

Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus
For the week of August 3-10, 2025

Birthdays This Week

- 4 Mike Weisenburger
- 5 Austin Fischer
- 5 Melissa Smith
- 5 Royal Bugh
- 6 Curtis Cramlett
- 6 William Humphrey
- 6 Bonnie Blattner
- 7 Brenda Scharnhorst
- 7 Glenda O'Briant
- 8 Mike Pettit
- 8 Gage Scharnhorst
- 8 Jackson Goetz
- 9 Cameron Clevenger

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 3 Dane Douglas
- 4 Jane Haschemeyer
- 5 Gretchen Wolfmeyer
- 5 Allie Hastings
- 6 Vicki Wemhoener
- 8 Jackson Goetz
- 9 Lee Hyer

Anniversaries This Week

- 4 John and Laurie Bronson 13 years
- 4 Bradley and Morgan Longcor 14 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.*

The current Dollar for Missions project: 45-year-old insulation in the chancel ceiling at Wittenberg Lutheran Center, Normal has fallen from its original place under the roof. It needs to be **replaced**, in what figures to be an expensive job calling for ingenious work involving a high ceiling. This DFM project is for **\$10,000**. For more, see <https://www.cidlcms.org/ministry-dfm-current-project.html>

SAVE THE DATE . . . August 23, 2025 for this year's **Not Ashamed Conference** to be held at Iron Horse Golf Club. This year's conference will have Pastor Jason Braaten speaking on *Embracing God's Purpose in Adversity*. We don't get to choose our battles, but we do get to choose how we face them. Our trials aren't wasted. Our struggles aren't random. So come and learn the importance of *Embracing God's Purpose in Adversity*. Register at https://bit.ly/NotAshamed_2025 or call 217.253.4341 for help in registering.

WOW!! What a **successful LWML Rummage sale**. This year we had **\$4633** in donations. Thank you to everyone who donated items for the sale, helped setup, clean up and came out and purchased. This year our missions include: Quincy Open Hands Pantry, Camp Callahan, Lutheran prison ministry, St James Endowment, Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Quincy CareNet, Concordia Food Bank, CID Campus Ministry, Uganda School, & Camp CILCA.

None of this is possible without your donations and again this year we can take items during the year in our designated Sunday School room if you have an immediate need to move items.

Thanks again and God's Blessings!

EYEGASSES COLLECTION: 54 eyeglasses were collected and sent to **MOST Ministries**. Each year, MOST Ministries provides recycled eyeglasses to people living in the developing nations around the world. Across the country, collections take place and used eyeglasses are sent to MOST Ministries, where they are then sorted, tested and repackaged by volunteers for distribution on the mission field by MOST Ministries team members. The cost of a pair of glasses in many developing nations can exceed a month's salary. Without assistance from MOST Ministries, hundreds of thousands of people would go without the glasses they need to work, read or attend school. MOST Ministries often provides the only pair of eyeglasses a person will ever own. **Please continue to donate eyeglasses (and non-prescription sunglasses, too!) in the collection box on the table by the south entrance.**

St. James Back to School Night on Monday, August 11 from 5:30 – 7 PM Starting at 5:30 PM, join Mrs. Riley in the Sanctuary for a meeting. Then at 6 PM eat dinner (*hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, and cookies*); meet your teacher, get paperwork from Mrs. Collins in the gym. Bring this year's school supplies to put in your student(s) classroom(s).

For the week of August 3: on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org: On Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*) we're continuing our summer study through several of the Psalms! This week, we'll take a look at Psalms 89, 93, 99, 101, and 113. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*) as we continue our study of Paul's letter to the Galatians. On Concord Matters this Saturday (**8/9 at 10 AM**), Pastor Finner will lead us through a study of the 4th Commandment in the Large Catechism. What should it look for us to honor our parents well? Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE Radio app!

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, August 3: *Pentecost 8 (DS I)*
9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online
 10:15 AM Bible Class

Monday, August 4:

Tuesday, August 5: 9:15 AM Women's Bible Study – Philipians

Wednesday, August 6: **10:00 AM Bible Study** Streamed online
11:30 AM Holy Communion

Thursday, August 7: 6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study

Friday, August 8:

Saturday, August 9: **5:00 PM Holy Communion**

Sunday, August 10: *Pentecost 9 (DS III)*
9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online
 10:15 AM Bible Class

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	July 27
Saturday at 5:00 PM	54
Sunday at 9:00 AM	73
Total Attendance	127
Communion	110
Adult Bible Class	23

Offerings	July 27
Needed Each Month	\$33,872.35
Received Last Month	\$35,161.17
Received This Month	\$23,398.63
Needed This Year	\$406,468.21
Received This Year	\$201,655.65
Received This Week	\$5,000.00

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	6-Jul	7-Jul	20-Jul
Profit:	\$54.32	\$51.25	\$105.78
# orders:	8	1	15
Profit/Order:	\$6.79	\$51.25	\$7.05
Overall Profit:	\$1,554.78	\$1,606.03	\$1,711.80

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.

God is at work in the Uganda Mission: Funds Given so far in 2025 - \$30,000.00, \$15,000 was sent for teachers' salaries.

Offerings donated to **Lutheran Bible Translators** from the **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class** for the month of **July** were **\$163.00**.

THANK YOU to **everyone that helped support the ORLC Youth** with their prayers, well wishes, and donations as they attended the 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA this week. From the moment we got on the bus we engaged in Christian fellowship with youth from the Lutheran Church of Saint John Quincy and Zion Lutheran Palmyra. The Youth Gathering brought together young people from across the country to explore what it means to ENDURE in Christ. Through Bible Study, Mass Events, Worship, Service Projects, and time in community and the Interactive Center, we were reminded again and again that Jesus endures for us—and with us.

Thank you for being the "cloud of witnesses" **supporting the next generation of our church.**

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted."—Hebrews 12:1-3

On **Saturday, August 9, 2025, at 10:00 AM**, **Trinity** will hold a **groundbreaking ceremony** for our new church construction site at 1102 W. Hamilton Road, **Bloomington, IL**. Rooted in the words of *Psalms 78:4*, this event is a joyful celebration of God's faithfulness and our mission to *"share the forgiveness and love of the resurrected Christ and make disciples."* Enjoy a brief service, photo ops, food trucks, and family-friendly activities. Celebrate this joyful milestone! Details at trinluth.org.

We would be honored to welcome fellow congregants and leaders from across the Central Illinois District to join us in this momentous occasion. We greatly appreciate your support!

St. John's Fish Fry You are invited to join us on **Monday, August 18, 4:30 - 7 pm** to St. John's Lutheran of rural Bath for our annual Fish Fry. The menu will include: *Breaded Walleye, Catfish filets, Chicken Strips and Home fries as well as Cole Slaw, Baked Beans and desserts* all for a donation of your choice. Funds raised will be given to Swaddling Clothes Ministry of Salem Lutheran in Jacksonville.

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

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

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.

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

November 9: Veterans Day Sunday

For the week of August 10: KFUE Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUE.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:** We're continuing our study of the Psalms on *Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 AM)*! This week, we'll take a look at Psalms 124, 131, 135, 142, and 148. On *Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 AM)*, we are moving to the Old Testament and beginning a new study of the books of Ezra, Haggai, and Zechariah! Join us on Saturday morning (**8/16 at 10 AM**) for *Concord Matters*. We are tackling part two of our study of the 4th Commandment in the Large Catechism. How does the command to honor our parents also extend to civil authorities? Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE Radio app!