



2025 Newsletter

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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To the people of God at Our Redeemer,

The year of our Lord 2025 marks the 500th anniversary of some very dark days in history, especially concerning what was happening in Germany in and around Martin Luther. The year 1525 marked the beginning of the Anabaptist (rebaptism) movement and the Peasant's War. Both movements were a rejection of the Roman Church and sought to reject Rome by rejecting anything that hinted of Roman doctrine. However, the two movements approached fighting against Rome in very different ways.

The Anabaptists were generally pacifists. The most famous Anabaptist is Menno Simons, the father of the Mennonite church. Supporters of this movement would claim that the heart of Anabaptist theology is that infant baptism was not valid and you must be rebaptized as an adult so that you can make your own personal choice and confession, because they reject that baptism actually washes away your sin. They believe that it is only an initiation ritual to bring a person into the church. The real heart of Anabaptist theology is a rejection of anything that hints of the Roman Church. Therefore they rejected infant baptism, denied the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament, did not use stained glass or similar religious art, refused the clergy to wear robes during worship, etc.

Simply from a logic argument, the rejection of infant baptism and the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament makes no sense. One would have to believe that all of the disciples misunderstood what Jesus had taught them in regard to "baptizing all nations" and "this is My body . . . this is My blood." The disciples of Jesus then would have had to gone out into the world and establish churches which would conduct these wrong practices without anyone debating any point to the contrary. Then, after 1500 years of allowing the church to wallow in ignorance, God, by His grace, finally opened the eyes of some men from Switzerland and Austria to finally know what Christ truly desired for His church. This makes absolutely no sense.

You need to understand that the Anabaptist movement was born at a time of rebellion, not theological study. The Anabaptist rebellion was mostly peaceful. The Peasant's War began in 1524 with an uprising by peasants encouraged and led by Rev. Thomas Muentzer was not peaceful. Muentzer was a radical pastor who was seeking to end the last of the obligations of the peasants to the feudal landowners. Much of feudalism had gone away in Germany by this time with the rise of the trade guilds, but the peasant farmers were still forced to pay a heavy tax to the landowners and to the Roman Church. As the Reformation took hold in Germany, the peasants did not take kindly to an additional 10% of their earnings still being sent off to Rome.

Muentzer took advantage of the growing civil unrest and started a war that led to the death of at least 100,000 peasants. Many more died in the aftermath due to a lack of food being grown. The year of our Lord 1525 was a very hard year for Germany and anyone connected to Martin Luther. However, it is important to remember that the difficult environment of false teaching and war which dominated 1525 ultimately led to the presentation of the Augsburg Confession in 1530, which we celebrate each year on June 25. Like the Nicene Creed and the Athanasian Creed, that statement of faith was born out of very difficult circumstances.

This is a good reminder that God often uses difficult days or years as a crucible to refine both people and ideas. No matter what year it is, it is the year of our Lord!

In Christ,
Pastor Eden

Who's Who at Our Redeemer

President	Larry Foster (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2025
Vice-President	Stan Yelton (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2025
Secretary	Monica Foster (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2025
Treasurer	Michele Clevenger (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2025
Financial Secretary	Renee Benedetto (<i>2nd term</i>) – Counters	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2025
Education Board	Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio	Appointed
	Heidi Schlipman (<i>3rd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
	Ryan Vaughn (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
Board of Elders	Mike Herschler (<i>3rd term</i>) – Head Elder	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
	Ted Hea (<i>2nd term</i>) – Sound & Live Stream Help	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
	Jeff Smith (<i>1st term</i>) – Special Services	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
	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>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
	Jane Haschemeyer (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
Property Board	Gary Herman (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
	Mike Pettit (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
Stewardship Board	Hannah Ajdinovich (<i>3rd term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
	Michele Urbon (<i>2nd term</i>) – Greeters & Attend Slips	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
Youth Ministry	Connie Louderback (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
Endowment Chair	Larry Foster (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
	Monica Foster (<i>1st term</i>)	Oct. 2023 – Sept. 2025
	Jerry Lunt (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026
	Becky Lunt (<i>2nd term</i>)	Oct. 2024 – Sept. 2026

