



Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 22, 2020
St. John's Lutheran Church
Red Bud, Illinois



THE PRELUDE: “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” *arranged by Ryan Meyer*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN – 916 “Only-Begotten, Word of God Eternal”

**1. On-ly be-got-ten, Word of God e-ter-nal,
Lord of cre-a-tion, mer-ci-ful and might-y: hear us, Your ser-vants,
As our tune-ful voic-es Rise in Your pres-ence.**

**2. Ho-ly this tem-ple where our Lord is dwell-ing;
This is none oth-er than the gate of heav-en. Ev-er Your chil-dren,
Year by year re-joic-ing, Chant in Your tem-ple.**

**3. Hear us, O Fa-ther, as we throng Your tem-ple.
By Your past bless-ings, by Your pre-sent boun-ty, Smile on Your chil-dren,
And in grace and mer-cy Hear our pe-ti-tion.**

**4. God in three per-sons, Fa-ther, ev-er-last-ing,
Son co-e-ter-nal, ev-er bless-ed Spir-it: To You be prais-es,
Thanks, and ad-o-ra-tion, Glo-ry for-ev-er. A-men.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT: Psalm 27 (spoken)

My eyes are ever toward the LORD, for He will pluck my feet out of the net.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple.

For He will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble;
He will conceal me under the cover of His tent; He will lift me high upon a rock.
And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in His tent sacrifices with shouts of joy.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

My eyes are ever toward the LORD, for He will pluck my feet out of the net.

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☐ Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. C: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 42:14-21

For a long time I have held My peace; I have kept still and restrained Myself; now I will cry out like a woman in labor; I will gasp and pant. I will lay waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their vegetation; I will turn the rivers into islands, and dry up the pools. And I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know, in paths that they have not known. I will guide them. I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. These are the things I do, and I do not forsake them. They are turned back and utterly put to shame, who trust in carved idols, who say to metal images, "You are our gods." Hear, you deaf, and look, you blind, that you may see! Who is blind but My servant, or deaf as My messenger whom I send? Who is blind as My dedicated one, or blind as the servant of the LORD? He sees many things, but does not observe them; his ears are open, but he does not hear. The LORD was pleased, for His righteousness' sake, to magnify His law and make it glorious.

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL

A: O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, **C: the founder and perfecter of our faith,**
A: who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,
C: and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

THE EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 5:8-14

For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true) and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF THE DAY – 606 "I Lay My Sins on Jesus"

- 1. I lay my sins on Je-sus, The spot-less Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us From the ac-curs-ed load.
I bring my guilt to Je-sus To wash my crim-son stains
Clean in His blood most pre-cious Till not a spot re-mains.**
- 2. I lay my wants on Je-sus; All full-ness dwells in Him;
He heals all my dis-eas-es: My soul He does re-deem.
I lay my griefs on Je-sus, My bur-dens and my cares;
He from them all re-leas-es: He all my sor-rows shares.**

**3. I rest my soul on Je-sus, This wea-ry soul of mine;
His right hand me em-brac-es; I on His breast re-cline.
I love the name of Je-sus, Im-man-uel, Christ, the Lord;
Like fra-grance on the breezes His name a-broad is poured.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

As Jesus passed by, He saw a man blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. We must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." Having said these things, He spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then He anointed the man's eyes with the mud and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see."

Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for He does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about Him, since He has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.

Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him He said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is He, sir, that I may believe in Him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen Him, and it is He who is speaking to you." He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped Him. Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SERMON: “Rabbi, Who Sinned, This Man Or...” John 9: 2

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

HEALING AND COMFORT: Evelyn Muench, Arlin Winkelman, Wanda Steele, Kathyrn Chunn, C. John Prigge, Ed Luttmann, David Guebert, Larry Ebers, Stuart Langrehr, Kenny Williams, Pam Stellhorn, Roger Kozora, Garon Schnepel, Lori Rees; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Brenda Manning, Cheryl Zanders, Jason Brock, Ruth Hecht, Nancy O'Dell, Rev. Dr. Herbert Mueller, Evelyn Schwartzkopf, Hope Neptune, John Hudak, Rev. John Lukomski, Jason Rippelmeyer, Tom Quinn. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Nathan Koen, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Jeremiah Brandt, Benjamin Boeder, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss, Joshua Cox; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Tailor Neuhaus, Josh Butterworth, Brent Knop, Keenan Turnure
+those who are suffering from the Corona virus throughout the world

Blessed Lord, You give sight to the blind, You open the ears of the deaf, and You make the lame to walk. Hear the prayers of Your people on behalf of all people as they have need.

Brief silence

In the darkness of sin and its death, we cry to You, O Lord. Open our ears by Your Word, our minds by Your Spirit, and our hearts by Your grace, that we may know and be thankful for all the blessings You have given to us in Christ, our Lord, especially the gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. Strengthen us in faith, that we may serve You with all our body, mind, soul and strength. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bidden by Your Word, we pray to You, O Lord, on behalf of Your Church and all Your people scattered and isolated. Give to us good pastors and servants of Your Word who will serve us faithfully and boldly even in chaotic times. Keep them safe, comfort them and their families, and raise up many more servants for full-time church work. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Defended by Your grace, we ask You, O Lord, to provide us with good and faithful leaders who will preserve the precious gift of liberty and protect the lives of our citizens. Give them special wisdom, and help them to work in harmony in the midst of this pandemic. Bless the members of our armed forces, and protect them as they defend us. Grant Your blessing to all emergency and medical workers who continue to come to our aid in times of great need. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Enjoying the riches of Your grace, we ask You, O Lord, to give us generous hearts, that we may share what You have provided with those in need and work for the common good of all. Give us patience in our seclusion and comfort the lonely. Grant relief to the unemployed, the underemployed, the homeless and all their families. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Knowing Your healing will and gifts, we pray You, O Lord, to spare us from all calamity by pestilence, scarcity and fear. Remember the sick in their afflictions, calm those troubled in mind and keep steadfast the dying. *Hear us especially for* Evelyn Muench, Arlin Winkelman, Wanda Steele, Kathryn Chunn, C. John Prigge, Ed Luttmann, David Guebert, Larry Ebers, Stuart Langrehr, Kenny Williams, Pam Stellhorn, Roger Kozora, Garon Schnepel, Lori Rees, Lori Voges, Brenda Manning, Cheryl Zanders, Jason Brock, Ruth Hecht, Nancy O'Dell, Rev. Dr. Herbert Mueller, Evelyn Schwartzkopf, Hope Neptune, John Hudak, Rev. John Lukomski, Jason Rippelmeyer, Tom Quinn and those we bring to You in the silence of our own hearts. Show us Your gracious will, O Lord, and sustain those who are afflicted in body or mind until that day when You will bestow upon us new bodies fit for the eternal life You have prepared for us in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Mindful of Your promise, we ask You, O Lord, to comfort those who grieve and to build up those who mourn with hope for the resurrection. Remembering the faithful who have died in Christ, we pray You to bring us at last to be with them in Your nearer presence, looking forward to that day when we shall join in the marriage supper of the Lamb in His Kingdom without end. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things, O Lord, we pray in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, asking You to grant our prayers not for our sake but for the sake of Him alone. Teach our hearts to be content with Your will and to trust that You will answer us with what is best for us and at the right time for our need. So do we pray, giving testimony of our confidence in Your gracious favor in Christ by answering with one voice. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

COLLECT:

Pastor: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **People: Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN – 918 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

**1. Guide me, O Thou great Re-deem-er, Pil-grim thorough this bar-ren land.
I am weak, but Thou art might-y; Hold me with Thy pow'r-ful hand.
Bread of heav-en, bread of heav-en, Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.**

