

This Week With Our Lord, October 21-28, 2018

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

SUNDAY, October 21-

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Adult and Youth Bible classes
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative)
- 2:00 p.m. Pastor Nebel has the devotional service at Red Bud Care Center

Monday, October 22-

- 5:30 p.m. Girls' basketball at TSJ/ILS (Nashville)
- 7:00 p.m. Choir practice at school
- 7:15 p.m. Boys' basketball at PDR tournament

Tuesday, October 23- Girls' basketball at St. Libory tournament

- 12:30 – 3:00 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
- 1:30 p.m. Holy Communion Service at Garden Place
- Parent-Teacher conferences at school in the late afternoon and evening

Wednesday, October 24-

- 8:30 a.m. School Chapel service at church (8th grade Reformation)
- 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Quilting at church
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting
- 3:30 p.m. 6th-8th Grades Public School Confirmation
- Parent-Teacher conferences at school in the late afternoon and evening
- 7:00 p.m. Voters Assembly meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, October 25-

- 6:30 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (1 Corinthians)
- 8:15 a.m. Ladies Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall (J. Fehr)
- 8:30 a.m. LWML Zone Rally at St. John LC in Chester
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Advanced Bible History in Fellowship Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Sight Ministries Center in Baldwin
- 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

Friday, October 26- No School!

Saturday, October 27-

- Basketball at Chester Jr. High: Girls- 10 a.m.; Boys- 11:15 a.m.
- 1:00 p.m. Senior Youth to Six Flags
- 5:00 p.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Acolyte: Ryker Papenberg
Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller

SUNDAY, October 28- Reformation Sunday!

- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Acolyte: Dylan Minemann
Greeters: Ken and Joan Voges; Lisa Quinn
- 9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible Classes; Sunday School classes at school
- 10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Zandra Harless
Greeters: Ken and Karen Wetzel; Ron and Diane Kunkelmann

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 in the bulletin of those donating.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

In a classic message from 1955, Dr. Oswald Hoffmann talks about all the things that change-and the God who doesn't. Listen to "We Preach Christ Crucified" (1 Corinthians 1:23-24) 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). [Page 2](#)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Mark 10:29-30 – "Jesus said, 'Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for My sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.'" This is Jesus' daily encouragement for us as His faithful disciples.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 406; Communion: 83; Adults/Youth: 48; Sunday School: 59

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Ps. 122:1

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

We join with one another in the grace of giving. Offering: 10/14- General: \$11,127.90; School: \$450; Debt: \$200; Senior Youth: \$200; Capital Campaign: \$40. Our expenses over income are \$134,210 through September. Our outstanding financial liabilities are \$1,310,099. "*The people shall not appear before their Lord empty-handed. Every one shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that He has given you.*" (Deut. 16:16c-17)

"DOWN WITH THE DEBT":

A generous matching gift offer has been given to us. From now until December 16 we can have our special gifts, over and above our regular offerings, matched up to \$100,000. This will help lower the building and operating debt that we continue to carry. While worship offerings during 2018 are 7% higher than in 2017, our expenses are running 8% higher than last year. This is on top of previous years' operating shortfalls and what is still left to pay from the church remodeling and school expansion project. Due to current budget constraints, we have ceased our monthly loan repayments for the rest of 2018. Please consider making a gift toward this matching fund by mailing it to the church office (noted "Down With the Debt") or using a blue envelope to put into the offering plate during worship. Thank you!

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL:

+ "The Passover"- The angel of death passes over the homes with lamb's blood on the doorposts, sparing those inside from the 10th plague upon Egypt, the death of the first born son. Jesus Christ is our Passover Lamb, whose blood shed for us upon the cross spares us from spiritual and eternal death, and wins for us our eternal life. *How can we have the faith that Jesus has done this for us?*

+ Please consider sending an offering with your child to help cover the cost of materials and to support our mission project for the year (still to be determined).

SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGS:

Our Nursery through 1st Grade Sunday School classes sings this Sunday, October 21, in the 10:30 a.m. service. Children will sit with their parents until called forward to sing "Jesus Loves Me."

JOYFULLY LUTHERAN: The Gospel produces joy.

The word *Gospel* means "Good News." The goodness of the news is that God loves us and sent His Son to die on the cross to forgive our sins. He raised Jesus from the dead to give us eternal life. Jesus will return to usher in His eternal kingdom, in which we will dwell with Him forever. Until that day, He is with us in His Word and Sacraments to grant us forgiveness, love, peace and joy. (joyfullylutheran.org)

PORTALS OF PRAYER:

The new edition of our quarterly devotional booklet, *Portals of Prayer*, can be found in the racks by the front and back doors of church. [Page 3](#)

RED RIBBON WEEK AT SCHOOL:

Monday- Comfy Cozy Day, "Wake Up Drug Free"; Tuesday- Western Day, "Lasso Out Drugs"; Wednesday- Tie Day, "Don't Let Drugs Tie You Down"; and Thursday- Mix-N-Match/Crazy Sock Day, "Don't Get Mixed Up in Drugs"

VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING:

Our quarterly Voters Assembly meeting is Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Included in the items of business will be the proposed Workplan for 2019.

