

Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus
For the week of October 12 -18, 2025

Birthdays This Week

- 12 Jessica Campbell
- 13 Beth Lucas
- 13 Shirley Foster
- 14 Nora Meyer
- 14 James Jones III
- 15 Darylene Mix
- 15 Joann Reichert
- 16 Jim Ott
- 17 Coby Klauser
- 17 Gary Herman
- 17 Maggie Nixon
- 18 Erik Mix
- 18 Ashley Brown
- 18 Sarah Lucas

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 13 Maxine Fink
- 13 Abby Hibbert
- 14 Scott Baird
- 15 Lynda Hinkamper
- 15 Heath Heitman
- 15 Rhonda Hummel
- 16 Royal Bugh
- 18 Jim Dice
- 18 Lily Hayes
- 18 Phoebe Hayes
- 18 Denys Stark

Anniversaries This Week

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| 7 | Dennis and Linda Go | 47 years |
| 12 | Rod and Deanna Hibbert | 45 years |
| 13 | Chris and Michele Clevenger | 35 years |
| 13 | Bradley and Erica Parrish | 7 years |
| 15 | Larry and Monica Foster | 37 years |
| 15 | Nick and Denys Stark | 14 years |
| 17 | Bill and Donna Haire | 44 years |
| 18 | Adam and Stefanie Yates | 23 years |

You are Needed to Make a Joyful Noise!

Please consider joining Choir; we meet on **Tuesday nights at 7 PM** and are especially looking for higher voices of all ages! Families are welcome and no experience is needed. We sing in church once a month.

Congregational Breakfast to Honor Reva Ehmen on Sunday, October 26, 2025, at 10 AM Please sign up in the Narthex for the breakfast and if you would like to help provide some of the items.

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>

High School Youth Our next event is delivering Thanksgiving Baskets on **November 23**. December will be a Christmas party, but we don't know when yet. Once a quarter we hope to have a circuit-wide high school youth gathering. It would include worship, games, a meal and a service project. Not sure when the first one is going to be, but we will keep you posted.

Junior High Youth We will meet the second Wednesday of each month from **5:30-6:30 pm**. They can invite their friends.

Offerings donated to Lutheran Bible

Translators from the Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class for the month of **Sept.** were **\$183.00**. **Sunday School Offerings** for September and October are designated for the KidzPacks program in Quincy. **KidzPacks** is a nonprofit organization that provides weekend meals and snacks to Quincy Public School Pre-K - 5th grade students enrolled in the free lunch program. Approximately 56.7% of QPS students qualify as low income and are eligible to receive free/reduced lunches (2021). KidzPacks serves approximately **1,000 children each week**. Our mission is to provide these students with readily accessible food options to take home over the weekends and during breaks from school. Students need healthy, enjoyable food choices they can prepare on their own. **Our children face many challenges in life and learning, but being hungry should not be one of them. We truly believe the best investment in our future is to invest in our children.**

The first round of college care packages has been completed! Care Packages are prepared for current members or a son/daughter of a current member. These are both for local college students and those attending away from home. If a college student missed the first package, they can fill out the form and be included in future mailings! **College students should use this form to submit information and addresses for the 2025-2026 school year.** Students are encouraged to complete the form as there are specific questions for them. Information and addresses must be submitted each year (*even if it remains the same.*) COMPLETE the REQUEST FORM to be included. The request form can be accessed at <https://forms.gle/Z5UuVhzZVB7bKzmcA> If there are any questions, those may be directed to Melissa Knapp or Malinda Eden.

We had some non-food items donated last year, and chips were donated in August (*thank you!*). A Thrivent card was used to purchase a large quantity of the items to stock our care package shelves for the fall. We always welcome donations! (*Monetary donations that help cover postage and other items can be noted for "College Care Packages."*) **Here are some ideas if you wish to drop off items:** *Vanilla or chocolate puddings cups, packages of instant oatmeal, Ramen packs of chicken, beef, etc., individual macaroni and cheese packets, microwave popcorn packs, hot chocolate packets, drink mix packets to add to water, Fun size of Snickers, Reese peanut butter cups, skittles, starbursts, etc., packs of gum, individual packs of nuts, trail mix packets, and peanut butter cracker packages.*

Pharmacy Pill Bottles! College Care packages can use them! Please wash them (*so we don't have any tablet residue,*) and remove the label the best you can (*it will be covered by a new label.*) These allow us to send the students scented laundry pods and do a great job of containing the scent so it doesn't fill the rest of the box!

All donated items and pill bottles can be dropped off in the designated College Care Package basket near the top of the stairs by the south entrance.

