



# May 2010 Newsletter

## Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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### **To the people of God at Our Redeemer,**

The prominent philosophy of our day, referred to as “post-modern”, has infiltrated and dominates almost every aspect of our culture and society. I believe that it is necessary to understand post-modernism in order to combat its influence on our lives. We need to realize that we no longer live in a Christian culture and that God is being increasingly edged out of our society. For an hour or two each week we use the language of the church and hear the language of the Bible, but during the rest of our week we use the language imposed on us by a world which is hostile to God. There is a unified voice shouting at us from every side that there is no living God as we know Him. We dwell in a society with an increasingly distorted concept of the reality of the One True God.

A major turning point in the history of Western philosophical thought occurred in a single generation between 1680 AD and 1715 AD. This period, called the Enlightenment (also considered the dawn of “Modernism”), is the first time in the history of Christian Europe that a sizable number of educated people denied that the Bible, God, or His Church possessed absolute truth.

It has taken a few hundred years, but the Christian consensus is gone and God’s Word being perceived by the majority as an absolute truth is gone. Gone are the days when a lone individual with the Bible could judge or warn society (and have society listen because of its reverence for the absolute truth of God’s Word). The post-modern world view is that man is autonomous, that is, we are free to judge our own actions and no one has the right to impose their standards or morals on anyone else. Ultimately, modern man wishes to see himself as the creator of his own destiny. The notion of a living God is viewed as a primitive illusion.

The Enlightenment thinkers were cautious of and downright suspicious of anything that comes from tradition, faith, the supernatural, or anything beyond human comprehension. They created a view of the world which initially allowed mentioning God, but eventually God was moved farther away from the center and they created a closed system where God was not allowed or at best was interpreted as the manifestation of mankind’s hopes and concerns. Teachings concerning Christ’s incarnation and resurrection, the Trinity, and miracles quickly became negotiable to many and were totally discarded by others. This mind set became the womb out of which the evolutionary theory was born 100 years later.

Enlightenment thinkers only saw truth in what was understood by human reason. If it was scientifically provable, it was truth. If something could be reasoned out (using liberal Enlightenment presuppositions of reality, of course), there was room for such thought in their conversations. However, if something required any act of God in order to be accomplished, it was treated with great suspicion and doubt. Being “enlightened” required you to be a skeptic. Everything was to be questioned (everything except the fundamental flaws of skeptical

philosophy). Every supposed truth was to be examined as if there were no historical context and the old traditions and teachings must prove their truth or value in order to be retained.

Immanuel Kant defined the Enlightenment era with the famous phrase, “dare to know.” This really defines our culture. The result of mankind’s daring to know is the freedom to make public use of one’s reason or opinion in all occasions. Thus, no tradition, no teaching, not even the divine revelation of God’s Word is hallowed. They determined that all things, especially things concerning God, must be subjected to the criticism of human reason.

Where has all of this “enlightenment” gotten us? Up until 1680 AD, biblical doctrine was not simply taught as a truth, but as *the* one and only truth. Even among the heathen, the living God was typically understood to be alive and well. The typical heathen did not deny there was a God, they merely chose not to honor Him as they should. When we fast-forward to the modern era, we see Time magazine with the infamous cover “God is Dead.” We see the Jesus Seminar, which is a group of so-called theologians who get together and vote on which sayings or miracles of Jesus are real and which were supposedly creations of the early Church.

Christianity has been replaced by the religion of Humanism – secular humanism as it is more properly known. This new dominant religion of our age is defined by three core assumptions: naturalism, anthropocentrism, and scientism.

Naturalism is the belief that there is nothing beyond the material world and is a rejection of the supernatural. God is not the ultimate source of existence, life, and value. Mother nature and the environment are to be loved and respected above any other god, since it is nature which gave us life.

