

This Week With Our Lord, April 8-15, 2018

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

SUNDAY, April 8-

- 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
- 2:00 p.m. Pastor Nebel has devotional service at Red Bud Care Center

Monday, April 9-

- 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Lifeline screenings in the Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Board of Parish Education meeting in school library
- 7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school's music room

Tuesday, April 10- Communion Service at Red Bud Care Center will be on the 24th

- 9:00 a.m. Visitation and 11 a.m. Funeral for Wilma Uffelmann
- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Pastors' Circuit Conference at Emmanuel, Percy
- 12:30 to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. PTL meeting in the school library

Wednesday, April 11- Senior OVC Track Meet at Red Bud HS

- 8:30 a.m. School Chapel Service at church led by 5th grade
- 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
- 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. Grades 6-8 Public School Confirmation classes
- 7:30 p.m. Bible class in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, April 12-

- 6:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the FH ("To the Hebrews")
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study with Julie Fehr in the FH
- 1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center in Baldwin
- No Men's Club today; they meet with the Evening Guild on the 17th*

Friday, April 13-

- 8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel led by Amanda Falkenhain
- 6:00 p.m. Liefer-Heinen wedding rehearsal

Saturday, April 14-

- 1:00 p.m. Kollin Liefer and Macey Heinen wedding service
- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service
Acolyte: Kole Guebert Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller
- 7:00 p.m. Junior and Senior Youth Lock-in begins

SUNDAY, April 15-

- 7:00 a.m. Junior and Senior Youth Lock-in ends
- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Ashton Liefer
Greeters: Roger and Peggy Hanebutt; Ken and Joan Ruwald
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible classes
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative) Acolyte: Maggie Brown
Greeters: Larry and Cindy Ebers; Vernon and Evelyn Muench
- 5:30-7 p.m. 8th Grade Confirmation Retreat at church

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP READINGS

First: Acts 3:11-21; Epistle: 1 John 3:1-7; Gospel: Luke 24:36-49

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Ps. 122:1
Worship: 817; Comm.: 552; Sunday School: 37 Adults/Youth: 29 Good Friday PM: 185

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](#)

EPISTLES:

The April edition of our newsletter, *The Epistle*, is available in paper copy in the entryway. It is also on our website and has been sent to those for whom Pastor Nebel has an email address.

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. Offering: 4/1- General Fund: \$29,241.65; School: \$555; Debt: \$2,720; School: \$730; Rally Day: \$100; Capital Funding: \$20. Our expenses over income are \$44,036 through February. Our outstanding financial liabilities are \$1,305,311. *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)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

John 20:19 – Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." The peace we have in Jesus is what makes a life of good works possible. Since we know that it is Jesus who saved us, and not our works, we are now free to do good works not out of self-interest, but for the right reasons: out of thanksgiving toward God and love for our neighbors.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

Here's the deal. If Jesus actually rose from the dead, it would be wise to believe in Him because there will be salvation in no one else. If He didn't rise, we're all toast. Tune in to today's message and hear why you can be confident that Jesus' resurrection is really real. Listen to "It's Really Real" (1 John 1:1-3), with Speaker Emeritus Dr. Ken Klaus on KFUEO 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).

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

+As our children study "Noah and the Flood" in Sunday School, they will consider God's messages that He gave through the flood and the rainbow God promises to provide a Savior to overcome sin and take its punishment for us. Families may discuss, *How do God's promises give us comfort?*

+Primary school students (nursery-1st grade) will sing "Make Me a Servant" Sunday, April 8, in the 10:30 a.m. service.

+*Perfect Attendance for March*- Nursery: Jackson Carnahan, Connor Liefer, Elsie Liefer, Henry Schnepel; Pre-Kdg: Aiden Arbeiter, Alexa Cheek, Natalie Kassing, Sydney Krick, Jackson Neff; Kindergarten: Amelia Cheek, Payton Liefer; 1st Grade: Carson Bowles, Clare Carnahan, Jacob Liefer; 2nd Grade: Mallory Arbeiter, Josef Biffar, Sydney Kassing, Lilian Meyer, Norah Wagner; 3rd Grade: Emily Bowles, Milla Neff; 4th Grade: Noah Kassing; 5th Grade: Bruce Quinn, Jr., Sam Roscow, Daniel Stapleton; 7th Grade: Ashton Liefer

