

This Week With Our Lord, October 22-29, 2017

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

SUNDAY, October 22- Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Check after services

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible classes

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

Monday, October 23- Boys' B Basketball tournament at Rocher; Red Ribbon Week!

10:00 a.m. Visitation and 11:00 a.m. Funeral for Leona Dannenbrink

5:30 p.m. Girls' Basketball (A & B) home vs. TSJ, Nashville

7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school music room

Tuesday, October 24- Parent-Teacher Conferences (also Wednesday)

12:30 – 3:00 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

1:30 p.m. Holy Communion Service at Garden Place

1:48 p.m. Early dismissal

Wednesday, October 25- Older Adult Retreat at Pere Marquette

8:30 a.m. School Chapel service in church with Mr. Palm 5th Grade

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the FH with Doris Mueller

11:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting

3:30 p.m. Grades 6-8 Public School confirmation classes

7 p.m. Quarterly Voters Assembly meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, October 26- Deadline for November Epistle articles!

6:30 a.m. Bible class in the Fellowship Hall (Nehemiah)

8:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the FH with Julie Fehr

1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center at Baldwin

1:48 p.m. Early School dismissal

6:00 p.m. Bell choir practice in the church balcony

6:00 p.m. Girls' Basketball (A & C) at St. James, Millstadt

Friday, October 27- No School!

Saturday, October 28- Senior Youth Go to Six Flags

1:00 p.m. Boys Basketball (A & B) at Chester Junior HS

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

Acolyte: Noah Tepe

Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller

SUNDAY, October 29- Reformation Sunday

8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Acolyte: Mitchell Fleming

Greeters: Roger and Peggy Hanebutt; Ken and Joan Ruwald

9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Adult and Youth Bible Classes

10:30 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Acolyte: Caleb Guebert

Greeters: Jackie Aubuchon; Ron and Donna Burgdorf

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

The Reformation was quite a moment for Martin Luther, but also for people who suddenly heard of a merciful God Who really cared for them. Listen to "The Enduring Reformation Moment and Message of Grace" (2 Corinthians 4:13-18) with Lutheran Hour Speaker 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).

\$100,000 FOR THE 500TH:

During October and November we have the opportunity to raise \$100,000 to be matched by \$100,000 for our congregation's debt reduction to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Please use the blue envelopes that are available in the baskets in the entryway. To date, we have received \$48,965.40. Page 2

PORTALS OF PRAYER:

The next edition (October-December) of our daily devotional booklet, *Portals of Prayer*, is available in the rack by the front and back doors of church. Sonshine Visitation members are asked to take one to the people whom they visit.

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

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

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 367; Communion: 109; Adult/Youth Classes: 45; Sunday School: 58. *I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!"* Psalm 122:1

ADULT BIBLE CLASS OPPORTUNITIES:

Sunday: 9:30-10:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall, "The Gospel of John" (Pastor Nebel)

Sunday: 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. School Library, "Psalms: Lighthouse" (Pastor Koen)

Wednesdays: 9:30 a.m. FH (Women's) "Advanced Bible History" (D. Mueller)

Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall "The Book of Numbers" (Pastor Nebel)

Thursdays, 6:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall "The Book of Nehemiah" (Pastor Nebel)

Thursdays: 8:15 a.m. FH (Women's) "To the Thessalonians" (Julie Fehr)

1st & 3rd Saturdays: FH, Men's Bible Breakfast "To the Romans" (Pastor Nebel)

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. Offering: 10/15- General Fund: \$12,128.14; School: \$80; Matching: \$5,720; Capital Campaign: \$125. Our expenses over income for 2017 are \$215,402 through September. Our total liabilities are \$1,397,704. *Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.* (2 Corinthians 9:6-7)

HOLY BAPTISMS:

We welcome Beckett Gregory Rowold and Maddox Leo Rowold into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the late service on Sunday. They are the sons of Jesse and Jessica (Seibold) Rowold. Their baptismal sponsors are Zach Seibold, Kelley Thies, Kristyn Hanger and Keith Riley. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of Leona Dannenbrink, who died in the Lord on Wednesday at the age of 96 years (our oldest member at the time). Her Christian funeral is here on Monday at 11 a.m. Thanks be to God for His gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

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!