Anthropocentrism is the view that value is relative to what human beings find to be worthwhile in our experiences. Man is the center of all things and the measure of all worth. Something may be valuable to one person but not to another. Therefore, God’s Word may be valuable to one person, but someone else has every right to deem it to be of no value. According to this way of thinking, there is nothing absolutely right or wrong, good or bad, moral or immoral. There are only shades of gray. This is often referred to as relativism. We have all heard the phrase “Everything is relative.” As God’s people, we need to retrain our minds and belief system in order to see that everything is not relative. There are absolutes. There is right and wrong. God has given absolute moral standards that do not change simply because our pagan society wants them to be changed.

A great example of post-modern thought effecting our society and the church is the attempt to justify homosexuality as a legitimate lifestyle. First, any reference to God’s condemnation of this deviant activity or lifestyle (read Romans 1) is declared to be an archaic, outdated, bigoted teaching of an ancient, “unenlightened” church. Then we are told that we have no right to judge someone else. After all, Jesus said, “Judge not lest ye be judged” [Mt. 7:1]. However, if you continue reading Matthew 7, you will quickly see that privately pointing out a brother’s sin or error is to be done for the sake of his benefit -- a teaching which is emphasized in Matthew 18. The truth is that allowing someone to wallow in their sin is a very unloving, uncaring act on our part.

After we in the church have been told that condemnation of certain sins is unloving or uncaring (when the opposite is true), we then come under attack from the third leg of the stool on which rests humanistic philosophy – scientism.

Scientism is the notion that scientific knowledge can be applied to the solution of all problems as well as the testing of all human beliefs and moral judgment. You may not know where, but I would guess that everyone reading this is somewhat familiar with or has heard of the “research” of Dr. Alfred Kinsey. In 1948, Dr. Kinsey published “Sexual Behavior in the

Human Male.” Although many sociologists have shown this study to be very dubious and full of flaws, it remains the basis of most modern sex education curriculums. Dr. Kinsey reached his conclusions by interviewing pedophiles to get information on sexual behavior of children. For learning of sexual activity (homosexuality in particular), Dr. Kinsey primarily interviewed vagrants and runaways – as if this were a representative sample of society. But none of this matters to the supporters of humanistic philosophy and his “research” will never be publicly discredited by the masses because Dr. Kinsey’s “research” concluded that at least 10 percent of all humans are homosexual. Also, his “research” is the basis for the modern scientific claim that homosexuality is a natural state of existence. Any criticism of Dr. Kinsey is met with the charge of bigotry.

In the past 50 years, we have been bombarded from all sides with the notion that homosexuality is natural. Therefore, first we were told that homosexuality is to be tolerated. Then we were told that it is to be considered an equally valid lifestyle. Within the church, clergy and laymen alike were pressured by society to allow homosexuals to remain unrepentant. Then the churches began allowing homosexual pastors to remain in the church if they were “celibate.” Even the ELCA (The Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) has allowed this for years. Now, the ELCA is ordaining openly active gay and lesbian pastors. Many in our society, even those who call themselves Lutheran, look the other way and therefore see nothing wrong, because post-modern thinking suggests that there is no right or wrong.

When taking a hard look at these three principles of humanism, it is easy to see why those outside the church are so eager to defend garbage science like the evolutionary theory even though that theory breaks numerous scientific laws. If God created the universe and gave us life, all three principles of humanism will be shattered. For this reason, the society of critics quickly dismisses any claim of truth about God as embarrassingly ignorant and uneducated or accuses us of arrogance for claiming we are possessors of the one and only truth.

Living in this society and culture brings great pressures upon God’s people. The three most destructive pressures are secularization, privatization, and pluralism.

Secularization is the process in which the church is forced into a continually diminished role in society. It used to be that the church was the center of a town’s activity. Now, the church is an after-thought for most people.

Privatization is the disconnect that people have between public and private lives. We are told that our private lives are places where we are free to do and act as we please, and no one has the right to judge us because there is no absolute right and wrong. This distorted world view is not limited to public officials who defend certain immoral actions because they are a part of their “private life.” For many within the church, there is a tremendous disconnect between the faith publicly professed on Sunday morning and their private actions during the rest of the week.

