

The Epistle

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**St. John's Lutheran
Red Bud, Illinois**

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Worship: Saturdays at 5 p.m.

Sundays at 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Christian Education Hour:

Sundays from 9:30-10:15 a.m.

We preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, administer the sacraments and provide Christian education in service to all people.

Rev. Mark A. Nebel, Senior Pastor

Rev. Brian Nowak, Associate Pastor

Mrs. Lindsey Hudak, Director of Parish Music

Mr. Justin Palm, Principal

Mr. William Becker, Director of Christian Education

Mrs. Amanda Falkenhain, Daycare Director

From Lutheran Hour Ministries

"What Are You Afraid Of?" By Dr. Kari Vo

Romans 8:31-39 - What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the One who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, "For Your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

I think all of us harbor secret terrors in our minds—things we try not to think about, because they frighten us

so badly. I have a special horror of not being able to breathe, probably due to my asthma. For others it will be different—spiders or public speaking, heights or a particular disease. Still others dread evils from the past—abuses from childhood, attacks and crimes, the horror of war.

These fears can be amazingly powerful. And yet, even against them, St. Paul tells us that "in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us"—that is, through Jesus our Savior. Why? Is it because we will never feel those fears again? *Hardly*. That would take a miracle for most of us, and we are still human and far from perfect as we wait for Jesus' second coming. Is it because none of those things will ever happen to us? That, too, is something God doesn't guarantee—just look at what happened to the apostles!

Then what does the apostle Paul mean? Simply that none of these things, terrifying as they are, can separate us from Jesus our Life, who died and rose to make us His own. Whether the evils we fear happen to us or not, Jesus will not allow those things to destroy us. We may suffer greatly, we may even die—but we will not be ripped out of Jesus' hands. Nothing the world can do to us will make Jesus turn away from us or stop loving us. Nothing can destroy us so thoroughly that He cannot restore us; nothing can shame or defile us to the point that He will stop loving us. Whatever comes to us, Jesus holds us in the palm of His hand; and He will raise us at the Last Day, victorious and joyful with Him, healed and well and whole again.

Then what? Life with Him and all His people forever in His kingdom, where "death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4b). Jesus remains forever. And us with Him.

WE PRAY: Dear Savior, when I am terrified, help me to lean on You, knowing You will never desert me. Amen.

Your Pastors' Ponderings

We have been hearing from the Apostle Paul's letter to the Romans in the New Testament as our Epistle readings this summer. Lately, the readings have been from chapter 8, as we heard this last Sunday in July. I believe, and I'm not the only one, that this is the best chapter in the Bible. It has all that we need to know for Christian life and salvation. So, when the time comes that some earthly authority comes to take our Bibles away from us, tear out the page that has Romans 8 and hide it in your back pocket. Better yet, make it a personal challenge to memorize it.

I received a very nice note in the mail today with a donation to our congregation. I will leave the names out of it, but this person said that one of our “church members extended a kindness to me and I wish to pay it forward. Please accept this token of my appreciation in the name of _____. Perhaps it could help someone.” We may never know the good we do in Jesus’ name and how sincerely another person will appreciate it, but others do “see your good deeds and (will) glorify God on the day of His visitation” (1st Peter 2:12).

Thank you for all you do in your family, for your neighbors and in your community to show and share Christ with others in words and works!

Your servant in Christ, Pastor Mark Nebel

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Greetings in the most precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

It’s amazing how time seems to just fly by. It’s hard to believe that in just a couple of weeks, the children and teachers will be returning to start another school year. A quick update on our family. Heather is looking forward to starting her new job as the Preschool Teacher here at St. John’s (taking over for Cindy Steele who retired). She looks forward to teaching at St. John’s and also looks forward to the much shorter commute. Taylor will continue to work for St. John’s before and after-school care where she enjoys working with the children. Taylor is interested in following in her mom’s footsteps and is looking into studying to be a preschool teacher. Matthew will be a Senior (I can’t believe it) at Red Bud High School. Matthew is looking forward to continuing to be a part of the [Red Bud MUSKETEERS Bass Club](#). Lilly will start her sophomore year at Red Bud High School. She is looking forward to continuing to be a part of the school band, although she will miss Mr. Junge. As for me, as I begin my third year in ministry, I look forward to seeing what new and exciting things the Lord has in store.

