

## **This Week With Our Lord, February 5-12, 2017**

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

### **SUNDAY, February 5- Lutheran Hour Ministries Sunday!**

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Adult and Youth Bible Classes
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service
- 3:00 p.m.** Adult Instruction Class in the school library

### **Monday, February 6-**

- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice at school
- 7:00 p.m. Board of Elders meeting in the Fellowship Hall

### **Tuesday, February 7-**

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Circuit Pastors' Conference at Chester
- 12:30 – 3:00 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Girls' Volleyball (ABC) at Coulterville
- 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir in the church balcony

### **Wednesday, February 8-**

- 8:30 a.m. Chapel Service in the church (5<sup>th</sup> Grade)
- 9 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
- 3:30 p.m. Public School confirmation classes at school
- 6:00 p.m. Board of Parish Education meeting at school
- 7:45 p.m.** Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Leviticus)

### **Thursday, February 9-**

- 6:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Mark)
- 1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center at Baldwin
- 3:00 p.m. Afternoon Holy Communion Service
- 6:00 p.m. Girls' Volleyball ABC at Prairie duRocher
- 6:00 p.m. Men's Club Dinner in the Fellowship Hall

### **Friday, February 10-**

- 8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel at school
- 11:20 a.m. Early school dismissal
- 5-7 p.m. Junior Youth Bowling at Blossom City Bowl
- 5 p.m. C Team Volleyball at Red Bud Catholic
- A team Volleyball Tourney at St. Mary's, Chester*

### **Saturday, February 11-**

- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service
- Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller Acolyte: Avery Piel

### **SUNDAY, February 12-**

- 8 a.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Claire Grohmann  
Greeters: Ken and Joan Voges; Lisa Quinn
- 9:00 a.m. Baby Shower for Fieldworker Samuel and Meagan Thole
- 9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible Classes and Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Acolyte: Dylan Roscow  
Greeters: Carl and Flo Zschiegner; Gerald and Nancy Holmstrom
- 11:00 a.m. to ?? Kettle Beef Dinner in the school gym
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library
- 7:00 p.m. Senior Youth meeting in the school cafeteria

### **THE LUTHERAN HOUR:**

+Amid life's commotion and clamor, what will give us peace? Nothing but Jesus! Listen to "Nothing But Jesus" (1 Corinthians 2:1-16) with the Speaker of the Lutheran Hour, Rev. Greg Seltz, on KFUE 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).

+LHM is a trusted expert in mass media proclamation with a global network of partners. Each week LHM reaches more than 51 million people around the world with the gospel. LHM works in areas where other organizations are not present and uses local missionaries who know the language and culture. LHM shares the gospel in culturally relevant ways through 34 ministry centers that reach into more than 50 nations on six continents with nearly 400,000 people responding last year.

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

Worship: 449; Communion: 231; Adult/Youth Class: 51; Sunday School: 56

### **FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:**

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Charles and Sharon Guebert. They are a gift from their children and grandsons. The couple has made a donation to our congregation's debt relief. Congratulations and thank you for these gifts!

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.

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. Offering: 1/29- General Fund: \$11,314.43; School: \$375. We finished 2016 with \$354,290 in expenses over income. Our current deficit in operating and building costs is \$1,719,200. *God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.* (2 Corinthians 9:8)

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

**Matthew 5:17** "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them." We cannot keep the Law of God perfectly. We are sinners. For us to be saved, Jesus had to fill up the Law in our place. Now the threat of the Law is abolished – and the Law itself is upheld. For in Christ now we do desire to fulfill the Law, to live out a godly Christian life – precisely because we are full of thanksgiving toward God for His salvation in Christ.

### **SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES** *From 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.*

+We continue with "The Gospel of John," chapter 8, in the Fellowship Hall.

+Pastor Koen leads our study of the book of Revelation in the school library.

+High School Bible class meets in Room 2 of the Fellowship Hall.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE IN JANUARY:**

Kdg- Clare Carnahan; 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- Milla Neff; 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- Bruce Quinn, Sam Roscow, Daniel Stapleton; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- Ben DeRousse, Annelise Quinn, Dylan Roscow. Thank you for your participation in our Sunday School ministry!