Privatization has also led to the modern church practice of open communion. Adherence to a doctrinal standard or confession of faith is viewed as an unnecessary roadblock to those who want to be a part of our Christian fellowship. We are led to believe that each person approaching the Lord’s Table has no connection with the others at that Table. The philosophy of today teaches us that history, tradition, and context don’t matter – we can only be sure of the here and now. Therefore, the historical perspective of what it meant to eat with someone else means nothing. In the ancient world, the person at that same table with you is your brother or sister, is forgiven of any wrongs against you, and, understood within the church, has the same confession of faith.

When post-modern philosophy rules the day, the practice of open Communion is allowed because St. Paul’s words of warning can be ignored: “whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup

of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord . . . For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself" [I Cor. 11:27, 29]. Any portion of Scripture can be dismissed as opinion and be simply written off as an archaic tradition or voted out of your Bible like the Jesus Seminar does. The modern "private" faith which allows a person to enter any church of any confession also allows a person to enter no church and worship God in his "own way."

This brings us to pluralism. Pluralization is the process by which the number of options in the private sphere of modern society rapidly multiplies at all levels, especially at the levels of world views, faiths, and ideologies. In other words, in our society, there is room for as many beliefs and views of reality as there are people – your belief is just one of many opinions. Pluralism is the belief or teaching that there are many different "truths", which in reality means there is no real truth. Frederick Nietzsche said, "There is no such thing as truth. There are only opinions." This is the logical end to modern thought – opinion becomes truth for the one who puts forth the opinion. This is why serious debate concerning the things of God is almost impossible today. Creeds, confessions, and standards for interpreting Holy Scripture are almost unknown in American Protestantism.

I don't know how many times I have heard someone say of Lutherans, Catholics, Baptists, etc. "When you get down to it we are all the same." The non-politically correct and proper response would be to say, "No, we are not all the same. Yes, we are all under the banner of the Christian Church, but there are serious problems with the Roman Catholic doctrine of justification – they still officially condemn Martin Luther for saying that we are saved by grace through faith alone, apart from good works. There are serious problems with the numerous protestant church bodies who deny the real presence of Christ in the sacrament, and we are not in altar and pulpit fellowship with them for good reason."

Our pluralistic culture tells us we should all just get along. A few years ago when the ELCA entered into full fellowship with numerous church bodies who deny the real presence of Christ in the sacrament among other errors, the ELCA's official position was to "agree to disagree." That is a slap in the face to St. Athanasius and any other early church leader who fought (and many died) so that errors would not be spread from generation to generation.

I have genuine pity for our brethren in once faithful churches which have strayed away from the Word of God, and I give thanks to God that there are still faithful Christians in those churches in spite of the teachings. The LCMS has not been without trouble or disagreements throughout our history. Remaining faithful to the Word of God is an ongoing struggle, yet the Word and remnant of the faithful remain. We indeed have a "gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love" [Jonah 4:2].

Post-modern philosophy is used by Satan to distract us and make us think that we may need to look elsewhere to find real truth. Pluralism and humanism send the people of this world on a wild goose chase looking for truth – all the while denying that truth even exists. The end result is that the modern world produces a tremendous amount of noise which makes it difficult to hear the voice of the Good Shepherd. When tempted to run off to other teachers because something in God's Word is a "hard teaching" [John 6:60], repeat St. Peter's words: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God" [John 6:68-69].

