

This Week With Our Lord, July 1-8, 2018

When activities are in the Fellowship Hall, the sanctuary is open for prayer and meditation.

SUNDAY, July 1-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Farewell Reception for Michelle Hines in the Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Divine Service

Monday, July 2- *Julie Ratz is on vacation this week*

7 p.m. Board of Elders meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, July 3- 11 a.m. Office Staff meeting

Wednesday, July 4- *Happy Birthday, U.S.A.! Office is closed*

Saturday, July 7- *Pastor Nebel is on vacation through the 12th*

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
Acolyte: Addison Liefer Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried

SUNDAY, July 8-

8 a.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Carolyn Mulherin
Greeters: Roger and Peggy Hanebutt; Ken and Joan Ruwald
9:30 a.m. The Pastor's Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
Acolyte: Ryker Papenberg Greeters: Ron & Donna Burgdorf
Noon- National Youth Gathering Information meeting

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-3873 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks noted in the bulletin of those donating.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Ps. 122:1

Worship: ; Comm.: ; Adults/Youth:

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join with one another in the grace of giving. Offering: 6/24- General Fund: \$11,720.25; School: \$430. Our expenses over income are \$58,534 through May. Our outstanding financial liabilities are \$1,267,935. *Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver (2 Cor. 9:6-7).*

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

When you get out of your religious comfort zone and meet people who don't know Jesus, you have opportunity to grow in faith and witness. Listen to "Truly the Worship of God" (Acts 10:34-38) with Speaker Emeritus Dr. Dale Meyer on KFUV AM 850 Sunday at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio Sunday at 8 a.m. (KSIV 1320 AM or 91.5 FM).

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *LCMS Stewardship Resources*

2 Corinthians 8:3 – "For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will." St. Paul lifts up an example of faithful Christian generosity in the Epistle lesson today. Read those words again this week and ponder them for yourself. How is the Lord calling you to increase your generosity toward His work?

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

+Summer Study: "Workers Build the Temple" (1 Kings 5–6) Which king of Israel built God's temple? Why is he able to build it instead of his father David (5:3-4)? What building material did King Hiram of Lebanon supply (5:10)? What was used as a foundation for the temple area (today's Wailing Wall)? See 6:11-13 What is God's command and promise? What was put into the inner sanctuary of the temple (6:19)? How long did it take to build the temple (6:38)?
+We will resume on August 19 with Rally Day and on August 26 with lessons.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS:

+Class will not meet this week due to the farewell for Mrs. Hines.
+Check our website under the Media tab for Bible studies that you can do on your own during the summer months. So far the topics are Angels, Cremation, Christian Citizenship, The Justice of God, Purses, Was Jesus a Vegetarian?, Baptism Q & A, Discussing Homosexuality, Word Dwellers, Heaven, God's Will in the Lives of His People, Communications Skills, Having the Right Attitude, and more to come!

CONGRATULATIONS:

God has blessed Josh and Startina Heller with the birth of a son, Benjamin Allen, on Tuesday at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond Heights. He joins his older sister, Lena, at home. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life!

EPISTLES:

The July edition of our congregation's newsletter, *The Epistle*, is available in paper copy in the entryway. It is also posted on our website and has been sent by email to those for whom Pastor Nebel has a working address.

CALL ACCEPTED:

Our 7th Grade teacher, Mrs. Michelle Hines, has accepted the call she received from Central Lutheran School in Newhall, Iowa. We thank her for her 12 years of teaching ministry with us at St. John's. A farewell reception is being planned for July 1 between worship services. We wish her God's blessings as she makes the transition into this new area of service in Christ's church.

NEW TEACHER:

The Church Council has approved the Board of Parish Education's proposal to contract Mrs. Nancy Whelan to teach 7th grade homeroom and upper grades English for this next school year.

PORTALS OF PRAYER:

The next issue of the *Portals of Prayer*, our quarterly devotional booklet, is available in the rack by the front door of the church.

