

This Week With Our Lord, February 4-11, 2018

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

SUNDAY, February 4- *Lutheran Hour Ministries Sunday*

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
noon Senior Youth meeting in the church basement

Monday, February 5-

12:30 to 3 p.m. Quilt Tying Day in the Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Board of Elders meets in the Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Choir practices in the school's music room

Tuesday, February 6-

5:30 p.m. B team Boys' basketball at Christ, Jacob vs. Chester Public 6th
6:00 p.m. Volleyball ABC at home versus Coulterville

Wednesday, February 7-

8:30 a.m. Grade School Chapel at church with Mrs. Schnepel's 6th grade
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study with Doris Mueller in the FH
11:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting
3:30 p.m. 6th-8th grades Public School Confirmation classes
5:30 p.m. Volleyball B & C at St. Libory
7:30 p.m. Bible class in the Fellowship Hall (Numbers)

Thursday, February 8- *No Bell Choir practice today!*

6:30 a.m. Bible class in the Fellowship Hall (Hebrews)
8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study with Julie Fehr in the FH
3:00 p.m. Holy Communion Service in the church
6:00 p.m. Southern Illinois District Convention opening service
6:00 p.m. Volleyball ABC at home versus Prairie du Rocher

Friday, February 9- *Southern Illinois District Convention in O'Fallon*

11:20 a.m. Early Dismissal
Evening Volleyball C team tournament at Red Bud Catholic

Saturday, February 10- *Southern Illinois District Convention in O'Fallon*

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
Acolyte: Hannah Sievers Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller

SUNDAY, February 11- *Transfiguration Sunday*

8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
Acolyte: Madison Pensoneau
Greeters: Loren Harms and Lois Mesnarich
9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible classes
10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Kole Guebert
Greeters: Bob and Arlene Pratt; Omer and Neva Liefer
5-7 p.m. Junior Youth bowling at Blossom City Bowl

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP READINGS

Old Testament: 2 Kings 2:1-12

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:12-13; 4:1-6; Gospel: Mark 9:2-9

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: 416; Communion: 76 Sunday School: 32+ Adults/Youth: 55 *I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!"* Psalm 122:1 [Page 2](#)

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. Offering: 1/28- General Fund: \$9499.85; School: \$485. Our outstanding financial liabilities are \$1,282,986. *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 Cor. 9:6-7)

OFFERING ENVELOPES:

Offering envelopes boxes for 2018 are on a table in the Fellowship Hall. If you did not receive a box and would like one, please call Julie at our office to request one.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *LCMS Stewardship Resources*

1 Corinthians 9:25 – "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable." Self control is a fruit of the Spirit – for the desires of the flesh are at war with the desires of the Spirit. Having received the new life in Christ by his grace, he now calls us to follow him deliberately, with self-control, with intention.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

+ "Paul and Timothy" - We think that we must do something to be saved from our sins. But the answer to our problem is always Jesus, Jesus, and only Jesus, whose resurrection from the dead sealed our salvation and forgave the world. Questions for family discussion: *How are you like Timothy? How are we saved from our sins?*

+ *Perfect Attendance for January*- Nursery: Jackson Carnahan, Connor Liefer, Elsie Liefer; Pre-Kdg: Aiden Arbeiter, Alexa Cheek, Natalie Kassing, Sydney Krick, Jackson Neff, Holden Wagner; Kdg: Amelia Cheek, Payton Liefer; 1st Grade: Clare Carnahan, Jacob Liefer; 2nd Grade: Mallory Arbeiter, Sydney Kassing, Colin Korando, Lillian Meyer, Norah Wagner; 4th Grade: Noah Kassing; 5th Grade: Connor Jordan, Christine Liefer, Bruce Quinn, Sam Roscow, Daniel Stapleton; 7th Grade: Ashton Liefer

ADULT BIBLE CLASS OPPORTUNITIES:

Sunday: 9:30-10:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall, "Sermon-Writing" (Pastor Nebel)
Sunday: 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. School Library, "Psalms: Lifelight" (Pastor Koen)
Wednesdays: 9:30 a.m. FH (Women's) "Advanced Bible History" (D. Mueller)
Wednesdays: 7:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall "Numbers" (Pastor Nebel)
Thursdays, 6:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall "To the Hebrews" (Pastor Nebel)
Thursdays: 8:15 a.m. FH (Women's) "To the Thessalonians" (Julie Fehr)
1st & 3rd Saturdays: FH, Men's Bible Breakfast "Angels" (Pastor Nebel)