**In Christ,**  
*Pastor Eden*

## Who's Who at Our Redeemer

President	Larry Ehmen	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2010
Vice-President	Bill Dicks	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2010
Secretary	Wanda Spohr	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2010
Treasurer	Carole Lannerd	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2010
Financial Secretary	Janett Mueller	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2010
Education Board	Becky Lunt	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2011
	Larry Foster	Oct. 2008 – Sep. 2010
	Hannah Ott, S. S. Supt., ex officio	appointed
	Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio	appointed
Board of Elders	Jim Callahan	Oct. 2008 – Sep. 2010
	Jerry Lunt	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2011
	Richard Reichert	Oct. 2008 – Sep. 2010
	Ryan Vaughn	Oct. 2008 – Sep. 2010
	Steve Schoch	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2011
	Terry Morse	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2011
Evangelism Board	Rosie Meyer	Nov. 2009 – Sep. 2010
	Michelle Urbon	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2011
Property Board	Steve Kaiser	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2011
	Bill Humphrey	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2010
Stewardship Board	Connie Louderback	Oct. 2009 - Sep. 2010
	Terry Lannerd	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2011
Youth Ministry Board	Jenna & Josh Crabtree	Oct. 2009 – Sep. 2011
	Melanie Zehnle	Oct. 2008 – Sep. 2010
	Carrie Fischer	Oct. 2008 – Sep. 2010

# Remembering In Our Prayers

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY SERVICES:



Mark and Kari Adams, Mark Borg, Paul Boriack, Aaron DeWerff, Cindy Flesner, Rick Flesner, John Haines, Blake Hemmann, Zach Howerton, Jason Klauser, Jared Lunt, Tyler McCarty, Dan Meyer, Amanda Schwartz, Jeremy Schwartz, Ryan Thruston, Spencer Toner, Marc Troxel, Kristen Vahle, Phillip Weisheit, and Patrick Weppler.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WITH ONGOING HEALTH NEEDS:** Nick Austin, Warren Bingman, Sean Burner, Mary Butler, Max Ellerbrock, Bryce Foster, Joseph Hoebing, Michael Morgan, Nancy O'Neal, Nancy Ott, Cole Schullian, Dean Schulte, Kory Tournear, Kurt and Alissa Ulmer and child, Jacob Weimer, Frank and Kay Weiss, and Vicki Wemhoener

## REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Norma Baird, Dolores Bruenger, Ben Clevenger, Chuck and Maxine Delven, Gloria Douglas, Barbara Ebel, Doreetha Elliott, Ralph Genenbacher, Paul Hagemann, Ruth Holt, Merle Kuntemeier, Bob and Evelyn McGartland, Jacqueline Mickens, Mary Morgan, Marilyn Newman, Sue Patton, Patricia Powers, Dora Rodefeld, LaVora Scoggan, Ike Shaffer, Marietta Sheer, Ruth Sprenger, Lucille Stuffing, Thea Sueltnan, Ida Utterback, Ann Viar, Robert Wemhoener, Wilma Wemhoener, Lucille Wiskirchen

## Keep Our Missionaries in Your Prayers

Our Family in Turkey,  
Apple of His Eye Mission Society,  
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Latvia,  
The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Harlow, Essex, U.K.,  
The Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany,  
Mrs. Alvina Federwitz in Liberia, West Africa,  
Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz and their children in Papua New Guinea,  
Danny and Becca DeLoach and their children in Papua New Guinea,  
Dr. Steve and Mrs. Julie Lutz, home on furlough.

## Our Seminary Students

Concordia Seminary, Saint Louis, MO:



Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN:  
Andrew Dierks, 6600 N. Clinton St. 189, Fort Wayne, IN 46825



## Our Mission

To the glory of God we are SHARING Our Redeemer by ...  
CARING for one another in Christian love and compassion  
ENCOURAGING growth and outreach through worship and Bible study  
BEARING one another's burden's as family

## News & Notes

### **3-Drawer Cart by the Office Steps**

Top Drawer: For Campbell's labels & General Mills box tops for education, HyVee UPCs, County Market brand UPCs, & Tyson A+ labels. They benefit the St. James school library. They can't use the Betty Crocker or the Kool-Aid points though. Thanks!

2<sup>nd</sup> Drawer: For any type used greeting card fronts. Good Samaritan home used them to make things.

3<sup>rd</sup> Drawer: For cancelled stamps for missions. They must be complete stamps.