SENIOR YOUTH:

On July 8th at noon in the church basement we will have a National Youth Gathering 2019 (Minneapolis) Informational Meeting. We invite all parents and youth interested in participating in the gathering to attend this meeting. Students going into the 8th grade this fall are eligible through students just graduated high school (or age 19 at time of gathering). Any youth, parent chaperone, YAV, or CLB willing to sit in the informational meeting and answer questions from new youth or parents would be much appreciated.

SUMMER SINGERS:

We are asking for singers to take part in our temporary summer choir. Practices will take place in the balcony between services on Sunday morning and then sing in the late service that day. There will be about five of these Sundays. Please contact our Director of Parish Music, Mrs. Hudak, if you are interested.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION (BOOK NIGHT):

Registration for the new school year will be held on Thursday, July 12, from 4-8 p.m. in the new gym lobby. If you cannot be there that evening, please make arrangements to come to the office before July 31.

QUARTERLY VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING:

Our regular Voters' Assembly meeting will be on Wednesday, July 25, at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All confirmed members of St. John's age 18 and older now are voting members. Please consider taking part in determining the business of our congregation's ministry.

SAVE THE DATE!:

Kindergarten Parent Orientation will be held in the school cafeteria on Wednesday, August 1 at 7 p.m.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

"Thank you for the many cards and prayers offered on our behalf on our 60th Wedding Anniversary. It is truly appreciated. God's blessings to each of you and the family of St. John's Lutheran Church." *Lucille and Pastor Bob Holstein.*

CHURCH LIBRARY:

"The Book Nook" in the Fellowship Hall contains selections to fill your summer days with good reading. Topics cover history, theology, devotional, biography, inspiration, Bible information, etc.! Pick up a book, take it home to read, and bring it back. We are on the honor system here at St. John's! *Then Moses took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. (Ex. 24:8)*

EVENT REMINDERS ON YOUR CELL PHONES:

Remind Me.com is a free system that will allow us to send text messages to you reminding you of what is happening in our family of faith here at St. John's. However, it does not allow for group discussions so that there will not be continued unwanted messages from anyone in the group receiving the text. To join this remind system for St. John's, simply text the message @2h9de to the number 81010. Please contact our office at 282-2394 with your questions.

HELP NEEDED FOR NURSING HOME VISITATION!:

We need help in a rotation taking the worship DVD and bulletins to Red Bud Care Center on Mondays from 9:45 to 11:15 a.m. You will help gather residents in the dining room and play the DVD. After the service you will take the DVD to Garden Place, leave it at the front desk, pick up the previous DVD and return it to the school office. Call the office or Arlene Pratt (282-2275) if you can help.

ESTATE FUND ASSISTANCE:

Our Estate Fund Committee has money available to assist with the Christian Education of St. John's members who are pursuing a church professional career and attending one of our seminaries or Concordia universities, as well as money to help those who attending a Lutheran high school. Please realize that this help is available as you consider your career and educational choices. Page 4

DIPLOMAS AVAILABLE:

The completed and signed diplomas of our recent graduates are available to be picked up in the school office (along with their last acolyte schedule).

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Lisa Kloepper is our Prayer Chain coordinator. If you would like to serve as part of the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please call Lisa at 282-2426. Please call the church office if you would like to add someone to our worship prayers. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective (James 5:16).*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

7/1- Gna Guebert, Diane Kunkelmann, Duane Liefer, Wayne Liefer; 7/2- Kirk Uffelmann, Travis Oettle; 7/3- Jim Guebert, Krysta Schmidt, Kathleen Brunkhorst, Connor Bumann, Jozlynn Palm; 7/4- Sue Guebert, David Lucht, Dawn Booker, Ryan Dannenberg; 7/5- Martha Krick, Chrystal Kiefer, Jessica Stenzel, Jacob Stellhorn, Ian Moll; 7/6- Gloria Stellhorn, Megan Grohmann, Cason Cox; 7/7- Nancy Richards, Jeff Schrader, Bradley Koester, Emmett Cowell, Jacob Kuehner. *Please call the office with corrections!*

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:

Nancy Holmstrom, Don Kueker, Joyce Lopez, Edna Moeller, Alice Smith, Leonard and Norma Vogt.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, Bernadine Kruse, H. Edward Liefer, Alvin Moeller, Clifford Stellhorn, Willard Uffelmann, Wilma Wagner and Jody Winkelmann; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Doris Koch; New Athens- Eunice Stumpf

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Melba Liefer, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Wilma Stellhorn, and Edna Voss.