A lot has happened over the last couple of months. It is only right that we take time to thank the Lord for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us. Find a nice, quiet, and peaceful spot, have a seat, and stop. Even if just for a couple of minutes. Stop and reflect on all the Lord has done and continues to do for you and your family. Admire everything around us that the Lord has created. He created it for us to enjoy because of His great love for us. Take a moment and say a prayer of Thanksgiving to Him. It’s the least we can do.

As we begin a new school year, look for the positives. We gain some of the structure and routines that

we have lost over the summer. As you start to rebuild that structure that was lost, I want to challenge you to add one thing to your structure. I want to challenge you to add time with God into your structure. This could be reading a daily devotional, reading from the Bible, reading and having a family Bible study, etc. There are many possibilities. It could be a short amount of time each day or a longer amount of time once a week. Whatever you choose, hold yourself accountable or have a partner to help you with this, someone that can keep you on track.

If I can be of any assistance, please feel free to give me a call, email, or stop by the office. I would love to help you. I have a wealth of books at home that you may borrow, as long as you promise to return them. Feel free to use me as a resource.

God’s blessings to you all on your days and weeks ahead and especially on the new school year,

Associate Pastor Brian Nowak

A Musical Moment from our Director of Parish Music

Greetings! I hope everyone has had a wonderful, enjoyable, and (hopefully!) at least somewhat relaxing summer! Now that August is here, it is time to put preparations for the new school year on the front burner!

I would like to use this opportunity to sincerely thank everyone who has shared their musical talents this summer with the congregation in weekend worship services! From the Perry County Lutheran Chorale, to the Summer Singers, to the soloists/instrumentalists, it has been beautiful “music to my ears!” All glory to God!

Often people ask me, “Since school is out during the summer, how do you keep busy?” Even though the work slows down during the summer months, I can always find something to do! In addition to playing the weekend worship services and scheduling musicians, summer is a time of playing “catch-up” while simultaneously making preparations for the new year. There is choir/bell/chime music to sort and file, lesson plans to review and make improvements as needed, storage and personal workspaces that need cleaning/organizing, new music selections to be rehearsed, VBS songs to learn and teach, and various other odds and ends!

I am looking forward to starting up the new school year with teaching Grades K-8, planning/directing school programs, and starting up Adult Choir and Bell Choir! If I can be of any service to you or your family, don't hesitate to reach out! May God bless you all in the last remaining weeks of summer and as we begin a new school year in His name! In Christ, *Mrs. Lindsey Hudak*

Recorders And Flutophones

Do you have an old recorder/flutophone sitting around gathering dust? Please “recycle” it by giving it to Mrs. Hudak! She will wash, sanitize, and re-use them for her 3rd and 4th grade music classes for the upcoming school year. Flutophones and recorders need to be in good condition (no chips, breaks, or teeth marks please!), but do NOT need to be in their original packaging. Please turn any flutophones and recorders into the office. Thank you!

From Your Director of Christian Education

I bring greetings from the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This is where I will be from July 29-August 3. I will be serving as an advisory delegate for the Southern Illinois District as a Commissioned Minister. My family will join me on August 3 as we attend a wedding, see a Brewers ballgame, and worship at former St. John’s member Rev. Todd Liefer’s church in Hales Corner, Wisconsin.

August is also the time for back to school. Sunday school teachers will meet on Monday, August 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the school’s library to begin making plans for the new school year. Rally Day will be held Sunday, August 20 starting at 9:30 a.m. We will gather in the new gym and weather permitting we will be outside for fun and snacks.

I invite all students in grades four through eight, families, and congregation members to a fun night at Grizzlies stadium on Saturday, August 12. Game time is 6:45 p.m. and lawn seating tickets are only \$10. Please RSVP by Monday, August 7 to me at 618-282-2958.

On August 13 St. John’s Lutheran Daycare will be celebrating 20 years of serving the community. The current 8th grade class of 2024 will have a BBQ fundraiser. The menu will include hamburgers, hot dogs, pork steaks, brats, sides of mac & cheese, baked beans, potato salad, and chips. Drinks will be available for purchase. There will be dining in or carryouts available.

Students are also invited to sing “God Bless America” on Friday, August 18 at Busch Stadium. Tickets are \$30. Please contact Beth Kilpatrick at 618-318-0286 for tickets benefiting the Class of 2025 (current 7th grade).

Speaking of back to school, I will teach fourth grade reading and sixth and seventh grade science again this year. I will teach the Public School sixth grade students confirmation class on Wednesdays starting August 23 at 3:30 p.m. in my classroom room 103. A letter to the students that are in this class has been mailed.

