

This Week With Our Lord, March 26-April 2, 2017

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

SUNDAY, March 26- *Parish Nurse Blood Pressure checks after worship!*

- 8 a.m. Divine Service
- 9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible Classes and Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

Monday, March 27-

- 7:00 p.m. Sunday School teachers' meeting in school library
- 7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school

Tuesday, March 28-

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
- 12:30 to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
- 1:30 p.m. Holy Communion Service at Garden Place
- 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

Wednesday, March 29-

- 8:30 a.m. Midweek Lenten Service in the church Acolyte: Brandon Voss
- 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
- 10:20 a.m. Office Staff meeting
- 1:18 p.m. Early school dismissal
- 2:00 p.m. 8th Grade Public School Confirmation class
- 5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Midweek Lenten Service in the church Acolyte: Hannah Sievers

Thursday, March 30- *Deadline for April Epistle articles!*

- 6:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Mark)

Friday, March 31-

- 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. School Musical in the old gym

Saturday, April 1-

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall (Romans)
- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
Acolyte: Allyson Fruth Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried

SUNDAY, April 2-

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Acolyte: Annelise Quinn
Greeters: Ken and Joan Ruwald; Roger and Peggy Hanebutt
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Adult and Youth Bible Classes
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Wyatt Cowell
Greeters: Jackie Aubuchon; Ron and Donna Burgdorf
- 11:30 a.m. Road to Calvary practice in the sanctuary

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.

PORTALS OF PRAYER:

The next edition (April-June) of our daily devotional booklet, *Portals of Prayer*, is available in the racks by the front and back doors of church. Please take one for yourself and one to share. Sonshine Visitation members, please take one to deliver to the people that you visit.

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

- +We continue with "The Gospel of John," chapter 11, 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.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

God can use our troubles and crosses for a higher purpose that we may not understand until we reach heaven. Listen to "God's Got It In For Me" (John 9) with the Speaker Emeritus of the Lutheran Hour, Rev. Ken Klaus, 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).

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. Offering: 3/19- General Fund: \$12,434.48; School: \$1000; Capital Campaign: \$10,238. Our expenses were \$29,454.58 higher than our income for the month of February. *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)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 347; Communion: 160; Adult/Youth Class: 54; Sunday School: 43
March 22 Midweek Lent III Worship: AM- 167 PM- 53

CONGRATULATIONS:

- +Our St. John's Girls' Volleyball team won their regional here on Friday the 17th and represented us this Saturday at the state tournament in Herrin. Great job, girls!
- +St. John's 7th grade student Ashley Ottoson qualified at Regional Science Fair at SIU-Carbondale on Thursday to advance to the State Science Fair at NIU-DeKalb on May 5-6. Great job, Ashley!

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of St. John's member Gary Schnepel who died in the Lord late Wednesday at Eisenhower Medical Center in Rancho Mirage, California after a sudden illness at the age of 65 years. Thanks be to God for His gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES AND SUPPERS:

- +Midweek Lenten services continue this Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. The theme this year is "People of the Passion." This week we will examine "Pontius Pilate, the Thinker."
- +Bill, Diana, Briana, and Bryce Becker would like to serve Lenten dinners for the congregation as a thank you for the love and support they have received during Diana's battle with breast cancer. Thrivent gift cards will be providing support for the meal supplies and friends and family will help with desserts. The free will offering will go to congregation debt relief. The menu for March 29 (5:30 p.m.) is pulled pork (from the Burnt End) baked beans (Pastor Nebel's famous ones), slaw and potato salad (St. John's great recipes) and wonderful treats from Miriam Poston.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MUSICAL:

Our school's annual spring musical is this Friday, March 31 in the school's old gym. You can attend either the 10 a.m. or the 7 p.m. performance. "It All Happened in the City" is a children's Easter musical that is an unforgettable combination of great fun and powerful music, all focusing on the timeless story of Jesus' crucifixion, death and glorious resurrection.