PARISH NURSE NOTE: (from LCMS "Better Health")

When it comes to daily flossing and brushing your teeth, there is an old saying about the importance of caring for your teeth: "Ignore them, and they will go away."

THE BIRDHOUSE VERSION OF OUR CHURCH BUILDING:

The Rotary Club of Red Bud is pleased to include St. John's Lutheran Church as part of their second series of Red Bud collectible mini birdhouses. These birdhouses are approximately 3.5" x 3.5" x 5". Other buildings in this new series are: Market-On-Main, Ziebold Building and Kutting Edge. The Birdhouses are \$27.50 each or the collection of all 4 or combination of any 4 is \$100. All profits from this fundraiser are used to fund the Rotary Club of Red Bud's local and international projects. To order a St. John's one for \$25, call our office or for a complete set of the four call Dian Keil at 618-604-2284 or email birdhouse62278@outlook.com.

BUILDING KEYS:

Anyone who had a reason to have keys for our church or school buildings in the past but does not have a reason to have those keys any longer, please return them to our office so that those who now do need a key can be issued one. Page 5

WORSHIP GREETERS NEEDED:

There are openings at our 10:30 a.m. service for a couple or for two individuals to serve as greeters once every five weeks. Please call the office if you can help!

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE:

Copies of our recent pictorial directory are available for purchase from our office for \$50. This money goes for our congregation's debt relief.

"RAINDROPS KEEP FALLING ON MY HEAD":

Lost and Found items are on the coat rack shelf across from the restrooms. These include many umbrellas. Take a look, one of them may be yours!

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP:

The Alzheimer's Support Group meets in the ground floor auditorium of Red Bud Regional Hospital on Thursday, July 12 at 6:30 p.m. Program Facilitator Kathy Schmidt and Becky Doiron, Manager of Education and Outreach for the Alzheimers Association of Carbondale will present "Understanding and Responding to Dementia Related Behaviors." Refreshments will be served. Call Julie at 282-5456 for more information.

LUTHERAN YOUTH MINISTRIES CAMP:

Lutheran Youth Ministries offers its 48th summer camp for high school youth (graduated 8th grade thru graduated seniors). The theme this year is "T.R.U.S.T. in Christ." From Sunday, July 15 to Friday, July 20 they will focus on topics relevant to teens and their Christian life. It will be at Camp Sherwood Forest in Cuivre River State Park near Troy, Missouri. The cost is \$155 until the July 5th deadline. Applications are on the church bulletin board. E-mail Bob Milkert at LYMCAMP@aol.com for more information.

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville. This week's subjects include: The Psalms, The Mass, John the Baptist & Repentance, The Prophet Isaiah and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

KFUE AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

Listen to Worldwide KFUE AM850, your radio station for news, talk, and sacred music with a Christ-centered Lutheran worldview. Archived programs are at KFUE.org for on-demand listening. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for your questions. **This week on KFUE AM850**, we wish everyone a safe Independence Day holiday! Hear Rev. Jonathan Fisk and guest pastors study the book of Acts on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.), take some time in worship as we broadcast Daily Chapel weekdays at 10 a.m., and continue studying the book of Romans on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.). Find programs on demand at kfu.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

LIFE NETWORK OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS FREE ULTRASOUND:

For expectant mothers 6-20 weeks pregnant. Call 939-4224 for an appointment on July 10-11 (afternoon) in Waterloo and July 12 (all day) and 13 (morning) in Red Bud.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2018: (Chairman, Gerald Hanebutt)

Zone 1: Deborah Adams thru Rodie Collins- Elder Ron Kunkelmann
Zone 2: Susan (Stellhorn) Conboy thru Jill Grohmann- Elder Stuart Langrehr
Zone 3: Nick/Emily Grohmann thru Roger/Kim Herriman- Elder Alan Piel
Zone 4: Ryan Herriman to Travis/Erin Krick- Elder Mike DeRousse
Zone 5: Wil/Martha Krick to Janel Maes- Elder Kevin Liefer
Zone 6: Pat Malik to Dorothy Peters- Elder Quentin Stenzel
Zone 7: Alan/Amber Piel to Don Schrader- Elder Gerald Hanebutt
Zone 8: Jeff/Dawn Schrader to Bob/Carol Turner- Elder Stanley Langrehr
Zone 9: Derek/Katelin Uffelmann to Doug Zschiegner- Elder Bill Becker

SET UP DIRECT PAYMENTS THROUGH ACH:

If you so choose, payments for items such as worship offerings, school lunches, preschool tuition, and daycare can be withdrawn automatically and securely from the bank account you designate at either bi-weekly or monthly intervals. To set up this option, simply fill out a form (in the school office) and select each payment account you would like to have automatically withdrawn (e.g. school lunches, offerings, etc). It is free to set up, and you can make changes or cancel at any time at no cost. If there are insufficient funds in the specified account at the time of payment, no funds will be withdrawn and the user will be notified. Our hope is that this option will offer convenience to users and will result in a greater level of efficiency for our congregation. Please note that this is completely optional--no one is required to sign up. If you feel more comfortable continuing to use cash or check, please do so! *Kara Wagner, Treasurer*

GOODSEARCH:

When you use Goodsearch (www.goodsearch.com) for the benefit of St. John's Lutheran School as your computer search engine we get one cent!

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

Annual Rummage Sale: Our annual rummage sale will be July 20 & 21 from 7:30 a.m.-noon. We will accept donations starting July 5. Donations of clean saleable items can be brought to school during business hours. Donations of clothing are especially wanted. Saver's in Fairview Heights will purchase many of the rummage sale leftovers from us, but only if we can bring them lots of clothing. They will give us a bonus if we bring them 2000 pounds of clothing. Last year we recycled 1000 pounds of clothing with them. We will also need help on July 5 setting up tables. If you would like to volunteer please contact the school office during business hours. Many hands make the work load lighter!

Parade Time: We are looking for people to join our Parade Crew this summer. If you are interested in representing Soldier Nation on our float, tossing out swag, and having a great time, contact Michele Christman at mchristman@coslhs.org or call the school office.

Office Hours: Summer hours are 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 9 a.m. – noon on Fridays. The office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4.

It's not too late! Registrations are still being accepted for all classes for 2018-2019. Financial assistance is available. For more information, contact Michele.

The mission of Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School is to provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent education. Page 7



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Senior Pastor Mark Nebel 618-237-5802 or home 282-3050

Pastor Russell Koen 618-282-1958

Principal - Deitt Schneider 618-806-3049 or home: 824-6335

Director of Parish Music – Mrs. Lindsey Hudak 340-6055

Junior Youth - Lisa Quinn and Jennifer Roscow 282-5343

Athletic Director – Justin Palm 214-1103 Secretaries - Julie Ratz & Jessica Schloemann

Senior LYF – Terry and Susie Harms [618-201-5654](tel:618-201-5654); Pr. Russell Koen 282-1958

Matthew Foster, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 853-7300

Faculty and Staff

Preschool - Cindy Steele

Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz and Stephanie Valleroy

First Grade – Rachel Miller

Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Lauri Koen

Fourth Grade– Bill Becker (Librarian) and Cindy Nebel (Before/After School Care)

