

This Week With Our Lord, October 7-14, 2018

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

SUNDAY, October 7-

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
Noon Senior Youth meeting in the church basement

Monday, October 8- No School! Columbus Day

7:00 p.m. Choir practice at school

Tuesday, October 9- Cross Country at Fort de Chartres

9:30 a.m. Holy Communion Service at Red Bud Care Center
12:30 to 3:00 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Board of Education meeting in the school library

Wednesday, October 10-

8:30 a.m. School Chapel service at church
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Quilting at church
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
3:30 p.m. 6th-8th Grades Public School Confirmation
11:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting
3:30 p.m. Cross Country OVC Meet at Randolph County Lake
6:30 p.m. Family of Faith Fall Fellowship in the new gym
8:00 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Deuteronomy)

Thursday, October 11-

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)
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
7:00 p.m. Men's Club gathering at Lieferbrau

Friday, October 12- Pastor Nebel in Concordia; End of First Quarter

Field trips for Grades 3, 5, 6, 7 & 8
6- 10 p.m. 7th Grade Class Wine Pairing

Saturday, October 13- Class of 2019 Cosmic Bowling fundraiser

5:00 p.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Hannah Schoenbeck
Greeters: Virginia and Mark Moeller

SUNDAY, October 14-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service Acolyte: Carlyne Mulherin
Greeters: Wil and Martha Krick; Cindy Steele & Olivia Schmitz
9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible Classes; Sunday School classes at school
10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Aubrey Piel
Greeters: Bob and Arlene Pratt; Omer and Neva Liefer

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.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Mark 10:6 – “But from the beginning of creation ...” In recent years, our country, along with most all the (formerly) Christian nations of Europe, has lost its way when it comes to marriage. We have ignored the fact that it is God who created us. We always go off the tracks when we forget that He made us and that everything good in this world comes from His hand. In big things and in small things, in the life of a nation or the life of an individual, things go dreadfully wrong when we ignore the Creator's instructions for life.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 380; Communion: 268; Adults/Youth: 46; Sunday School: 55

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: 9/30- No report. Our expenses over income are \$120,824 through August. The offerings in August were our lowest month in over four years. Our outstanding financial liabilities are \$1,270,425. *"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)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

+We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of St. John's member Edna Voss who died in the Lord on Sunday at the age of 91 years and received her Christian burial here on Thursday. Thanks be to God for His gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

+We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of St. John's member Edward Schneider who died in the Lord on Wednesday at the age of 90 years and received his Christian burial here on Saturday. Thanks be to God for His gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

CONGRATULATIONS:

+God has blessed Dak and Allison (Deterding) Rainey with the birth of a son, Logan Thomas, on September 26 at Memorial East Hospital. He joins his older brothers Connor and Alexander at home. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

+God has blessed Joshua and Melissa (Bollinger) Cheek with the birth of a son, Witten Clyde Walter, on Wednesday at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. He joins his older sisters Amelia and Alexa at home. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

Life is a precious gift. Guest speaker, Rev. Perry Hart warns against our culture's devaluation of life and calls us to see ourselves and others as precious people, created by God, redeemed by Christ. Listen to "God Created" (Genesis 1:27) on KFYO 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).

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL:

+”Moses and the Burning Bush”- While in His holy presence God had Moses remove the sandals from his feet. To bring us into the holy presence of our heavenly Father, His own Son Jesus Christ removes our sins from us. *How does Jesus make us holy in God's sight?*

+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).

+*Perfect Attendance for first four Sundays:* Nursery- Brewer Krick, Liza Wagner; Pre-Kdg.- Cassidy Palm, Henry Schnepel; Kdg.- Holden Wagner, Jackson Neff, Lauren Mehring, Maybre Falkenhain; 1st grade- Jozlynn Palm, Aubrey Kiefer; 2nd Grade- Carson Bowles, Caleb Klausung; 3rd Grade- Mallory Arbeiter, Josef Biffar, Sydney Kassing, Karleigh Liefer, Kade Liefer, Norah Wagner; 4th Grade- Emily Bowles; 5th- Noah Kassing; 6th Grade- Connor Jordan, Karson Liefer, Daniel Stapleton; 7th Grade- Hannah Schoenbeck; 8th- Grade- Ashton Liefer, Simone Liefer. Thank you for your participation and faithfulness!