GOD'S BLESSINGS:

We wish God's blessings to Dylan Roscow as he represents our school and area at our state's Geography Bee at Illinois State University in Bloomington this Friday.

ROAD TO CALVARY PAGEANT- April 9, 7 p.m.

Our annual Road to Calvary pageant will be Sunday, April 9, at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary. In five scenes we will witness the journey of Jesus into Jerusalem, through the Garden of Gethsemane and to His death on the cross. Choirs, costumed characters, and congregation will join in telling this story of Holy Week. The offering will benefit the medical expenses of St. John's member Paul Mollet who has had many surgeries in the last sixteen years since his accident. There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall after the pageant sponsored by our Men's Club and served by our Senior Youth.

CARDINALS GAME:

The St. Louis Cardinals have invited our students back for another performance. Our students will sing on the field for the August 27th 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.

DINNER AUCTION THANK YOU:

The PTL Dinner Auction committee members thank all those who made last Saturday evening's event so special. With over three hundred in attendance and over \$85,000 raised for ongoing work at school, we thank everyone who supported this year's auction with their presence, their presents, their participation and their bids.

YELLOW PAGES:

We are developing a new directory of businesses operated by St. John's members, giving you the opportunity to advertise what you do to others in our family of faith. It would be a business card sized advertisement. Contact the church office if you are interested in participating. There is no cost for this.

CHURCH LIBRARY:

"The Book Nook" church library is open for your use in the Fellowship Hall. We thank David Blankenship for his excellent craftsmanship in constructing the new shelves and for the Evening Guild inspiration for this project. Look for new additions to our church library highlighted in future bulletins.

SAVE THE DATE!

Class of 2018 (current 7th graders) fundraiser is a Wine Pairing at Red Bud Winery on April 28. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and the event begins at 7 p.m. Silent auction items will be available. Tickets are \$30 and can be bought from a 7th grader.

PARISH NURSE NOTE:

Put down that remote! The act of watching TV is a sedentary activity that also encourages mindless snacking. Long periods of time sitting in a chair also slows our metabolism, causing our bodies to store more fat, which can lead to weight gain. The more time in front of the TV, the less time we are moving our bodies and burning calories. Please stop by our table in the Fellowship Hall and let us check your blood pressure for you.

MEDICAL EXPENSE NEED:

A member of our congregation has a need for financial help to cover medical expenses. This person is between employment but requires further surgery before being released by the doctor to go back to work. However, the hospital won't do the surgery until payment is made on previous expenses. Please see Pastor Nebel if you can help pay a bill in this matter.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:

Leona Dannenbrink, Leroy Guebert, Farreol 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, Bernadine Kruse, H. Edward Liefer, Clifford Stellhorn and Eunice Stumpf; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Doris Koch

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Twila Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, 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).*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

3/26- Bruce Quinn, Jr., Brad Stechmesser, Rebecca Stevenson, Mark Voss; 3/28- Heley Hemmer, Derek Voges, Linda Wessel; 3/29- Don Dannenberg, Tammy Herman, Alvin Moeller, Jeremy Stellhorn; 3/30- Gladys Brand, Molly Kuehn, Bernett Wright; 3/31- Brooke Wolter; 4/1- Jayden Birkner, Doug Luttmann, Howard Mehner. *Please call the office with any corrections!*

A REMINDER FROM THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

With spring mowing season approaching please remember that there is to be no planting other than grass in the cemetery. Also, there are to be no obstacles to mowing or maintenance on the graves including no vases at ground level and no glass containers at all. Decorations may be removed at any time at the discretion of the caretaker or committee. Please do not leave any rubbish on lots, walks or drives. Vehicles are allowed only on the designated driveways.