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

There's much in science that witnesses to God. Dr. Meyer says telescopes and microscopes can further evangelism more than soap boxes. Listen to "Lift Up Your Eyes on High and See: Who Created These?" (Isaiah 40:21-31), with Speaker Emeritus Dr. Dale Meyer on KFUO 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). Next Sunday will be Lutheran Hour Ministries Sunday with a special bulletin insert to help you support this ministry.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES SUNDAY:

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a trusted expert in mass media gospel proclamation with a global network of partners reaching over 70 million people around the world each week with the good news of Jesus. LHM shares the gospel in culturally-relevant ways in more than 50 nations on six continents. Nearly 500,000 people responded last year to LHM ministry outreach. You can support this work by using the offering envelope provided in today's bulletin.

HOLY BAPTISM:

We welcome Bently Louis Valentine into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the Saturday service. He is the son of Jon and Kim (Stellhorn) Valentine. His baptismal sponsors are Tiffany Stellhorn, Steve Reichert, Bailey Reichert and Jenny Schmitt. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

EPISTLES:

The February edition of our congregational newsletter, *The Epistle*, is available in printed copy in the entryway. It is also on our website and has been emailed to those for whom Pastor Nebel has an address.

SCOUT SUNDAY:

Please note and thank our scouts who are with us in uniform in worship today.

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!

SONSHINE VISITORS:

Our St. John's 1st through 3rd graders have made valentines for us to deliver to our Sunshine friends. Please pick them up in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER:

You still can pick up a baby bottle from Life Network. They are on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Over the next few weeks you can put your spare change into that bottle. They will be collected on February 17-18 to support Life Network of Southern Illinois. On March 1 their local office will move into the Port Authority office building (old "Foodland") on North Main Street.

INSTALLATION:

Newly elected officers and board members will be installed in the late service this weekend. They were elected at last Sunday's Voters Assembly meeting. We thank everyone who agreed to have their name on the ballot. To be installed this Sunday are: Chairman: Gary Buatte; Vice-Chairman: Dale Krack; Treasurer: Kara Wagner; Secretary: Joan Ruwald; Elders: Stanley Langrehr, Stuart Langrehr, and Quentin Stenzel; Trustees: Scott Burmester and Fred Salger; Parish Education: Paul Mollet and Kyle Herriman; Finance: Briana Becker, Sarah Heller, and Jennifer Langrehr; Estate Fund: Gene Liefer; and COSLHS Board: Kathy Valleroy. We thank those whose current term of service to St. John's has ended: Eric Fritsche (Chairman); Todd Birkner (Vice-Chairman); Becky Biffar (Secretary); Scot Heller, John Tepe, and Jeremy Walker (Elders); Ken Langrehr and Ben Schwartzkopf (Trustees); Pam Henry and Thomas Mulherin (Parish Education); Anna Guebert, Erica Mollet, and Cindy Steele; and Christina Gidley (COSLHS Board, ends June 30).

A MONETARY GIFT:

Thank you to Kenneth and Geraldine Koester for their monetary gift to our school in thanksgiving to God for His blessings to them over their 65 years of marriage. Their anniversary is February 7th. Congratulations, thank you, and God's blessings to you!

REFORMATION WALK:

We thank the committee of Betty Schmitz, Lauri Koen, Rachel Miller and Rebekah Liefer for their hard work on the Reformation Walk held at our school last Tuesday. Thank you also to those who volunteered to serve as costumed characters and to all those who attended. About 100 people took part in this event. "It was very well done, good to make it understandable for children and with the interesting items in each room, made it very interesting for adults too. Thanks for all the work!" A St.

John's member

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NEEDED:

Mrs. Liefer's 2ND grade class is looking for a used, sturdy rocking chair to be painted by the students. Mrs. Liefer will keep it for her classroom as a momento! If anyone is willing to donate a rocking chair, please call or text Mrs. Liefer and she can make arrangements with you. [618-570-4957](tel:618-570-4957) Thanks!!

CONGRATULATIONS:

On Wednesday, January 31, Mr. Brian Guebert presented Mrs. Cindy Nebel, one of our 5th grade teachers, with a plaque for "Red Bud School District Teacher of the month" for January 2018. The award was given to her in recognition of her dedicated service and outstanding leadership. Cindy continues to set an example for others to follow. Brian is a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones and a member of St. John's.

