

## **This Week With Our Lord, November 17-24, 2019**

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

### **SUNDAY, Nov. 17-**

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at school; Adult & Youth Bible Classes in the FH
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative)
- 1-3 p.m. Junior Youth Operation Christmas Child in the school cafeteria
- 7:00 p.m.** Adult Instruction Class in the Fellowship Hall

### **Monday, November 18-**

- 6:00 p.m. Boys' Basketball AC at Prairie du Rocher
- 7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school music room
- 7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting in the school library

### **Tuesday, November 19-**

- 12:30 – 3:00 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 p.m. Board of Parish Education meeting in the Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Altar Guild meets at church for holiday cleaning
- 6:00 p.m. Boys' BB AB at New Athens; Girl's BB ABC at Steeleville
- 6:00 p.m. Worship Committee in the Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Guild Gathering in the Fellowship Hall

### **Wednesday, November 20-**

- 8:30 a.m. School Chapel at church with Mrs. Liefer
- 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Quilting at church
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Public School Confirmation
- 10:50 a.m. Office Staff meeting
- 6:30 p.m.** Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Joshua)

### **Thursday, November 21- Pastor Nebel at Board of Trustees, Concordia**

- 8:15 a.m. Women's Bible Class in Fellowship Hall (J. Fehr)
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Advanced Bible History in Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony
- Boys' BB A Tourney at Collinsville; Girls' BB A Tourney at Nashville*

### **Friday, November 22-**

- 6:30 a.m.** Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (2 Corinthians)
- 8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel with Mrs. Schmitz

### **Saturday, November 23-**

- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service   Acolyte: Emma Kiefer  
Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller

### **SUNDAY, Nov. 24-**

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service   Acolyte: Luke Kennedy  
Greeters: Roger and Peggy Hanebutt; Ken and Joan Ruwald
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at school; Adult and Youth Bible Class in the FH
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion   Acolyte: Emme Deterding  
Greeters: Jim and Judy Guebert; Carl and Flo Zschiegner
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the Fellowship Hall

### **NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP READINGS**

Old Testament: Malachi 3:13-18; Epistle: Colossians 1:13-20; Gospel: Luke 23:27-43

### **ALUMNI NEWS:**

The recent edition of the St. John's Lutheran School *Alumni News* is available on the tables in the entryway for those who do not get it in the mail. [Page 2](#)

### **THE LUTHERAN HOUR:**

Genesis Series - Sacrifice is acting on the hope of a better future by offering up something valuable in the present. Listen to "The Dawn Wall" (Genesis 22) with Speaker Dr. Michael Zeigler on KFUO AM 850 Sunday at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. (KSIV 1320 AM or 91.5 FM).

### **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 in the bulletin of those donating.

### **OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:**

Worship: 379; Communion: 56; Adult/Youth: 35; Sunday School: 56

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

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 11/10- General Fund: \$18,239.90; School: \$575; Lutheran Witness: \$149. *"The people shall not appear before their Lord empty-handed. Every one shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that He has given you."* (Deuteronomy 16:16c-17).

### **2020 WORK PLAN:**

Our budgeted expenses for Christian ministry here in our family of faith at St. John's for 2020 is \$1,563,873.81. Due largely to staffing changes that have and will take place this figure is \$65,640.28 below our 2019 Work Plan. This includes going from 92% to 93% of Southern Illinois District scale for our professional staff salaries. Thank you for our support of this ministry plan!

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!:**

We thank the members of our Parent-Teacher League for their generous support of our congregation's ministry. In its Wednesday meeting the PTL approved a \$75,000 donation to the congregation.

### **STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources**

Luke 21:6 – "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." Everything in this world is headed for the graveyard, but some things are also destined to rise from the grave. On that Day of Resurrection, as we look back on our earthly life, what will we see? What will have really mattered? This is a good question to ask ourselves in this season of the Church Year that focuses on the Last Things.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!:**

God has blessed Kollin and Macey (Heinen) Liefer with the birth of their son, Nolan Ralph, on Monday, November 11 at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond Heights, MO. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

### **MITES FOR MISSIONS:**

Based on the Biblical account of the widow's mite, the Mite Box is intended for regular contribution of 'mites' – offerings above and beyond regular support. Many Lutheran Women in Mission have used the Mite Box to gather funds in support of national, district and local ministries. We invite everyone to contribute to the Mite Box, providing the opportunity for us to spread the Gospel to the World. Extra Mite Boxes are on table in narthex. Place your contributions in the large LWML Mite Box. [Page 3](#)

