

# Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus  
For the week of May 24 - 31, 2026

## Birthdays This Week

- 24 Eleanor Manton
- 25 Sandy Callahan
- 26 Gretta Otto
- 26 Sherry Yelton
- 27 Dylan Martin
- 27 David Bent
- 28 Stacey Gruen
- 29 Nick Allen
- 30 Melanie Drescher

## Baptismal Birthdays This Week

- 24 Emma Showman
- 25 Olivia Showman
- 25 Terry Morse
- 25 Hadley Harvey
- 26 Laura Essington
- 26 Craig Gooding
- 27 LeRoy Goodwin
- 29 Michele Clevenger

## Anniversaries This Week

- 27 Mike and Jane Douglas 48 years
- 28 LeRoy and Donna Goodwin 59 years

## Love Our Neighbors Around the World

*More goats have joined the herd! We now have \$500 in Sunday School offerings! 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. 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 visitor who wants to provide contact information.

## 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.

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. ***We now do have a volunteer that will wipe down the bags so they are fresh for the next weekend!***

**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.

**DISCOUNTED RADA** items are at the Scrip table until the stock is depleted. Cash and checks, payable to ORLC PLUS, 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 SALE** There are Bibles, including some Large Print, available for purchase in the old chapel. Each item is marked with a *DISCOUNTED* price. Cash or checks, payable to ORLC, 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 back area of the Sunday School opening room by the elevator. ***We do not accept clothes or TVs. Thank you for all donations and remember that all proceeds go to missions.***

If you have any **INK CARTRIDGES for RECYCLING**, please drop those off by June 7th. They will then be included in the next package being sent to Planet Green. All proceeds we receive from INK CARTRIDGE RECYCLING are then designated for the Ugandan mission.

**STAMPS for MISSIONS** is in need of a volunteer to organize the clipping, sorting, and sending of postage stamps to benefit missions. If you are interested in serving in this capacity at ORLC, please see Melissa Knapp, and she can show you the informational sheets we have about the project.

**Galaxy VBS** – Launching kids on a mission of God's love. **June 22-25**, 6-8pm, 4 yr old through 6th grade, Lutheran Church of St. John. Ready to blast-off for a week of fun? At Galaxy VBS, kids will embark on a cosmic journey to explore the infinite love of God. Enjoy games, music, friends and so much more. Register at <https://vbspro.events/p/graceoverflowing> or use QR code on their flyers.

## This Week at Our Redeemer

**Sunday, May 24:** *Day of Pentecost (DS III)*  
**9:00 AM Holy Communion Streamed online**  
**10:15 AM Adult Bible Class (All are Welcome)**

**Monday, May 25:** **Memorial Day – Office Closed**

**Tuesday, May 26:**

**Wednesday, May 27:** **10:00 AM Bible Study**  
**11:30 AM Holy Communion**

**Thursday, May 28:** 6:45 AM Coach House Bible Study

**Friday, May 29:**

**Saturday, May 30:** **5:00 PM Holy Communion**

**Sunday, May 31:** *Holy Trinity (DS IV)*  
**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 17	Midweek	5/13
Saturday at 5:00 PM	33		
Sunday at 9:00 AM	74		
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>107</b>	B. Study	7
<i>Total Communed</i>	<i>101</i>		
Adult Bible Study.	26	Communed	14
Sunday School	14		

Offerings	May 17
Needed Each Month	\$33,677.50
Received Last Month	\$34,555.62
Received This Month	\$31,440.62
Needed This Year	\$404,130.00
Received This Year	\$152,041.75
Received This Week	\$14,483.62

### Scrip Update:

Week ending:	12-Apr	3-May	10-May	11-May	17-May
Profit:	\$82.77	\$34.90	\$72.42	\$36.50	\$22.15
# orders:	8	7	9	1	4
Profit/Order:	\$10.35	\$4.99	\$8.05	\$36.50	\$5.54
Overall Profit:	<b>\$853.82</b>	<b>\$983.44</b>	<b>\$1,055.86</b>	<b>\$1,092.36</b>	<b>\$1,114.52</b>

*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.**

**AED:** There is now an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) on the usher’s table in the Narthex. Later this summer, there will be a training session led by first responders for any ORLC members who are interested. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. The date is still to be determined.

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

### Sunday School Attendance Awards

On Sunday, May 17th, the following youth received awards in recognition for their Spring 2026 attendance. They each received a certificate and a gift card.

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| Evie Ajdinovich  | Archer Ott      |
| Jack Ajdinovich  | Arlo Ott        |
| Allie Dedert     | Auggie Ott      |
| Nix Dedert       | Alex Smith      |
| Savannah Edwards | Connor Smith    |
| Charles Korb     | Gracelynn Smith |

**Sunday School staff** also received a gift card and note of thanks for their continued service to our program. Thank you to Cyndi Ott, Gina Eickeschulte, Katherine Reddick and Susan Weiss for serving as teachers. Thank you to Wanda Spohr for playing piano during opening. Thank you to Hannah Ajdinovich, Allie Dedert, and Amelia Knapp for substitute teaching this term.