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.

JUNIOR YOUTH EVENT:

On Saturday, October 20, all 4th-8th graders are invited to Eckert's Fun Farm in Millstadt. We will meet at the school and leave at 9 a.m., returning to the school at 2 p.m. The cost is \$13 for admission, plus additional money for lunch, snacks, and a pumpkin. Drivers may be needed. Please RSVP on the event page on the Junior Youth Facebook page or text/call Jennifer Roscow at 618-972-5366. Please also contact Jennifer with any questions or concerns.

SENIOR YOUTH:

Our Senior Youth Group is purchasing tickets to Six Flags for Saturday, Oct 27. To buy tickets for this day using the group rate of \$35, contact Susie Harms right away by text or call 618-201-5654. Also, they are 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.

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

Sundays from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Tour the Luther sites in Germany for free from the comfort of the Fellowship Hall with Rick Steves' "Land of Luther" video

Sundays 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)

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE THIS WEEKEND:

Today is LWML Sunday! There is a door collection for Lutheran Braille Workers Sight Ministries Center in Baldwin for supplies to produce books for the visually impaired, giving God's Word to people around the world. The Sight Ministry Center has produced 17,800 books in English and Spanish.

FAMILY OF FAITH FALL FELLOWSHIP (formerly the first, now the 2nd):

We will gather in the new gym this Wednesday, October 10, from 6:30 – 8 p.m. for performances by our school cheerleaders, a song from our students, a scrimmage of both our girls' and boys' basketball teams, and presentations from our pastors and principal. Refreshments will be provided. This activity is for our entire congregation.

FLU SHOT CLINIC:

The Randolph County Health Department will host a Walk-In Flu Shot Clinic at our school on Thursday, October 18th from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Everyone age six months and older can receive flu vaccine. A parent or guardian needs to complete and sign a consent form for those under 18 and provide a check for the amount of the vaccine. The regular flu vaccine is available for those ages three and older. Pediatric vaccine is available for those age six months to three years. The high-dose vaccine is a choice for those ages 65 and older to receive.

TEMPORARY PRESCHOOL AIDE NEEDED:

Preschool needs an aide in the classroom on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8–11 during Ms. Otto's maternity leave. If you are interested in working in the Preschool classroom for 6-8 week beginning October 10 please contact the school office (618-282-3873) or Mrs. Cindy Steele (618-444-8395)

EPISTLES:

The October newsletter, *The Epistle*, is available in paper copy in the entryway, on our website and by email to those for whom Pastor Nebel has an address.

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.

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!

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!:

10/8- Carol Stoll, Adam Guebert, Startina Heller, Felix Aubuchon; 10/9- H. Edward Liefer, Floyd Lautenschlaeger, Bart Miller, Matthew Burmester; 10/10- Rick Horrell, Chuck LaChance, Bryce Donjon, Grant Krack; 10/11- Mary Ann Weber, Richard Roehrkasse, Wayne Schmitz, Garon Schnepel, Laurie Wright, Katie Harms; 10/12- Omer Liefer, Betty Schmitz, Lenny Colbert, Doug Zschiegner, Elizabeth Moll; 10/13- Louis Gerlach, Kevin Shevlin, Susan Shevlin, David Fuhrhop, Cole Stenzel, Max Diewald, Melayna Crafton. *Please call with corrections!*

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY CONFINED IN-HOME:

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

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.

UPCOMING DINNERS:

+Immanuel Lutheran Church in Waterloo will hold its annual Wurstmarkt & Country Store on Sunday, October 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children ages 5-12. Pre-orders for meat from Lehr's Meat Market in New Athens can be made by calling 939-6480. All proceeds will be donated to Eric and Linda Funke, missionaries to Tanzania.