Fifth Grade - Darlene Letcher

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6th-8th) – Justin Palm

Custodians – Loren Harms, Alan Ohms, and Bob Schramm

Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Jennifer Pfannebecker, Chelsea Wegener, Lisa Quinn, Pam Henry, Nicole Kadlec, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Lori Moses, Danyelle Gargac, Heidi Guttmann, Samantha Yankey, Gerry Thompson, Morgan Woosley, Terra Williams, Melissa Schilling, Patricia Brewer, Monica Kunkel, Kristi Martel and Courtney Niewegowski

Church Council

Chairman: Gary Buatte Vice-Chairman: Dale Krack

Secretary: Joan Ruwald Treasurer: Kara Wagner Board of Finance: Ben Guebert

Elder Chair: Gerald Hanebutt Parish Education Chair: Jamie Korando

Trustee Chair: Scott Voss Estate Fund Chair: Jim Walker

Lutheran High School Board: Lisa Quinn and Kathy Valleroy

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher: Pastor Mark Nebel Sunday Liturgist: Pastor Russell Koen

Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

(5 p.m.) Greeter: Miriam Poston Acolyte: Aubrey Piel

(8:00 a.m.) Greeters: Kalin and Kathy Liefer; Gerald and Jill Hanebutt

Acolyte: Molly Ellner

(10:30 a.m.) Greeters: Bob and Arlene Pratt; Omer and Neva Liefer

Acolyte: Isaac Moll

Flower Servers: Betty Schmitz and Cindy Steele

Chancel Paraments: Irma Birkner Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost 2018

WELCOME to St. John's Lutheran Church! We preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, administer the sacraments and provide Christian education in service to all people. We are especially happy that we have visitors with us today. St. John's is a congregation which follows the historic order of Christian worship. Even if you are not Lutheran, you may recognize many of the elements of worship from your own tradition. If you or your small child needs a space for privacy during the service, Room 1 in the Fellowship Hall has a TV with a video feed of our worship service. To help with the reverent nature of our worship, please silence and do not use your cell phones and pagers during this service. Thank you!

ATTENDANCE: During the offering, please sign the black Friendship register at the end of the pew. We ask our guests to please fill out the red side of the card marked "Guests" in the attendance book and give it to an usher. We invite you to worship with us again very soon.

HEARING AND VISION ASSISTANCE: See an usher if you would like to check out a hearing assistance device during our worship service. You can sit anywhere you wish while wearing this device. You can adjust the volume as you desire. Please return it to an usher after worship. Large Print copies of the complete worship service and bulletin notes are available from an usher.

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION: In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The individual cups of white wine in the center of the cup tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer this. Place a finger to your lips if you prefer an individual cup. For more information about this sacrament, please see pages 326-327 and 329-330 of *Lutheran Service Book*.

SCHOOL: St. John's Lutheran School provides a quality Christ-centered education for our congregation and community to make and equip disciples of Jesus Christ. We offer classes from pre-school through eighth grade. Our school building is located two blocks south of the church. For information about our school and enrollment please call our principal, Mrs. Deitt Schneider, at the office (282-3873).

DAY CARE: St. John's provides a quality Christian-based day care. The curriculum includes an emphasis on Christian instruction with the full intent of following Dr. Martin Luther's ideal of leading a child to grow in spirit, mind and body. Full and part-time care is available for children ages six weeks to six years. Before- and after-school child care also is offered.

Worship is Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 8 & 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible Classes are Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S BUSINESS YELLOW PAGES:

The new edition of the St. John's Business Yellow Pages is available on the table in the entryway. This is a first run copy. If you would like your business added to this edition, please contact the office so that we can include it in a larger, second issue. Thank you!

DONOR TILE WALL IN THE NEW GYM LOBBY:

There are 13 more spaces available in the Donor Tile Wall in the lobby of the new gym at school. Please call the school office (282-3873) if you would like to reserve a space in the next run of tiles. The cost is \$400.

LIFE THOUGHTS: *(from Lutherans for Life)*