ISSUES, ETC.:

You're invited to attend the Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference June 9 and 10 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Collinsville. Topics include: The Reformation's Relevancy, Depression, Natural Law, News Discernment, Lutheran Piety and Modern Day Prophets & Apostles. Speakers include: Matt Harrison, Peter Bender, Todd Peperkorn, Aaron Wolf, Terry Mattingly and Chris Rosebrough. Attendance is limited to 400. For more information, visit www.issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.

RED BUD 150TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOKS:

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

ANSWERS IN GENESIS CONFERENCE:

First Baptist Church in Red Bud will hold a free Answers in Genesis Conference, "Time to Enter" on Saturday, March 25 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 26 from 9:30 a.m. to noon and again from 6-8 p.m. Dr. Terry Mortenson is the guest speaker.

CHICKEN DINNER:

St. Paul UCC in Lebanon will hold a Chicken Dinner on Sunday, April 2, from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults & \$5 for children ages 2-9 (dine-in or carry-out).

"TOO BLESSED TO BE STRESSED":

This is the theme for the 6th annual Women's Mini-Retreat hosted by the women of Immanuel Lutheran Church (522 S. Church St.) in Waterloo. This refreshing and renewing morning will be held on Saturday, April 22 from 9-11 a.m. Our theme scripture will be Psalm 84 and other various Psalms, and our guest speaker will be Heidi Lewis (a DCE and missionary in South St. Louis). There's no cost for the retreat which will include a delicious breakfast, an inspirational message, and beautiful music! Call [618-939-6480](tel:618-939-6480) or visit <http://immanuelwaterloo.org/women/> if you have any questions or to reserve your spot. While pre-registrations are appreciated, walk-ins are always welcome, too! Donations will be welcomed for the Bi-County Backpack Program and Christian Friends of New Americans.

LESA DINNER AUCTION:

The Lutheran Elementary School Association will hold "A Night for Kids" Dinner Auction on Saturday, April 22, from 5-10 p.m. at Orlando Gardens South (off I-55 at Reavis Barracks Road). Proceeds benefit 35 Lutheran schools in the St. Louis area, including our own. Tickets are \$65 for dinner, entertainment and open bar. For more information visit www.LESAst.org or call 314/200-0797.

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. Once on the website click on forms to download the registration form.

RED BUD COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST:

On Thursday, May 4th, at 6:30 a.m. there will be a Prayer Breakfast in the ground floor auditorium of Red Bud Regional Hospital in observance of the National Day of Prayer. Red Bud Regional Hospital is hosting this in cooperation with the Rotary Club of Red Bud, the Red Bud Lions Club, and the Red Bud Chamber of Commerce. A \$10 suggested donation is requested to go towards the buffet. All proceeds will support the Human Service Center. Seating is limited, so please RSVP to Julie Hudson at 282.5456 or julie_hudson@quorumhealth.com by April 24th.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR COREY KOESTER:

Fellow Lutheran and local resident Corey Koester was severely injured in a vehicle accident early in the morning of March 4 west of Red Bud. He was airlifted to a St. Louis hospital with serious and long-term injuries. We can help during this difficult time when both he and his wife will be off work. From your cell phone or computer type in gofundme.com and then type in "Koester." Instructions will appear.

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!

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

Listen to Worldwide KFUE AM850, your radio station for news, talk, and sacred music with a cross-focused, Christ-centered Lutheran worldview. All programs are archived at KFUE.org for 24/7 on-demand listening. Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on KFUE AM850 worship with us during Morning Prayer at 9 a.m. and Evening Prayer at 5 p.m., listen to Rhonda Ries talk about evolution (*His Time 3/28*), and hear about Young Adults in the LCMS (*Faith & Family 3/31*). Email letstalk@kfuo.org.

NEW LUTHER EXHIBIT AT CONCORDIA HISTORICAL INSTITUTE:

Concordia Historical Institute on the campus of Concordia Seminary in Clayton is exhibiting rare books and coins documenting the 500-year history of the Reformation. Under the title "Pressed into Service by the Word of God," this special exhibit explores—through books and coins—the history of Martin Luther (1483–1546) and the Reformation that began on October 31, 1517. Exhibit hours are Mondays through Fridays (9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.). Call [314-505-7900](tel:314-505-7900) for more info.

