

## **This Week With Our Lord, October 29-November 5, 2017**

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

### **SUNDAY, October 29- Reformation Sunday**

*Pastor Nebel is on vacation this weekend for his daughter's wedding*

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

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

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

### **Monday, October 30-**

6:00 p.m. Boys' Basketball (A & C) at St. Libory

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

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

### **Tuesday, October 31- 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation!**

8:30 a.m. Chapel Reformation Service at school

6-8 p.m. Trunk or Treat in the new gym lobby

### **Wednesday, November 1- All Saints Day**

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. 6-8<sup>th</sup> grades Public School Confirmation classes

6:00 p.m. Board of Parish Education meeting in school library

7:30 p.m. Bible class in the Fellowship Hall (Numbers)

### **Thursday, November 2-**

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

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

6:00 p.m. Boys' basketball (ABC) at St. John Lutheran, Chester

### **Friday, November 3- 11:20 a.m. Early Dismissal from school**

5:30 p.m. Girls' basketball (ABC) at Red Bud Elementary School

### **Saturday, November 4-**

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall

Hoops for the Cure vs. SPPCS: 12:45 p.m. Boys; 2:00 p.m. Girls

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

Acolyte: Allyson Fruth Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried

6:00 p.m. Christ Our Savior LHS Gala at the school in Evansville

### **SUNDAY, November 5- Commemoration of the Faithful Departed**

8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Acolyte: Riley Candler

Greeters: Milton and Mary Ann Weber; Clyde and Kathy Rowold

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

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

Greeters: Ken and Karen Wetzels; Ron and Diane Kunkelmann

Noon Senior Youth meets in their church basement hangout area

### **\$100,000 FOR THE 500<sup>TH</sup>:**

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 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation. Please use the blue envelopes that are available in the baskets in the entryway. To date, we have received \$51,885.40.

### **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. 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.

### **THE LUTHERAN HOUR:**

500 years ago, Martin Luther rediscovered a truth that turned the world upside down: the just shall live by faith. Can this message transform you today? Listen to "The Just Live By Faith" (Romans 1:16-17) with Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Greg Seltz (his last broadcast as speaker) 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).

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

Worship: 417; Communion: 163; Adult/Youth Classes: 47; Sunday School: 63. *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, "Luther: The Movement" (Seminarian Harms)

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)

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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: 10/22- General Fund: \$9,855.96; School: \$365; Matching: \$2,920. 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)

### **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**

John 8:36 – "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." Happy 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation! Martin Luther is rightly remembered as a champion of the Gospel – but he also called himself "the apostle of good works." For only in being set free by the Gospel can we do good works. Jesus has set us free: His blood covers over our sins and now we stand before God as His beloved children, invited to live our lives to His glory for the good of His kingdom.

### **WHY ARE WE FREEZING? FRUSTRATING FURNACE FAILURE:**

Both boiler units for church have rusted beyond reasonable repair after 19 years of usage. New units have been ordered but we are waiting for installation. The cost for equipment, shipping and installation will be close to \$20,000.

### **EPISTLES AVAILABLE:**

The November edition of our newsletter, *The Epistle*, is available in paper copy in the entryway baskets, on our website or by email if Pastor has your address.

### **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. 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:**

+”Jeremiah and God’s New Covenant”- God promised to restore His wayward people, pointing them to a new covenant and a righteous Branch of David, Jesus, this promised Branch, fulfilled the covenant of righteousness for Jeremiah and all believers. Families may discuss *What challenges did Jeremiah face in life?* and *What promises did God make to faithful Jeremiah?*

+High School Bible class meets with the adults in 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. Rev. Reuben Schmitz of Bethesda will be with us on Sunday, December 3 to speak to Sunday School and Bible classes.

### **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.

+One of the most significant times in the history of the Reformation was the months from April to June of 1530 when the evangelicals, as the Lutherans were known, made a presentation of their Christian doctrine at the Diet (Imperial meeting) held in Augsburg, one of the grandest cities in all of Germany. Augsburg was a center of commerce and of banking. The wealthy Fugger family had great influence on city affairs. The meeting between the emissaries of the Pope and the evangelicals was held in buildings controlled by the Fugger family that are still in civic use today. Because Luther was considered to be an outlaw, he could not enter into the territory around Augsburg. He remained at a distance in the Coburg Castle within Saxon territory. From his place in the castle, he served as a coach for his colleague Philip Melancton and the others who were presenting the evangelical positions to Emperor Charles the Fifth. Messages went back and forth from Augsburg to Coburg during the entire time of the meeting. The presentation made by the evangelicals became known as the Augsburg Confession. The day of the official presentation of this landmark document, June 25, is included on the Lutheran Church calendar of commemorations and is observed each year in Augsburg and many other places.