2. **O-pen now the crys-tal foun-tain Whence the heal-ing stream doth flow;
Let the fi-ery, cloud-y pil-lar Lead me all my jour-ney through.
Strong de-liv-‘rer, strong de-liv-‘rer, Be Thou still my strength and shield;
Be Thou still my strength and shield.**

3. **When I tread the verge of Jor-dan, Bid my anx-ious fears sub-side;
Death of death and hell’s de-struc-tion, Land me safe on Ca-naan’s side.
Strong of prais-es, songs of prais-es I will ev-er give to Thee;
I will ev-er give to Thee.**

THE POSTLUDE: “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” *arranged by Wilbur Held*

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This Week With Our Lord, March 22-29, 2020

ALL PUBLIC ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELED!

SCHOOL AND DAYCARE ARE CLOSED!

SUNDAY 9 A.M. SERVICE IS ON FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE:

The official video repository

is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4sudsJQ2ewoyDmWh5eigPA> page.

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BIBLE STUDIES:

Check our website under the Media tab for Bible studies that you can do on your own. The topics so far are Amen, Angels, Antichrist, Apostles, Apostolic Preaching of the Resurrection, Baptism Q & A, Church and Homosexuality, Communications Skills, Cremation, Christian Citizenship, Discussing Homosexuality, End of the World, God’s Will in the Lives of His People, Haggai, Having the Right Attitude, Heaven, The Justice of God, Justification and Sanctification, Islam, Live By the Spirit, Malachi, Meditation, Philemon, Purses, Was Jesus a Vegetarian?, Word Dwellers, and more to come!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

A weed is a stubborn thing, pushing its way up through a crack in the sidewalk. The human heart is a stubborn thing, insisting on going its own way. Dr. Michael Zeigler says God is stubborn, too. Listen to “They Bloom Later” (Exodus 9) with Speaker Dr. Michael Ziegler on KFYO 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).

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL:

There is no Sunday School while elementary schools are out of session. To use the weekly materials at home, parents can go to www.cph.org/enduringfaith. The login is

offcie@stjohnsredbud.org and the password is welcome. We are in Unit 3, Lesson 4. It is “A Tree View” about Jesus and Zacchaeus from Luke 19.

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: 274; Communion: 87; Adult/Youth: 43; Sunday School: 50

Midweek Lenten Worship: AM- 27; PM- 27

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. 3/15- General Fund: \$8482.20; School- \$990; Automatic Withdrawals- \$4390. *“Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. And thereby put Me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.”* (Malachi 3:10)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Psalm 142:5 – “I cry to You, O LORD; I say, ‘You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living.’” The Lord is our portion, our refuge, our everything. His mercy preserves us through all our days in the land of the living. This confidence frees us from the fear that so often leads to sins of greed and coveting. We have the Lord, we have a Father, and He is in control. We can follow His Word in confidence.

NEXT WEEK’S WORSHIP READINGS

Old Testament: Isaiah 42:14-21; Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-14; Gospel: John 9:1-41

PORTALS OF PRAYER:

The next quarter’s edition of *Portals of Prayer* (April through June) is available in the racks by the front and back doors of church. Sonshine Visitation members, please take one to those whom you visit.

NO SIGHT MINISTRIES CENTER WORK UNTIL MAY!

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:

Those who have a life insurance product with Thrivent can direct “Choice Dollars” to St. John’s Lutheran Church. This needs to be done by March 31 to get credit for your 2019 dollars.

MUSKETEER MARKET: A LENTEN MISSION PROJECT:

To help provide for needy students at Red Bud High School, our Evening Guild is holding a food/toiletry drive. A donation box is in our Fellowship Hall with lists of items needed. Pick up a list in the bottom of the tub and make purchases for the next 6 weeks. Donations will be delivered to RBHS weekly.

