

# Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus  
For the week of March 15 - 22, 2026

## Birthdays This Week

- 17 Ellen Hines
- 17 Mary Morse
- 17 Jeff Wolfmeyer
- 18 Ella Ehmen
- 18 Erin Fischer
- 20 Ciera Clevenger
- 20 Connor Clevenger

## Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 15 David Pellman
- 15 Justin Harvey
- 15 Mandy Creely
- 16 Gretchen Kemp
- 16 Connor Smith
- 16 Elizabeth Burner
- 17 Marty Otto
- 17 Emily Drescher
- 18 Amy Buss
- 19 Donna Haire
- 20 Jessica Scharnhorst
- 21 Richelle Anderson

**Love Our Neighbors at ECFC** Thank you for your donation of hats, coats, and clothing for the children at Early Childhood and Family Center. The Sunday School offerings for January and February totaled \$191.40. Those offerings were used to purchase long sleeve shirt and sweatpants for the nursing office to use when a child needs a fresh set of clothing for the day.

## Love Our Neighbors Around the World

The Sunday School offerings for March, April and May are designated for the **Lutheran World Relief's Gifts of Love** program. The Gifts of Love helps to make a lasting difference for families around the world. You may spot some goats in the church building as they represent the goal for these offerings. "A hearty goat can survive in parts of the world where other farm animals cannot. Goats are easy to care for and to breed. In addition to nutritious milk and cheese, goats provide rich manure to fertilize crops. Goats provide families with a lasting source of nutrition and income." Once we total our Sunday School offerings, the children will place a bell on the goat to symbolize \$5 raised towards the \$100 goal for providing one goat to a family.

**There will be no junior high youth activity** in the month of March. However, we will be joining with St James for their **high school youth night**. It will be **on Sunday, March 15. Meet at St. James at 3 pm** and return by 7 pm. We will be going to Siloam Springs for a hike with dinner provided. Permission slips are in the high school room. Any questions about the event can be directed to Pastor Riley at Saint James.

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

**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.**

FREE - Thrivent t shirts are available on the scrip table. Both adult and youth sizes available.

**Your Ladies Aid LWML can't thank you enough** for your generous support of our Soup Cook-off! To all you soup chefs - Rob Edwards, Paul Weisheit, Heidi Armbruster, Richard Buss, Doug Allen, Michele Clevenger, Michele Urbon, and Pat Baker... everyone was a winner because your soups were all so delicious! But the votes were cast and **Heidi Armbruster, our reigning Top Soup Chef, won again with her Parsnip & Pear soup! Congrats, Heidi!** And yes, you missed out! YUM! Also, many thanks to everyone who attended, tasted, voted, and enjoyed the fun and fellowship that evening! It was a fabulous time, and we look forward to hosting it again! Thank You! Thank You!

**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.

**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](http://martinpluskatie.org). **Please register no later than Friday, March 20th.**

**'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 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 Faszholz 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](mailto: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.**

## This Week at Our Redeemer

- Sunday, March 15:** *Lent 4 (DS IV) - Newsletter Deadline*  
**9:00 AM Holy Communion** Streamed online  
 10:15 AM Bible Class and Sunday School  
 3:00 PM High School Youth Group Meet at Saint James
- Monday, March 16:**
- Tuesday, March 17:** 9:15 AM Women's Bible Study  
 1:30 PM Communion Service at Good Samaritan  
 6:00 PM Choir
- Wednesday, March 18:** *Lent 4 Midweek*  
**10:00 AM Bible Study** Streamed online  
**11:30 AM Holy Communion**  
 5:45 PM Lenten Meal  
**7:00 PM Lent 4 Midweek** with Pastor Eden
- Thursday, March 19:** 6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study
- Friday, March 20:**
- Saturday, March 21:** **5:00 PM Holy Communion**  
**6:00 PM Spring Fling**
- Sunday, March 22:** *Lent 5 (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	Mar 8
Saturday at 5:00 PM	78
Sunday at 9:00 AM	73
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>151</b>
<i>Total Communed</i>	123
Sunday School	24
Adult Bible Class	26
<i>Lent 3 Midweek</i>	30