**Food Bank:** Do you know anyone from our church family or their families who needs the help of our Food Bank? If so contact Cindy Ott at 228-9354 or 430-0301.

**GREETING CARDS** (sponsored by the PLuS group) Be sure to check out the wide variety of assorted greeting cards. You will find birthday (for men, women, and children!,) wedding, sympathy, thinking of you, etc. Each card is only 50 cents.

**Have a little time you could volunteer??** The ORLC Scrip Fund would love for you to help take orders and distribute cards on Saturday evenings or Sunday morning. Please see Tina Vaughn or Melissa Knapp to sign up. **A brief informational meeting will be held TODAY before Bible Class in the basement for those interested.**

**Sunday School Report:** In May we will be collecting for the Our Redeemer Quilters.

**The Voter's unanimously voted** to replace the carpet & tile in the church. If you wish to donate to this project, please mark your donation for **the Building Fund.**

**NOTICE:** The new church email address is: [orlc-quincy@att.net](mailto:orlc-quincy@att.net)

**The PB&J's** from St. James School will sing at the Cardinal-Brewers game on Thurs. July 1, 2010. Tickets are available from St. James or a member of the PB& J's.

**HELP NEEDED:** Thrivent members & their friends are asked to help with the annual postal workers food collection which will benefit our Lutheran food pantries. We will start at 9 a.m. on May 8th. Stay an hour or two or three - whatever works for you! Refreshments, too! Call me at 224-6036 please, so I can organize the routes. See you then!

Thanks for your help for our pantries!

*Wanda Spohr*

**Pastor Troxel appeared on our Synod's radio station**, KFUE, on Wednesday, April 21. He was the guest of host Roland Lettner on his Studio A program. They discussed the resurrection miracles of Jesus. You can listen to it via archive at [www.kfuo.org](http://www.kfuo.org).

**CID Day at the Ballpark** is back again. Tickets are \$26.00 (a \$19.00 discount) and there is a \$6.00 S & H fee. If everyone who wants to go from here orders together, we only have to pay one \$6.00 fee. Let the secretary know @ 223-1769. See the enclosed flyer for details.

**New Member Classes** will start soon. If you or anyone you know is interested in attending classes, please contact Pastor Eden or the secretary @ 223-1769 ASAP. Taking the class does not mean that you must join the church, but gives an understanding of the LCMS beliefs.

**H-E-L-P:** There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex for those "Able Bodied Men" who are needed to take out the pews and put them back once the new flooring is laid. If you can help during the week of June 14-18 please sign up!

**Save May 20<sup>th</sup>** A special dinner and program for the ladies & girls of Our Redeemer and their guests will be presented. Mary Ruth Couch of Edina, MO will present "Ties That Bind", an interesting and entertaining program on aprons. Mary Ruth is a teacher and director of the theater at Scotland County R-1 High School in Memphis, MO. She will bring her collection of 40 different aprons. Those who plan to attend are welcome to bring an apron to share that has special meaning for them. Watch for more up dates in the bulletin's Sunday to Sunday newsletters.

**ORLC Graduates:** If you, your child, your grandchild is graduating from High School or college this year, and is a member of ORLC please give us their name. We would like to acknowledge their hard work.

**Concert & Reception For Life** - May 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 4 p.m. featuring Dr. Mark Laverty an award-winning concert pianist. It will be held at Werner Auditorium on the Concordia Seminary Campus. Tickets are \$20. and can be bought on line at [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org) or at the door. See a flyer on the office window. Matching Funds are being provided by Thrivent. Profits go to Lutherans for Life.

**ST. JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL** yard signs are available in the narthex of the church this morning. Place a sign in your yard or business and help promote our school. If you wish, a jar is available to contribute for the cost of making the sign. Any amount would be appreciated. Thank you for helping make St. James Lutheran School better known in our community. Applications for the 2010-2011 school year are being taken now. School tours are available. Please call the school office at 222-8267 for further info.

