Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus For the week of February 2 - 9, 2025

Birthdays This Week

- 4 Kaisley Turner
- 5 Richelle Anderson
- 5 Jeffrey Smith
- 5 Clint Gooding
- 5 Dan Hufendick
- 5 Sheldon Foulk
- 6 Archer Ott
- 7 Becky Lunt

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 2 Monica Foster
- Luke McElfresh
- 3 Barb Hall
- 3 **Darrell Drescher**
- Kirk Vahle 5
- 6 Melanie Zehnle
- 8 Eric Fischer

Anniversaries This Week

5 Rob and Naomi Tipton 19 years

8 Charlie and Pam Church 22 years

Dollar for Missions project is \$25,000 for masonry repair and repointing at University Lutheran Church in Champaign. The all-brick church and student center has been next to the University of Illinois campus for over 70 years. Some portions of the brick and concrete are in need of immediate, special attention. This project will fund this targeted work to ensure the building remains in good shape and always open for the Word of Christ to be shared and preached to the 60,000 students at the U of I.

If you would like to receive our weekly bulletins and/or monthly newsletters by email, please let Gretchen know in the church office.

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

We can face competing priorities when we think about distributions from our estates someday, even as we consider gifts that will support ministry. The thought might arise, "If I support ministry with my estate, I'll be taking away from my family inheritance." Take a step further back and begin asking yourself why the Lord gave you these financial assets to manage in the first place. Pray fervently. Have conversations with fellow believers. Strive to discern God's will. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can be one of these supportive people. Contact Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or

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 (please put "Hats" in the memo line) and can be left in the church office or placed under the church office door. – Evangelism

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All Three Churches Combined Choir will sing every other Sunday during Lent: March 9 at Our Redeemer, March 23 at Saint James (both services), and April 6 at the Lutheran Church of Saint John (both services)

St. James PTL Skate Night at Scottie's Fun Spot on Thursday, February 13 from 6-8 PM (Doors open at 5:30 PM) Skating or Ballocity \$5 or Both for \$7 Glow Night – Includes One Free Glow Stick

Elders and Church Council Meetings are both **February 19, 2025**

Please sign up in the Narthex to help with the Lenten Dinners from March 5 through April 9 We are attempting to include a variety of members to "plan and cook" these meals. Basic meals are encouraged: pizza, salad, and dessert; taco bar and dessert; spaghetti, salad, and dessert. Please consider donating your time and energy to help with these fun meals. A Thrivent card will be available to cover the cost of food. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. LWML will give donations to missions.

ATTENTION SOUP AFICIONADOS! It was such a hit last year; we're doing it again... a soup cookoff on March 8th immediately following the Saturday night service! We're only accepting 8 soups for judging this year, so do not procrastinate! It's FREE to enter your soup, includes your meal, and one vote for the evening! Advance tickets to attend the festivities are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Your ticket includes a taste of every soup, one vote and a meal of sandwiches, chips, desserts, and drinks. Please join us for food, fun, and fellowship! Soup entries and advance ticket sales begin Feb. 8th after every church service, or you can contact the church office! A shout out to Arjee Weisheit, our 2024 Soup Chef winner, with her Chicken & Rice soup! All proceeds will be funding LCMS – Disaster Relief.

March 22nd, 2025 is the Spring Fling! This year's theme is **Game Night!** We will have a cocktail hour with drinks and games, starting at 5 pm. Silent auction will open at 5:30 pm. We will eat at 7 pm, and the live auction will start following dinner. St. James Lutheran PTL Spring Fling Auction Wish List! We need your support! Help us make this year's Spring Fling the best yet! We are adding a few new opportunities to this year's event, and we need your help! We are asking for donations to make our Game and Cocktail Hour a hit! What We <u>Need</u>

- Various **Gift Cards** of any amount (minimum of \$5, please)
- Bottles of Wine (sealed, any brand/price)
- Bottles of Bourbon (sealed, any brand/price)
- Board Games (can be used and/or missing pieces)
- Baskets for Silent Auction Items (New/Good Condition)

Monetary donations are welcome to help us purchase the above items! Please drop off any donations to the school office or contact us to arrange pickup. www.facebook.com/stjamesptlqcy stjamesptlqcy@gmail.com 217-222-8267

Voters' Meeting, April 27, 2025, at 11:15 AM

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, February 2: Epiphany 4 (DS IV)

9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online

10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School

Monday, February 3:

Tuesday, February 4: 9:15 AM Bible Study

7:00 PM Choir

Wednesday, February 5: 10:00 AM Bible Study Streamed online

11:30 AM Holy Communion

2:00 PM Banner

Thursday, February 6: 6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study

6:30 PM LWML Meeting

Friday, February 7:

Saturday, February 8: 5:00 PM Holy Communion Sunday, February 9: Epiphany 5 (DS I)