### **EPISTLES:**

The February edition of our congregation's newsletter, *The Epistle*, is available in hard copy in the entryway, on our website and by email if Pastor Nebel has your address.

### **PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES:**

Our new pictorial directory is available in the church office for those who reserved a copy when their picture was taken. Remaining copies will be available for the cost of \$50. This will be used for our congregation's debt relief.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:**

Our boxes of offering envelopes for 2017 are on the tables in the Fellowship Hall. Please take your own and those of your immediate family. Thank you!

**BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER:**

Please put your spare change in the baby bottles distributed last week and return it to the Fellowship Hall this weekend or the school office as soon as possible. This is a fundraiser for our local Life Network. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Roscow ([618-372-5366](tel:618-372-5366) or [mroscow@htc.net](mailto:mroscow@htc.net)).

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NEWS:**

Total Pledged- \$2,598,991; Total Pledged Giving- \$2,225,887.96 (86%); Non-Pledged Giving- \$422,504.20; Total- \$2,648,392.16. Please consider completing the pledge (promise) you made as we have concluded this three-year capital campaign. Blue envelopes are available in the entryway for your use. Thank you!

**DR. MARTIN LUTHER VISIT:**

“In observance of the upcoming 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my nailing of the 95 THESES on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany, I will make an appearance on Thursday February 9 in the Fellowship Hall at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Red Bud. As with any good Lutheran gathering, we can’t go without having a delicious meal. It will be served by Mission Catering of the Seeds Of Fire Ministry from Columbia. To all members of St. John’s, please consider attending for some good Lutheran fellowship and a few words from myself. Gerald will now fill you in with the details.” *Soli Deo Gloria!*

On Thursday February 9 at 6 p.m., our Men’s Club is sponsoring an evening of food and fellowship with an appearance by Dr. Martin Luther as portrayed by Rev. John Lukomski of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in New Athens. The cost for the evening is \$13 per person and payable that evening. Reservations must be made by contacting Gerald Hanebutt at 282-3792 or by email ([hanebutt@htc.net](mailto:hanebutt@htc.net)) on or before Feb. 5.

**JUNIOR YOUTH RETREAT:**

There will be a 5th-8th grade retreat at Camp Wartburg on February 10-11. The retreat theme is "Splashing in Salvation: Baptism and the Christian Life" and is meant to support confirmation class, Sunday School, and youth Bible study. Pastor Bruce Keseman from Christ Our Savior in Freeburg will be the Bible study leader, and the prayer services will be led from Lutheran Service book. The retreat begins at 5:30 pm on Friday, February 10th and will finish at 7 pm on the 11th. There will be opportunities for rock climbing and zip lining. The cost for the retreat is \$70 per participant. Please send one gender specific chaperone for each 8 participants. If you have any questions, please contact me at [pastorill@htc.net](mailto:pastorill@htc.net) or at (618) 476-3101.

**A SHOWER FOR BABY THOLE:**

Our 4<sup>th</sup>-year seminarian Samuel Thole and his wife Meagan are expecting their first child in March. On February 12 our Evening Guild will host a baby shower in the Fellowship Hall from 9-9:30 a.m. (after worship and before Bible class). All are invited to attend and encourage to assist these new parents with a gift, gift card or monetary present. They are registered at <https://www.babylist.com/meagan-thole>.

**GET YOUR PINK ON:**

There will be a benefit for Diana Becker on February 12. This will take place in the old gym from 11 a.m.-? Kettle beef, ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, slaw, applesauce and homemade desserts will be served either dine-in or carry- out for \$10 a plate and a free will donation for desserts. Please come support the Becker family!!

**ST. JOHN’S IS GOING TO THE DOGS!:**

Or at least the dogs are coming to us, comfort dogs, that is, from Lutheran Church Charities. Noah and Tabby from St. Louis will be here on February 21 at 1:30 p.m. for a school assembly and Esther from Holy Cross in Collinsville will be here for our Evening Guild gathering that evening at 7 p.m.

**FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE SUPPER:**

Our St. John’s Lutheran School Class of 2019 will host an All-You-Care-to-Eat, Fat Tuesday Pancake and Sausage Supper on Tuesday, Feb. 28. Cost is \$9 for ages 12 & up; \$6 for ages 3 – 11 (2 & under free). The meal will be served by Chris Cakes (seen on The Food Network). Serving time is 4:30-7 p.m. Stay and watch a great volleyball match up of the Lady Cougars and Evansville as well. All proceeds from the supper will go towards the class’s 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Washington, DC.