**Due to some vandalism** the church doors will be locked around 3:00 p.m. each day. If you need to get in either call the secretary or rattle the front doors until you are heard. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

### **Dear Members of Our Redeemer,**

Christ has risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Greetings to all of you this wonderful season as we celebrate that our Savior Jesus Christ has risen from the dead! I again write to you to thank you for the gifts you have given me and those that I know you will continue to provide. I am continually reminded of the blessings I have received through these gifts and I do want you to know that I truly appreciate it.

I want to apologize for the delay since my last thank you letter. I had planned on writing to thank you over break, but then ended up forgetting the address back at school. Upon arriving back at school, I managed to get myself distracted with everything that comes with the beginning of a new quarter. So, I am sorry for the delay and will do my best to ensure that it does not happen again. I will say that it is wonderful to hear from one of the members of your congregation. I hope to hear from more of you as time goes by and maybe if the opportunity arises to meet you in person.

I would ask that you pray for one of the guys here. Peter Eckardt is one of the seminarians who is my age and his wife Megan passed away with cancer on Sunday. She was diagnosed, 7 months into their marriage. I just ask that you pray for peace for him and for their families please.

Again I cannot thank you enough for everything you have done for me. You have been an amazing blessing and are one of the main reasons I can continue my education here. I pray that God reminds you of the joy and wonder of the season, for Christ Has Risen!

Rejoicing on the Lord,  
*Andrew Dierks*

**Mother's Day Breakfast!!!!** Please join us for breakfast on Mother's Day. The youth group will be making breakfast. The menu will be pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee, milk, and juice. The free will offering will once again support the 2010 youth trips. We look forward to seeing everyone and celebrating Mother's Day!!!



The April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting was hosted by Eleanor Schlegl and Carrie Fischer. We all enjoyed a little ice cream before getting to the business at hand.

**Old business discussed** – A few more plans were made for the June 4<sup>th</sup>, Friday night meal that we are hosting before our District Convention on June 5<sup>th</sup> at St. James. We will be finalizing all of that at the May mtg. We also tabled fundraiser dates till May. Final instructions were set for our Quincy Zone fun night that was held on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Details are below for it.

**New business discussed** – We paid \$200 to Camp Callahan, which was our first quarter mission project and collected items for St. John's Food Bank. If you haven't donated to that yet, please contact Eleanor about the items that can be donated.

We, also, set May 20<sup>th</sup> as the date for our Spring Social of sorts for the ladies of Our Redeemer. We are having a guest speaker that evening coming from Edina, Mo, I believe. She will be entertaining us about aprons! Look for info on it in the newsletter and the Sunday to Sunday.

The idea of setting aside funds to help cover some of the expenses we will incur for LWML National Convention in Peoria next year was brought up and tabled for next month's meeting.

The Quincy Zone fun night was held on April 22 and attended by ladies from St. James, St. John's and Good Shepherd in Clayton. Dr. Donna White entertained us and gave us great information on how to live a healthier life through our exercise, eating habits and relieving our stress. A devotion on "Spring Cleaning" our spiritual life was also shared.

Committees are also starting to be gathered by the Central Illinois District LWML for the 2011 Peoria Convention. Jan Wendorf, president of the national LWML, has stated that every woman of the LCMS is an LWML member, so every woman of Our Redeemer's congregation can be a volunteer to help out at the convention in June of next year. They are in need of 700 – 800 hundred workers. They are gearing up for approximately 8000 women, men and children to be in attendance and everyone says that every national convention is an experience you will never forget. If you want to share in that experience with us, please let any member of our Evening Ladies Aid know. The more the merrier. For many of us this will be our first National LWML convention and we are very much looking forward to it! Please join us in the fun and fellowship next June!

Next month's meeting is scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, hosted by Rosie Meyer & Ruth Hall.