Our school year theme is from Matthew 6:33, “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” *DCE Bill Becker*



Fifteen students enjoyed Mr. Becker’s Lego/STEAM camp held at St. John’s in the mornings from July 10-14.

From the Principal’s Pen

Our school enrollment will be slightly lower than last year. We had a class of 27 students graduate in the spring and a small number of students moved or transferred to area schools. However, we will have several new students but a smaller than average sized Kindergarten enrollment. Our numbers look good but will be down slightly.

Also, I am happy our faculty and staff are returning with the new addition of Kristin (Liefer) Satchleben who grew up in this school and congregation and will teach math to 5th, 7th, and 8th grade. Also becoming part of the St. John’s faculty family is Heather Nowak. She will teach our preschool classes this year. Both of these ladies already have been busy at school. Their classrooms are looking wonderful. Neither of them officially starts until August so what a blessing it is to have two hard-working and dedicated teachers joining a staff that already has those characteristics. I am looking forward to this new school year. I am a little less nervous about it than last, though my first year as principal was a great blessing thanks to all the students, parents, and members of the congregation who have helped and/or encouraged me. Thank you all and I will work my very hardest to fulfill my mission to you here at St. John’s

A very large thank you to Bob Schramm and Will Krick who have been doing a fantastic job of making sure all areas of the school are ready for our August 10th Southern Illinois District Day of Spiritual Renewal. They have gone above and beyond helping our physical facilities to look their best. Wayne Schmitz has also led a group that re-stripped the school’s parking lot. These areas look great. We are blessed to have wonderful facilities and thank all those who have helped to maintain them in anyway so we can put our best foot forward when many of the (SID) Southern Illinois District schools visit St. John’s on August 10. *May the Lord bless you, Mr. Justin Palm*

Welcome to Our Family of Faith

July 29 Baptism of Kennedy Suzanne Moll

July 30 Baptism of Briggs Michael Seibold

We Bid a Fond Farewell

July 10 Release of Cameron Harms

August Servers

Flowers: Pam Miller and Kortney Moll

Paraments: Virginia Moeller Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Sunday School Information

Mon, Aug. 7, 6 p.m. Teachers meeting in school library

Sun., August 20, 9:30 a.m. Rally Day activities at school

Sun., August 27, 9:30 a.m. First day of classroom lessons

Sunday, September 3, 9:30 a.m. All Ages class in the FH

Evening Guild News

Mission Project Day: On Monday, August 7 at 9:00 a.m. we invite everyone to help with this worthwhile project, young and old. No experience is necessary to assemble and tie quilts for mission projects. We will work from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. and again 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Plan to work an hour or at your convenience.

‘Desserts’: St. John’s Evening Guild has been asked to make desserts for our Southern Illinois District’s Day of Spiritual Renewal on Thursday, August 10th. We need everyone’s help! Please bring a dessert, already sliced for easy serving. Please deliver this to the school kitchen between 11:00 a.m. and noon Thursday morning. We are expecting to host 175 teachers and pastors in attendance.

Mark your calendar for September 19 at 6:30 p.m. We are inviting all women of St. John’s and their guests for a “Salad Supper.” Our guest speaker will be Janel Kassing. She will share stories from her trip to visit the Queen of Malaysia this summer.

Men’s Club

St. John’s Men’s Club will meet on Thursday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. at Lion’s Club Park pavilion. The evening will start with a BBQ meal. All men of St. John’s are invited to attend.

Senior Youth

Our Senior Youth is selling greeting cards (all occasions) for \$1. Cards are on display in the Fellowship Hall. We are using an honor system for payment. A money box is next to the card display. We also have full boxes of greeting cards for sale. They cost \$30 for 30 cards and a lovely storage box. *Stephanie & Kirk Liefer*

Welcome Back to School!



St. John’s Estate Fund Committee sponsored a cookout for the students and families of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis on Friday, July 14. Our seminary fieldworker Lucas Fraunhoffer is on the committee for this weekly summer event on the seminary campus. Pastor and Cindy Nebel and Joan Ruwald attended on behalf of St. John’s. Many of the seminary students expressed their thanks for our sponsorship of this event.