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT - DOWN ON THE FARM:**

St. John’s is hosting their 3rd Annual Family Fun Night on Thursday, March 9 at 6 p.m. We would like to invite congregation families who have preschool, kindergarten, 1st grade and 2nd grade aged children to this fun night of activities. All the activities, books, games, and snacks will be centered around farming. Hope you can join us at school on the March 9.

**BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:**

We recently received a check for \$718 from Box Tops for Education to use for extra items at school. We get a check from them twice a year. Please continue to clip these box tops and bring them to the school office.

**CARDINALS GAME:**

The St. Louis Cardinals have invited our students back for another performance. Our students will sing on the field for the August 27<sup>th</sup> game at 1:15 p.m. All students are welcome to sing “Take Me Out to the Ballgame” during the 7th inning stretch. Each student will have to purchase a ticket for the game. Ticket prices are \$25 per ticket and include a voucher for a FREE hot dog and soda. We would like our school to be represented well and sing to impress. A form has been sent home that needs to be filled out and turned back into the office. These tickets SOLD OUT QUICKLY last year, so please return your form as soon as possible for us to guarantee tickets.

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

Leona Dannenbrink, Leroy Guebert, Farreol Koester, Leonard and Lois Koester, Joyce Lopez, Edna Moeller, Bill and Alice Smith, Wilma Uffelmann, Leonard and Norma Vogt, and Jody Winkelmann

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT:**

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, Nina Guebert, Leoma Heller, Bernadine Kruse, Harry Peters, Clifford Stellhorn and Eunice Stumpf; Magnolia Terrace–Waterloo: Doris Koch; Three Springs—Chester: Dorothy Heinemeyer

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

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

**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).* Page 5

### **PTL DINNER AUCTION:**

March 18<sup>TH</sup> is the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual SJL Dinner Auction! The theme is “Roaring Twenties.” The dinner auction is the LARGEST fundraiser for St. John’s and directly benefits the students. Purchase tickets and be a part of this fun evening for a great cause. Reservations are required for this event. Tickets are \$35 per person and include dinner, desserts and unlimited refills on soft drinks, draft beer and the specialty drink of the evening. Doors open at 5 p.m. and dinner is served at 6 p.m. with the live auction starting at 7:30 p.m. Ticket info has been sent home with each student.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:**

2/6- Carl Ellner, Harold Liefer; 2/7- Dylan Falkenhain, Brewer Krick, Carolyne Mulherin, Milla Neff, Brenda Salger, Zach Williams; 2/8- Brooke Grohmann, Lucas Grohmann, Zachary Grohmann, Maria Miller, Dustin Salger, Andrew Stellhorn, Samantha Zacheis; 2/9- Don Glascock, Amanda Stellhorn, Makayla Whelan; 2/10- Karys Papenberg, Lora Wiseman; 2/11- Gavin Baldwin.

### **ALZHEIMER’S SUPPORT GROUP:**

Thursday, February 9, 6:30 p.m. Red Bud Hospital lower level auditorium: “Accepting the Challenge” is a movie on providing the best care for patients with dementia, focusing on physical skills and communications.

### **BETA SIGMA PSI SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:**

Male high school seniors who are members of a Lutheran congregation and will attend Purdue, Indiana, Illinois (\$1,500 Christian Leadership Award) or another 4-year college or university (\$2,000 Martin Luther Scholarship) this fall should apply online by February 17 at <http://scholarships.betasigmapi.org>.

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

You can listen to in-depth conversations on topics like: An Interview with President Obama’s Faith Vote Director, The Bible & Immigration, The Story of a Philadelphia Abortionist Convicted of Mass Murder, The Apology of the Augsburg Confession and more. Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis or listen at your convenience at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) and on the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

### **LIFE THOUGHTS: Lutherans for Life**

Jesus has brought love to fullness for us (Matthew 5:17-18) by giving Himself freely to us (1 Corinthians 2:2, 12) as Lord and Savior. Including the vulnerable ones around us in this abundant life (Isaiah 58:6-7) imparts shades and tastes of heaven (Matthew 5:13-14) that exceed whatever aggression and apathy can offer (Matthew 5:19-20). *Almighty God, grant us the joy of sharing in Your self-giving. Amen.*

### **RED BUD 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOKS:**

Cookbooks again are available to purchase for \$12 at Cowell Insurance, City Hall, Dietrich Bank, and Buena Vista Bank (north branch).