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of St. John's member Wilma Uffelmann who died in the Lord Friday morning at the age of 93 years. Visitation will be Monday from 4-8 p.m. at Welge-Pehachek and again on Tuesday from 9-11 a.m. at church with an 11 a.m. funeral service. Thanks be to God for His gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

WORSHIP GREETERS NEEDED:

There are openings 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! [Page 3](#)

ADULT BIBLE CLASS OPPORTUNITIES:

Sunday: 9:30-10:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall, "The Lord's Prayer" (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, "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)

HELP NEEDED FOR NURSING HOME VISITATION!:

We need help in a rotation taking the worship DVD and bulletins to Red Bud Care Center on Mondays from 9:45 to 11:15 a.m. You will help gather residents in the dining room and play the DVD. After the service you will take the DVD to Garden Place, leave it at the front desk, pick up the previous DVD and return it to the school office. Call the office or Arlene Pratt (282-2275) if you can help.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR YOUTH EVENT:

The next Youth event will be at Lock-In with the Concordia Youth Ministry on Saturday, April 14th at 7 p.m. to Sunday, April 15th at 7 a.m. There is no cost for this event. A parent/guardian will need to sign the child in and out for the event. If your child will be late for the event, please advise us prior to the event since the doors will be locked by 7:15 p.m. Your child will need to bring a sleeping bag, pillow and a change of clothes. Cell phones and other electronic devices will NOT be allowed during the event. Your child may leave his or her phone with one of the adult chaperones in case they need to contact you during the event. Two of the classrooms will be available (one for the girls and one for the boys) to sleep. Pizza, snacks and drinks will be provided for the youth that night. Junior Youth, 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 April 12th.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT:

St. John's Kindergarten and Preschool is hosting a Family Fun Night. The books, games, snacks and activities will be out of sight! Preschool and kindergarten aged children and their families are invited. We hope everyone who comes to school on April 17 at 6 p.m. will be excited. The fun for the night was inspired by Dr. Seuss. The characters from his books will be on the loose. This event is being funded by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

EVENING GUILD AND MEN'S CLUB GATHERING:

On Tuesday, April 17 at 7:00 p.m. we are inviting the congregation to the Fellowship Hall to hear Rev. Micah Glenn and Deaconess Dorothy Glenn with Lutheran Hope Center in Ferguson, Missouri. Serving the Lord in Ferguson!

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

The Southwestern Illinois Lutherans for Life is collecting baby items for Safe Haven Baby Boxes. This organization works with several overseas orphanages who take in babies who have been abandoned, most are disabled, and provides items for the babies. They are asking for donations of NEW baby items including, but not limited to, receiving blankets, burp rags, newborn socks, newborn hats and baby wipes. There is a collection box in the Fellowship Hall, or items can be dropped off at the school office. I will need to ship the items to Safe Haven by April 9th so please have your donations in by that date. Contact Jennifer Roscow ([618-972-5366](tel:618-972-5366) or swillinoislutheransforlife@yahoo.com if you have any questions or concerns. [Page 4](#)

LIFE NETWORK OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS OPEN HOUSE:

Saturday, April 14, 9 a.m. to noon at 324 North Main Street in Red Bud (the old "Foodland"). Refreshments will be served.

COACHES NEEDED:

St. John's Lutheran school is in need of coaches for next school year (2018-2019). The areas of need are softball, cross country, track, and possibly cheerleading. A softball coach will be needed from August 1 to mid-September. The only difficulty is that some games start at 4:15 p.m. A cross country coach will be needed from August 1 to mid-October. This position also has meets that start in the afternoon at either 3:30, 4:00, or 4:30 with some Saturday meets. A track coach will be needed from March 1 to mid-May. This position has meets that occur during the day but there are only around four of them. If you are interested the current coaches are open to someone helping them this year which will help with a smooth transition. A cheerleading coach may be needed from October 1 to mid-January. This position has games that occur at 5:30 or 6:00 p.m. The cheerleading team has also cheered only at home games so the travel is not as much, but they are welcome to cheer at away games if the coach so desires. Please contact our Athletic Director, Justin Palm, at our school if you are interested in any of these volunteer positions.