Please make plans to attend one of our meetings and check us out! Our group has grown to 25 members and we are truly blessed with the many gifts, talents and resources of all the ladies and we welcome you to join us in "serving the Lord with gladness"! If you would like more information about our Evening Ladies Aid Society, please contact any member, Michele Clevenger at 217-224-7881 or [m.l.clevenger@comcast.net](mailto:m.l.clevenger@comcast.net) or check out the LWML on the World Wide Web at [www.lwmlcid.org](http://www.lwmlcid.org) or [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org).

*Lutheran Women  
in Mission*

## May Birthdays

1 Ann Brackensick (94)	15 Linda Flesner	25 Sandra Callahan
1 Paul Clevenger	15 Daniel Hendrian	26 Jacqueline Mickens
1 Keagan Mercurio	16 Jason Morse	26 Gretta Otto
1 Simon Nickelson	17 Jessie Valentine	26 Sharon Yelton
6 LaVora Scoggan	17 Peggy Wiesemann	27 David Bent
7 Tracy Bugh	18 Shanelle Douglas	27 Megan Chezem
7 Barbara Vahle	19 Ryan Vaughn	27 Dylan Martin
8 Michael Vahle	19 Michelle Wolfmeyer	28 Stacey Gruen
9 Terry Lannerd	20 Stacy Valentine	28 Todd Waterkotte
9 Hugh Sharrow	21 Michele Clevenger	29 Nicholas Allen
9 Wanda Spohr	21 Joseph Sharrow	29 Mary Morgan
9 Lynn Wombles	22 Leslie Bent	30 Melanie Drescher
11 Melanie Stegeman	22 Eric Fischer	30 Taylor Frink
14 Kayla Walker	22 Carolyn Kaiser	31 Arianna Fischer
15 Jessica Dedert	23 Bradley Longcor III	31 Kathleen Miklius

## May Anniversaries

3 Mark & Janice Voepel	23 Clinton & Kimberly Gooding
8 Herbert & Ruth Hillebrenner	23 James & Lisa Howerton
9 Joshua & Jenna Crabtree	27 Michael & Jane Douglas
11 Brent & Linda Wingerter	28 LeRoy & Donna Goodwin
14 Darrell & Dorothea Drescher	28 Joseph & Lynn Sharrow
15 Roger & Elaine Hyer	29 Jeff & Lucinda Klingele
16 Darrell & Raylene Drescher	

## May Baptisms

1 Ann Nickelson	14 Anna Ehmen	24 Charles Perry
2 Abigail Kemp	14 Anderson Knapp	24 Patricia Powers
2 Hannah Kemp	14 Savannah O'Dell	24 Emma Showman
2 Wade Pellman	16 Charles Delven	24 Katie Voepel
3 Darrell Drescher	16 John Dicks	25 Thyssen Church
4 Mary Morse	16 Mary Hurley	25 Terry Morse
5 Phillip Weisheit	16 Joseph Ott	25 Olivia Showman
6 Aaron Boerema	16 Brenda Scharnhorst	26 Craig Gooding
7 Deborah Manton	18 Shanelle Douglas	26 Dorothy Hagemann
7 Christine Schaller	19 Keagan Mercurio	27 LeRoy Goodwin
8 Glenna Garnett	19 Joseph Ohnemus	28 Savannah Howerton
9 Amanda Zehnle	19 Connor Ott	28 Patricia Weppler
10 Joshua Jefferson	19 Derek Ott	31 Linda Flesner
12 Morgan Frohn	23 Ricky Goertz	31 Wanda Spohr
12 Emmanuel Voepel	23 Jacob Valentine	
13 William Glines	24 Morgan Hurley	