Adopt A Flower Bed

Dear school and church families, we are looking for individuals small groups who wish to "adopt" a section of our landscaping at school or church. There is no cost to this except the sweat effort of keeping that section of landscaping free of weeds. If you are interested, please call the school office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. any weekday. We will recognize your efforts with a sign within that landscape section naming your group or family. Thank you to the five groups that already have claimed a spot. *Mr. Justin Palm*

Older Adult Lutheran Heritage Bus Trip

On Tuesday, October 3, seniors will have the opportunity to travel on a Coach Bus (Huskey-Trailways) to Perry County, Missouri, and learn about Lutheran immigration from Germany to America. At 7 am, the bus will pick up passengers at St. Paul Lutheran Church-Hamel, 7:45 am, the Water Tower at St. Clair Square in Fairview Heights, and 8:30 am at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Columbia. While traveling to Frohna and Altenburg, Missouri, Mr. Bob Polasky, Executive Director of Camp Wartburg will lead us in Bible Study. The first stop will be at the Lutheran Heritage Center and Museum, Altenburg, which was constructed in 2005. The Museum interprets the 1838-39 Lutheran immigration from Germany to Perry County, MO, including the history of the seven original colonies that were established here. Besides the Museum you could take a short walk and tour the 1839 Log Cabin-Concordia Seminary birthplace, and Christian Loeber Cabin. Registration forms are on the bulletin boards in the church entryway.

Secret Angels

Secret Angels serve our 8th grade students (day school and public school confirmation) by praying for their students and encouraging them in their studies with regular notes and small gifts and occasional (e.g. birthday, Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day) larger gifts.

You will be given a Secret Angel Information Form that the students will complete once school has begun so you will know their interests and likes. Please contact Pastor Nebel if you are willing to serve in this way. Also, do not contact your student until after Pastor has given you your information form.

Secret Angels will be revealed to their students at the Rite of Confirmation (tentatively scheduled for April 7).

Hosts Needed For International Students At RBHS

Several exchange students coming to the area have requested to be placed with Lutheran families. Please consider hosting a boy or girl from Finland or South Korea. Host families provide room & board. Students cover all other expenses. For information, contact Tisha LaNae Daech at tdaech@icesusa.org or 618-447-5915.

Financial Need For Medical Treatment

St. John's member and recent Red Bud High School graduate Ashlynn Crafton is battling leukemia. We can provide some financial assistance for her treatments at her GoFundMe account <https://gofund.me/3579ba87> or at an account set up with Buena Vista National Bank Account #272745. Thanks for helping her during this trying time.

Website Bible Studies

Bible studies topics under the Media tab of our website www.stjohnsredbud.org are Amen, Angels, Antichrist, Apostles, Apostolic Preaching of the Resurrection, , Baptism Q & A, Church & Homosexuality, Communications Skills, Cremation, Christian Citizenship, Discussing Homosexuality, End of the World, Eternal Election and Predestination, Fear or Faith? Terror or Trust? Worldly Worry or Christian Living, God's Will in the Lives of His People, Haggai, Having the Right Attitude, Heaven, The Justice of God, Justification and Sanctification, Islam, Live By the Spirit, Malachi, Meditation, Philemon, Purses, The Resurrection in Revelation, Was Jesus a Vegetarian?, and Word Dwellers.

Casey's Rewards

Cash for Classrooms- When you shop at Casey's using its rewards program you can donate your points to our St. John's school. Thank you!

Acolyte Schedule

Sat. July 29 5 p.m. Joey Biffar
Sun. July 30 8 a.m. Eve Schwartzkopf
10:30 a.m. Lucas McCarthy

Sat. August 5 5 p.m. Mallory Arbeiter
Sun. August 6 8 a.m. Carson Bowles
10:30 a.m. Colin Korando

Sat. August 12 5 p.m. Colt Hess
Sun. August 13 8 a.m. Carson Moll
10:30 a.m. Lilly Meyer

Sat. August 19 5 p.m. Colby Voss
Sun. August 20 8 a.m. Liam Kilpatrick
10:30 a.m. Karleigh Liefer

Sat. August 26 5 p.m. Landon Ruebusch
Sun. August 27 8 a.m. Brooke Wolter
10:30 a.m. Norah Wagner

If you are not able to serve when scheduled, please switch with another acolyte and contact our office with the change. Thanks!