### **TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

“A Prophet Serves” is the title for this week’s lesson. Having been raised in the tabernacle from the time he was a young child, Samuel continues to serve Eli the priest. One night, Samuel runs to Eli, thinking Eli is calling his name. Eli sends Samuel back to bed, assuring him he had not called. As the pattern repeats, Eli tells Samuel to lie down once again but then next time respond, “Speak, LORD, for Your servant hears” (1 Samuel 3:9). When the Lord calls once again, He gives Samuel a vision of how Samuel will succeed Eli rather than Eli’s “worthless” sons. Discuss how God used the prophet Samuel to do His work.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT:**

The Southern Illinois District Lutheran Emergency Response Team is the mission project for our Sunday School students this year. Ten percent of their offering will go to support this ministry of assistance to those who have suffered from fire, flood, wind, etc. We hope to have a trained team from St. John’s at some point in the future.

### **DRIVE FOR FOOD PANTRY AT HUMAN SERVICE CENTER:**

Our Evening Guild is sponsoring a food drive for our congregation to help the local food pantry at Human Service Center. A donation box will be in the entryway or Fellowship Hall. We appreciate donations of nonperishable items!

### **JUNIOR YOUTH ACTIVITY:**

Our Junior Youth will pack boxes for Operation Christmas Child this Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3 p.m. in the school cafeteria. We will have items and boxes to pack. You also can bring a pre-packed shoe box to donate. There will be Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes in the school office that you can use for your donated items.

### **ALTAR GUILD:**

Altar Guild members will meet at church this Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. for holiday cleaning. Thank you!

### **EVENING GUILD:**

Our Evening Guild Gathering is Tuesday, November 19 at 7 p.m. The speaker is Mary Ann Wegener on traveling thru France & Belgium. Devotions will be by Cindy Steele. Bring nonperishable items for food drive. Guests are welcome!

### **THANKSGIVING HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES:**

We will observe our National Day of Thanksgiving with Holy Communion services on Wednesday, November 27 at 7 p.m. and again on Thursday, Nov. 28 at 9 a.m. This is an excellent opportunity to invite someone who would not otherwise be in Christian worship to attend St. John’s with you.

### **THE PRAYER CHAIN:**

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. If you would like to serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please call Vickie at 618/521-7417. 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).

### **EPISTLES:**

The November edition of our congregation’s newsletter, *The Epistle*, is available in paper copy in the entryway. It also is on our website and has been emailed to everyone for whom Pastor Nebel has an address.

### **WURSTMARKT:**

Thank you to everyone who attended and assisted with last week’s Wurstmarkt hosted by the Men’s Club with great help from spouses, children and our Senior Youth Group. Between dine-in and carry-out 584 meals were served. The Men’s Club uses the proceeds to support ministry in our congregation and throughout the world.

### **ELDER BASKETS:**

Our Board of Elders members will deliver their annual Christmas gift baskets to our homebound and nursing home members on the morning of Saturday, December 7. If you would like to contribute to this project, please put an envelope marked “Elder Baskets” in the offering or mail/bring it to the office. Thank you!

### **USHERS NEEDED:**

We welcome anyone to assist with our worship services as an usher. You will be part of a team that serves three months at a time and then is off for a year. See Head Usher Scot Heller or Pastor Nebel if you are interested.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:**

Don and Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Donald Kueker, June Lawrence, Joyce Lopez, Jean Menke, Edna Moeller, Elda Seders.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT:**

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, Melba Liefer, Wilma Wagner and Jody Winkelmann; Waterloo Garden Place- Alice Smith; Ruma R & R- Fern Schnepel, Willard Uffelmann

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:**

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Gloria Stellhorn, Wilma Stellhorn, Leonard & Norma Vogt.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:**

11/17- Debra Hartmann; 11/18- Dennis Heaton, Lorna Schneider, Cynthia Stellhorn; 11/19- Taylor Giglotto, Darla Hollmann, Bryon Rahn; 11/20- Lacy Evancich, William Kuehn, Jonathan Ratz; 11/21- Melinda Kiefer, Kalin Liefer; 11/22- Chad Grohmann, Aiden Liefer; 11/23- Maybre Falkenhain, Terry Harms, Cyndi Liefer, Shane Seiber. *Please call the office for additions or corrections!*

### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION CHANGES:**

New labels soon will appear on participating products. Instead of clipping labels you will scan your receipt and use a new Box Tops mobile app that instantly will add those Box Tops points to our school’s earnings. The traditional Box Tops still can be clipped and cash earned until they expire. Learn more at [BTFCOM/SNEAKPEEK](http://BTFCOM/SNEAKPEEK) or look at the sheet on the board by the glass door.

