
Opening – Howard & Ruth Ann Snowden
Opening Pianist – Wanda Spohr
Pre-School 3, 4 & Kindergarten – Gina Eickelschulte
Grades 1 - 4 – Donna Haire

Grades 5-8 – Cyndi Ott
Teens – Gretchen Wolfmeyer
Substitutes – Lily Hayes, Phoebe Hayes,
Katherine Reddick, Monica Foster



We welcome you to join us in “Serving the Lord with Gladness”! Did you know that you can be a member of LWML without attending meetings? Please speak to one of our LWML members. To learn more about the mission and great history of the LWML, go to www.lwml.org.

Like our Facebook pages... Lutheran Women in Mission - LWML and Lutheran Women’s Missionary League – Central Illinois District.

May News

Thank you, Glenna and Jane for being our gracious hosts!

The attendees to our District Convention in Rock Island shared on their experience.

Fall Rally planning will be starting soon. We are seeking new mission opportunities that will be decided upon at the June picnic.

Our volunteers are in place for the Blind Service meal.

Our 2024 Missions Projects

National - Concordia Seminary Food Banks, Dakota Girls & Boys Ranch, Uganda Mission, Orphan Grain Train, K – 9 Comfort Dogs, and Lutheran Prison Ministry

Local – Camp Callahan, ORLC St. James Endowment Fund, ORLC Tuition Assistance, ORLC Youth Group, Camp Cilca, CareNet, and ORLC Tuition Assistance for St. James School

**2023 – 2024
LWML CID Mission
Grants**

The Central Illinois District has a new mission goal of \$110,000!

New Mission Grants were selected at the District Convention and will be featured here very soon!

Our CID mission goal is \$110,000, of which \$82,500 is for our grants and the remainder for our national mission grants.



UPCOMING...

June 6 - Carry-in picnic, 6 pm, Fellowship Hall

July – B-day dinner, TBA

July 12th & 13th – Rummage Sale

No meeting in August

Sept. 5 – Carry-in mtg., 6 pm, Reva’s home

Sept. 10 – Quincy Zone Rally, Our Redeemer is hosting

The Widow's Mite---

And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." **Mark 12:42-44 ESV**

National Mission Grants 2023 – 2025

LWML has donated over \$125 million since 1942!!

Ministry in Mission, Haiti - \$85,000

Ministry in Mission is working with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti to complete repairs to churches that were damaged by an earthquake in 2021. The \$85,000 LWML Mission Grant will allow the Lutheran church in Haiti to purchase the final items needed so their members can worship in a safe structure. Natural and manmade disasters test the Haitians, but the love of God gives them strength and confidence.

For more information about this mission, go to lwml.org, hover over missions and click on Mission Grants.

June News & Notes

Upcoming Events: June 2: *Serve at Horizons*
June 6: LWML Picnic in Fellowship Hall at 6 PM
July: LWML Birthday Dinner TBD
July 12 & 13: LWML Rummage Sale
September 5: LWML Carry-in Meeting at Reva's
September 10: Quincy Zone Rally at Our Redeemer
September 15: Church Picnic at Upper Moorman Park
October 6: LWML Sunday
December 31: New Year's Eve Service at St. James
July 19-23, 2025: LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA

For the week of June 2: **KFUO 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 kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. **CHRIST FOR YOU** this week on KFUE.org: Begin studying Nehemiah on Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*), hear stories from around the Synod on The Coffee Hour (*weekdays at 9 AM*), study Proverbs 22-26 on Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*), and hear a special Free Text First Friday episode on Spiritual Warfare on Thy Strong Word (**6/7 at 11 AM**). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org and the KFUE Radio app!

New Women's Bible Study is starting on **Tuesday, June 4 at 9:15 AM**. We will study "*The Gospel of John: Savoring the Peace of Jesus in a Chaotic World*". This is a seven-session study by Melissa Spoelstra and workbooks are now available in the church office. Please join us!

Bella Ease Free Art Fair June 7 – 4-6 PM - Families create a canvas painting together.
June 8 – 10 AM- 1 PM – Families paint a Parking Lot Space or a Sidewalk Square
Food provided. Register at bellaease.com/event Artist will be on hand to help with art creations.