EVENING GUILD ACTIVITIES:

+Ladies Bunco Night is at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Waterloo on Tuesday, October 23 at 7 p.m. The cost is \$2 or two non-perishable food items. No RSVP.

+The Lower Kaskaskia Zone Fall Fellowship is Thursday, October 25 at St John in Chester (registration begins at 8:30 a.m.) with guest speaker Deaconess Rosie Adle. She will speak on "Hospice, care of the aging, and end of life issues."

SENIOR YOUTH:

Our Senior Youth Group is asking for a donation of quart-sized Mason jars which they will pick up so no need to deliver. Contact Susie at 618-201-5654. They will collect through the end of October.

CONGRATULATIONS:

St. John's member Tanner Valleroy was selected Homecoming King for Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School. St. John's member Bailey Montroy was a Homecoming Candidate at Red Bud High School. St. John's members Dylan Falkenhain, Kaleb Barriger and Jordyn Mulherin were Homecoming Attendants.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS OPPORTUNITIES: (*Fellowship Hall unless noted*)

Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. "Conclusion of Lord's Prayer" (Pastor Nebel)

Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. "The 95 Theses" (Pastor Koen- school library)

Men's Bible Breakfast, 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 7 a.m. "Angels" (Pastor Nebel)

Wednesday Women, 9:30 a.m. "Sip, Savor and Drink Deeply" (J. Fritsche)

Wednesday Sundown, 7:30 p.m. "Deuteronomy" (Pastor Nebel)

Early Bird Thursdays, 6:30 a.m. "1st Corinthians" (Pastor Nebel)

Thursday Mornings, 8:15 a.m. "Proverbs" (Julie Fehr)

Thursday Ladies, 9:30 a.m. "Advanced Bible History" (Doris Mueller)

WORLD RELIEF BLANKET DAY:

On Monday, October 29 we gather in the Fellowship Hall for Lutheran World Relief Blanket Day. They will be assembled from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Then, after a lunch break, they will be tied from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S NIGHT AT DAIRY QUEEN:

On Monday, October 29 from 4-8 p.m. Dairy Queen will hold St. John's Lutheran School Night with a portion of the its proceeds being donated to our PTL. Classrooms will compete for the greatest amount of participation.

TRUNK OR TREAT:

We invite families to celebrate Reformation Day (aka Halloween) on Wednesday, October 31 by coming to the school between 6-8 p.m. for Trunk or Treat and load up on candy and fun stuff for costumed children.

CARDINALS CALENDAR FUNDRAISER:

The class of 2021 is taking orders for the 2019 St. Louis Cardinals calendars until 11/1. The cost is \$15 and the calendars come with four pages of coupons. They will be delivered in early December, in time for Christmas! If you would like to order one, please see a 6th grader, or contact Lisa Quinn for more information. Page 4

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS:

The deadline to subscribe to next year's *Lutheran Witness*, our church body's monthly magazine, is November 10. The cost will be \$18. Call Julie at our office (282-2394) or put a check in the offering marked "Lutheran Witness."

BLEACHER CHAIR FUNDRAISER:

The Class of 2021 (6th grade) is selling bleacher chairs, red or black with a white design, for \$65 (personalized add \$5). Call the office or see a 6th grader to order.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS CRAFT FAIR:

The craft fair is quickly approaching! This will take place during the City of Red Bud's Holiday Happenings event on November 17th from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Informational packets are available in the school office if anyone is interested in a booth. This benefits the Class of 2020! For questions contact Laurie Wright!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, H. Edward Liefer, Alvin Moeller, Clifford Stellhorn, Willard Uffelmann, Wilma Wagner and Jody Winkelmann; New Athens-Eunice Stumpf

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Melba Liefer, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, and Wilma Stellhorn.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:

Nancy Holmstrom, Joyce Lopez, Edna Moeller, Alice Smith, Leonard/Norma Vogt.