### **ANNUAL FRIED CHICKEN DINNER:**

There will be a Chicken Dinner on Sunday, February 5, at St. John Lutheran Church in Ruma with serving from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. They will offer all-you-care-to-eat dine in as well as carryout meals and carryout boxes of chicken.

### **CHICKEN ‘N DUMPLINGS DINNER:**

St. John Lutheran Church in Baldwin will host a Chicken ‘N Dumplings Dinner on Sunday, February 12 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in its school building. Dinners are \$8 (\$4 for children ten and under). Carry-outs will be available by the ½ gallon (\$10) and whole gallon (\$20, bring container).

### **THRIVENT FINANCIAL:**

A College Planning Strategies Workshop will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 15, from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Auditorium of the SWIC—Red Bud campus. Kelly Brickner of Thrivent Financial will speak on how academics, admissions and financial strategies can work together to help you save money on college. Space is limited. RSVP to Jennifer at [jennifer.langrehr@thrivent.com](mailto:jennifer.langrehr@thrivent.com) or 618/208-4754.

### **HEALTH SCREENING:**

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be at St. John’s on Tuesday, February 21. There will be ultrasound screenings to identify risk factors for cardiovascular diseases such as Carotid Artery, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, Peripheral Arterial Disease, a Heart Rhythm Screening and an Osteoporosis Risk Assessment for men and women. Be proactive about your health by knowing your risks. To receive your “Advantage” member discount and Preferred Appointment you need to register at [www.lifelinescreening.com/advantagemembers](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/advantagemembers)

### **WOMEN’S DAY OF RENEWAL:**

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Collinsville will host the 2017 Women’s Day of Renewal, “Laughter, Gratitude & True Joy in Christ” on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> with doors opening for breakfast at 7:45 a.m. and ending at 11:45 a.m. Christian Humorist, Jan Struck, a favorite of LWML conventions, will be the keynote speaker. Her two-part keynote *What Did I With My “To-Do-List”?* is based on 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. The registration fee is \$5. See registration form/poster on the bulletin board for more information.

### **CREATION MUSEUM & NOAH’S ARK BUS TRIP:**

A 3-day bus trip has been planned by the SID Older Adult Advisory Committee for April 25-27. Motor Coach bus will pick up seniors at Zion-Belleville and Faith-Mt. Vernon. The registration form which has detailed information can be obtained from our church office or on the SID webpage, which is [www.sidlcms.org](http://www.sidlcms.org). Once on the website click on forms to download the registration form.

### **CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL**

618-853-7300

www.coslhs.org

**Cheer the Soldiers Basketball Team:** Our last home game is our senior night on February 7 at 6 p.m. vs. Governor French.

**Red Cross Blood Drive at COS** on Wednesday, Feb. 8 from 2-6 p.m. All donors at our blood drive will receive a \$5 Amazon eGift card. If we collect enough units of blood at our drive, one COS senior will receive a \$250 scholarship from Red Cross.

**Quilt Show:** COS will host a quilt show on February 18 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. The show will feature quilts as well as live quilting demonstrations and activities. To exhibit your quilt, submit the registration form found at [www.coslhs.org](http://www.coslhs.org) or call the school for more information at 618-853-7300. There is no registration fee to exhibit a quilt. Make plans to attend the quilt show. Five dollars will admit you to a day filled with quilting! A soup and sandwich lunch will be available for purchase in the mezzanine during the quilt show.