+The Annual Fried Chicken Dinner at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ruma is on Sunday, October 7, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. We look forward to serving you!

+Grace Lutheran Church, Uniontown, MO will host a Whole Hog Sausage Supper (all-you-can-eat) on Sunday, October 7, beginning at 3 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-12. There will be a Country Store.

+St. Peter UCC, Red Bud, Spaghetti Dinner, Saturday, October 13, 4-7 p.m.; \$11 for adults; \$4 for ages 5-12; Carryouts and Country Store are available.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE NATIONAL CONFERENCE:

“From Age to Age the Same”: Immanuel Lutheran Church, Olivette, Missouri, October 12-13. The cost for adults is \$100 (\$125 after 9/25) and \$25 for children ages 6-12. Register at www.lutheransforlife.org/conference.

“BREW IN THE LOU”:

Home brewers, chili kings, sausage lovers, vendors, consumers...everyone is welcome at the 6th annual Brew in the Lou, October 13 from 1-5 p.m. at Francis Park to benefit Lutheran Elementary School Association’s 35 member Schools serving 8,800 students and 500 faculty members. For more information, please visit <https://lesastl.org/home/6th-annual-brew-lou/> or call 314-200-0797. Our local Lieferbrau will be a featured vendor.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND ASSISTANCE:

A Pasta Dinner for Kate Snyder, daughter-in-law of St. John’s member Eunice Snyder, will be held at Salem Lutheran School Gym (5190 Parker Road, Florissant, MO 63033) on Friday, October 19 at 6 p.m. A free-will offering will be taken. Kate 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 a nursing home, insurance has denied further care. She is too young for Medicare. Private pay at a nursing home is expensive. To return home safely, she needs our help to cover costly medical devices, home modifications, a specialized wheelchair and supplies. Please pray for her and donate if you are able to at <https://www.gofundme.com/care-for-kate>. Thanks!

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 Rich Man and Lazarus, Coveting, Martin Luther on Isaiah, Moses and the Burning Bush and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis or listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org.

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, hear from "He Restores My Soul" authors Deaconess Kristin Wassilak and Heather Smith on The Coffee Hour (10/9 & 10/11 at 9:15 a.m.), continue studying the book of Job on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and explore a curious theological topic on Cross Defense with Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller and his guest (10/8 at 2:00 p.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfue.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

Volleyball: Our next home game is our homecoming game on October 11 at 6 p.m. vs. Christian Fellowship. On October 19 we will host First Baptist for “Volley for a Cause” to benefit Siteman Cancer Center at 6 p.m. Cheer on the Soldiers at one or both games!
Fall Flights NASP Style Archery Fun Shoot: COS is hosting a fun Archery Tournament on Saturday, October 27 beginning at 9 a.m. The competition is open to children from fourth grade to adults. Prizes will be awarded. Archers can register by following the link at coslhs.org. The cost for archers is \$10. Admission for spectators is \$3/adult, \$2/students and free for those under five. Concessions will be available.
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.



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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 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 Guttman, 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 and Liturgist: Pastor Russell Koen

Organist and Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

(5 p.m.) Greeters: Harold and Deb Siegfried Acolyte: Addi Dilley

(8:00 a.m.) Greeters: Milton and Mary Ann Weber; Clyde and Kathy Rowold

Acolyte: Riley Candler

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

Acolyte: Chase Lucht

Flower Servers: Tammy Herman and Carol Stoll

Chancel Paraments: Flo Zschiegner Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Red Bud, Illinois

The Twentieth 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.

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ST. JOHN'S BUSINESS YELLOW PAGES:

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

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 Cutting 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!

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!

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!

PARISH NURSE NOTE:

LIFE THOUGHTS: *(from Lutherans for Life)*

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.

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.

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. Apply at GodLovesMarriage.org or contact Tom and Kathy Von Behren at vonbeh@sbcglobal.net or 636/343-9453 for more information.