Worship Greeters

Sat. July 29 5 p.m.
Sun. July 30 8 a.m. Lisa Quinn
10:30 a.m. Ron and Donna Burgdorf

Sat., August 5 5 p.m. Stanley and Lynn Langrehr
Sun. August 6 8 a.m. Roger and Peggy Hanebutt
10:30 a.m. Jim and Judy Guebert

Sat. August 12 5 p.m. Virginia and Mark Moeller
Sun. August 13 8 a.m. Kalin and Kathy Liefer
10:30 a.m. Ron and Diane Kunkelmann

Sat. August 19 5 p.m. Stanley and Lynn Langrehr
Sun. August 20 8 a.m. Cindy Steele and Olivia Schmitz
10:30 a.m. Gerald and Jill Hanebutt

Sat. August 26 5 p.m. Virginia and Mark Moeller
Sun. August 27 8 a.m. Clyde and Kathy Rowold
10:30 a.m. Ken and Karen Wetzel

We need a person or couple to serve as greeters in the 8 a.m. service and one or two people or one couple to serve as greeters for the 5th Saturday of the month (4x a year). The only qualifications, requirements, expectations and duties are to stand for about 15 minutes once a month, smile and say "Good evening/morning" to people as they enter the church. In other words, you can do this!

The Prayer Chain

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at dvheller@htc.net or 618/521-7417. Call our office 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).

Attention Coffee Drinkers

We are part of Community Coffee's program, "Cash for Schools." Clipping the proof of purchase off packages of ground coffee and/or K cups earns our school rewards. You can drop off proof of purchases at the school office. Thank you for using this program to benefit our school.

Music CDs Available

St. John's member Joan Voges offers music CDs from her Lilyfields Collection to us for a donation to our school's ministry. All of her Lilyfield CDs are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall for a \$10 donation to our school ministry. Former St. John's member Bryan Perdue has made his latest CD of music, "Freely Given, Freely Received," available for us to purchase. The \$10 will be used for our congregation's Debt Reduction. They are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

LCMS Foundation

Ron and Sally put an estate plan together thirty years ago. Just recently, they began reviewing this plan, with the help of their LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, getting them ready to go to their attorney for updates.

One evening over dinner, Sally said to Ron, "You know, I've been thinking about our plan. Thirty years ago when we put it together, we didn't spend much time talking with each other about what was on our hearts. We certainly didn't pray about it. We just got it done before we left on our trip to Europe. I feel differently this time."

Ron responded, "I am glad to hear you say that because I have been feeling the same way. I want to aim our ministry gift to the scholarship fund in our church's endowment. The school is where our congregation connects with new families. Every year, dozens of new people are being baptized because of the school."

Sally said, "I couldn't agree more. Can we pray about those families that will be touched in the future through the nurturing, loving, environment of our school?" They prayed. They wept. They found strong encouragement to do their work and adjust their estate plans.

Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor Scott Radden can help you. Contact him by cell phone at 618-977-4049 or email at Scott.Radden@LFND.org.

Confirmation Instruction for Public School Students in Grades 6-8 will begin on Wednesday, August 23, 3:30-4:30 p.m. in our school building.

6th Grade: Mr. Becker in Classroom 103
7th Grade: Pastor Nowak in Office Conference Room
8th Grade: Pastor Nebel in the Science/Art room

Midweek Bible Classes

Our midweek Bible classes are Wednesday Morning (9:30 a.m.) Women ("Be Still and Know"); Wednesday 7:30 p.m. (2nd Chronicles) and Thursday **7:30 a.m.** (Hosea). That time will change to **7:15 a.m.** on August 17.

Men's Bible Breakfast will not meet this month. We will return to the first and third Saturdays in September as we continue to study the Old Testament book of Proverbs, "God's Ancient Wisdom for Our Modern Living."

LCMS Stewardship

"Define Your Life by How You Give"

Winston Churchill reportedly said that "we make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." Our Lord's life is defined in this way. He gave completely of Himself for us. He became man for us. He taught the truth of God's Word. He healed those with many and various diseases. He died the death that we deserved for our sins. He gave of Himself in order to save us from sin, death and hell. And so it is that by giving completely of Himself, He got for Himself us, making us citizens of His eternal kingdom by grace.

As it was for Jesus, so it also is for us. We get more from giving than we do from simply getting. For giving softens our hearts and frees us from the grip which the worries of this world and making a living has on us. For when we are singularly focused on making a living, we are singularly focused on what we get. That mindset begins to bleed into all areas of our lives — our relationships with friends and family, with neighbors and coworkers, and with the Lord. It shifts our focus from asking the question, "How can I be a friend, family member, neighbor and servant to others," to asking the question, "What have they done for me lately?" We become more selfish instead of selfless.