Pastoral Report

(April 1 – 30, 2025)

Official Acts

Baptisms

Canaan Henry Mayfield -- April 5, 2025

First Communion

Youth Confirmation

Adult Confirmation

Funerals

Weddings

Membership Changes

Gains [+1B, +0C]

Baptisms [+1B, +0C]

Canaan Henry Mayfield -- April 5, 2025

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 [-0B, -0C]

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

Membership	January 1, 2025	Gains	Losses	April 30, 2025
Baptized	546	+3	-4	545
Confirmed	430	+0	-4	426

June Puzzle Answer *(Puzzle on Page 14)*

Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16:15

2025 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

<u>Income</u>	<u>Jan. – Apr, '25</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
001 · 001 General Offerings	124,470.13	126,830.00	-2,359.87	98.1%
019 · 019 ORLC Scrip Fund	434.00	1,000.00	-566.00	43.4%
020 · 020 Bequest Fund \$ Designated	1,000.00	250.02	749.98	400.0%
099 · 099 Miscellaneous Income	5,500.00			
Interest Income	3.22			
Total Income	131,407.35	128,163.36	3,243.99	102.5%
<u>Expenses</u>				
Mission	6,250.00	5,666.64	583.36	110.3%
Personnel	86,662.75	87,232.40	-569.65	99.3%
Program	18,332.94	25,453.72	-7,120.78	72.0%
Property	22,001.16	16,970.00	5,031.16	129.6%
Total Expense	133,246.85	135,322.76	-2,075.91	98.5%
<u>Net Income</u>	-1,839.50	-7,159.40	5,319.90	25.7%

Assignments for June 2025

Ushers: (*denotes Communion Assistants)

Saturdays at 5:00 PM	Bill Humphrey*, Bill Haire *, Darrell Drescher
Sundays at 9:00 AM	Jerry Lunt*, Larry Foster*, Gene Bluhm, Parker Armbruster

Altar Care: Becky Lunt, Gina Eickelschulte, Monica Foster

Registration Slips: Judi Mohrman & Bob Mehl

Counters: Glenna Nicholson & Marty Otto

Service Recording: June 1 at 9 AM – Gretchen
June 8 at 9 AM – Keith
June 15 at 9 AM – Ted
June 22 at 9 AM – Jeff
June 27 at 9 AM – Larry

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

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	4-May	5-May	11-May	18-May	25-May
Profit:	\$50.22	\$26.00	\$72.82	\$72.00	\$81.09
# orders:	8	0	9	8	10
Profit/Order:	\$6.28	\$1.00	\$8.09	\$9.00	\$8.11
Overall Profit:	\$955.10	\$981.10	\$1,053.92	\$1,125.92	\$1,207.01

We have surpassed \$1,000 in profits for Scrip. That amount has been gifted back to the congregation.

Thank you for your continued support of Lutheran education!

Remembering In Our Prayers



REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY SERVICES: Mark & Kari Adams, Mark Borg, Paul Boriack, Steve Clark, 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, Angela Osmundsen, Sutton Perry-Brockemeier, Michelle Reinberg-Page, David Rickey, Cole Schullian, Jacob Weimer, Vicki Wemhoener, Jackson Wepler.