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!:

10/21-Linda Weseloh, Ben Schwartzkopf, Justin Palm, Jared Schneider, Makayla Kueker, Caleb Guebert, Hailey Proctor; 10/22- John Preston, Gail Wild; 10/23- Jackie Schluter, Tom Mulherin, Chelsea Rippelmeyer; 10/24- Orville Liefer, Wendy Kuehner, Brinley Wolter; 10/25- Bill Becker, Alison Krack, Blake Henry, Kendyll Cox; 10/26- Clare Carnahan; 10/27- Tyler Cox, Tanner Winkelman. *Please call with corrections!*

FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND ASSISTANCE:

Kate Snyder, daughter-in-law of St. John's member Eunice Snyder, has been fighting a brain tumor for ten years, with surgery as recently as April 16. Due to a possible brain stem stroke, her recovering has been very slow. She has been making progress but is completely dependent for all mobility and needs more rehab therapy. Currently at home, she is too young for Medicare. Please pray for her and donate if you are able to at <https://www.gofundme.com/care-for-kate>. Thanks!

EVENT REMINDERS ON YOUR CELL PHONES:

Remind Me.com is a free system that will allow us to send text messages to you reminding you of what is happening in our family of faith here at St. John's. 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. Please contact our office at 282-2394 with your questions. Page 5

LIFE THOUGHTS: (from Lutherans for Life)

“All things are possible with God” (Mark 10:27). Our Savior’s words gather us into His everlasting kingdom. Won’t He also resolve all our hopeless circumstances, like terminal diagnoses or surprise pregnancies? *Heavenly Father, give us faith that seeks life wherever You have sown it. Amen.*

PARISH NURSE NOTE:

Breast cancer is the second most common cancer in American women. Mammograms are the best way to find breast cancer early when it is easier to treat. Most women aged 50-74 should have a screening every two years, earlier in life if you have a family history of breast cancer.

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!

SPAGHETTI DINNER:

Trinity Lutheran School in Prairie will hold a Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, Oct. 21 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 3-12.

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

Rediscover the one you love at Sojourn Retreat Center in Dittmer, Missouri on November 2-4. Restore your communication, rekindle your romance, and renew your commitment to your relationship at this special enrichment event. Pre-registration is required. Apply at GodLovesMarriage.org or contact Tom and Kathy Von Behren at yonbeh@sbcglobal.net or 636/343-9453 for more information.

TRIVIA NIGHT:

St. Peter UCC of Red Bud will hold a Trivia Night on Saturday, November 3 at the Ratzkeller Banquet Hall in Red Bud. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with trivia from 7-10 p.m. and the music of “Pamela and a Piano” from 10-11 p.m. The cost is \$80 for a table of 6-8 players. Bring your own snacks but no outside beverages are allowed. Call Pamela at 618/977-1947 or PLWEGS@gmail.com to reserve a table.

CHILI DINNER:

The youth of St. John’s Lutheran in Baldwin will hold its Annual Chili Dinner on Sunday, November 4th from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. While the chili will be the star of the day, you can get all of your favorite chili-related foods like hot dogs, ham sandwiches, nachos, and homemade desserts as well. Bulk soup will be available for sale, we just ask that you bring your own carryout containers.

ZION MASCOUTAH CELEBRATES 150TH ANNIVERSARY:

Zion Lutheran Church, 101 S. Railway Street, Mascoutah, will celebrate its 150th Anniversary with a special service on Sunday, November 4 at 10 a.m. The guest preacher will be Rev. Tim Scharr, President of the SID-LCMS. A catered lunch will be served following the service for all who have purchased meal tickets (\$11). To reserve a meal ticket contact Randy Schorfheide, Chairman of the Anniversary Committee (618-304-4422; schorfheide@charter.net).

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week’s teachings include: College Campus Diversity, The Person & Work of Jesus Christ, The Flesh & Spirit in the Epistles, Dorcas, Lydia and Phoebe. 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. Page 6

KFUE AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

Listen to Worldwide KFUE AM850, your radio station for news, talk, and sacred music with a Lutheran worldview. This week on KFUE AM850, review books from Ken Ham and Answers in Genesis on The Coffee Hour with Pastor Warren Woerth (10/22 at 9 a.m.), hear the historical significance of the many stories in Hebrews 11:32 on Sharper Iron & Heroes of Faith Alone (weekdays at 8 a.m.), continue in the study of the book of Job on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), and hear about Lutheran Young Adult Corps volunteer opportunities from Julianna Shults and LYAC volunteers on The Coffee Hour (10/26 at 9 a.m.). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

LCEF ANNOUNCES 40-MONTH NOTE AT 4%:

To celebrate 40 years of partnership in ministry, Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) introduces a 40-month term note that pays 4% interest. It is available for a limited time. The minimum investment is \$500 while the maximum amount one may invest is \$40,000 (spouses may invest separately). The offer is for new funds only (no transfers from existing LCEF accounts). This is being offered to raise \$100 million in additional capital to assist in meeting LCEF’s loan demand. Ministries are expanding around the world. LCEF wants to help those ministries grow! This offer will expire once the \$100 million goal is achieved, so be to take advantage of this opportunity soon. You may visit www.lcef.org/40month to print an application or see the bulletin board. If you have questions, please call LCEF at 800-843-5233.