This Week at Our Redeemer

- Sunday, October 12:** *Pentecost 18 (DS I) - Pastor Appreciation*
9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online
 10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School
 6:30 PM High School Youth Group Bonfire and Hay Ride
- Monday, October 13:** **No School**
- Tuesday, October 14:** 7:00 PM Choir
- Wednesday, October 15:** **Newsletter Deadline**
10:00 AM Bible Study Streamed online
11:30 AM Holy Communion
 2:00 PM Banner
 6:00 PM Elders Meeting
 7:00 PM Church Council
- Thursday, October 16:** 6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study
 4:30 – 7 PM Saint James School Spaghetti Dinner
- Friday, October 17:**
- Saturday, October 18:** **5:00 PM Holy Communion**
- Sunday, October 19:** *Pentecost 19 (DS III)*
9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online
 10:15 AM Bible Class & Sunday School Bible Bowl

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	Oct. 5	Offerings	Oct. 5
Saturday at 5:00 PM	48	Needed Each Month	\$33,872.35
Sunday at 9:00 AM	86	Received Last Month	\$20,708.17
Total Attendance	134	Received This Month	\$16,130.00
<i>Total Communed</i>	<i>124</i>	Needed This Year	\$406,468.21
Sunday School	22	Received This Year	\$272,314.69
Adult Bible Class	28	Received This Week	\$16,130.00

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	7-Sep	8-Sep	14-Sep	21-Sep	5-Oct
Profit:	\$51.80	\$28.00	\$62.02	\$69.85	\$100.81
# orders:	6	1	7	7	13
Profit/Order:	\$8.63	\$28.00	\$8.86	\$9.98	\$7.75
Overall Profit:	\$2,114.15	\$2,142.15	\$2,204.17	\$2,274.02	\$2,374.83

Thank you for your continued support of Lutheran education. Celebration

October 18: Nominations for Synod

October 19: Sunday School Bible Bowl

October 29: Trip to Concordia Seminary – St. Louis

November 9: Veterans Day Sunday

November 10: Final First Communion Class at 6:30 PM

November 16: First Communion

November 16: St. James School sings at Our Redeemer Church at 9 AM

December 3: Combined Churches Advent Service at the Lutheran Church of Saint John

December 21: Sunday School Bible Bowl

February 1, 2026: Lutheran Hour Ministries Sunday

February 1, 2026: St. James School sings at the Lutheran Church of Saint John at 10:30 AM

March 8, 2026: St. James School sings at St. James Church at 10:30 AM

Are you a woodworker who would be interested in helping create a nativity scene? We have the new, never used vintage nativity scene pieces exactly like the ones that were displayed outdoors at church decades ago. It does include directions for the wood pieces/shapes on which the individuals pieces would be attached. If woodworking is your hobby and you are interested in creating these pieces, please contact Melissa Knapp. We know this will take time to create, so the debut of the items may not be until Advent 2026. We are just wanting to start the search now in case anyone or a group of individuals are interested and might have some time to devote to making them in the coming months.

St. James Church Secretary Position –We are immediately opening the position for applications. If you or someone you know is interested in a **part-time (about 20 hours/week) position**, please email Pastor Riley at mriley@stjamesquincy.org for more information (job description, etc.).

Fall LCMSU / Young Adult Conference He Has Given My Eyes, Ears, and All My Members

University Lutheran Church 604 E Chalmers St, Champaign, IL

<https://uniluchampaign.org/fall-lcmsu-conference> Join us at University Lutheran on **Saturday, October 25, 2025**, for a one-day free conference.

For the week of October 12: on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org: We're continuing our study on marriage on Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*)! This week, we'll look at Song of Solomon 5-8, as well as Ephesians 5:22-33

and the marriage service in Lutheran Service Book. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*) as we study the Gospel of Matthew. This week, we are covering chapters 8-11. Don't forget to join us this Saturday (**10/18 at 10 AM**) for Concord Matters. Pastor Finnern is beginning a new study of the Apostles' Creed in the Large Catechism. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfu.org or in the KFUE Radio app!

The following students are some of the students receiving care packages from ORLC. (Some students preferred not to have their information shared.)