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Ron & Ellie Bowles, Wayne Buesking, Sandy Callahan, Donna Church, Joann Durbin, Roger Eden, Pat Florey, Shirley Foster, Marilyn Hanawalt, Isabelle Hillerts, Lynda Hinkamper, Donna MacFadden, Carol Muehring, Joann Reichert, Jinny Rupp, Bill Schlegl, Eldon Schoch, Todd Schroeder, Sue Schweitzer

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

Now Associate Pastor at Grace Lutheran Church, Clarksville, TN

Concordia Theological Seminary, Saint Louis, MO:

Ethan & Krista Boester boestere@csl.edu

801 Seminary Place, Saint Louis, MO 63105-3196



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 – Ruth Ann Snowden

Opening Pianist – Wanda Spohr

Pre-School 3, 4 & Kindergarten – Gina Eickelschulte

Grades 1 - 4 – Cyndi Ott

Jr./Sr. High – Gretchen Wolfmeyer

Substitutes – Monica Foster, Phoebe Hayes,

Katherine Reddick, Susan Weiss

June News & Notes

You are invited to **St. James** for an **Open House** to celebrate **Ms. Renita Mohr's retirement** after serving St. James Lutheran School for 36 years on **June 1** from **1-3 PM**. ***Please bring a card for her.***

For the week of June 1: KFUE Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on [KFUE.org](https://kfuo.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: @KFUEradio on Facebook, X, and Instagram. **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org:** Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*) continues its study through 1 Kings, picking up with chapter 19. On Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*), we are journeying through the book of Genesis. Join us as we continue the saga of Jacob and his family. Don't forget to tune in to the Coffee Hour (*weekdays at 9 AM*) to learn about a new catechetical fiction series from Kloria Publishing, and to join us as we conclude our series on Sabbath with Rev. Dr. Joel Biermann! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE app!

Our next meeting for the National Youth Gathering will be on **Sunday, June 8 at 6:30 pm**. *This meeting will be for both youth and parents.* This is an important meeting as we will **distribute forms** that need **to be filled out**, share a more detailed itinerary and other trip details.

Trinity Lutheran Church in Decatur will host our **Summer Continuing Education** Event on **June 9-11**. This year's Guest Instructor will be: Dr. Reed Lessing of Concordia University, St. Paul, MN, who will be speaking on the theme: "DIFFICULT ISSUES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT". This event is open to Pastors, Church Workers, and Lay Members. The cost is \$175 for pastors and church workers, and \$125 for Lay Members, which includes two meals, snacks, drinks, and materials. Please use the link below for more information, and to register for what will be a wonderful class! Here's the link: [Continuing Education Detail](#)

Care Net continues to offer free and confidential services to women, men, and their families who are dealing with an unplanned or crisis pregnancy. The **Baby Bottle Blitz runs now through Father's Day, June 15th**. Folks will get their baby bottle from church and return it to their church. Between Mother's and Father's Day, they will fill their bottle with spare change, paper money, and even checks!

Youth musicians are invited to Lutheran Summer Music! Lutheran Summer Music Academy & Festival (LSM) is the nation's premier faith-based music academy for high school students. Students come together from all over the country to immerse themselves in joyful music-making and build a supportive and welcoming community, living together on a college campus. During the day, students receive advanced musical instruction through large ensembles (Festival Choir, Band and Orchestra), chamber music, private lessons, and elective classes (such as musical theatre, composition, church music, jazz band, conducting, music therapy). In the evenings, students attend recitals, evening prayer services, and social events with their friends. LSM 2025 takes place at Valparaiso University in Indiana from **June 22-July 20*** (Full Session) or **June 22-July 6** (Half Session) and is open to students who have completed grades 8-12. **Early check-outs will be coordinated for students attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering.* To learn more, watch this [LSM Experience Video](#), view this [digital brochure](#), or go to LSMacademy.org/program

June 29, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Will my plans preserve what I have gathered or give it away? Estate planning can be a bit unsettling as it punctuates the finite number of days here in this life. Yet our life in Jesus is eternal, without end. How will decisions in your estate plan keep the focus on things that matter eternally? Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you find that eternal focus. Contact Scott Radden, LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, at 618-977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

LWML Rummage sale will be **July 11 and 12**. Please remember us when downsizing, organizing and spring cleaning. If you need to get rid of items now, LWML has a room in the Sunday school area. We would prefer you **deliver items starting in June** to the Sunday school opening area. *Remember everything needs to be in sellable condition and no clothes or TV's.* As always all proceeds go to missions. This is our 11th year and we have raised \$27,000 for missions. This event is not possible without your donations, thank you all so much. Praise be to God!