### **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 4

### **CONGRATULATIONS:**

We congratulate St. John’s students Nick Fehr and Aubrey Piel for qualifying for the National Cross Country Meet held in Mequon, Wisconsin. Both students finished in the top ¼ of the competitors. We are proud of them for representing our school so well. Thanks also to their coach Julie Fehr who worked hard to prepare our students.

### **EVENING GUILD:**

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.

### **JUNIOR YOUTH:**

Our Junior Youth will pack Operation Christmas Child boxes on Saturday, November 11th from 10 a.m.-noon. This opportunity is open to the entire congregation and school! Please pick up your shoebox in the office. Attached to it is a brochure on how to pack it. An optional donation of \$9 will help cover the cost of getting the shoebox to the recipient. To make a donation online, or to find out more about Operation Christmas Child, please go to: [www.samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/occ). If you have questions, contact Lisa Quinn at [618-606-4042](tel:618-606-4042) or [lisa\\_hunt68@yahoo.com](mailto:lisa_hunt68@yahoo.com). Operation Christmas Child, (a project of Samaritan’s Purse) collects shoeboxes (over 135 million since 1993) filled with gifts and delivers them to children (in over 150 countries) in need around the world. Every one of these shoebox gifts is an opportunity for the Gospel in the hands of local churches.

### **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, 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!:**

10/29- Cindy Ebers, Susie Mehering, Dorothy Papenberg, Patricia Presley, Dennis Zanders; 10/30- Colton Albert, Julie Ratz, Jody Winkelmann; 10/31- Kevin Burgdorf, Randy Koester, Lydia Wright; 11/1- Sharon Koester, Sarah Kueker, Mason Liefer, Erica Mollet; 11/2- Hailey Guebert, Hunter Wittenborn; 11/3- Beth Diewald, Brenden Heller, Lucy Kuehn, Virgil Liefer, Kevin Muench, Lorine Reinhardt (90), Tara Voss; 11/4- Olivia Candler, Travis Henry, Darlene Liefer, Mary Liefer, Randy Muench, Dustan Wagner, Kenzee Wittenborn. *Please call the office with corrections!* Page 5

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

Listen to Worldwide KFUA AM850, your radio station for news, talk, and sacred music with a Christ-centered Lutheran worldview. Archived programs are at KFUA.org for on-demand listening. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for your questions. **This week on KFUA AM850**, we wish everyone a blessed and festive celebration of the Reformation! Celebrate the Reformation with KFUA and tune in to the "Reformation Special: 1517 From Wittenberg to the World" presented by Museum of the Bible on Sunday 10/29 @ 1 pm and the Reformation Chapel Service from the LCMS International Center on 10/31 @ 10 am. This week we also continue studies of the book of Acts on Thy Strong Word (weekdays @ 11 am), keep moving through the book of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays @ 8 am), and hear adoption stories during National Adoption Month with Lutheran Family & Children's Services on Faith & Family (11/3 @ 10 am).

### **WURSTMARKT:**

Our annual Men's Club Wurstmarkt will be Sunday, November 12, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the school's old gym. Dine-in, carryouts and pre-ordered meat available.

### **REFORMATION 500 OBSERVANCES:**

+The congregations in Circuit 6 hold a special Divine Service at 3 p.m. this Sunday, October 29 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Waterloo. Rev. Todd Wilken will be the guest preacher. The service will be filled with various instrumentalists, a mass bell choir, and a mass vocal choir. Stay for the fried chicken dinner following the service. The word is that Martin Luther may attend dinner! No RSVP is necessary!

+Peace Lutheran in Lemay, Missouri, Sunday, October 29, 3 p.m. Reformation Hymn Festival

+Bethany Lutheran Church in Fairview Heights will hold a Divine Service for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation on Tuesday, October 31 at 7 p.m. Rev. Todd Wilken of Issues, Etc. will preach. Rev. Henry Gerike, composer and conductor, will preside at the organ bench. A beer and brat reception will follow the service.