**Volunteers needed:** COS is in need of volunteers to help with the Quilt Show, Fish & More, Scholar Bowl and the Dinner Auction. If helping with any of these activities interest you, please call the school 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](tel:618-201-5654); Pr. Russell Koen 282-1958

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

#### Faculty and Staff

Preschool - Cindy Steele

Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz and Aid – Shawn DeRousse

First Grade – Rachel Miller

Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer and Stephanie Valleroy

Third Grade – Lauri Koen

Fourth Grade– Bill Becker (Librarian) and Cindy Nebel

Fifth Grade - Darlene Letcher

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

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) - Michelle Hines

Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – 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, Kristi Martel, Lisa Quinn, Pam Henry, Nicole Kadlec, Rebeka Nagel,

Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Lori Moses, Danyelle Gargac, Heidi Guttman,

Samantha Yankey, Tiffany Wiegard

#### Church Council

Chairman: Eric Fritsche Vice-Chairman: Todd Birkner

Secretary: Becky Biffar Treasurer: Kara Wagner Board of Finance: Cindy Steele

Elder Chair: Parish Education Chair:

Trustee Chair: Estate Fund Chair: Jim Walker

Lutheran High School Board: Christina Gidley and Vickie Heller

#### Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher: Pastor Russell Koen; Sunday Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel

Organist and Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Lectors: Seminarian Cameron Harms and Samuel Thole

(5 p.m.) Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried Acolyte: Ben DeRousse

(8 a.m.) Greeters: Loren Harms and Lois Mesnarich

Acolyte: Parker VanDorn

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

Acolyte: Madilyn Hoock

Acolyte: Flower Servers: Diane Guebert and Gina Guebert

Chancel Paraments: Carol Turner Communion Cloths: Joan Ruwald

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## ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

### *The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany*

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.

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**CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY VIEWBOOK:**

High school seniors are invited to look at the new Viewbook for our Concordia University system. It displays the various school of our LCMS, their enrollments, the majors they offer, and extra-curricular opportunities. Our copy of this viewbook is in the rack on the wall of the church entryway.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED:**

Many people have been served in the 160 years of our congregation's ministry. If you are willing to help record that history and genealogy and upgrade our system, please contact Julie in the church office at 282-2394. Thank you!

**FROM YOUR BOARD OF ELDERS:**

The Nehemiah Project provides planned activities periodically that match the skills and abilities of members of St. John's with opportunities to serve God and to help people. This is a project of the Board of Elders as the stewardship of time and talents. A time and talents survey is on the table in the entryway so that you can offer your skills and abilities to this worthwhile project. Please return your completed form to the box in the entryway. Thank you! For information, contact Gary Buatte (282-6233 or [gary12139@gmail.com](mailto:gary12139@gmail.com)).

**MISSING TABLES:**

On occasion, members borrow tables from school. We are missing ten of them. If you have them, please return so that they will be available for congregational events and to lend to other members when they need them. Thank you!

**CONCORDIA SEMINARY FOOD BANK:**

A seven minute video at <http://www.csl.edu/resources/food-bank/> will show you how the Food Bank at Concordia Seminary is run, how many student families use the Food Bank and how it has helped them. Gifts of money, canned and boxed goods and fresh produce assist those now preparing to serve our church as pastors in the future. They thank us for our support!

**RED BUD CALENDAR:**

From the Red Bud Chamber of Commerce: We have a new community calendar for our local business and organizations to post all their upcoming events. This is a free service and a great way to advertise. <http://www.redbudcalendar.com>

**EAST ST. LOUIS MISSION WORK:**

Lansdowne Community Initiative is a project of the Southern Illinois District in partnership with Lutheran Housing Support to provide increased public safety, rehabilitation of existing homes and develop newly constructed affordable housing in the Unity Lutheran area of East St. Louis. It is a Not-for-Profit Organization open to your financial support. Call [618-874-6600](tel:618-874-6600) for more information.

**ELDER ZONES FOR 2016:** (Chairman, )

Zone 1: Deborah Adams to Rodie Collins: Elder

Zone 2: Susan Conboy to Dennis/Kathy Grohmann: Elder Scot Heller

Zone 3: Randy/Deb Grohmann to 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

Zone 6: Pat Malik to Harry/Dorothy Peters: Elder Jeremy Walker

Zone 7: Alan/Amber Piel to Don Schrader: Elder Gerald Hanebutt

Zone 8: Jeff/Dawn Schrader to Bob/Carol Turner: Elder John Tepe

Zone 9: Steve Uffelmann to Doug Zschiegner: Elder

**CHURCH LIBRARY:**

"The Book Nook" church library is open for your use in the Fellowship Hall.

**KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:**

**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!

**PARISH NURSE NOTE:**

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