

Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus
For the week of February 22 – March 1, 2026

Birthdays This Week

- 22 Lincoln Stark
- 23 Theodore Mayfield
- 23 Ricky Goertz
- 24 Levi Cook
- 25 Mike Douglas
- 25 Kara Mercurio
- 26 Shelly Holtman
- 26 Judi Mohrman
- 27 Gary Cramlett
- 29 Laura Essington

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 22 Ellie Bowles
- 25 Dorothea Dobbs
- 27 Jessica Campbell
- 28 Austin Fischer
- 28 Judi Burner
- 28 Brian Burner

Current Dollar for Missions project: Replace original kitchen equipment in the sexton's apartment at Immanuel Lutheran Student Center, Macomb. Immanuel Lutheran Student Center in Macomb was dedicated in 1969, but some kitchen equipment in the apartment for the live-in student who takes care of the student center (the sexton) has not been replaced since then. DFM funds would be used to replace the original kitchen equipment. **Amount to be funded:** \$11,000.00

NEW!! Dollar for Missions Online Giving

New this year, you can now support Dollars for Mission through online giving. Many people no longer carry cash but still want to support the Central Illinois District's mission work.

One-time and recurring donations are now available online at

<https://www.aplos.com/aws/give/LCMSCentralIllinoisDistrict/D4M> All new recurring gifts will be

matched by a special one-time gift, up to \$20,000.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES THANK YOU for the generous donations for the college care packages! Packages will include snacks, hygiene items, and some fun and cozy items, too!

The first package of the year was mailed out (or available for pick up by local students)!

A student let me know that the package arrived and the snacks will be especially useful during their study sessions! During March, the Sunday School youth will help fill the care packages with your donations of items and snacks!

LENTEN DINNER HOSTING We are looking for four volunteers / hosts or group for each

Wednesday at 5:45 PM during Lent. These dinners are a wonderful opportunity to learn more about your fellow parishioners...their hobbies, what they like to do for fun, even where they work! Our hope is for the whole congregation to take part in this hosting rather than only one group. The average attendance is around 30, so very manageable with four. The simpler the meal the better for preparation and clean-up.

Snow Removal – Our new contractor will only clear the sidewalks when snowfall is 2 inches or more and they will not use ice melt. We need **volunteers willing to shovel and spread ice melt on Saturday and Sunday for services.**

HELP!!! Would whomever has offering envelope 185 contact Gretchen please?

ATTENTION SOUP AFICIONADOS! It's soup cook-off time again!!! Your LWML is hosting the **Soup Cook-off on March 7th** immediately following the Saturday night service! We only accept 8 soups for judging, so do not procrastinate! **It's FREE to enter your soup, which includes your meal, and one vote for the evening!** Advance tickets to attend the festivities are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Your ticket includes a taste of every soup, one vote and a meal of sandwiches, chips, desserts, and drinks. Please join us for food, fun, and fellowship! Soup entries and advance ticket sales are available after every church service, or you can contact the church office! A shout out to Heidi Armbruster, our 2025 Soup Chef winner! All proceeds will be funding LCMS – Disaster Relief.

Love Our Neighbors with Coats and

Clothing at ECFC Thank you for contributions of scarves, hats, gloves, mittens, coats, and pants for our little friends at the Early Childhood and Family Center. The first collection of items have been delivered to the nurses at ECFC for distribution as the needs arise. We will continue to collect and distribute items through the end of February. There is a basket by the south entrance in which you can place your donations. The January and February Sunday School offerings will be designated for the any additional items they can use to fill this need.

LWML wants to remind everyone if you have an immediate need to donate items to our rummage sale, we have space in the Sunday School classroom area. *We do not accept clothes or TVs.* **Thank you for all donations** and remember that **all proceeds go to missions.**

For the week of February 22 on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org: On Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*), tune in as we pick up our study of Genesis with chapter 21! Tune in for Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*) as we look at the book of Numbers. This week, we'll be picking up with chapter 11. Don't forget to join us for Concord Matters this week (**2/28 at 10 AM**)! We'll be concluding our study of Baptism as laid out in Luther's Large Catechism. What does it look like for believers to walk in their Baptisms daily? Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE Radio app!