+On Tuesday, October 31 at 7 p.m. the congregations of Circuits 3 & 4, will have a Festival Service celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 1300 Beltline Rd, Collinsville. The order of service will follow Dr. Martin Luther's *German Mass of 1526* (in English! - also known as Divine Service Five in Lutheran Service Book) and will feature the combined choirs and instrumentalists of our congregations. The preacher will be the Rev. Paul T. McCain, Publisher and Executive Director for Editorial at Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis and the editor of *Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions - A Readers Edition of the Book of Concord*.

+Concordia Seminary, St. Louis: Tuesday, October 31, 7 p.m.; Area-Wide Reformation Anniversary Service focusing on the three "Solos" of the Reformation.

### **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.

### **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](mailto:lisa_hunt68@yahoo.com) or [618-606-4042](tel:618-606-4042).

### **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.

### **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. This is an encouraging seminar for people facing the holidays after a loved one's death. It features practical suggestions and reassurance through video interviews with counselors, grief experts and others who have experienced the holidays after their loved one's death. Attendees can purchase (\$5) a book with over 30 daily readings that provide insights and ideas on holiday survival. To register call Good Shepherd at 344-3151, or email [lcookparishnurse@charter.net](mailto: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](http://www.lutheransforlife.org/conference) or email Virginia Flo at [vflo@lutheransforlife.org](mailto: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.

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

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

**Keep saving those lids!** The girls are getting closer, but still need more plastic lids. The lids must be clean and have no stickers, paper inserts or metal attached and be under 8". Prescription bottles with the labels removed are also acceptable. Please bring your lids to school during business hours.

**Calling Thrivent Members:** If you are a Thrivent member who has not used both of your Action Teams yet this year, we would like to partner with you. We have projects including: Spirit Shop Fundraisers, Archery Tournaments, Marketing Fliers Project, and School Beautification Projects; just to name a few. Each Action Team Project from Thrivent is \$250.00 and you can do two per year. If you don't use your Action Teams by 12/31 of each year, they go away. We can even help you fill out the application. Contact [mchristman@coslhs.org](mailto:mchristman@coslhs.org) or call [618-873-7300](tel:618-873-7300) for more information.

**Other ways to support COS:** Use the COS link to shop through our Amazon Smile storefront and support the school when you buy all the great stuff you like at Amazon. <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/37-1370105>. COS receives 13% of every order through our Shutterfly storefront. From plain photo prints, photo blankets, photo-story albums, and just about anything else you can think of Shutterfly has something for all of your custom gift needs at this link. <http://coslhs.shutterflystorefront.com/>. Schnucks supports local organizations through their eScrip program. You pick up an eScrip card either at COS or at Schnucks. You can activate your card online or call us to activate it for you. Then have the cashier scan your card when you make a purchase at Schnucks.

**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

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 (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, Lisa Quinn, Pam Henry, Nicole Kadlec, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Lori Moses, Danyelle Gargac, Heidi Guttmann, 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

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

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 and Liturgist: Pastor Russell Koen Lector: Seminarian Cameron Harms

Organist and Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

(5 p.m.) Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller Acolyte: Noah Tepe

(8 a.m.) Greeters: Roger and Peggy Hanebutt; Ken and Joan Ruwald

Acolyte: Mitchell Fleming

(10:30 a.m.) Greeters: Jackie Aubuchon; Ron and Donna Burgdorf

Acolyte: Caleb Guebert

Acolyte: Flower Servers: Kathy Valleroy and Kim Snyder

Chancel Paraments: Carol Turner Communion Cloths: JoAnn Yarbrough

## ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

*Reformation Sunday 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

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

Zone 9: Steve Uffelmann to Doug Zschiegner: Elder William Becker

**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!

**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 DeBlieck at [618-656-2918](tel:618-656-2918). For SIU-Carbondale, contact Pastor Robert Gray at [618-549-4327](tel:618-549-4327).

**PARISH NURSE NOTE:**

**LIFE THOUGHTS:** *(from Lutherans for Life)*

**ISSUES, ETC.:**

**"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!

**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](mailto: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.

**CHURCH LIBRARY:**

"The Book Nook" church library in the Fellowship Hall features "The Reformation" by Dr. Cameron Mackenzie of the Fort Wayne Seminary. It is a beautiful coffee-table style book full of colorful pictures and complete accounts of the people, places and events of the 16<sup>th</sup> century Reformation.