STUDENT EXCHANGE HOST NEEDED:

Would you host a foreign exchange student for 3 or 4 months during the 2018-2019 school year? The Red Bud Rotary Club is seeking two families who live in Red Bud school district to host a high school student for January through mid April and mid-April through mid-July. Please contact Dian Keil at 618-604-2284 or dian1212@live.com for more information.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

Thank you for supporting “Volley for a Cause.” The COS Volleyball team will be playing in Regionals on October 22 at Steeleville vs. First Baptist at 6:00 p.m.

Help us promote COS: Stop by COS and pick up a free yard sign to put in your yard or business.

“Fun” Raiser Game Night: Join us on Friday, November 9 from 4-8:30 in the mezzanine for a family game night. Learn a new board game or bring your favorite. We will provide sloppy joes and beverages. Bring a snack to share. Come when you can and stay until you need to leave. Please RSVP to 618-853-7300 by 11/5 so we know how much food to have ready. This is a “fun”raiser – no charge.

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.

Calling Thrivent Members: If you are a member of Thrivent and are willing to help COS at no cost to you, please consider organizing or participating 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 Stephanie Valleroy

First Grade – Rachel Miller

Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Lauri Koen

Fourth Grade– Bill Becker (Librarian) and Cindy Nebel (Before/After School Care)

Fifth Grade - Darlene Letcher

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan

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 Schilling, Patricia Brewer, Monica Kunkel, Kristi Martel and Courtney Schoenbeck

Church Council

Chairman: Gary Buatte Vice-Chairman: Dale Krack

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Lutheran High School Board: Lisa Quinn and Kathy Valleroy

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher: Pastor Russell Koen Sunday Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel

Organist and Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

(5 p.m.) Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried Acolyte: Sophie Heller

(8:00 a.m.) Greeters: Kalin and Kathy Liefer; Loren Harms & Lois Mesnarich

Acolyte: Isaac Moll

(10:30 a.m.) Greeters: Ron and Donna Burgdorf Acolyte: Owen Liefer

Instrumentalists: Jonathan Hudak and Brandon Nehrt

Flower Servers: Tammy Herman and Carol Stoll

Chancel Paraments: Flo Zschiegner Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost 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!

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).

THE BIRDHOUSE VERSION OF OUR CHURCH BUILDING:

The Rotary Club of Red Bud is pleased to include St. John's Lutheran Church as part of their second series of Red Bud collectible mini birdhouses. These birdhouses are approximately 3.5" x 3.5" x 5". Other buildings in this new series are: Market-On-Main, Ziebold Building and Kutting Edge. The Birdhouses are \$27.50 each or the collection of all 4 or combination of any 4 is \$100. All profits from this fundraiser are used to fund the Rotary Club of Red Bud's local and international projects. To order a St. John's one for \$25, call our office or for a complete set of the four call Dian Keil at 618-604-2284 or email birdhouse62278@outlook.com.

"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!

ELDER ZONES FOR 2018: (Chairman, Gerald Hanebutt)

- Zone 1: Deborah Adams thru Rodie Collins- Elder Ron Kunkelmann
- Zone 2: Susan Conboy thru Dennis/Kathy 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 Lanie Pensoneau- 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

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

ESTATE FUND ASSISTANCE:

Our Estate Fund Committee has money available to assist with the Christian Education of St. John's members who are pursuing a church professional career and attending one of our seminaries or Concordia universities, as well as money to help those who attending a Lutheran high school. Please realize that this help is available as you consider your career and educational choices.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP:

The Alzheimer's Support Group meets in the ground floor auditorium of Red Bud Regional Hospital on Thursday, at 6:30 p.m. Program Facilitator Kathy Schmidt and will present "." Refreshments will be served. Call Julie at 282-5456 for more information.

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!

DONOR TILE WALL IN THE NEW GYM LOBBY:

There are a few 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.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE:

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

BUILDING KEYS:

Anyone who had a reason to have keys for our church or school buildings in the past but does not have a reason to have those keys any longer, please return them to our office so that those who now do need a key can be issued one.

CHURCH LIBRARY:

"Joyfully Lutheran" is in The Book Nook of the Fellowship Hall. It is a message to the Church about the challenges we face and how we are to face them. It is authored by our LCMS president, Dr. Matthew Harrison. Pick up a book, take it home to read, and bring it back. We are on the honor system here at St. John's!
+Check our website under the Media tab for Bible studies that you can do on your own. The topics so far are Angels, Cremation, Christian Citizenship, The Justice of God, Haggai, Purses, Was Jesus a Vegetarian?, Baptism Q & A, Discussing Homosexuality, Word Dwellers, Heaven, God's Will in the Lives of His People, Communications Skills, Having the Right Attitude, Live By the Spirit, Malachi, Philemon, and more to come!