CONGRATULATIONS!:

+St. John’s boys’ and girls’ basketball teams participated in the Lutheran State Tournament in Chicago on March 6-8. The boys’ team earned a 7th place trophy. Chase Lucht was selected to the All-Tournament team.

+St. John's member Samantha Lucht, a senior at Red Bud High School, was chosen "Student of the Month." This is sponsored by the Red Bud Lions Club.

SCHOOL DINNER AUCTION:

Our 12th Annual PTL Dinner Auction "Calling All Super Heroes" has been re-scheduled for Saturday, May 9 at the Hecker Community Club. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the live auction at 7:30 p.m. Donation forms are available in the office or at SignUpGenius. Ticket forms have gone home with students but also are available in the office. If the PTL can raise \$100,000 our congregation will receive a matching gift of \$100,000 for our Debt Reduction Fund.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT on March 26 is cancelled.

JUNIOR YOUTH lock-in on March 28/29 is cancelled.

SENIOR YOUTH roller skating at Fun Spot on March 28 is cancelled.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS:

Various Lenten devotional booklets are available on the table in the entryway for you to take. One is based on our theme this year, "Fix Your Eyes on Jesus."

ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE:

Clifford and Arlou Papenberg HAVE CANCELED their 50th wedding anniversary Open House in our Fellowship Hall on Sunday, March 29.

MITES FOR MISSIONS:

From the Bible's account of the widow's mite, the Mite Box is used for regular contribution of 'mites'—offerings beyond regular support. Lutheran Women in Mission use 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 in the entryway. Place your contributions in the large LWML Mite Box.

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).

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT:

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer and Neva Liefer, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Gloria Stellhorn, Wilma Stellhorn, Norma Vogt, Arlin and Helen Winkelman

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

3/22- Kristine Neff, Emily Buatte, Sam Wright, Loreli Aubuchon; 3/23- Kathryn Chunn, Stanley Langrehr, Kathleen Salger, John Hemmer, Marquita Tindall, Ken Wild, Jr., Jarret Fleming; 3/24- Laurie Gunter, Jason Guebert, Kole Guebert, Oskar Driesner; 3/25- Mary Kueker, Larry Schleifer; 3/26- Mark Voss, Brad Stechmesser, Rebecca Stevenson, Bruce Quinn, Jr.; 3/28- Linda Wessel, Derek Voges, Haley Hemmer. *Call the office for additions or corrections*

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 and wherever you get your podcasts! This week on KFUE AM850, & kfuo.org begin the book of Revelation on Thy Strong Word with Rev. AJ Espinosa and guest pastors (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), hear about gossiping on The Coffee Hour with Pastor Chris Hull (3/24 at 9:00 a.m.), and study Matthew 24-25 on Sharper Iron's All Righteousness Fulfilled (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL:

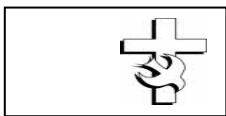
From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day from February 26 through April 5 the 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil is taking place at the new Planned Parenthood, 317 Salem Place in Fairview Heights (across I-64 from St. Clair Square Mall). Contact Theresa@CoalitionForLifeSTL.com or Christy@CoalitionForLifeSTL.com.

LIFE THOUGHTS: (from *Lutherans for Life*) www.lutheransforlife.org

“That the works of God might be displayed in him” (John 9:3). Wondrous honor He has given to our every affliction, even the fiercest ones. The Jesus Who has borne our sicknesses and carried our sorrows lives our pains unto salvation. Why consider assisted suicide when our discomforts afford us front-row seats to witness the work of the Almighty – and the privilege of participating firsthand?

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

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



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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 (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel
Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan
Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6th-8th) – 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; Lisa Quinn, Ashley
Brittingham, Megan Diercks, Jennifer Pfannebecker, Nicole Kadlec, Patty Brewer,
Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Lexis Carner, Terra Williams, Brittney Eichholz,
Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Johnston,
and Geraldine Thompson

Church Council

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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 Video: Eric and Jennifer Fritsche