Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus For the week of April 27 – May 4, 2025

Special Thanks to Rev. Mahsman for preaching this weekend!

Birthdays This Week

- 27 Rhoda Wemhoener
- 28 Arlo Ott
- 29 Ruth Snowden
- 30 Brandy Gilbert
- 30 Naomi Tipton
 - 1 Paul Clevenger
 - 1 KayLynn Blickhan
 - 1 Keagan Mercurio
 - 2 Thomas Killday
 - 3 Thalia Wolfmeyer

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 27 Farren Campbell
- 27 Greg Zehnle
- 27 Kate Foster
- 28 Madelynn Jones
- 28 Evan Baker
- 29 Brett Scharnhorst
- 29 Mona Fischer
- 29 Stephanie Bush
- 1 Lauryn Sharrow
- 2 Avery Anderson
- 2 Lucas Anderson
- 2 Abigail Kemp
- 2 Hannah Kemp
- 2 Theodore Mayfield
- 2 Wade Pellman
- 3 Dawn Ufkes
- 3 David Drescher

Anniversaries This Week

29 Ron and Ellie Bowles3 Mark and Janice Voepel69 years28 years

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

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.

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.

Voters' Meeting, **Today**, at **10:15 AM** *No Bible Class – All Voters Needed to attend*

Dear Members, In the January Voter's Meeting Chet Vahle gave the first reading of changes to the ORLC constitution and bylaws. These changes include the change to a not-for-profit organization. The fundamental reason for the change is better legal protection for church and its officers. Details of all the changes are in a document in the Narthex. To adopt these changes, a majority of the voting membership is required at the April 27, 2025, 10:15 AM meeting. This is approximately 55 registered voters. Please consider attending the April 27th meeting. If a majority of the voting members cannot be assembled, the changes will be voted on with a standard quorum in the September meeting. Larry Foster



Save a Life: May 9, 9 am – 2 pm BLOOD DRIVE Lutheran Church of St. John, 3340 State Street, Quincy

https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive

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 kick-off for the Baby Bottle Blitz is Mother's Day, May 11th, and it runs 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!

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? St. James Lutheran Church has been funding a Tuition Assistance Fund to help tuition costs to student families each year. This year \$18,000 in tuition assistance was used and this coming 2025-2026 school year the need is going to be about \$22,000. To help offset the burden on St. James Church, the school's Board of Education is asking each church to help replenish the tuition assistance fund in time for this coming year. The ORLC church council is recommending to the voters to assist with \$10,000 to be voted on April 27th at the Voters Meeting. Even with ORLC's help, there is still a need for this coming year and beyond. Questions can be directed to ORLC Board of Education Representatives, Heidi Armbruster & Ryan Vaughn. If you would like to help, Please make checks payable to: "St. James Lutheran School" with "Tuition Assistance Fund" in the memo line. Your donation will only be used for Tuition Assistance to school families. Checks can be delivered to the school office, given to either of ORLC's Board of Education representatives, or placed in the Education mailbox in the ORLC lounge. Thank you for your consideration and support of Lutheran Education.

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

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, April 27: Easter 2 (DS III) - Pastor Mahsman to Preach

9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online

10:15 AM Sunday School & Voters' Meeting - All Voters Needed

Monday, April 28:

Tuesday, April 29: 9:15 AM Bible Study

7:00 PM Choir

Wednesday, April 30:

Thursday, May 1: 6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study

6:30 PM LWML Meeting

Friday, May 2:

Saturday, May 3: 5:00 PM Holy Communion Sunday, May 4: Easter 3 (DS IV)

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

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	Apr. 20	
Maundy Thursday	63	
Maundy Thurs. Comm.	63	
Good Friday	73	
Easter Vigil at 5 PM	38	
Easter at 6:30 AM	60	
Easter at 9:00 AM	126	
Total Attendance	186	
Holy Communion	179	

Offerings	Apr. 20		
Needed Each Month	\$33,872.35		
Received Last Month	\$37,252.17		
Received This Month	\$20,091.00		
Needed This Year	\$406,468.21		
Received This Year	\$118,060.13		
Received This Week	\$3,588.00		

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	9-Mar	16-Mar	30-Mar	6-Apr	20-Apr
Profit:	\$29.76	\$95.97	\$88.33	\$27.59	\$113.61
# orders:	6	11	15	6	16
Profit/Order:	\$4.96	\$8.72	\$5.89	\$4.60	\$7.10
Overall Profit:	\$516.07	\$612.04	\$700.37	\$727.96	\$841.57

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.

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!

For the week of April 27: 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 wrap up our study of 2 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 AM) and continue straight on into a study of 1 Kings! On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 AM), we continue our study of Genesis, discussing chapters 10-13. Don't forget to tune in on Friday (5/2 at 11 AM) for Free-Text Friday, Thy Strong Word's "wild card" episode, which airs on the first Friday of every month! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUO Radio app!

April 27, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. This month we think of the tension that is produced by differing opinions by family members. Family can have different opinions about whether current needs are more important, or if a future plan from an estate is. Balancing current and future goals, both for family inheritance and support of ministry is a vital part of a Gift Plan. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you to think this through. Contact Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

Central Illinois District Scholarship Sunday is May 4th. Gifts will be used to support our CID students who are attending an LCMS seminary or university to become a pastor, teacher, deaconess, or other called church worker. Please plan to make a generous gift now or on May 4th. Gifts may be designated "CID Scholarship Fund" to be used for the 2025-2026 school year or be designated "CID Scholarship Endowment Fund" to provide gifts every year for this ongoing need. Checks may be given through your church or sent to the Central Illinois District -LCMS, 1850 N. Grand Avenue West, Springfield, IL 62702-1626. Since the need for called workers is so great, we also ask you to encourage those who may be good candidates to consider pursuing a called church-worker vocation. If you are considering a major gift, or would like to include scholarships for CID seminarians or church worker students in your estate planning or through a life insurance policy or IRA, please contact CID Planned Gift Counselor, Rev. Charles Olander, at (217) 416-8842 or c-olander@msn.com for assistance. Thank you.

Next Elders' Meeting will be Wednesday, May 21 at 6:00 PM Church Council Meeting will be Wednesday, May 21 at 7:00 PM 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. For more information and to register: Continuing Education Detail

Vocatio: High School retreat June 21-27, 2025 Find God's calling and direction for your high schooler's life! **Concordia Seminary, St. Louis** invites ninth- through 12th-grade students to attend **Vocatio: High School** on the campus of Concordia Seminary. This retreat encourages high school men and women to explore many aspects of the Seminary, including worship and devotions, sessions with professors, and even some fun and recreation! **Registration** is \$200 and closes May 31. **Register today**



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