ROTARY CLUB OF RED BUD TO FEED MALAWIAN CHILDREN:

Due to a drought, a mission school in Malawi does not have soybeans needed to make porridge for its children. The school's enrollment has dropped to less than 60%. We are raising funds and asking the community to help donate so the school can buy soybeans to feed the children and return them to school. You can mail a monetary donation to Rotary Club of Red Bud, PO Box 93, Red Bud, IL and note Malawi on the donation or look for donation boxes at local banks and Red Bud IGA.

RED BUD ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM:

Are you interested in hosting a foreign exchange student for 3 or 4 months during the 2017-2018 school year? The Red Bud Rotary Club is seeking families who live in the Red Bud school district to host a high school student for the next school year. Contact Dian Keil at [618-604-2284](tel:618-604-2284) or dian1212@live.com

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

[618-853-7300](tel:618-853-7300)

www.coslhs.org

The 19th Annual Dinner Auction to benefit COS will be April 29. Reservations paid before April 1 are \$30 per person or a table of eight for \$210. After April 1, the price will be \$35 per person or \$245 for a table of eight. Donations, sponsorships and auction ads are being accepted now. Pictures of big ticket items will be posted to our website and on Facebook.

7th - 8th Grade Trap Shooting Clinic: Interested in learning about trap shooting? The Christ Our Savior Trap Club will be hosting a clinic on April 3 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the World Shooting Complex. Morning classroom instruction, lunch, pattern board, and shooting one round of 25 is included in the \$20.00 registration. Find out more and register online at www.coslhs.org or our FB Page.

Volunteers needed: COS is in need of volunteers to help with the Dinner Auction.

Don't forget to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have been designated Choice Dollars have until **March 31** to direct any remaining 2016 Choice Dollars. You can use those dollars to support Christ Our Savior LHS. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more or call [800-847-4836](tel:800-847-4836) and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

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



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 Pastor Russell Koen 618-282-1958

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 Director of Parish Music – Mrs. Lindsey Hudak 340-6055
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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 (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel
 Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) - Michelle Hines
 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, Kristi Martel, Lisa Quinn, Pam Henry, Nicole Kadlec, Rebeka Nagel,
 Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Lori Moses, Danyelle Gargac, Heidi Guttman,
 Samantha Yankey, Tiffany Wiegard, Gerry Thompson

Church Council

Chairman: Eric Fritsche Vice-Chairman: Todd Birkner
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 Trustee Chair: Kenneth Langrehr Estate Fund Chair: Jim Walker
 Lutheran High School Board: Christina Gidley and Vickie Heller

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher: Pastor Mark Nebel; Sunday Liturgist: Pastor Russell Koen
 Organist and Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak
 Seminarian Lectors: (5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) Cameron Harms; (10:30 a.m.) Samuel Thole
 (5 p.m.) Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller
 Acolyte: Max Diewald
 (8 a.m.) Greeters: Kalin and Kathy Liefer; Gerald and Jill Hanebutt
 Acolyte: Brendan Harms
 (10:30 a.m.) Greeters: Bob and Arlene Pratt; Omer and Neva Liefer
 Acolyte: Kole Guebert
 Acolyte: Flower Servers: Jill Hanebutt and Martha Krick
 Chancel Paraments: Irma Birkner Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Red Bud, Illinois

The Annunciation of Our Lord

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.

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.

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.

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.

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!

ELDER ZONES FOR 2017: (Chairman, Gerald Hanebutt)

- Zone 1: Deborah Adams to Rodie Collins: Elder Ron Kunkelmann
- 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 Kevin Liefer
- 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 William Becker

LIFE THOUGHTS: *Lutherans for Life*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *LCMS Stewardship Resources*