Care Net Baby Bottle Pick-up now. **Return on Father's Day**. Save your change to support this organization,

COLORADO PEACHES - St. James Katie's Ladies is once again selling Colorado peaches as a fundraiser. Order forms are on the Narthex table. Full boxes will not be offered this year because of bruising when peaches are stacked. Two flats will be the equivalent of one box. **One flat (9-12# of 15-20 peaches)** will be **\$30**. **Two or more flats** ordered will be **\$25 each**. For questions or more information contact **Jeanie Rempfer** at **217-223-5682**. Place your order **by June 16**.

Come and eat! 35th Annual **Timewell Lions Toy Show Saturday, June 22, 2024 (4 PM – 8 PM) Sunday, June 23, 2024 (9 AM – 3 PM)** Free Admission. Held in the Timewell Gym – Timewell, IL 32 miles East of Quincy on Route 24. **Pork Chop meal** served both days. Raffle for pedal tractor, print, and other items. **Tractor ride** will be held on **Sunday at 1 PM**. Antique Tractor Display too.
Proceeds used for Lions Projects and Community Betterment. For more information **call 217-773-3700**

LWML will be having their 10th annual rummage sale this year **July 12-13th**. So when you're cleaning or downsizing remember to save items you no longer need or use for our rummage sale. If possible, please hold on to items until June but if you need to move items contact Gretchen and she'll show where they can be stored. Again, no clothes or TVs and everything needs to be in sellable condition. Thanks for your donations and remember everything goes to missions and this year we've added 4 more projects!!!

The last **college care package** of the school year has been completed! Students will be receiving it before they prepare for and take their final exams! **Thanks for your support** of this ongoing project! We will be on hiatus until the fall. **In August** be looking for information about **submitting names and addresses of college students** who are members or sons/daughters of members.

June News & Notes *(Continued)*

Sunday School Spring Attendance Awards and Staff Appreciation: The following youth received an attendance award and TCBY gift card in recognition of their excellent attendance this term. The awards were presented during the Sunday School opening on May 19th, 2024.

Pre-School & Kindergarten class:

Evie Ajdinovich	Teddy Buerstatte	Savannah Edwards
Theodore Mayfield	Hendrix McLaughlin	Archer Ott
Gracelynn Smith		

First to Fourth grade:

Jack Ajdinovich	Auggie Ott	Connor Smith
Alex Smith	Kaisley Turner	

Junior High:

Allie Hastings-Dedert

High School:

Amelia Knapp	Lily Hayes	Phoebe Hayes
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We also recognized those who served as substitutes this term:

Katherine Reddick	Hannah Ajdinovich	Lily Hayes
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Thank you for our dedicated staff who share their times and talents each Sunday with the youth of our church.

Howard Snowden	Ruth Ann Snowden	Wanda Spohr	
Gina Eickelschulte	Donna Haire	Gretchen Wolfmeyer	Cyndi Ott

Sunday School will **resume on September 8th**.

Save the Date - Parish Professionals are encouraged to put **September 26-28, 2024** on their calendars for the Illinois Parish Professional Retreat at Camp CILCA in the Central Illinois District. The retreat will be led by David Reuter, and focus will be on the topic "**Growing Young**." He will be discussing the six core commitments that research through the Fuller Youth Institute has found in common across congregations who are demographically growing younger. The overarching goal for our time together is to begin the development of a plan to aid the LCMS congregations in the Illinois districts to grow young together through the leadership of, and assistance to, the districts' DCEs. This retreat would be **great for pastors, DCEs, deaconesses, lay youth leaders, or anyone serving their congregation in the area of youth ministry**.

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

The Counters have asked that you please put the amount on the outside of your offering envelopes.

Dollar for Missions is funding new prison ministries in central Illinois. In 2023, it received **funds for new ministries in as many as four prisons**. With the funds gathered, Central Illinois District started to fund one in January, and hopes to start more before the end of this year. Now in 2024, the project is to gather sufficient money to continue such new work into 2025. The **current target is \$10,000**.

See the video at <https://youtu.be/BcyFWxbA-ww>

Adopt a Lutheran School Student This fund is to help the families of children that are currently attending St. James school. If making a donation, please specify if it is for our children in need or for the tuition Endowment Fund which we are building to help the church and families with tuition in the future.

ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund was created to provide funds to send ORLC children to St. James school. This school provides a very high-quality academic education that is firmly grounded in the LCMS faith. Please consider donating to this fund. This can be done by writing a check payable to **ORLC St. James Tuition Endowment Fund**, marking an envelope ORLC St. James Tuition Endowment Fund, and placing the envelope in the offering plate in the Narthex. Thanks to everyone in advance who donates to this fund.

Endowment Committee – Larry Foster, Monica Foster, Marty Otto, Jerry Lunt, Becky Lunt

June News & Notes *(Continued)*

Inkjet Cartridge Recycling: 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.

Bella Ease invites you ladies to their **women's group**. A safe place for women to share lived experiences, support and empower each other. **1st & 3rd Mondays each month**, 5:30 – 7 PM. 707 Broadway. For Child Care call 217-209-0632 or visit bellaease.com

Life Skills with Laura: Join us **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 Dinner & Childcare Provided.

Church Security – To help with church security, the **north doors will be locked at the end of the church service** during Sunday School hour. The church can be accessed using the south and east doors.

Offerings donated to Lutheran Bible Translators from the **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class** for **May** were **\$186.00**.

Sunday School offerings for March, April, and May were designated for the **Quincy Neighborhood Federation**. **\$94.16** was sent to help support their mission and activities for area youth.

Miscellaneous Constant Information

Newsletter & Calendar Deadline –

All newsletter and calendar submissions must be sent in **no later than the 15th of each month**. Please let the church office know about any needed changes.

GREETING CARDS (sponsored by the PLuS group) Be sure to check out the variety of assorted greeting cards. Cards are \$.50.



Rada Cutlery is an ongoing fundraiser. Rada has a variety of, products: cutlery, stone-ware soy wax candles, and quick mixes. We have started taking orders for our next RADA order. Once we

have \$60 in orders, we will place the order. So, if you don't see something in our many "in-stock" items, go ahead and fill out an order form with payment. Please **visit the Rada display in the old chapel. You may leave a completed Rada order form with payment at the scrip table.** Thank you for your support of PLuS!

Drawer Cart by the Office Steps

Top Drawer: For cancelled stamps for missions. They must be complete stamps. *No common Flag, Bell, Love, or Christmas Forever Stamps.*

2nd Drawer: General Mills box tops for education, HyVee UPCs, & Tyson A+ labels. They benefit the St. James school library. *We no longer accept Campbell's Soup Labels.*

3rd Drawer: For any type used greeting card fronts. Good Samaritan home uses them to make things.

Church Office Hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM with time out for lunch between 12 and 1. Staff may be in the office before or after these hours, but please call before stopping in so that we can have items ready for you (keys, sermon copies, envelopes, etc.).

Considering adoption? Lifelink International Adoption (a ministry of Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois, LCFS) is seeking families interested in adopting from Korea. We're receiving child referrals again after a temporary break and have a limited number of families on our waiting list. Our South Korean program is one of our most enduring (twenty-nine years) and reliable. Learn more about Lifelink's adoption programs at www.lifelinkadoption.org or contact us at 630-521-8281 or intadopt@lifelinkadoption.org. Lifelink International Adoption is a program of Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois.

Want to Go Paperless? We would be happy to email you any church correspondence and newsletters if that is the option you prefer. Contact the church office, write your email on the bottom of your attendance card, or email secretary@ourredeemerquincy.org.

PLEASE SAVE LABELS - Please continue to save HyVee UPCs, General Mills Box Tops, and Tyson A+ labels. Place them in the white drawer by the Church Office at ORLC. Thank you!

Attention Parents of College Students:

If your child is away at college, please let the church know their new address and/or email as soon as you get it. We would like to nurture those relationships, pray for them, and help to keep them informed. We also send Care packages.



Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois



Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois' professional licensed counselors can help with any problem. They provide individual, couple, marital and family counseling to help address all types of situations. Insurance is accepted. Call 800-363-LCFS (5237) to schedule a FREE confidential initial consultation.

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.

If you are a member of Thrivent and desire to have your Thrivent Choice Dollars directed to the ORLC's St. James Tuition Endow. Fund, you will have to use the following process. Inform your Thrivent representative to direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. Then **you must notify Gretchen** of the amount which you want to be put in to the Endowment account.

Hearing Devices are available to assist in listening to the Church services! Anyone who would like a device contact the Church Office for arrangements and one will be set up for you.