But when we give, we do not have less, we do not become less; rather, we have more and become more. When we give, we join in the bond of friendship and family, the bond of service to those around us out of love for them. And love is the fulfillment of the Law. It is the nature of God Himself, for God is Love. Thus, we are participating in the divine nature. As Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

August Church and School Calendar

Tuesday, August 1- DCE Bill Becker at synodical convention

6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

7:00 p.m. Kindergarten Parent orientation in cafeteria

Wednesday, August 2-

8:00 a.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (2nd Chronicles)

Thursday, August 3-

7:30 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Hosea)

9:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting

Friday, August 4- Pastor Nebel gone for the weekend

Saturday, August 5-

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

SUNDAY, August 6-

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

9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

10:30 a.m. Divine Service

Monday, August 7-

8:00 a.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

9:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilt Tying Day in the Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Sunday School Teachers' meeting

7:00 p.m. Board of Elders meeting in the Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. 8th grade class meeting for the BBQ

8:00 p.m. Board of Trustees meeting

Tuesday, August 8-

8:00 a.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the science room

6:30 p.m. Board of Parish Education meets in school library

Wednesday, August 9-

9:30 a.m. Office Staff meeting

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

4:00 p.m. Baseball and Softball games at Sparta

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (2nd Chronicles)

Thursday, August 10- SID Day of Spiritual Renewal here

7:30 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Hosea)

9:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

TBD Baseball and Softball games at Marissa Tournament

6:00 p.m. Men's Club gathering with BBQ at Lions Park

Saturday, August 12-

TBD Baseball and Softball games at Marissa Tournament

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

6:45 p.m. Junior Youth at Grizzlies baseball game in Sauget

SUNDAY, August 13- Daycare 20th Anniversary!

8:00 a.m. Divine Service (Teacher Re-dedication)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

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

11:00 a.m. to ? Class of 2024 BBQ fundraiser at school

Noon Senior Youth gathering in church basement hangout

Monday, August 14-

8:00 a.m. Faculty meeting in the school library

4:15 p.m. Baseball vs. PDR; Softball vs. Waterloo Jr. High

Tuesday, August 15-

8:30 a.m. Opening School Chapel service at church

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

1:45 p.m. Early school dismissal

4:15 p.m. Baseball and Softball at Steeleville

6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

Wednesday, August 16-

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

4:15 p.m. Softball B team at Red Bud Catholic

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in Fellowship Hall (2nd Chronicles)

Thursday, August 17-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Hosea)

4:15 p.m. Softball at home vs. Red Bud Catholic

6:00 p.m. Miller/O'Guin wedding rehearsal at church

Friday, August 18-

7:15 p.m. School students sing at Busch Stadium

Saturday, August 19-

1:30 p.m. Maria Miller/Sean O'Guin wedding service

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

SUNDAY, August 20-

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

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Classes and Sunday School Rally Day

10:30 a.m. Divine Service (Alternative)

Monday, August 21-

4:30 p.m. Baseball away at TSJ in Nashville

6:00 p.m. Palmer Music meeting with school parents

7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting in the school library

Tuesday, August 22- Cross Country at IC-Columbia

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

1:30 p.m. Holy Communion at Red Bud Garden Place

4:30 p.m. Baseball at home vs. Holy Childhood, Mascoutah

6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

Wednesday, August 23-

8:30 a.m. Grades 3-8 School Chapel service at church

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

3:30 p.m. Public School Junior Confirmation at church

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in Fellowship Hall (2nd Chronicles)

Thursday, August 24-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Hosea)

4:15 p.m. Softball at home vs. St. John-Chester

Friday, August 25-

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel service in the new gym

Saturday, August 26-

Baseball & Softball B Team tourney here at St. John's

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

SUNDAY, August 27- 8:00 a.m. Divine Service

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

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

Monday, August 28-

3:15 School faculty meeting

4:15 p.m. Baseball and Softball away at Smithton

Tuesday, August 29-

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

4:30 p.m. Baseball and Softball away at Evansville

6:30 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

Wednesday, August 30- Cross Country meet at Chester

8:30 a.m. Grades 3-8 School Chapel service at church

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

3:30 p.m. Public School Junior Confirmation at church

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in Fellowship Hall (2nd Chronicles)

Thursday, August 31-

7:15 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Hosea)

Friday, September 1- No School; LESA Development Day