

Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus
For the week of May 17 - 24, 2026

We extend our Christian Sympathies to the family of Carol Muehring who went to her Heavenly home this past week and will receive a Christian burial this coming Wednesday.

Birthdays This Week

- 17 Dennis Baker
- 18 Shanelle Douglas
- 21 Joe Sharrow
- 21 Michele Clevenger
- 21 Erica Parrish
- 22 Eric Fischer
- 22 Leslie Bent
- 22 Carolyn Kaiser
- 23 Bradley Longcor III
- 23 Lily Kuhn

Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 18 Shanelle Douglas
- 19 Kai Barnes
- 19 ZaKareyah Barnes
- 19 Rosey LaRose
- 19 Connor Ott
- 19 Keagan Mercurio
- 19 Kristin Humphrey
- 19 Joseph Ohnemus
- 19 Derek Ott
- 22 Thomas Killday
- 23 Ricky Goertz

Love Our Neighbors Around the World

Have you noticed our goat herd is growing? We now have over \$360 in Sunday School offerings and are working towards our next goat! We will continue to collect monies until the end of August. Would you like to help this Sunday School project? You can now find special mission offerings envelopes by the goat display if you would like to contribute to the Sunday School offerings. Envelopes designated as Sunday School Offerings Project can be placed in the offering baskets in the narthex.

The goats are being used as a symbol for our project, but there are many ways that the Gifts of Love program is helping families around the world. Other animals are also part of the program such as chickens, sheep and swine. Check out the display and see all the different ways the **Lutheran World Relief's Gifts of Love** program is helping families around the world.

Attendance Cards: Only the families with students at St. James need to fill out the attendance cards each week unless you have new contact information for the church office or are a visitors who wants to provide contact information.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES Thank you for your donations for the College Care Package program. The last care package has been mailed in time for them to get it before final exams!

Requests for Box of Offering Envelopes

If you would like to request a box of offering envelopes for you to use, please sign the designated sheet in the narthex. Each week, the requests will be filled and should be available for pick up the following weekend.

There is a **LOST & FOUND** basket on the table in the narthex with a few items that were found in the sanctuary.

FREE - the remaining **Thrivent t-shirts**, both youth and adult, have been moved to the counter in the lounge. Feel free to take what you can use!

The **KIDS CORNER** (on the table across from the busy bags) has some puzzle pages and other activities young ones (or young at heart) might have an interest.

If your child uses a BUSY BAG, please return it to the designated basket in the ushers stand. The items in them will be wiped down before the next child uses them. **If you would be interested in being the one to wipe down** the items in the used Busy Bags after the service on Sundays, please let Melissa Knapp know. This would only take a few minutes to complete and would help with knowing they are fresh to use for the next kid!

There are a variety of devotions, calendars, portals of prayer, and other items available on the table at the top of the stairs.

GREETING CARDS There are a variety of greeting cards for all occasions in the display by the church office. Cards include birthday, get well, sympathy, wedding, baptism, graduation, confirmation, new baby, and more! Cards are 50 cents each.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR POSITION HAS BEEN FILLED: Tammy Radecki will begin on June 2. Office hours will begin in June: Tuesday through Friday 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM.

RADA - The remaining inventory of Rada items will available at the Scrip table until the stock is depleted. Make all checks payable to ORLC PLUS. Cash and checks can then be deposited in the cash box on the wall by the greeting cards.

Youth Night Dodgeball - All junior and senior high youth are invited to a night of parents vs youth dodgeball. We will meet at the Lutheran Church of St. John on Wednesday, May 27 from 7-8:30. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Invite a friend, bring your parents and be ready for battle!

CareNet is again sponsoring their baby bottle Campaign. Pick up a bottle, put change or dollars into it and return it on Father's Day, June 21. This Group helps by counseling those who are pregnant.

BIBLES IN THE OLD CHAPEL. There are some new Bibles, including some Large Print, available for purchase on a table in the old chapel. Each item is marked with the price. Please make all checks payable to ORLC. Checks or cash payments can be left in the marked envelopes in the designated basket by the display.

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.**

Offerings donated to Lutheran Bible Translators from the Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class for the month of April were \$182.00.

This Week at Our Redeemer

Sunday, May 17:

Easter 7 (DS I)

9:00 AM Holy Communion *Streamed online*
10:15 AM Adult Bible Class & the Last Sunday School until September

Monday, May 18:

Tuesday, May 19: 6:00 PM Choir

Wednesday, May 20: **10:00 AM NO Bible Study**
11:30 AM NO Holy Communion
 6:00 PM Elders
 7:00 PM Church Council

Thursday, May 21: 6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study

Friday, May 22:

Saturday, May 23: **5:00 PM Holy Communion**

Sunday, May 24: *Day of Pentecost (DS III)*

9:00 AM Holy Communion *Streamed online*
10:15 AM Adult Bible Class (All are Welcome)

Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	May 10	Midweek	5/6
Saturday at 5:00 PM	44		
Sunday at 9:00 AM	91		
Total Attendance	135	B. Study	10
<i>Total Communed</i>	<i>110</i>		
Adult Bible Study.	21	Communed	16
Sunday School	12		

Offerings	May 10
Needed Each Month	\$33,677.50
Received Last Month	\$34,555.62
Received This Month	\$16,957.00
Needed This Year	\$404,130.00
Received This Year	\$137,558.13
Received This Week	\$4,692.00

Scrip Update:

Week ending:	29-Mar	12-Apr	3-May	10-May	11-May
Profit:	\$80.90	\$82.77	\$34.90	\$72.42	\$36.50
# orders:	12	8	7	9	1
Profit/Order:	\$6.74	\$10.35	\$4.99	\$8.05	\$36.50
Overall Profit:	\$771.05	\$853.82	\$983.44	\$1,055.86	\$1,092.36

Thank you for your continued support of Lutheran education.

Our first check of \$1,000 for 2026 has been gifted back to the church. Thank you being a patron of this program that in turn helps with Lutheran education.

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!! 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.**

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. 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.