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Matthew 22:21 – Then He said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." So what is Jesus saying? Doesn't everything belong to God? Yes – and God has a place for everything. Some of what He gives us goes to the government. Some must come back to the work of His Church. And some goes to support the families He has given us. All belongs to God, and He has work for us to do in home, church, and world with what He has given us

"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! Page 3

SET UP DIRECT PAYMENTS THROUGH ACH:

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

+”Hezekiah Prays”- Hezekiah prayed in faith to God and was delivered. Jesus, our mediator and advocate with the Father, intercedes for us, granting us deliverance from sin, death and the devil. Families may discuss, *Why did Hezekiah go to God in prayer?* and *“In what ways does God answer our prayers today?”*

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

+Bethesda Lutheran Communities serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities is our mission (national) project that will received 10% of our Sunday School offerings this year.

VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING:

Our regular Quarterly Voters Assembly meeting is this Wednesday, October 25, at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A proposed Worship Calendar and Financial Workplan for 2017 will be discussed and determined. All those interested in the business of our family of faith are encouraged to attend.

REFORMATION 500:

+During October we are focusing on The Six Chief Parts of Martin Luther’s *Small Catechism* for our sermons. We also are singing hymns that Luther wrote.

+Luther was a learner in many places in his early years, but it was in the imposing market city of Erfurt that Luther made his greatest educational progress. Erfurt was a city dominated by its cathedral and other churches, giving it the nickname of the “city of spires.” Erfurt featured one of the larger marketplaces in Germany and was a lively center of agriculture and trade. In 1501 Luther entered the university near the Gera River, which is known today for the picturesque Kramer Bridge filled with merchants’ shops and houses. After only three semesters, Luther received his first academic degree. Soon he would fulfill his parents’ dream of becoming a lawyer. But God had other plans for him. In 1505 Luther transferred from his university setting to the Augustinian monastery in the town. In 1506 he took his monastic vows and, in 1507, he said his first Mass in the cloister. Although he returned in 1509 to teach briefly in Erfurt, his life journey by then had taken him to Wittenberg. The experiences he had in this charming market town would be for him just a memory. The city of Erfurt, however, has not forgotten its prize student, who is remembered by a statue of Luther standing outside of the Merchants’ Church in the town.

LUTHER MOVIE:

We will host *Luther: The Idea That Changed the World*, a film collaboration between Thrivent and PBS, on Friday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. (Luther’s birthday). There is no cost to attend. We do need your RSVP to know where to show the film (Fellowship Hall or gym?). Please call our office (282-2394) by Nov. 8. [Page 6](#)

EVENING GUILD ITEMS:

+**Immanuel Waterloo** is hosting a Bunco Night on Tuesday, October 24 and invites all the women of St John’s to attend. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. There is \$2 fee to attend or the donation of two items of non-perishable food.

+**LWML Fall Fellowship** is Thursday, October 26 at Trinity Lutheran Church Darmstadt. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Let Sharon know if you plan to attend.

+**Evening Guild** thanks everyone who donated to the LWR Projects this year. 169 Care Kits and 24 Quilts were delivered to World Relief this week. 23 Quilts were sent on the truck to Houston Hurricane Relief. Our 2017 project was completed with the school children and Evening Guild working together.

THANK YOU:

“We thank you for the great support we received on Sunday the 8th from the BBQ and bake sale. A special thanks to the Senior Youth Group and their leaders Terry & Susie Harms, also to Loren Harms and Lisa Kloepper for their Saturday morning preparations, and to Chrystal and Austin Kiefer for organizing the bake sale. Many others also were very instrumental on the day of in barbecuing, serving, cleaning up, and donating items. You know who you are and we truly appreciate your Christian friendship and support. May God bless you!” *The Becker Family*

LAST FRIDAY’S FISH FRY FUNDRAISER:

Thank you to all who attended, supported and worked at the Fish Fry/Bake Sale for Derrick DeWilde on Oct. 13. The line was solid from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Thanks for your patience! We raised \$5900 to cover this family’s expenses here during his recovery.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:

Leroy Guebert, Joyce Lopez, Alvin Moeller, Dorothy Peters, Bill and Alice Smith, Leonard and Norma Vogt.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, Leona Dannenbrink, Nina Guebert, Bernadine Kruse, H. Edward Liefer, Clifford Stellhorn, Eunice Stumpf, Willard Uffelmann, and Jody Winkelmann; Oak Hill–Waterloo: Doris Koch

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Twila Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Melba Liefer, Edna Moeller, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Wilma Stellhorn, Wilma Uffelmann, 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!:

10/22- John Preston, Gail Wild; 10/23- Tom Mulherin, Chelsea Ripplemeyer, Jackie Schluter; 10/24- Wendy Kuehner, Orvillie Liefer, Brinley Wolter; 10/25- Bill Becker, Kendyll Cox, Blake Henry, Alison Krack; 10/26- Clare Carnahan; 10/27- Tyler Cox, Mary Jane Harrell, Tanner Winkelman; 10/28- Simone Liefer, Christine Stechmesser. *Please call the office with corrections!*

CARDINALS CALENDAR FUNDRAISER:

The 5th grade class (Class of 2021) is taking orders through Nov. 1 for 2018 St. Louis Cardinals Calendars for \$15. They will be delivered in early December- in time for Christmas! Please see a 5th grader to order. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Quinn at lisa_hunt68@yahoo.com or [618-606-4042](tel:618-606-4042). [Page 5](#)

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

Listen to Worldwide KFUE AM850, your radio station for news, talk, and sacred music with a Christ-centered Lutheran worldview. Archived programs are at KFUE.org for on-demand listening. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for your questions. **This week on KFUE AM850**, we review the Getty's latest book on congregational singing (TheSingBook.com) with Rev. Dr. Jon Vieker (Faith & Family 10/24 @ 10am), begin studying the book of Acts on Thy Strong Word (weekdays @ 11am), and hear the "Reformation Special: 1517 From Wittenberg to the World" presented by Museum of the Bible (10/27 @ 10:30 am, 10/29 @ 1 pm). Find programs archived on demand at kfue.org! If you are interested in sponsoring a day on KFUE Radio in honor of a special date in your family or church, contact Mary Schmidt at [314-996-1518](tel:314-996-1518) or mary.schmidt@kfue.org.

WURSTMARKT:

Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Renault holds its annual Wurstmarkt this Sunday, October 22 from noon to 5 p.m. The price \$10 for adults, \$7 for children ages 6-12 (five and under are free). There will be a Country Store with fresh meat, applebutter, baked goods and crafts.

REFORMATION OBSERVANCES:

+Katherina Von Bora Luther, The Woman Behind The Reformation, Sunday, October 22 at 3:30 p.m. at Blessed Savior Lutheran Church, 1205 N. Lincoln Avenue, O'Fallon, Illinois. Come visit with Katherina, mother of 6 plus 4 adopted children. Find out about her life as a nun and how she received help in escaping the monastery. Hear about the many struggles she endured while she served as a great model of faith for both men and women. There is no charge for this program.

+A Reformation Two for One! Trinity Lutheran Church (600 Water Street, Edwardsville) will host two great Reformation Observances on Sunday, October 22. First, at 2 p.m. The Rev. Dr. Joel Biermann of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis will present "The Enduring Legacy of the Reformation." Dr. Biermann's lecture is sure to be engaging and helpful for all to understand that the Reformation is not simply a matter of something 500 years old but that its result remains with us today. Second, following the lecture, we will have a Reformation Hymn sing, singing the hymns of the Reformation and listening to how they still confess the Scriptural truth of the Gospel today. Mr. Christopher Loemker, Director of Music at Good Shepherd Lutheran of Collinsville, will play the organ. There is no cost to attend. Refreshments will be served! All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

THRIVENT ECONOMIC UPDATE:

Greg Stellhorn of Thrivent Financial will host an Economic Update on Thursday, October 26, 7 p.m. in the downstairs Speakeasy of the Opera House Bistro. Refreshments will be served.

COSTUME TEA:

The Randolph County Association for Home and Community Education will hold a Costume Tea/Luncheon (costumes optional) on Saturday, October 28, 11:30 a.m. at Red Bud Regional Hospital. The cost is \$15 for an adult with one child, \$5 for each additional child. Reservations are due by Oct. 24. Call Ruth Nagel at 282-3188. An American Girl Doll will be given away.