### **ISSUES, ETC.:**

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week’s teachings include: 1st Corinthians, Is Divorce Contagious?, First Century Bishop Clement of Rome, Temptation, Evil and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) and on the LPR mobile app.

### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

St. John Lutheran Church in Ruma invites us on Sunday, Nov. 17 at 11:30 a.m. for a free lunch. Rev. Rodney Benkendorf of Lutheran Heritage Foundation (LHF), will tell us about the worldwide work of LHF. A RSVP is appreciated by calling the church at 282-6060 or email at [stjohnlutheranruma@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnlutheranruma@gmail.com)

### **DEMYSTIFYING THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS:**

Sunday, November 17; 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. (optional support sessions from 3 – 4:30 p.m.) at St. John's Lutheran Grade School. This workshop is designed to support both parents and students as they navigate the college application process. We will discuss what students should consider when deciding where to apply, including how to balance college quality, academic fit, and the cost of attendance. There will be time set aside for Q&A. Two optional, 90-min long support sessions will follow the workshop—one for parents on the FAFSA and one for students on writing a college admission personal essay. The workshop and support sessions are geared towards high school students and their parents; grade school students and their parents are discouraged from attending. Feel free to share knowledge of this workshop with others, including those outside St. John's Lutheran. The workshop will be led by Rachel Steele. Registration is not required but can be done at [SteeleCollegeWorkshop.weebly.com](http://SteeleCollegeWorkshop.weebly.com)

### **CHRISTMAS CANTATA:**

Singers Wanted: Preparations will begin for the second annual Christmas music program, planned for Sunday December 15, 2:00 p.m. at St. Paul's, Wine Hill. (11854 Wine Hill Road, Steeleville) Those interested in being part of the choir for this event are asked to come either on Thursday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m. OR Saturday, November 23rd at 2:00 p.m. We will discuss further rehearsal schedules at these initial meetings. The choir is open to ALL singers, so please help spread the word and if you love to sing, please join us. If you have any questions, want more information, or have a musical talent of any sort that you would be willing to share, please contact Sherry Prange at (618)-615-1630.

### **KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:**

Listen to KFUE AM850, the broadcast arm of the LCMS, as we share Christ for you anytime, anywhere via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! **This week on KFUE AM850**, hear curious theological topics with Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller on Cross Defense (11/18 at 2:00 p.m.), study Psalm 29 and Isaiah 42-45 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 p.m.), and hear Pastor "Jolly" John Lukowski and Pastor Matt "Youngblood" Clark wrestle the basics of Scripture on Wrestling with the Basics (11/23 at 9:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or your favorite podcast app!

### **LIFE THOUGHTS:** (from *Lutherans for Life*) [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

Surprise pregnancies can feel worse than the world ending. Terminal diagnoses can seem like the universe working against you. They also bring opportunity to bear witness to God's love for humankind (Luke 21:13). The Son of Man has entered in, even in just such humble circumstances. While society crouches in fear and anger (Luke 21:25-26), we may stand up straight, lift heads and hands (Luke 21:28), and receive each life as a gift!

### **SAVE THE DATE FOR SPECIAL SERVICES:**

December 4- 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Early Childhood Christmas in school gym

December 8- 7 p.m. Road to Bethlehem Pageant in the church

December 11- 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Primary School Christmas in school gym

### **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, text the message @8243ad2 to the number 81010. Please contact our office at 282-2394 with your questions.

### **PARISH NURSE NOTE:** from *LCMS Better Health*

Across ten fast food chains, the average entrée has grown in size over the last 30 years. This has increased the calorie count and the sodium content. Fast food meals supply up to 41% of our recommended daily amount of sodium.

### **WORSHIP GREETERS NEEDED:**

There is an opening 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!