AND NOW FOR A SEW-SEW SUBJECT- QUILTS:

TYING DAY- Monday, February 5 from 12:30 – 3:00 p.m. Bring your scissors. Help us help others! Quilts are made, we need help to tie! All who come receive a free shirt! The fun will leave you in stitches and tied in knots!

JUNIOR YOUTH:

The next Junior Youth event will be bowling at Blossom City Bowl in Red Bud on Sunday, February 11 from 5 to 7 p.m. The cost of the event is \$7 which includes shoe rental and two hours of bowling. This can be paid the day of the event. We will also have snacks and drinks. Please RSVP to Jennifer Roscow ([618-972-5366](tel:618-972-5366) or mroscow@htc.net or comment on the Junior Youth Facebook page) no later than February 8th so I can advise the bowling alley how many lanes will be needed.

DINNER AND PRESENTATION "SNAPSHOT FERGUSON":

The congregation is invited to this event on **Thursday, February 15 at 6 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. The evening will begin with a meal catered by Mission Catering of Columbia. That will be followed by a presentation from Rev. Micah Glenn, a LCMS National Missionary and Executive Director of The Lutheran Hope Center in Ferguson, Missouri. The center is located in the Ferguson Community Empowerment Center on the grounds of the burnt-out Quik-Trip gas station (aka "Ground Zero"). Rev. Glenn grew up in Ferguson. We will hear how his life was turned around and thru the grace of God how he is using this experience to carry out the mission of The Lutheran Hope Center (thelutheranhopecenter.org). The cost of the meal is \$13 per person and reservations are required. Please RSVP by calling Gerald Hanebutt (282-3792) or e-mail (hanebutt@htc.net) by February 11. This event is sponsored by St. John's Men's Club.

SAVE THE DATE! DINNER AUCTION:

The 10th annual PTL Dinner Auction will be March 17 at the Hecker Community Center. Donations now are being accepted, especially in the \$500 range as a prize for one of the games. Ticket order forms and donation forms are available in the school office. CELEBRATE our Dinner Auction's 10th Anniversary on March 17! You will not want to miss this celebration. Our goal is to raise \$100,000. Please help us by attending and donating to our school's largest fundraiser. This is a great opportunity to meet other school families.

THANK YOU:

+ "Thank you for your patience with our construction and use of your school parking lot. We hope that you enjoy the new appearance of our building and we hope all the children will grow up to love muscle cars! Please accept this donation to the school as our thank you for all of your patience with us." *V8 Speed and Resto Crew* Page 5

+”Thank you to the St. John’s Men’s Club for your generous donation of \$1000.”
(This was from our Wurstmarkt proceeds.) *AM 850 KFUE Radio*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

2/4- Molly Ellner, Megan Henry, Lilly Minemann, Edna Voss; 2/5- Kenny Althoff, Juli Deterding, Timothy Hollmann, Oliver Schrader; 2/6- Carl Ellner, Harold Liefer; 2/7- Dylan Falkenhain, Brewer Krick, Carolyne Mulherin, Milla Neff, Brenda Salger, Zach Williams; 2/8- Gary Bievenue, Skyler Brunkhorst, Brooke Grohmann, Lucas Grohmann, Zachary Grohmann, Maria Miller, Dustin Salger, Andrew Stellhorn, Samantha Zacheis; 2/9- Don Glasscock, Amanda Stellhorn, Makayla Whelan, 2/10- Karys Papenberg, Casey Vallett, Blayne Walsh. *Please call the office with corrections!*

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:

Leroy Guebert, Nancy Holmstrom, Don and Paulette Kueker, Joyce Lopez, Edna Moeller, Dorothy Peters, 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, Alvin Moeller, Clifford Stellhorn, Eunice Stumpf, Willard Uffelmann, Wilma Uffelmann, Donald Winkelmann and Jody Winkelmann; Oak Hill–Waterloo: Doris Koch; Freeburg Care Center- Bill Smith

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).

CHICKEN DINNER:

The Annual Fried Chicken Dinner is this Sunday, February 4, at St. John Lutheran Church in Ruma, serving from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will offer all-you-care-to-eat dine in, as well as carryout meals, carryout boxes of chicken and featuring a bake sale with apple butter for sale. We look forward to serving you!