June News & Notes (continued)

Upcoming Events

July 6: Independence Day Sunday

July 11 & 12: LWML Rummage Sale

July 13-15: CID Convention

July 19-23: LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA

September 14: Church Picnic at Upper Moorman Park at 4 PM

November 9: Veterans Day Sunday

Good News for the St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund Once again ORLC is blessed to have an anonymous donor offer to **match up to \$5,000.00 in donations** to the endowment fund. 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**.

Endowment Committee: Michele Clevenger, Marty Otto, Monica and Larry Foster, Jerry and Becky Lunt

Matching Fund Raiser: Tuition Assistance Fund for St. James School Looking for another way to help students at St. James Lutheran School in addition to ORLC's Endowment Fund? ORLC Voters has approved up to **\$10,000 matching funds** to go to the Tuition Assistance Fund at St. James School so whatever you donate will effectively be doubled! This matching **challenge will run to the end of the year**. If you are not familiar with this fund, each year St. James offers tuition assistance to families of students not assisted by our Lutheran congregations. The **need for next school year** is estimated to be **\$22,000**.

Please make checks payable to: "ORLC" with "SJLC Tuition Assistance Fund" in the memo line. Your donation will only be used for Tuition Assistance to St. James school families.

Contact Ryan Vaughn with questions.

Quilters need your used sheets. Please contact the church office to drop them off.

ORLC Baseball Caps in both men's and women's styles are now available at the Scrip table for a **\$15 donation** to LWML Missions. Checks made payable to ORLC LWML (please put "Hats" in the memo line) and can be left in the church office or placed under the church office door. *— Evangelism Committee*

We are updating our email lists. If you would like to **receive our weekly bulletins or monthly newsletters by email**, please let Gretchen know in the church office (217-223-1769).

Volunteers Needed: once a week to help assemble bulletins and once a month for the newsletter. You can help with bulletins or newsletter or both if you enjoy the fellowship that goes along with doing it. Depending on # of people who volunteer the bulletin takes about an hour and a little longer for the newsletter. Contact the office if you can help!

Uganda Mission: Funds Given so far in **2025 - \$15,000.00** The latest money sent went to finish the faculty dormitory, which will also house the boys who are boarding until the boys' dormitory is finished.

Camp CILCA summer programs in 2025 are **only \$75 in honor of CILCA's 75th Anniversary**. Registrations are coming in much faster than usual and space is limited, so register early to save a spot.

Current **Dollar for Missions project** is **\$25,000 for masonry work and repointing at University Lutheran Church in Champaign**. The church and student center building serves as an outpost of the Gospel to the 60,000 students annually at the University of Illinois. Portions of the brick and concrete structure are showing their age and are in need of repair. This project will fund targeted work at repairing and repointing sections of the building exterior, so that the Lord's Word and Sacraments can continue to be given out for many decades to come! Feel free to check out the video at <https://youtu.be/n3BgVeNC0tg> or find more information on our website <https://www.cidlcms.org/ministry-a-dollar-for-missions.html>.

In 2024 ORLC received \$2,316 in Thrivent Choice Dollars® grant funding. Thrivent members can **host two Action Teams each year**. Each project is allowed **up to \$250** from Thrivent to help get the project going. If you would like to host an Action Team this year, please contact Barb Vahle or Gretchen in the church office for ideas.

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Bella Ease Motivation Mondays at 10 am: Set Goals, Create a Plan, Overcome Obstacles, Make Life Happen - 707 Broadway

Bella Ease 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.

Bella Ease Care Closet Open Mon. – Fri.. 8:30-4:30 PM, 707 Broadway, for personal Hygiene Products.