EVENT REMINDERS ON YOUR CELL PHONES:

We are offering you another method of receiving information about events here at St. John's. It is Remind Me.com, a free system that will allow us to send text messages to you reminding you of what is happening in our family of faith. However, it does not allow for group discussions so that there will not be continued unwanted messages from anyone in the group receiving the text. To join this remind system for St. John's, simply text the message @2h9de to the number 81010. If you have any questions about this please contact our office at 282-2394. Thank you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

4/8- Gary Buatte, Jennifer Hemmer, Britton Liefer, Willard Uffelmann, Sr., Brian Wetzel; 4/9- Brenda Gilpatrick, Alyssa Heller, Jessica Langrehr, Megan Brown, Robert Stoll, Kathy Valleroy, Mark Vogt, Laura Wolters; 4/10- Scott Dilley, Danica Narup; 4/11- Kathy Mueth, Steven Notter, Stephen Uffelmann; 4/12- Wyatt Cowell, Twila Guebert, Mark Moeller, Miranda Steining, Rhonda Schaefer, Austin Whelan; 4/13- Sandra Henry, Jane Minemann, Pastor Mark Nebel, Dawn Schrader; 4/14- Jill Grohmann, Sydney Kassing, Alverda Rahn, Trish Sachtleben. *Please call with corrections!*

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).*

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:

Nancy Holmstrom, Don Kueker, Joyce Lopez, Edna Moeller, Alice Smith, Leonard and Norma Vogt.

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 AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, Nina Guebert, Bernadine Kruse, H. Edward Liefer, Alvin Moeller, Clifford Stelhorn, Willard Uffelmann, Don Winkelmann and Jody Winkelmann; Oak Hill–Waterloo: Doris Koch; New Athens- Eunice Stumpf

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION:

Spring is when we recognize those who go above and beyond. April is National Volunteer Month. We will recognize our school volunteers this month. At church services on the weekend of April 14/15, volunteers will be asked to stand and be recognized. Throughout the week at school we will highlight our volunteers in the daily announcements. Finally, on April 20, an appreciation luncheon will be held to honor them. We love our volunteers' servant hearts. Thank you so much.

HAVE YOU TAKEN CONTROL OF YOUR HEALTH TODAY?:

Life Line Screening will be here on Monday, April 9 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To learn more about your risk of having a stroke or vascular disease, there is no time like the present to take advantage of this limited-time offer, being extended to our members only! In order to receive your special member pricing, and first choice of appointment times, you **MUST** pre-register via one of these methods: **CALL:** the pre-registration phone number from any printed flyer, poster, etc. or **VISIT:** www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle; **TEXT:** the word 'circle' to **797979** or **EMAIL:** Via the Participant Name, Phone, Address: Cheryl Porter, Health Service Coordinator, Life Line Screening; Phone: [\(800\) 897-9177](tel:8008979177) 11286; Fax: [\(866\) 836-7156](tel:8668367156); Email: cheryl.porter@llsa.com.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP GATHERING:

Program Facilitator Kathy Schmidt will present an educational video, "Caring for Loved Ones" on Thursday, April 12 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 information.

CHICKEN DINNER:

St. Mark's Lutheran in Steeleville will hold its 14th Annual Chicken Dinner on Sunday, April 15, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Steeleville American Legion (303 South Chester). Tickets at the door are \$11 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5-12. Carryouts will be available.

CHOIR CONCERT:

Laudamus, a select choir of Concordia Seminary students, will proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ through music in a concert at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church in the Soulard neighborhood of St. Louis on Sunday, April 15, at 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S RETREAT:

"Living Intentionally Throughout The Seasons Of Life" is the theme for the 7th annual Women's Mini-Retreat hosted by the women of Immanuel Lutheran Church (522 S. Church St.) in Waterloo. This refreshing morning will be held on Saturday, April 28 from 9-11 a.m. Our theme scripture is Ecclesiastes 3:1-8. Our guest speaker will be Jessica Bordeleau. There's no cost for the retreat which will include a delicious breakfast, an inspirational message, and beautiful music! Visit <http://immanuelwaterloo.org/women/> or call [618-939-6480](tel:6189396480) if you have 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; see the flyer for more details. [Page 6](#)

SHARE IN THE MIRACLE DINNER:

Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School of East St. Louis hosts its annual dinner at the World Shooting Complex north of Sparta on Sunday, April 29, at 12:30 p.m. There is no cost to attend, but reservations are required. Contact Bill Becker here or call Dr. Bruce McLaughlin at 618/874-6605 or email bmclaughlin@unityesl.org.