Offerings	Mar 8
Needed Each Month	\$33,677.50
Received Last Month	\$40,157.99
Received This Month	\$15,685.62
Needed This Year	\$404,130.00
Received This Year	\$80,242.57
Received This Week	\$6,371.62

### Scrip Update:

Week ending:	1-Feb	8-Feb	15-Feb	1-Mar	8-Mar
Profit:	\$58.51	\$79.41	\$63.07	\$113.08	\$57.90
# orders:	7	11	7	15	7
Profit/Order:	\$8.36	\$7.22	\$9.01	\$7.54	\$8.27
<b>Overall Profit:</b>	<b>\$329.33</b>	<b>\$408.74</b>	<b>\$471.81</b>	<b>\$584.90</b>	<b>\$642.80</b>

*Thank you for your continued support of Lutheran education.*

**Illinois Pro-Life March Details - March 19, 2026** will be held in just over a week, on *Thursday, March 19, 2026*. There will be a LCMS Matins service prior to the rally and march. We hope you will not only attend the service but also then march in order to confess before the world to the sanctity and dignity of human life, from conception to natural death. *The details:*

- 11:00 AM – Matins at Trinity Lutheran Church, 220 S. Second St., Springfield, IL
- Following the Service – Box lunches available in the Grand Ballroom at the State House Inn, 101 E Adams Street, Springfield, IL (suggested donation of \$5/lunch, please; cash or check made out to Central Illinois District)
- 1:00 PM – Rally at the Lincoln Statue in front of the Illinois Capitol Building, 401 S 2nd St, Springfield, IL
- 2:00 PM – The March
- Following the March, consider heading into the Capitol Building to lobby your state legislator and senator.

*Parking* is available in the lot to the west of the State House Inn, at the northwest corner of the intersection of 1st St. and W Adams St. Please consider carpooling with other marchers from your area in order to reduce the number of cars in the parking lot and ensure spaces for all. Otherwise, parking is available in paid lots and spaces throughout downtown Springfield. Details on the Illinois Pro-Life March can be found at their website: <https://www.illinoisprolifemarch.com>

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

**NEW!! Dollar for Missions Online Giving** You can now support Dollars for Mission through online giving. 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.**

**Our Redeemer, Thank you** for the donations of children's clothing and winter accessories to Early Childhood. Your kindness and thoughtfulness give us the tools to care for our young students and their families. With gratitude, *ECFC School Nurses April and Dawn*

**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!

**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](https://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.**

**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.

**Where do we get pastors who preach and care for us with God's Word?** Where do we get teachers who teach our children about Jesus in our Lutheran schools? Where do we get our directors of Christian education, deaconesses and directors of parish music? Set Apart to Serve (SAS) is partnering with our seminaries, Concordia universities, districts, congregations and many others to build a Synodwide culture of church work formation and recruitment. You can contribute toward this effort by taking this brief online survey at [lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey](https://lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey). Please let us know how all of us can make SAS more beneficial to your congregation. It is important we hear what you have to say.

**For the week of March 15: 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](https://kfuo.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUEradio** on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfuo.org), [X](https://www.x.com/kfuo.org), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo.org). **CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org:** On Sharper Iron (*weekdays at 8 AM*), tune in as we pick up our study of Genesis with chapter 29! Tune in for Thy Strong Word (*weekdays at 11 AM*) as we continue our study of the book of Numbers. This week, we'll be picking up with chapter 22. Don't forget to join us for Concord Matters (**3/21 at 10 AM**)! We'll be continuing our study of the Sacrament of the Altar as laid out in Luther's Large Catechism. How often should we be receiving the Lord's Supper? Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](https://kfuo.org) or in the KFUE Radio app!

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