Becky Altenberger, National University of Health Sciences, Graduate school, Naturopathic Medicine
Alayna Schlipman, Bradley University, Graduate school, Dietetics
Elle Ehmen, University of Mississippi, Senior, Elementary Education
Harrison Knapp, University of Alabama, Senior, Computer Science & Mathematics
Elizabeth Hea, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Junior, Clinical Psychology
Thalia Wolfmeyer, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Junior, Physics
Lily Hayes, John Wood Community College, Sophomore, Criminal Justice
Anderson Knapp, University of Alabama, Sophomore, Biology
Grace Vaughn, Illinois College Sophomore, Biology
Bradley Longcor, Santa Clara University, Freshman, Undecided
Elizabeth Lucas, John Wood Community College, Freshman, Chemistry

We cordially invite the Central Illinois District to join us for **Trinity Lutheran-Peoria's Oktoberfest (noon-1:30) & Reformation Hymn Festival (2:00pm)** on **Sunday, Oct. 26** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 135 NE Randolph Ave., Peoria. Under the direction of our Cantor Peter Wykert, the hymn festival theme is "God Is Our Refuge", focusing on Psalm 46. Musical selections will include choral and congregational singing with organ, piano, brass, percussion, and contemporary instrumentation. All Central Illinois District singers are welcomed and encouraged to participate in the choir. If you are interested in doing so, contact Cantor Peter Wykert at peterwykert@trinitypeoria.com. You will be provided with practice tracks and PDF's of the music notation. All are invited to join us for food and fellowship at our **Oktoberfest Meal**, served **from noon to 1:30 p.m.** in the gym at Trinity. The menu includes: Sausages, Schnitzel, Potatoes, apple sauce, and homemade Sauerkraut. So that Trinity can prepare accordingly, we do ask for people to **RSVP by October 20**. The direct link to RSVP is <https://subsplash.com/tlcpeoria/lb/ev/+y7948xh> or you can find the sign up on the main page at <https://trinitypeoria.com/>

St. Paul's Lutheran in Havana, IL (121 N. Pearl St. Havana, IL 62644) will be celebrating our **175th Anniversary** with a Divine Service on **November 2nd at 3:00 pm**. A catered meal will be enjoyed afterwards in the downstairs parish hall. If there are any of your parishioners who perhaps grew up in Havana, were once members here, or would simply like to join us in thanksgiving and the good gifts of Christ, please share this with them. If you or any of your parishioners desire to stay for the meal, **please send in an RSVP to williamblessman@gmail.com** so that we can ensure we order enough food. We kindly request for **RSVPs** for the meal to be sent in **by October 22** in order to ensure we have enough food. For questions, please contact Pastor Heinze 217-617-7947.

CID Junior High Youth Event – Save the Date “Make A Joyful Noise” Saturday, November 8, 2025
Camp CILCA 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (sign-in will start at 8:30 am) **Cost \$40 per youth --- \$0 for adult leaders** (includes Lunch, T-shirt, and a full day of activities) Start planning now to attend this Junior High Youth Event. Registration, long-sleeve t-shirt orders, and additional information will be found at the following link: <https://forms.gle/KaSiitVeioUqLBQU9> **Deadline** for registration is **October 20th**. After that date, individuals can still register up to October 30th, **but will not receive a t-shirt**.

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.*

For the week of October 19: KFUE Radio, 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 kfu.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUEradio** on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfu.org), [X](https://twitter.com/kfu.org), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfu.org). **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfu.org**: On Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*) we are beginning a new series: "Letters from Prison," which will take a look at Paul's letters to the Philippians, Colossians, and to Philemon. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*) as we continue our study of Matthew. This week's episodes will take us through chapters 12 and 13. Don't forget to join us on The Coffee Hour (*weekdays at 9 AM*)! This week, we'll be starting a new series, "Prepared with a Reason"; sharing updates from some of our LCMS missionaries; and discussing the Nicene Creed with Rev. Timothy Winterstein! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfu.org or in the KFUE Radio app!

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.

October 12, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. To work on your Christian Estate Plan today, you must decide if you are more controlled by past goals or future desires. During working years, financial plans are often focused on wealth accumulation. Sometimes estate plans are focused on wealth preservation. However, might it be wise, as Christian stewards of God's gifts, to shift that focus to blessing family and ministry with God's things? Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you consider making this shift. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnd.org

October 19, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. To work on your Christian Estate Plan today, you must decide if you are more controlled by past goals or future desires. What does your family look like today? How does that compare to what it looked like twenty years ago? You might have more children, or the presence of grandchildren. God may have called some family members home. Marriage may have changed circumstances of family. Some family might be facing a health crisis, a financial crisis or mental health challenge that wasn't present before. Your estate plans may need to change as a result. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you begin taking account of these changes, helping you to begin thinking of modifications needed for your estate plan. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnd.org

October 26, 2025 - We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. To work on your Christian Estate Plan today, you must decide if you are more controlled by past goals or future dreams. Throughout life, many of our decisions are based on financial budget decisions, whether we can afford this or that, planning for retirement. As life changes, we start anticipating when we get to go home to be with Jesus, instead of focusing on the temporary needs of this life. That can change our perspective about our gift plan in our Christian Estate plan, that focused on transferring blessings to family or ministry. There is freedom at this point in life. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you to explore that new freedom. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnd.org