9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online

10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	Jan. 26	
Saturday at 5:00 PM	53	
Sunday at 9:00 AM	77	
Total Attendance	130	
Holy Communion	117	
Adult Bible Study	20	
Sunday School	16	

Offerings	Jan. 26		
Needed Each Month	\$33,872.35		
Received Last Month	\$28,744.76		
Received This Month	\$35,568.62		
Needed This Year	\$406,468.21		
Received This Year	\$35,568.62		
Received This Week	\$14.960.00		

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	15-Dec	29-Dec	12-Jan	19-Jan	26-Jan
Profit:	\$94.35	\$173.57	\$95.85	\$28.26	\$54.40
# orders:	13	20	12	5	6
Profit/Order:	\$7.26	\$8.68	\$7.99	\$5.65	\$9.07
Overall Profit:	\$3,261.28	\$3,434.85	\$95.85	\$124.12	\$178.52

Thank you for your purchases and support. We now have some \$10 and \$25 in Kentucky Fried Chicken, \$25 Visa, and \$100 Menards in stock.

For the week of February 2 on KFUO AM850 & kfuo.org: We continue in the books of Isaiah on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 AM) and Job on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 AM). Tune in to the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9 AM) to hear this month's episode of Searching Scripture, and join us as we revisit National Lutheran Schools week with some special segments! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

Camp CILCA Women's Retreat Calling all ladies to join us for the Camp CILCA Women's Retreat on March 28-29. The retreat theme is *Lean and Learn*. Join us as we *lean* into God's Word, digging into what God says to us, and *learn* how we live it out in our daily vocation as women. Our speaker is Rehema Kavugha. Rehema is currently the Director of Synod Relations at the Lutheran Church Extension Fund, where she has served since May 2019, She also has been the Director of Student Development at Concordia University Nebraska and a Lutheran music teacher. Two retreat options are available: 1) Join us overnight for \$100 and share a room with two other ladies in Camp CILCA's Christian Growth Center. 2) Select the dayonly option for \$75. Registration opens December 27. Register online at www.cilca.org/womens-retreat. If you have questions or need help registering, contact Lauren at program@cilca.org.

Join us for the 2025 Martin+Katie Conference at University Lutheran Church in Champaign, IL on Saturday, March 29, 2025. At this free conference, grow as Christian men and women, meet new friends, get to know each other, and have fun. The conference is open to ages 18–30. Married or single are welcome. Registration is required, as capacity is limited. Please register no later than Friday, March 21st. Info and registration are available at http://martinpluskatie.org. Plus: Extra bonus activities planned for Friday night, March 28, and Saturday night, March 29! All are invited to stay for Sunday Bible Class, Divine Service, and lunch on Sunday, March 30.

AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) is being considered for purchase. The price ranges from \$2,000 to \$3,000. If you would like to help with this project, please contact Barb Vahle at 217-316-1329 or barbaravahle@yahoo.com

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.

Thrivent T-shirts are available downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Please take one or two!

Altar Care needs your help in 2025. Each team of people is responsible for one month. If you can help, please get in touch with Dennis Fleming.

Inkjet Cartridge Recycling. Each cartridge is examined for it's 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's how 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 mail.

Bella Ease Motivation Mondays at 10 AM Set Goals, Create a Plan, Overcome Obstacles, Make Life Happen at 707 Broadway.

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

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

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For the week of February 9: KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on 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: @KFUOradio on Facebook, X, and Instagram. CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO AM850 & kfuo.org: Join us for Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 AM) as we begin a new study on the book of 1 Samuel. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 AM), we continue our journey through Job, picking up with chapter 20. Don't forget to tune in to Concord Matters this Saturday (2/15 at 10 AM) as we begin a new study of the Smalcald Articles in the Book of Concord. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

February 9, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about distributions from our estates someday, even as we consider gifts that will support ministry. In your life, you may have been blessed by, or involved with, multiple ministries striving to share Jesus. Should you try to support them all through your estate or focus on a few that really resonate with your heart? Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can ask questions to get you aimed at that focus. Contact Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@LFND.org.

February 16, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about distributions from our estates someday, even as we consider gifts that will support ministry. You may be committed to supporting ministry but may have other charities in mind as well. In Matthew 25, Jesus said, "Whatever you do for one of the least of these you have done it for me." Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you gain information about the right way to support organizations, discerning if they are consistent with your beliefs and practices. Contact Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@LFND.org.

February 23, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about distributions from our estates someday, even as we consider gifts that will support ministry. In supporting ministries, there is always the need of "today" versus the needs of the "future". Which should you choose? Saints of the Lord may come up with differing plans about these priorities. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor may be able to help you clearly see how you can do both. Contact Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@LFND.org.

Armed Forces Sunday, May 18 Memorial Day Sunday, May 25 Independence Day Sunday, July 6 Veterans Day Sunday, November 9