Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus For the week of March 9 - 16, 2025

Birthdays This Week

- 9 Brett Scharnhorst
- 9 Chad Manton
- 9 Brandon Hufendick
- 11 Bella Campbell
- 12 Evie Ajdinovich
- 12 Deanna Hibbert
- 12 Savannah O'Dell
- 13 Brian Schenck
- 14 Charlie Church
- 14 Kathy Ragsdale
- 14 Mary Tipton
- 14 Jessica Scharnhorst
- 14 David Reinburg

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 9 Gary O'Dell
- 9 Ellen Stockhecke
- 9 Brandon Hufendick
- 9 Ruth Hall
- 10 Josh Holtman
- 10 Randy Wolfmeyer
- 10 Jeremy Holtman
- 10 Addison Buss
- 11 Bella Campbell
- 11 Emma Campbell
- 11 Jason Klauser
- 11 Amya Allensworth
- 11 Danielle Deeter
- 13 Connor Smith
- 13 Rob Edwards
- 15 David Pellman
- 15 Justin Harvey
- 15 Mandy Creely

February-themed college care packages were shipped out earlier this month to ten students. Packages for six local students were made available for pickup in the church lounge. There are always some sweet treats, salty snacks, and a fun item along with a note signed by congregation members! Sunday School children will be decorating and signing cards for the March care package. The children will also help assemble and pack the care packages filled with all sorts of items to bring a smile to recipients. Our Redeemer College Care Packages are prepared for current members or a son/daughter of a current member. These are both for local college attendees and also those attending away from home. THANK YOU for continued donations of items for the packages. There is collection bin under the table by the south entrance for donation of items.

The Sunday School children gathered offerings of \$85.42 during December and January. Those monies have been donated to the Early Childhood and Family Center Nursing office for items they can use to clothe children. Thank you for the gloves, hats, mittens, and scarves donated in December and distributed to the Quincy Public Schools. In February, \$54.43 was collected and will be sent to the Pacific Southwest District - LCMS to be used for the Southern California Wildfire Relief. In March, the Sunday School offerings will be designated for the Quincy Neighborhood Federation to be used for their needs and programs for area youth.

Offerings donated to Lutheran Bible

Translators from the Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class for February were \$150.00.

LWML is continuing to **visit** and **send cards** to **shut-ins**. If you know of someone who should be added to the list, please let **Wanda Spohr** know.

The current Dollar for Missions project is \$25,000 for masonry work and repointing at the University Lutheran Church in Champaign.

These funds will help to correct masonry wear and tear on the 70-plus-year-old church and student center. University Lutheran Church has served many thousands of students with the Gospel of Christ over 70+ years.

Camp CILCA summer programs 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.

ORLC Baseball Caps are now available at the Scrip table for \$15 donation to LWML Missions. Checks made payable to ORLC LWML (put "Hats" in the memo line) and can be left in the church office or placed under the church office door.

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

FREE Thrivent t-shirts, little notebooks, and VBS CDs available on the scrip table. Both adult and some youth sizes are available.

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)

Please sign up in the Narthex to help with the Lenten Dinners from March 12 through April 9
We are attempting to include a variety of members to "plan and cook" these meals. Basic meals are encouraged. 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. LWML will give donations to missions.

Jan Colvin's Our Redeemer Family is welcome to attend a gathering at Sprouts on March 22 from 2-4 with hors d'oeuvres to remember Jan and celebrate her life.

March 22nd, 2025, is Game Night Spring Fling! Cocktail hour with drinks & games starting at 5 pm. Silent auction open at 5:30 pm. Eat at 7 pm, and the live auction will start following dinner. We need donations to make our Game & Cocktail Hour a hit! We Need: *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 items! Drop off any donations to the school office or contact us to arrange pickup. www.facebook.com/stjamesptlqcy stjamesptlqcy@gmail.com 217-222-8267

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, March 9: Lent 1 (DS IV) - Daylight Savings Time Begins

9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online

10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School

Monday, March 10:

Tuesday, March 11: 9:15 Bible Study

7:00 PM Choir

Wednesday, March 12: 10:00 AM Bible Study Streamed online

11:30 AM Holy Communion

5:45 PM Meal **7:00 PM Lenten 1**

Thursday, March 13: 6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study

9:00 AM Quilters

Friday, March 14:

Saturday, March 15: NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

5:00 PM Holy Communion

Sunday, March 16: Lent 2 (DS I)

9:00 AM Holy Communion *Streamed online* 10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	Mar. 2	
Saturday at 5:00 PM	51	
Sunday at 9:00 AM	90	
Total Attendance	141	
Holy Communion	141	
Adult Bible Study	27	
Sunday School	15	
Ash Wednesday 7 PM	64	
Ash Wed. Communion	62	

Offerings	Mar. 2	
Needed Each Month	\$33,872.35	
Received Last Month	\$25,147.72	
Received This Month	\$5,213.00	
Needed This Year	\$406,468.21	
Received This Year	\$65,929.34	
Received This Week	\$5,213.00	

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	2-Feb	10-Feb	16-Feb	2-Mar
Profit:	\$65.55	\$40.00	\$105.45	\$96.79
# orders:	9	1	11	14
Profit/Order:	\$7.28	\$40.00	\$9.59	\$6.91
Overall Profit:	\$244.07	\$284.07	\$389.52	\$486.31

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 March 9: on KFUO AM850 & kfuo.org: On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 AM), we continue in the book of 1 Samuel, covering chapters 21-25. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 AM) as we conclude our study of Job and begin a new study on the book of Hebrews! Save the date! KFUO's annual Sharathon is April 3rd-5th, 2025. Start, sustain, or strengthen your partnership with us during this year's giving drive! To learn more, visit: kfuo.org/sharathon.