June Birthdays

1 Kitty Schuckman	12 Janelle Healy	22 Laurie Bronson
2 Hannah Ajdinovich	13 Heather Meyer	22 Melissa Knapp
4 Scott Baird	13 Craig Wiesemann	22 Addison Kuhn
4 Irene Drescher	14 Lynn Sharrow	22 Jamie Louderback
5 Trent Douglas	14 Dane Douglas	23 Betty Blumenkamp
5 Larry Bugh	14 Amanda Spilker	23 Raven Bugh
7 Marilyn Hanawalt	14 Connie Louderback	24 Alexandra Scharnhorst
8 Al Ebel	15 Debbie Manton	25 Sam Killday
8 Kent Schnack	15 Avery Schlipman	26 Gretchen Wolfmeyer
8 Kirk Wemhoener	15 Stephanie Yates	26 Donna Goodwin
8 Patricia Baker	16 Carol Muehring	26 Tom Wemhoener
9 Amya Allensworth	18 Todd Shackelford	26 Audrey Howell
9 Brenda Fleming	19 Marilyn Lehenbauer	27 Frank Baird
10 Madeline Ehmen	19 Terry Vaughn	29 Barb Wright
10 Dennis Go	20 Lee Hyer	30 Karol Ehmen
11 Evelyn McDowell	20 Gracelynn Smith	30 Susan O'Briant
11 Allison Smith	20 Sandra Peters	
11 Chris Clevenger	21 Mike Schoch	

June Baptisms

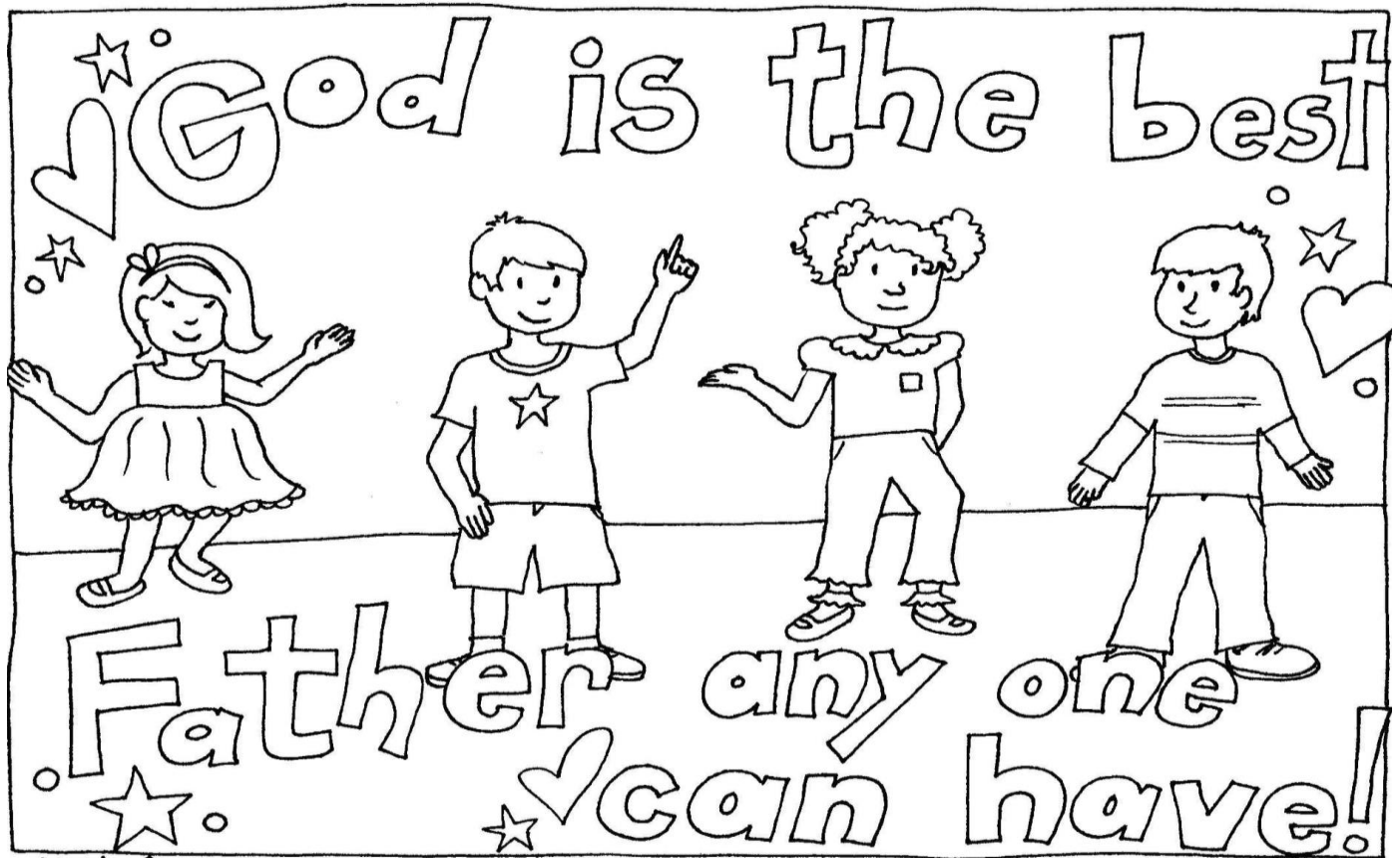
1 Ruth Ann Snowden	9 Sky Fischer	23 Brandy Gilbert
3 Marcia Clevenger	13 David Showman Jr.	23 Dick Reichert
4 Gary Cramlett	13 Arlo Ott	25 Gretta Otto
5 Linda Go	13 Evie Ajdinovich	26 Kirk Wemhoener
6 Dan Hufendick	16 Nela Church	26 Addison Kuhn
7 Gary Hyer	16 Chance Clevenger	27 Alexandra Scharnhorst
8 Holly Casanova	17 Mike Vahle	28 Sherry Yelton
9 Emma Fischer	21 Gina Eickelschulte	29 Lynn Wombles
9 Kaitlyn Fischer	21 Dalton Stockdale	30 Eric Fischer