Bella Ease invites you to join the guys for good food and good discussions. **All Dads are welcome!** **3rd Thursdays from 6-7:30 PM,** 707 Broadway. Child care available. RSVP to bellaease.com/event or call 217-209-0632.

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

FREE Thrivent t-shirts are again on the **Scrip table**. Please stop by and take whatever you can use or give to others.

Offerings donated to **Lutheran Bible Translators** from the **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class** for the month of May were **\$150.00**.

The Sunday School offerings for May of **\$49.72** will be donated to **Camp Callahan**.

Sunday School closed out the school year with our opening led by Ruth Ann Snowden and pianist Wanda Spohr. The 1st graders to High School student then competed in a fun session of Bible Bowl.

Thank you to our Sunday School teachers, Gina Eickelschulte, Cyndi Ott, and Gretchen Wolfmeyer.

Thank you to our substitutes this term of Amelia Knapp, Allie Hastings-Dedert, Katherine Reddick, and Hannah Ajdinovich. We appreciate all that give of their time and talents to serve the Lord as part of our Sunday School staff. We will be **on break until after Labor Day**.

- Melissa Knapp, Sunday School Superintendent

Sunday School Attendance Awards for the spring term were presented to the youth on **Sunday, May 18th**. The following youth received a certificate and a gift card.

Preschool/Kindergarten

Nix Dedert
Archer Ott
Gracelynn Smith
Evie Ajdinovich

1st to 4th grade

Savannah Edwards
Conner Smith
Jack Ajdinovich
Auggie Ott

5th to 8th

Alex Smith

High School

Allie Hastings-Dedert
Amelia Knapp

June News & Notes *(continued)*

THANK YOU

Central Illinois District Scholarship Sunday was May 4th. We thank everyone who participated with gifts and prayers in support of our CID seminarians and full-time church worker students. Because of the great need for pastors, teachers, principals, and other full-time church workers we also ask you to speak to your pastor if you are considering a vocation in ministry or know of someone who would be a good candidate. In addition, please forward their name and contact information to President Michael Mohr at the district office (*address below*).

Please continue to pray for the needs of our students throughout the year. If you were not able to make a gift last month you may still do so today or at any time during the year. The need is great. Please make your check payable to either the **“The CID Scholarship Fund”** to designate it to be used for current needs, or to the **“CID Scholarship Endowment Fund”** where the proceeds will be used for years to come to support CID church worker students. Please send your gift to:

Central Illinois District LCMS
1850 North Grand Avenue West
Springfield, IL 62702-1626.

If you are considering making a gift to ministry of retirement assets, property, IRA assets or a gift through your estate, you may contact our CID Planned Gift Counselor, Rev. Charles Olander at (217) 416-8842 or c-olander@msn.com for assistance.

LCMS Foundation

“Frank, you know what I found in the back of the attic? I found the first golf clubs I ever had. My grandfather gave them to me. I haven’t even touched them in thirty years.”

“Bob, why do you still have those?”

“They are important to me. They remind me of my grandfather.”

“Thirty years of dust on those clubs doesn’t exactly reflect importance.”

We cling to things. Something a grandparent gave to you will very likely have no meaning to your children or grandchildren, who never met that grandparent. Yet for some reason, we still cling. If we really consider God’s Word, we aren’t focused on the “gathering” in life, but the “use” of life and all the gifts that go along with it. “And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.” (2 Corinthians 9:8) Use of God’s things gives us a chance to display God’s grace in Jesus to the people who surround us, the family close to us, and all the neighbors with whom we interact. Use of God’s things is a tremendous privilege.

That sense of “using” God’s things, rather than “hoarding” God’s things, is at the heart and core of a Christian estate plan. In fact, the gift plan is the fun part of estate work, as we joyfully plan to bless others with all the things God has gathered under our faithful stewardship. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you find that joy. Contact Scott Radden, LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, at 618-977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

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 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.

