

Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus
For the week of June 1-8, 2025

Birthdays This Week

- 2 Hannah Ajdinovich
- 4 Scott Baird
- 4 Irene Drescher
- 5 Trent Douglas
- 5 Larry Bugh
- 7 Marilyn Hanawalt

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 1 Ruth Snowden
- 4 Gary Cramlett
- 5 Linda Go
- 6 Dan Hufendick
- 7 Gary Hyer

Anniversaries This Week

- 2 Gary and Carol O'Dell 18 years
- 5 Mark & Kari Vahle-Adams 16 years

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 questions about it, please check with any of the committee members. Checks should be made out to: **ORLC St. James School Tuition Endowment Fund**
Committee: Michele Clevenger, Marty Otto, Monica and Larry Foster, Jerry and Becky Lunt

Matching Fundraiser: 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 have approved up to **\$10,000 in 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 the **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.*

Camp CILCA summer programs are **only \$75 in honor of CILCA's 75th Anniversary**. Register early to save a spot and **space is limited**.

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

CareNet 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 now and Father's Day, they will fill their bottle with spare change, paper money, and even checks!

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.

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 TVs.* 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!

Quilters need your used sheets. Please get in touch with the church office to drop them off.

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.

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.

Old Fashioned School Picnic Sunday, June 1, 2025 at Immanuel Lutheran Church West Ely, MO **Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fish Fry at Noon (Free Will Donation) Vespers** in the school at **4 PM** followed by a light evening meal.

For the week of June 1: 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 Radio app!

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

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

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, June 1:

Easter 7 (DS I) Pastor Rempfer to Preach

9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online

10:15 AM Bible Class

1:00 PM Ms. Mohr Retirement Open House at St. James

Monday, June 2:

Tuesday, June 3:

9:15 AM Bible Study

Wednesday, June 4:

10:00 AM Bible Study Streamed online

11:30 AM Holy Communion

Thursday, June 5:

6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study

6:00 PM LWML Picnic

Friday, June 6:

Saturday, June 7:

5:00 PM Holy Communion

Sunday, June 8:

Day of Pentecost (DS III)

9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online

10:15 AM Bible Class

6:30 PM National Youth Gathering Meeting at LCoSJ

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	May 25
Saturday at 5:00 PM	44
Sunday at 9:00 AM	90
Total Attendance	134
Holy Communion	120
Adult Bible Class	22

Offerings	May 25
Needed Each Month	\$33,872.35
Received Last Month	\$22,636.55
Received This Month	\$22,470.17
Needed This Year	\$406,468.21
Received This Year	\$143,095.85
Received This Week	\$3,247.55

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.

Hey Parents, as you kick off the summer season and begin to find activities for your family, how about a frontier adventure for your kids? We would love to have your kids join us at **YeeHaw!** Kids will spend a week hanging out, playing games, completing a service project, singing and having fun; all while learning about the goodness of God. This boot scootin' week of fun is free for kids from 4 year old through going into 6th grade.

Register here: <https://vbspro.events/p/graceoverflowing>

YeeHaw VBS June 16-19 6-8 PM 4 year old through entering 6th grade

Lutheran Church of St. John Please share the word with family and friends.

I hope your kids can join us. Register today to ensure your spot. If you have any questions you can call 217-222-8579. Have a safe and blessed summer everyone.



The 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/n3BgVeNC0tq> or find more information on our website <https://www.cidlcms.org/ministry-a-dollar-for-missions.html>.

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. For more information and to register: [Continuing Education Detail](#)

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.

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, contact Barb Vahle or Gretchen in the office for ideas.

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? Most money professionals will speak with you about wealth creation or wealth preservation. The real joy of God's gifts is found in their use, not their hoarding. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you begin thinking about following Godly desires to distribute gifts through your estate. Contact Scott Radden, LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, at 618-977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

ORLC Baseball Caps are 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 placed under the church office door.

Independence Day Sunday, **July 6**
Veterans Day Sunday, **November 9**

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

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

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

For the week of June 8: 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:** On Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*) we're starting the book of 2 Kings, continuing our series, "A Kingdom Divided." On Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*), we are studying the accounts of Jacob and Joseph, discussing chapters 35-39 of Genesis. Don't forget to tune in on Saturday (**6/14 at 10 AM**) for Concord Matters as we begin a new study of the Large Catechism! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUO Radio app!

June 8, 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? We can become very attached to "things" of this life. Yet over and over, God's Word teaches us that our life does not consist in the abundance of our things. Your estate plan can reflect this aspect of your faith. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you work toward that. Contact Scott Radden, LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, at 618-977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

June 15, 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? The temptation in estate planning is to perpetuate a sense of control over what happens to your things after you have departed this life. Yet that departure sets a new tone, not one of controlling assets but of blessing others, family and ministry. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you plan those blessings. Contact Scott Radden, LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, at 618-977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

June 22, 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? If you have been careful about stewarding God's gifts, you don't want those things wasted after you depart. Sharing a statement with those who will take over that stewardship in your place may be a very wise and rewarding experience, allowing you to share your faith. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you to begin thinking about what you would share. Contact Scott Radden, LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, at 618-977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

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.