June Anniversaries

2 Gary and Carol O'Dell	17 years	17 Paul and Arjee Weisheit	11 years
5 Mark and Kari Vahle	15 years	20 Ray and Donna Johnson	65 years
11 Jim and Denise Lucas	36 years	25 Howard and Ruth Snowden	47 years
11 Chad and Amanda Manton	13 years	27 Larry and Tracy Bugh	32 years
11 Dennis and Darylne Mix	30 years	28 James and Rebecca Jones	33 years
11 Brian and Lori Schenck	31 years	29 Ryan and Michelle Schnack	18 years
12 Bradly and Laura Essington	31 years	30 Dick and Joann Reichert	61 years
15 Roger and Carolyn Eden	61 years	30 Brandon and Melissa Smith	17 years

Congratulations and Best Wishes to you all!!!

Coloring Page:



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THE ONLY WAY

By
Bill Schlegl

Write the letter that comes 5 letters after the letter given. You will learn the only way to Heaven.

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Message from Redeemer UK (*Together In Missions*)

From: Pam Causton <pam71.causton@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 17, 2024 3:03 AM

To: Secretary <Secretary@ourredeemerquincy.org>

Subject: Gratitude

Hello to all at Redeemer, Quincy.

Another monetary gift has been received from all the family at Harlow, with great thankfulness and delight. As I have mentioned before, your financial gift always arrives just when needed most.

We had a break-in at our dilapidated church house last week and also the window in the office was smashed in an effort to get inside for money. Thankfully no damage or theft apart from the damage sustained, so we now have boarded up the windows until we can get the glass fitted in. So you can see just how we at Redeemer cannot thank you enough for once again keeping us in your thoughts by continually sending us such wonderful and well-needed donations to us.

We also are having something exciting going on next week here at church and the local shopping area. We are allowing a film crew to store some of their equipment in our lounge for five days as they film around the area near our church. Sadly I will miss it as am off for a break today, but Jan (treasurer and Pastor George) have been invited to come and be shown all around as they film. The series is being shown on Apple-i-player and is taken from a series of books called Slow Horses. So you can see how fortunate we at Redeemer are despite the vandalism.

We ALL send our love and heartfelt thank you once more for your continuing financial and caring support for our congregation. Praying that all is well with yourself and the congregation in these worrying times.

God Bless one and all, as Tiny Tim would say.

Regards,

Pam