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** - 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

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

June Baptisms

1	Ruth Snowden	13	David Showman Jr.	23	Brandy Gilbert
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	Alexandrea 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
9	Sky Fischer				

June Anniversaries

2	Gary and Carol O'Dell	18 years	17	Paul and Arjee Weisheit	12 years
5	Mark Adams & Kari Vahle-Adams	16 years	20	Ray and Donna Johnson	66 years
11	Jim and Denise Lucas	37 years	27	Larry and Tracy Bugh	33 years
11	Chad and Amanda Manton	14 years	28	James II & Rebecca Jones	34 years
11	Dennis and Darylene Mix	31 years	29	Ryan and Michelle Schnack	19 years
11	Brian and Lori Schenck	32 years	30	Brandon and Melissa Smith	18 years
12	Bradly and Laura Essington	32 years			

*Congratulations and Best Wishes to
you all!!!*



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? We would love to have you join us! 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**.

June 5 – Picnic,
6 pm, Fellowship
Hall

June 26 – 29 –
National LWML
Convention,
Omaha, NE

July 11 & 12 –
Annual Rummage
Sale, Fellowship
Hall

July – Birthday get-
together, TBD

*No meeting in
August*

May News

Thank you, Wanda & Donna for
being our gracious hosts.

District Convention highlights
were shared. Details were given
about National Convention and
the rummage sale.

Finalized volunteers for the Blind
Service meal served at St. James
on May 17th.

Our 2025 Missions Projects

National - Concordia Seminary Food
Banks (both Seminaries), Dakota Girls &
Boys Ranch, Uganda Mission, Redeemer
Lutheran in UK, Lutheran Prison Ministry

Local – Camp Callahan, ORLC St. James
Endowment Fund, Camp Cilca, CareNet,
and Open Hands Food Pantry (St.
John's), CID Campus Ministry Foundation

2025 – 2026 LWML CID Mission Grants

**New Mission Grants were
selected at the April District
Convention.**

Details to come!

You can support this grant by
donating to the Ladies Aid LWML
group. Thank you!

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

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**

Do our missions speak to your heart? Take a mite box, fill it with your spare change, and empty it every now and then in our large mite box! Thank you!



National Mission Grants 2023 – 2025

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

Breaking Generational Poverty in Detroit | Camp Restore - \$58,988

Camp Restore is located in what was the most violent area of Detroit, the 9th Precinct. However, with the strong resilience in this community and strong community leaders, they have the goal of uplifting one another by investing in the people and the places in the neighborhood.

The goal of this grant is to work with families and community leaders to break the cycle of poverty by providing a Christ-centered atmosphere full of God's love and grace where families can learn and grow, with access to the needed education and resources. Through education and God's love, the cycle of generational poverty can be broken.

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

Coloring Page:



Summer Word Scramble

Unscramble the following list of shuffled words to meaningful words!

- IUSNESNH _____
- BCAHE _____
- OVCANAIT _____
- EICRCAME _____
- IMSMGWIN _____
- CALSNSAETD _____
- UNUNBRS _____
- LLPFIOSFP _____
- VAEEHWAT _____
- BERECUBA _____
- NFRSIGU _____
- DISLEOPO _____

PUZZLE PAGE

SHARING

By

Bill Schlegl

Write the letter that comes between the two letters given. You will learn the instructions Jesus gave to His disciples and also to us.

FH NP

XZ DF

HJ MO SU NP

ZB KM KM

SU GI DF

VX NP QS KM CE

ZB MO CE

OQ QS DF ZB BD GI

SU GI DF

FH NP RT OQ DF KM

SU NP

DF UW DF QS XZ

BD QS DF ZB SU TV QS DF

(Answers on Page 3)

Answers to word scramble on Page 13

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| 1. Sunshine | 5. Swimming | 9. Heatwave |
| 2. Beach | 6. Sandcastle | 10. Barbecue |
| 3. Vacation | 7. Sunburn | 11. Surfing |
| 4. Ice Cream | 8. Flipflops | 12. Poolside |