We invite you to complete an online survey sharing your feedback and thoughts on some of CID's prospects for ministry funding into the future. The survey will take about 15 minutes at most to complete. Its results will guide the next steps for expanding various specialized missions that we share. Thank you in advance for giving us your thoughts, and doing so by March 21. The Lord be with you! COMPLETE THE SURVEY NOW: https://survey.zohopublic.com/zs/G3Ci9x



2025 Illinois Pro-Life March is scheduled for March 25th in Springfield. Trinity Lutheran Church (220 S 2nd St, Springfield, IL, 62701), across the street from the state capitol building, will again conduct an 11 AM Matins service. Northern Illinois District President Allan Buss will preach. Immediately thereafter, worshipers may walk to the ballroom of the State House Inn, one block north of the capitol building, to pick up a light lunch consisting of a four-inch ham or turkey sandwich, bag of chips, cookie, and bottle of water. The suggested donation is \$6. The Pro-Life rally outside the capitol is scheduled to begin at 1 PM. Actual marching should step off at about 2 PM. Worshipers may park in the State House Inn's west parking lot at the corner of Adams and First Streets.

https://www.cidlcms.org/il-prolife-march-2025.html

Camp CILCA Women's Retreat on March 28-29. The 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**, the Director of Synod Relations at the Lutheran Church Extension Fund. 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 **day-only 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.

Camp CILCA's Annual Banquet on **Sunday, March 30** is an evening celebrating God's work of *Creation* and *Redemption*, especially as those works are enjoyed, proclaimed, and taught at Camp CILCA. Join us for an evening of music, food, great speakers, and friends. This year, Executive Director at Camp Concordia, Pastor BJ Fouts will be our speaker discussing the impact of camp. Tickets are \$40 and must be reserved in advance by contacting the camp office (217-487-7497/camp@cilca.org).

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.

Know someone interested in full-time ministry? Share an invitation to Vocatio: Retreat April 6-8, 2025 Interested in a distinctively Lutheran retreat that offers an introduction to life as a seminarian, time to spend in God's Word and the opportunity to learn from some of the brightest theologians in the church? Concordia Seminary, St. Louis invites you to attend *Vocatio: Retreat* — a three-day retreat (*April 6-8, 2025*) geared toward college students and second-career men and women who are considering serving as a pastor, deaconess, missionary or chaplain. To register visit csl.edu/vocatio-retreat or Google "*Vocatio: Retreat* Concordia Seminary." Hurry! *Registration closes March 21*.

Voters' Meeting, April 27, 2025, at 10:15 AM No Bible Class – All Voters Needed to attend Armed Forces Sunday, May 18
Memorial Day Sunday, May 25
Independence Day Sunday, July 6
Veterans Day Sunday, November 9

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 means, 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

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 <u>bellaease.com/event</u> or call 217-209-0632

Bella Ease Care Closet Open Monday-Friday 8:30-4:30 PM, 707 Broadway, for personal Hygiene Products.

Many thanks for your continued generosity to us here at Redeemer. It seems that your gift always appears whenever we have an unexpected expense. This time, once again, vandals smashed a large window in our lounge which has just now been replaced. So we thank you all and to add that we just cannot explain enough just how much we not only appreciate your donations but for the love and care we receive from your congregation. It gives us a warm feeling and also less concern for unexpected expenses. Here in Harlow, we had the film crew from Slow Horses, using our hall to store their equipment whilst filming in our little shopping centre across the road. It was amazing to watch and unbelievable to see the vast amount of crew, equipment and not to forget the actors as well. It was fascinating to see how it all worked.

We are hoping we are saying goodbye to the dreadful weather of late as today, fingers crossed, is the start of warmer weather, although it brings rain. But right now it is lovely to step outside without layering up so much.

So we all send our grateful thanks once more and send our love and prayers for each and everyone at Quincy.



We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. Many seniors are concerned about the high

cost of nursing home care and believe their only estate priority is protecting assets. But there are many other legal and financial issues that should be considered, including how to bless family with inheritance and support ministries that the Lord has laid on the heart. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can broaden your consideration. Contact Scott Radden, Sr.Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

For the week of March 16: 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: We continue our study of 1 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 AM), covering chapters 26-30. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 AM), we are beginning a deep dive into the book of Hebrews! Join us as we study chapters 3-6. Tune in for a Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service this Wednesday (3/19 at 11 AM), live from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis! Sharathon 2025 is almost here! Save the date for April 3rd, 4th, and 5th! Start, sustain, or strengthen your partnership with us during this year's giving drive. To learn more, visit: kfuo.org/sharathon.

March 16, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. Sometimes God's people hesitate to plan because we don't know what that future will look like. It is true that if the Lord wills for you to live thirty more years, your goals or needs might change. But that should not stop you from planning today. Your estate plan is a snapshot in time, guiding things as you currently know them. You may need to adjust your plan in the future, but that shouldn't keep you from having a plan today. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Scott Radden, Sr.Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

March 23, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. Some of God's saints hesitate to commit to creating an estate gift for ministry because they say, "What if I need those funds before I die?" As long as the funds remain in your name, you always have access to use them. Yet, your estate plan is in place for things that you don't use during your earthly life. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help explain this. Contact Scott Radden, Sr. Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

March 30, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. You can list the members of your family today, but what happens to inheritance if family situations change? What happens if one of your children gets married or a grandchild is born, and they are not listed in your will or trust? Your attorney can place language in your legal documents to address these matters. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can highlight the concerns you have with your attorney to ensure they are addressed. For assistance contact Scott Radden, Sr.Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.