RED BUD COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST:

On Thursday, May 3rd at 7 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. Sara Decareaux, author of *From Here to Heaven*, will be the guest speaker. A \$10 suggested donation is requested to go towards the buffet, with all proceeds going to the Human Service Center. Seating is limited, so please RSVP to Julie Hudson by April 20th at 282-5456 or at julie_hudson@quorumhealth.com.

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

Listen to Worldwide KFUO AM850, your radio station for news, talk, and sacred music with a Christ-centered Lutheran worldview. Archived programs are at KFUO.org for on-demand listening. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for your questions. **This week on KFUO AM850**, study the Gospel of Luke on Sharper Iron with Rev. Jonathan Fisk (weekdays at 8 a.m.), learn about National Volunteer Month on The Coffee Hour (4/11 at 9:15 a.m.), and dig into the book of Jeremiah on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.). Hear Christ for you anytime at kfu.org and find your favorite programs on demand wherever you get your podcasts.

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Proverbs 31 Woman, 2nd Kings, Abraham's Visitors from Heaven, Confession & Satisfaction and more. Tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

See a great play! The COS Drama will present *The Boarding House*, a comedy by Vern Harden on April 13 & 14 at 7:30 p.m. on the stage at *Christ Our Savior*. Admission will be \$6 Adults, \$4 students (k-12), children under 6 are free.

Cheer the Soldiers! The COS track team is participating in the track meet at Red Bud High School on Tuesday, April 10 at 4 p.m.

Prom and Post Prom: COS students are looking forward to their prom that will be held at the World Shooting Recreational Complex on April 21. Post prom will be held at COS. Donations to help with the cost of these events are still being accepted.

The 20th Annual Dinner Auction to benefit COS will be April 28. Reservations are available \$35 per person or \$245 for a table of eight. Please make your reservations before April 16. Donations, sponsorships and auction ads are being accepted now. Pictures of big ticket items will be posted to our website and on Facebook.

Used crayon recycling: The COS FFA Chapter is collecting used crayons. They will take the crayons they collect to the Illinois FFA State Convention where the crayons will be recycled and made into new crayons that will be given to children's hospitals. Bring your old crayons to COS before Friday, May 11.

Shadow Days: Parents of eighth graders and potential transfer students are encouraged to call and make arrangements for their student to spend a day at *Christ Our Savior* shadowing a COS student and learning more about the COS advantage.

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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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 – Paige Liefer

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: Ben Guebort

Elder Chair: Gerald Hanebutt Parish Education Chair: Jamie Korando

Trustee Chair: Scott Voss 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: Max Dieward

(8:00 a.m.) Greeters: Kalin and Kathy Liefer; Gerald and Jill Hanebutt

Acolyte: Megan Henry

(10:30 a.m.) Greeters: Jim and Judy Guebort; Carl and Flo Zschiegner

Acolyte: Lyla Hess

Flower Servers: Irma Birkner and Sharon Koester

Chancel Paraments: Virginia Moeller Communion Cloths: JoAnn Yarbrough

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

The Second Sunday of Easter 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.

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!

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*

DONOR TILE WALL IN THE NEW GYM LOBBY:

There are 13 more spaces available in the Donor Tile Wall in the lobby of the new gym at school. Please call the school office (282-3873) if you would like to reserve a space in the next run of tiles. The cost is \$400.

"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.

CHURCH LIBRARY:

"The Book Nook" church library in the Fellowship Hall remembers the recently departed evangelist Billy Graham with his books, "The Journey: How to Live by Faith in an Uncertain World," "Billy Graham in Quotes" and "The Collected Works of Billy Graham.

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!

PARISH NURSE NOTE:

LIFE THOUGHTS: *(from Lutherans for Life)*

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.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2018: (Chairman, Gerald Hanebutt)

Zone 1: Deborah Adams thru Rodie Collins- Elder Ron Kunkelmann

Zone 2: Susan (Stellhorn) Conboy thru Jill Grohmann- Elder Stuart Langrehr

Zone 3: Nick/Emily Grohmann thru 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 Dorothy Peters- Elder Quentin Stenzel

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

Zone 8: Jeff/Dawn Schrader to Bob/Carol Turner- Elder Stanley Langrehr

Zone 9: Derek/Katelin Uffelmann to Doug Zschiegner- Elder Bill Becker