Join us for this year's Hope for Horizons fundraiser! **Friday, April 17th from 5–7:30pm** at the Quincy Country Club Together, we'll gather to support Horizons Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry and help further the mission of feeding both the body and the soul. Join us for a silent auction featuring unique items donated by amazing local artists, businesses, and supporters. The online auction opens April 1st—stay tuned! We'll also host a live auction at the event, so grab your tickets now and don't miss out. Tickets are available NOW for \$50 and include a complimentary glass of wine and light appetizers. Together, we'll gather to support Horizons Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry.

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, February 22:

Lent 1 (DS IV)

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

Monday, February 23:

Tuesday, February 24:

9:15 AM Women's Bible Study
7:00 PM Choir

Wednesday, February 25:

Lent 1 Midweek

10:00 AM Bible Study *Streamed online*
11:30 AM Holy Communion
5:45 PM Lenten Meal
7:00 PM Lent 1 Midweek with Riley

Thursday, February 26:

6:45 AM *Coach House Bible Study*
9:00 AM *Quilters*

Friday, February 27:

Saturday, February 28:

5:00 PM Holy Communion

Sunday, March 1:

Lent 2 (DS I)

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

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	Feb 15
Saturday at 5:00 PM	50
Sunday at 9:00 AM	79
Total Attendance	129
<i>Total Communed</i>	<i>108</i>
Sunday School	17
Adult Bible Class	20
Ash Wednesday	58
<i>Ash Wed. Communed</i>	<i>58</i>

Offerings	Feb 15
Needed Each Month	\$33,677.50
Received Last Month	\$24,399.62
Received This Month	\$36,059.99
Needed This Year	\$404,130.00
Received This Year	\$60,458.95
Received This Week	\$4,928.00

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	11-Jan	25-Jan	1-Feb	8-Feb	15-Feb
Profit:	\$129.17	\$79.03	\$58.51	\$79.41	\$63.07
# orders:	15	11	7	11	7
Profit/Order:	\$8.61	\$7.18	\$8.36	\$7.22	\$9.01
Overall Profit:	\$191.79	\$270.82	\$329.33	\$408.74	\$471.81

Thank you for your continued support of Lutheran education.

2026 is St. James' 175th anniversary year! To celebrate the big year, St. James is hosting a family event each month. Our first event is a chili cookoff on **March 7 at 5 PM** at St. James. You are invited to join for the event. Come taste some yummy chili and vote for your favorite! If you would like to enter a chili for competition, please register by March 3 using the link found on our website <https://www.stjamesquincy.org/175th-anniversary-2026>. Thanks for celebrating with us.

'But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.' Joshua 24:15 -A majority of practicing Christians participate in spiritual conversations, prayer and Bible-reading with their households. -Fatih heritage impacts Christians' beliefs and practices for the long term. Join with others at the **Central Illinois LLL District** at the annual **convention** on **Saturday, March 21** at Christ Lutheran Church in Normal, Illinois. Rev. Dr. Peter J Scaer, Chairman and Professor of Exegetical Theology, Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne Michael Zeigler, Speaker of The Lutheran Hour® will provide the keynote address. Polly Faszholtz Gregali, Community Facilitator, LLL will provide a virtual presentation with LHM Updates. The **registration fee** is **\$25.00** per person including lunch. Please complete the registration form and mail with your registration fee to Deloris Blessman, 20204 CR 1850N, Topeka, IL 61567. Please make checks payable to CID LLL District. For more information you can contact Deloris by phone 309.361,1461 or by email delorisblessman@yahoo.com. Strengthen and encourage your faith walk as you encourage others in their faith journey as partners in His mission. **Registration deadline is March 16, 2026.**

Join us in Champaign, IL on Saturday, March 28, 2026 to grow as Christian men and women, meet new friends, get to know each other, and have fun. The conference is open to Lutheran young adults, ages 18-30. Married or single are welcome. Pre- and Post Conference activities are planned for **March 27** and **March 28**. Registration is required, as capacity is limited. More information and registration is available at martinpluskatie.org. **Please register no later than Friday, March 20th.**

Illinois Pro-Life March (formerly the Illinois March for Life) the biggest & best pro-life event in Illinois.