## Assignments for May 2010

**Communion Assistants:**

Sat., May 1 at 5 p.m.	Ryan Vaughn	
Sun., May 2 at 8:00 a.m.	Chris Knapp	Jerry Lunt
Sun., May 2 at 10:15 a.m.	Bill Humphrey	Clint Gooding
Sat., May 8 at 5:00 p.m.	Ryan Vaughn	
Sun., May 9 at 8:00 a.m.	Bob Frink	??????????
Sun., May 9 at 10:15 a.m.	Chet Vahle	Jeff Wolfmeyer
Sat., May 15 at 5:00 p.m.	Ryan Vaughn	
Sun., May 16 at 8:00 a.m.	Larry Foster	Roger Hyer
Sun., May 16 at 10:15 a.m.	Stan Yelton	Gary Hyer
Sat., May 22 at 5:00 p.m.	Ryan Vaughn	
Sun., May 23 at 8:00 a.m.	Bob Jording	Larry Ehmen
Sun., May 23 at 10:15 a.m.	Terry Vaughn	Bruce Burner
Sat., May 29 at 5:00 p.m.	Ryan Vaughn	
Sun., May 30 at 8:00 a.m.	Jerry Lunt	Bill Dicks
Sun., May 30 at 10:15 a.m.	Terry Morse	Steve Kaiser

**Ushers:**

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.	Howard Snowden
Sunday at 8:00 a.m.	Chris Clevenger, Chris Knapp, Bernie Ott, Joseph Ott
Sunday at 10:15 a.m.	Steve Hyer, Bill Humphrey, Howard & Ruth Snowden

**Parish Nurse:** Mrs. Donna Troxel

**Altar Care:** Wanda Spohr, Marty Otto, Melissa Knapp & Cyndi Ott

**Counters:** Shirley Dieringer, Larry Ehmen

**Registration Slips:** Shirley Foster

**Van Driver:** Bill Schlegl

If you wish to help in one of these areas, please contact the church office at 223-1769 or by email: [secretary@orlc-quincy.com](mailto:secretary@orlc-quincy.com), and we'll help you contact the appropriate person.

# Pastoral Report

(March 1- 31, 2010)

## Official Acts

Baptisms

Funerals

## Membership Changes

Gains [+0B, +0C]

Baptisms [+0B,+0C]

Transfers In [+4B, +4C]

Brent Wingerter

Linda Wingerter

Heather Wingerter

Hayley Wingerter

March 5, 2010

Losses [-0B, -0C]

Deaths [-0B, -0C]

## Statistical Adjustment [+/-0B, +/-0C ]

Membership	Jan. 1, 2010	Gains	Losses	Feb. 28, 2010
Baptized	593	+4	-3	594
Confirmed	460	+4	-3	461

**\*\*\*On May 16th we will have a carry-in luncheon @ ORLC after the late service. (We are working on getting Thrivent sponsorship for that.) After the meal (approx. 12:30 p.m.) David Rohe, from CID , will speak to us about estate planning.\*\*\***

Answer to Forgiveness (on page 14):

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other just as in Christ God forgave you. Eph. 4:32

## Treasurer's Report

(January 1 — March 31, 2010)

Fund	January 1, 2010	March 31, 2010
Building Fund	62,100.85	64,733.86
Endowment Funds	25,202.94	25,653.06
General Fund	5,874.10	6,237.68
Kleinsorge Income	4,695.64	16,033.61
Kleinsorge Bequest	79,531.19	74,286.20
Memorial Fund	24,796.01	24,488.07
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>197,505.09</b>	<b>195,398.87</b>

### Budget Summary for Jan. 1 — Mar. 31, 2010

General Fund only	Actual	Budget	Difference
Income	73,212.29	64,291.53	8,920.76
Expenses			
Missions	6,066.25	6,911.67	845.42
Personnel	38,445.80	38,353.65	-92.15
Program			
Education	23,855.27	20,718.66	-3,136.61
Elders	838.20	1,736.52	898.32
Evangelism	00	1,306.26	1,306.26
Stewardship	1,356.56	2,822.52	1,465.96
Youth Ministry	00	250.02	250.02
Total Program	26,050.03	26,833.98	783.95
Property	7,628.60	9,687.57	2,058.97
Total Expenses	78,190.68	81,786.87	3,596.19
Income – Expenses	4,978.39	17,495.34	12,516.95