CHICKEN ‘n DUMPLINGS DINNER:

The Lutheran Youth Fellowship at St. John Lutheran, Baldwin will host their Annual Homemade Chicken ‘n Dumpling Dinner on Sunday, February 11th from 11a.m.-1:30 p.m. Dine-in and carryout available. Adults: \$8, Kids (5-10): \$5, and under 5 are free. Bulk chicken ‘n dumplings available in 1/2 gallon (\$10) and full gallon (\$20) sizes. Please provide your own containers for carryout bulk orders. All proceeds assist the LYF as they continue to fundraise for the 2019 LCMS National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ISSUES, ETC.:

You can listen to Lutheran leaders discuss topics like: The Religion of Sex, The State of the Church in Western Society, Defying the Devil in International Mission Work, The Urgency of Preaching, Two Kingdom Theology and more. Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

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KFUE 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**, meet new LCMS National Youth Gathering Program Director Rev. Derek Broten on The Coffee Hour with Andy and Sarah (2/7 @ 9:00 am), begin studying 2 Kings on Thy Strong Word (weekdays @ 11:00 am), and continue digging into the Gospel of John on Sharper Iron (weekdays @ 8 am).

WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VAN FOR TRANSPORT TO CHURCH:

Terry Heller is asking for a ride to church here at St. John’s once a month from the Columbia Care Rehab Center. He would need a wheelchair accessible van for transport. Please call our church office if you can help.

ALZHEIMER’S SUPPORT GROUP GATHERING:

Program Facilitator Kathy Schmidt will present a video called “Care Giving” on Thursday, February 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the ground floor auditorium of Red Bud Regional 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.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:

Since 2010 over \$370 million has been distributed to thousands of churches, schools, and other nonprofits just like yours through Thrivent Choice®. Through this program, eligible members can recommend where Thrivent donates millions of charitable outreach dollars each year. We are excited to share, based on member recommendations, that St. John’s received \$5,073 in charitable outreach funding in 2017. We know that this gift helped to further support our ministry here.

CHURCH LIBRARY:

“The Book Nook” church library in the Fellowship Hall features “The Journey: How to Live by Faith in an Uncertain World” by Billy Graham. With clarity and passion this renowned evangelist leads us with insight that comes from a life spent with God to learn about His purpose for our lives and what Jesus has done for us.

PARISH NURSE NOTE:

Beware the Super Bowl- Not the game, the salad dishes in restaurants! While most salads are a healthier alternative to other menu items, stay alert to hidden calories, sodium and fat that can quickly push a simple salad into the unhealthy realm.

LIFE THOUGHTS: *(from Lutherans for Life)*

Hearts suffer when Satan suggests death (Mark 1:32). With empathy like the Apostle Paul (1 Cor. 9:19-22), we, too, can imitate our Lord Jesus for we have been healed to intercede. His wings of forgiveness and resurrection (Isaiah 40:28-31) lift people up from their afflictions. *Loving God, Your servanthood gives strength to the powerless. Amen.*

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

618-853-7300 www.coslhs.org

Donate Blood: COS is hosting a Red Cross Blood drive on February 7 from 2:00-6:00 p.m. You can schedule an appointment online by searching for the drive by zip code 62242. If we collect enough units at the drive, one of our seniors will receive a Red Cross scholarship.

Volunteers needed: COS is in need of volunteers to help with the Fish & More and the Dinner Auction. The Dinner Auction Committee will meet on February 7 at 5 pm. If helping with a school event interest you, please call COS 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, 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 Guttmann, Samantha Yankey, Gerry Thompson, Morgan Woosley, Terra Williams, Melissa Everts, Patricia Brewer, Monica Kunkel, Kristi Martel and Courtney Nieweglowski

Church Council

Chairman: Gary Buatte Vice-Chairman: Dale Krack

Secretary: Joan Ruwald Treasurer: Kara Wagner Board of Finance:

Elder Chair: Gerald Hanebutt Parish Education Chair:

Trustee Chair: 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 and Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

(5 p.m.) Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried Acolyte: Lyla Hess

(8 a.m.) Greeters: Wil and Martha Krick; Cindy Steele & Olivia Schmitz

Acolyte: Noah Tepe

(10:30 a.m.) Greeters: Larry and Cindy Ebers; Vernon and Evelyn Muench

Acolyte: Caleb Guebert

Acolyte: Flower Servers: Linda Guebert and Jeniffer Tepe

Chancel Paraments: Flo Zschiegner Communion Cloths: Joan Ruwald

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany 2018

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) 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!

"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!

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.

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*