CHILI DINNER:

The Annual Lutheran Youth Fellowship Chili Dinner is Sunday, November 5th from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church in Baldwin. All proceeds benefit the St. John Lutheran Youth Fellowship as they continue to raise funds for the 2019 National Youth Gathering.

CRAFT FAIR:

Immanuel Lutheran Church in Olivette, Missouri (9733 Olive Blvd, west of I-170) will hold its Annual Craft Bazaar & Luncheon on November 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Members have been feverishly crafting new ideas this year; including old fashioned mini glitter houses & churches, gorgeous table & door decorations, barnwood deco, beautiful paintings, neat favors for your dinner tables, scroll saw ornaments & crosses, crocheted animal caps, and many one-of-kind items too numerous to mention. Also, jams, jellies, our famous butter-horns & other baked goodies, along with treasures in Granny's attic.

GRIEF SEMINAR:

"GriefShare: A Surviving the Holidays" seminar is scheduled for Tues., November 7, from 6 - 7:30 p.m. in the conference room at Good Shepherd Church, 1300 Beltline Rd, Collinsville. Surviving the Holidays is a helpful, encouraging seminar for people facing the holidays after a loved one's death. The seminar features practical suggestions and reassurance through video interviews with counselors, grief experts and other people who have experienced the holidays after their loved one's death. Those who attend can purchase (\$5) a book with over 30 daily readings providing additional insights and ideas on holiday survival. For more information & registration call Good Shepherd at 344-3151, or email lcookparishnurse@charter.net

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

A Lutherans for Life regional conference will be held on Saturday, November 11 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Pekin, Illinois. For information, including registration fees, schedules, hotels, and more, go to: www.lutheransforlife.org/conference or email Virginia Flo at vflo@lutheransforlife.org. Exhibitors will share wonderful resources, products, ministries, and organizations. LFL conferences offer a great opportunity to meet local, state, and national LFL leaders.

CHURCH LIBRARY:

"The Book Nook" church library in the Fellowship Hall features "Need You Now: A Story of Hope" by the Christian recording artist Plumb. It tells of beautiful and embarrassing moments on stage, the joys and trials of motherhood, and unbridled forgiveness. It is the story of soul mates, best friends and a marriage redeemed.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

[618-853-7300](tel:618-853-7300) www.coslhs.org

Volleyball Season Regionals: Help cheer on the Lady Soldiers in regionals on Monday, October 23 at New Athens High School. We will play 1st Baptist Academy at 6:00 p.m.

There still is room at the Annual COS Donor Dinner on Saturday, November 4:

Call COS tomorrow to RSVP for the Annual Donor Dinner on November 4 from 6-8 p.m. Buffet hors d'oeuvres will be catered by The Office Bar and Grill of Red Bud. See the new programs introduced at COS this year and listen to the wit and charm of our uplifting guest speaker. Mr. Wayne Collmeyer is a well-known educator and superintendent who has served the Southern Illinois region for over 40 years.

Calling Thrivent Members: Thrivent members who are willing to help COS at no cost to you can organize or participate 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 mchristman@coslhs.org for more information.

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



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

Pastor Russell Koen 618-282-1958

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

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

Junior Youth - Lisa Quinn and Jennifer Roscow 282-5343

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

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

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

Faculty and Staff

Preschool - Cindy Steele

Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz and Aid – Shawn DeRousse

First Grade – Rachel Miller

Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Lauri Koen and Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade – Bill Becker (Librarian)

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

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, Lisa Quinn, Pam Henry, Nicole Kadlec, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Lori Moses, Danyelle Gargac, Heidi Guttman, Samantha Yankey, Gerry Thompson, Morgan Woosley, Kayla McCauley, Terra Williams, Melissa Everts, Patricia Brewer, Monica Kunkel

Church Council

Chairman: Eric Fritsche Vice-Chairman: Todd Birkner

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Elder Chair: Gerald Hanebutt Parish Education Chair: Thomas Mulherin

Trustee Chair: Kenneth Langrehr Estate Fund Chair: Jim Walker

Lutheran High School Board: Vickie Heller and Lisa Quinn

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher: Pastor Mark Nebel Sunday Liturgist: Pastor Russell Koen

Organist: Mrs. Joan Ruwald Lector: Seminarian Cameron Harms

(5 p.m.) Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried Acolyte: Hannah Sievers

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

Acolyte: Ashlynn Crafton

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

Acolyte: Max Diewald

Acolyte: Flower Servers: Kathy Valleroy and Kim Snyder

Chancel Paraments: Carol Turner Communion Cloths: JoAnn Yarbrough

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost 2017

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.