When: Thursday, March 19, 2026; Rally at 1 PM; March at 2 PM Where: The Lincoln Statue in front of the Illinois Capitol Building, 401 S 2nd St. Springfield, IL 62701 **Why:** To celebrate, defend, and speak out for LIFE! **Keynote speakers:** Joshua Mercer and Kramer Soderberg **Right to Life of Adams County is sponsoring a chartered motor-coach to travel to Springfield. Cost—FREE! (bring your own sack lunch)**

Call/text Jake Reed for more information & reservation 217- 577-1555 Board bus at 9:00 at Town & County Inn and Suites, 110 N. 54th Please join with your fellow Adams County Pro-Lifers for this important event!

Celebrate 100 Years in Clayton with Concordia Seminary 3 p.m. **Sunday, April 26, 2026. Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus** Concordia Seminary is celebrating 100 years at its iconic Clayton, Mo., location — and we want you to be part of it. Plan to join us for a special chapel service Sunday, April 26, 2026, honoring our milestone anniversary with the theme: “O Christ the Living Stone – a lasting legacy, a firm future.” Won't be able to attend in person? Plan to watch the livestream at csl.edu/live

Vocatio: High School retreat June 20-26, 2026 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 \$300 and closes May 15.**

For the week of March 1: 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](https://www.facebook.com/kfuo), [X](https://twitter.com/kfuo), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo). **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org:** We're continuing our study through the book of Genesis on Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*). Tune in as we discuss chapters 24-26! Join us on Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*) as Pastor Booe leads us through the book of Numbers! This week's studies will take us through chapters 15-18. Join us for the Wednesday broadcast of our Lent service from Peace Lutheran here in St. Louis (**3/4 at 11 AM**). On Concord Matters this Saturday (**3/7 at 10 AM**), we'll be studying the Sacrament of the Altar as discussed in the Large Catechism. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE Radio app!

We live in an “I can do it myself” culture. Sometimes we might be tempted to think a Christian estate plan is just a collection of documents (will, trust, POA). However, we need to look deeper into the factors influencing a good plan. Sometimes we don't know the possibilities of things we could do, especially on our own. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can show you those gifting opportunities. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnf.org.

Executive Director Position Opening - LCMS District Church Extension Fund Have you ever felt like your work could be more gratifying? That you're devoting all your time and effort to a business that doesn't match your values or that is constantly striving for new goals without meaning? That you could be devoting your skills to a better and higher cause? If these questions give you pause, please give prayerful consideration to applying for the position of Executive Director of the Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund (CID-CEF), a stand-alone not-for-profit corporation located in Springfield, Illinois. This position will give new meaning to your work life as you devote your time and effort to the Mission of growing God's Kingdom by extending loans and grants to the churches, schools, and agencies that reside within the Central Illinois District. You will have responsibility for the administration, management, and operations of the CID-CEF under the direction of their Board of Trustees, which are comprised of pastors, bankers, and lay people from the LCMS within the District. Your responsibilities will include all loaning functions, internal investment operations, external investment of funds, financial reporting, marketing, policy, legal, and insurance requirements, in accordance with sound business practices but with primary responsibility to the service and support of our churches and schools. Qualifications for this position include a Bachelor's degree in Business, Accounting, or Finance, with six to ten years of progressive management experience in a related financial environment. If you would like a new perspective on work and a more satisfying and fulfilling career where your efforts will benefit a higher cause, please contact Darin Gehrke at 217-883-1247 or Kevin Schultz at 217-341-8622 for a full job description and qualifications.