### **ELDER ZONES FOR 2019:** (Chairman, Kevin Liefer)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Ron Kunkelmann (282-3504)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Stuart Langrehr (282-2736)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru R/K Herriman- Elder Jacob Arbeiter (618/615-1108)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Adam Guebert (618/920-2403)

Zone 5: Wil/Martha Krick thru Janel Maes- Elder Kevin Liefer (618/521-9126)

Zone 6: Pat Malik thru Lanie Pensoneau- Elder Quentin Stenzel (282-4661)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru Don Schrader- Elder Garon Schnepel (813/240-8978)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Stanley Langrehr (282-3481)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelman thru Doug Zschiegner- Elder Bill Becker (282-2958)

### **CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300**

**Blood Drive:** Make plans to help save a life and donate blood at the Evansville Community Blood Drive hosted by *COS* on November 26 from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. You can make an appointment by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and searching by for zip code 62242. Donors will receive a \$5 Amazon.com gift card by email.

**Toy Drive:** Student Council is sponsoring a toy drive to benefit area needy families. You may bring your donation of new unwrapped toys to the *COS* blood drive on November 26 or anytime during school hours by December 6.

**Shadow Days:** Parents of eighth graders and potential transfer students are encouraged to call and make arrangements for their student to spend a day at *Christ Our Savior* shadowing a *COS* student and learning more about the *COS* advantage.

**Calling Thrivent Members:** If you are a member of Thrivent and are willing to help *COS* at no cost to you, please consider organizing or participating in a Thrivent Action Team. Each Thrivent member is eligible to lead two project teams per year. Every project team is given up to \$250 along with organizational materials to help make their project successful. We have many projects that would help further the mission of *COS*. We can even help you fill out the application. Contact [elauffer@coslhs.org](mailto:elauffer@coslhs.org) for more information.

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





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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; Pr. Russell Koen 282-1958

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

#### Faculty and Staff

Preschool - Cindy Steele

Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

First Grade – Rachel Miller; Aide- Patty Schnepel

Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade – Bill Becker (Librarian)

Fifth Grade - Darlene Letcher and Cindy Nebel (Before/After School Care)

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Justin Palm

Resource Teacher: Lara Vause

Custodians – Alan Ohms, Bob Schramm and Becky Rhodes

Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

#### Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Jennifer Pfannebecker,

Lisa Quinn, Pam Henry, Nicole Kadlec, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Heidi

Guttman, Gerry Thompson, Melissa Schilling, Patricia Brewer, Kristi Martel,

Courtney Schoenbeck, Megan Diercks, Mary Novy and Jessica Hoffman

#### Church Council

Chairman: Bruce Schneider Vice-Chairman: Ray Wagner

Secretary: Joan Ruwald Treasurer: Gary Buatte Board of Finance: Ben Guebert

Elder Chair: Kevin Liefer Parish Education Chair: Miriam Poston

Trustee Chair: John Preston 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 and Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

(5 p.m.) Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried Acolyte: Grayson Herriman

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

Lector: Seminarian Wade Waterstreet Acolyte: Kadin Liefer

(10:30 a.m.) Greeters: Ken and Karen Wetzel; Ron and Diane Kunkelmann

Lector: Seminarian Cameron Harms Acolyte: Addyson Piel

Instrumentalists: Lindsey Hudak, Brandon Nehrt, Jonathan Hudak

Flower Servers: Debbie Liefer and Alverda Rahn

Chancel Paraments: Irma Birkner Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

## ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

*Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost 2019*

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.

+Check our website under the Media tab for Bible studies that you can do on your own. The topics so far are Angels, Cremation, Christian Citizenship, The Justice of God, Haggai, 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, Live By the Spirit, Malachi, Philemon, and more to come!

**FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE:**

Please see Doreen Schnepel in the Fellowship Hall between services this Sunday to purchase gift cards. A percentage of each purchase assists the ministry of our family of faith. Cash and checks only please.

**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.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE:**

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

**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.

**"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!

**GOODSEARCH:**

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

**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!

**PAYMENTS ON FAST DIRECT:**

Fast Direct now allows you to make payments online directly from Fast Direct using your credit or debit card! Simply log in, select Finance from the top of the page. You will add your credit or debit card info in the "wallet" section. Once

that has been completed you can go to "make a payment". Be sure to select which account you want to make the payment to...tuition, lunch, daycare, After school care, etc. We are very excited about this new feature, but like always please call the office if you have any questions at all!!