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
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ST. JOHN'S BUSINESS YELLOW PAGES:

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

CAMPUS MINISTRY:

We remind you about our Southern Illinois District's campus ministries. As our students are away from home during their college years we encourage them to stay connected to Christ with their Bible studies, worship and Christian fellowship. For SIU-Edwardsville, contact Pastor Jared DeBlicek at [618-656-2918](tel:618-656-2918). For SIU-Carbondale, contact Pastor Robert Gray at [618-549-4327](tel:618-549-4327).

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE:

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

PARISH NURSE NOTE:

Simple Tips to Eating Less: Shut down the kitchen two hours before bedtime. That will help you avoid snacks and high-calorie drinks like alcohol, soda or juice before going to bed. Those nightly calories add up over time. Please stop by our table in the Fellowship Hall and let us check your blood pressure for you!

LIFE THOUGHTS: *(from Lutherans for Life)*

Since God created humanity in His image, our fate belongs in His hands above the government's (Matthew 22:21). Life issues are more than just private or political – they are matters of the heart, to which the Gospel of Jesus Christ speaks most directly and effectively. They must remain part of the Church's conversation for the sake of persons struggling with them. *Almighty God, give us ears that rejoice to hear You whole counsel and give us mouths that proclaim it with courage and compassion. Amen.*

ISSUES, ETC.:

Listen to Lutheran experts teach on topics like: The Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," The Struggle for Confessional Lutheran Identity in America, Obscure Lutheran Reformers, Apostolic Succession, Jeremiah & God's New Covenant and more. **Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast 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 KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis or listen on-demand at www.issuesetc.org and on the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app. Page 9

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

CAMPUS MINISTRY:

We remind you about our Southern Illinois District's campus ministries. As our students are away from home during their college years we encourage them to stay connected to Christ with their Bible studies, worship and Christian fellowship. For SIU-Edwardsville, contact Pastor Jared DeBlicek at [618-656-2918](tel:618-656-2918). For SIU-Carbondale, contact Pastor Robert Gray at [618-549-4327](tel:618-549-4327).

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE:

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

PARISH NURSE NOTE:

Simple Tips to Eating Less: Shut down the kitchen two hours before bedtime. That will help you avoid snacks and high-calorie drinks like alcohol, soda or juice before going to bed. Those nightly calories add up over time. Please stop by our table in the Fellowship Hall and let us check your blood pressure for you!

LIFE THOUGHTS: *(from Lutherans for Life)*

Since God created humanity in His image, our fate belongs in His hands above the government's (Matthew 22:21). Life issues are more than just private or political – they are matters of the heart, to which the Gospel of Jesus Christ speaks most directly and effectively. They must remain part of the Church's conversation for the sake of persons struggling with them. *Almighty God, give us ears that rejoice to hear You whole counsel and give us mouths that proclaim it with courage and compassion. Amen.*

ISSUES, ETC.:

Listen to Lutheran experts teach on topics like: The Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," The Struggle for Confessional Lutheran Identity in America, Obscure Lutheran Reformers, Apostolic Succession, Jeremiah & God's New Covenant and more. **Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast 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 KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis or listen on-demand at www.issuesetc.org and on the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app. Page 9

TAKE A TRIP TO CHINA:

Former missionaries Rev. Clifford and Lois Winter will host a tour to China from April 17-May 2, 2018. They will visit the Great Wall, Tiananmen Square, the Three Gorges Dam and more. Call Lois at 316/461-2593 or email loiswinter@yahoo.com for more information.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP GATHERING:

Program Facilitator Kathy Schmidt and , will present "" on Thursday, at 6:30 p.m. in the ground floor auditorium of Red Bud Hospital. All are welcomed to attend. Light refreshments will be served. No R.S.V.P. is required. Call Julie at 282-5456 for more information.