

Sunday to Sunday

A Journal of Our Daily Walk with Our Redeemer, Christ Jesus

For the week of February 14 - 21, 2010

Hospital: Rhonda Gooding, Chuck Delven, Barb Ellerbrock (home Thurs.)

Communed: Chuck Delven

Mark your Calendars for this year's Spring Fling. This is the major money making project for St. James School. There will be a delicious meal and a silent auction. Cost is \$30.00 per ticket and the date is Sat., March 13th.

Church Council decided to have fellowship and dessert after the Lenten services this year instead of a meal. If any group wants to host a Dessert Night, they can contact Renee Benedetto at 224-2098 (or call th church office at 223-1769). Hosts are still needed for March 10th and 17th. This is the schedule so far:

Feb. 17th - Youngish Adults

Mar. 10th -

Feb. 24th - PLuS

Mar. 17th -

Mar. 3rd - Sr. Choir

Mar. 24th - Evening Ladies Aid

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

Valentine's Day is here!!!! Don't forget to buy your valentine, friend, neighbor, or a shut-in a special flower. The youth group will be selling red, white and pink carnations on Sunday, February 14. We will have tables set up in the narthex between church services. We are asking for a **\$2.00** donation for each carnation. The money will be used to support the 2010 summer youth trips. We look forward to seeing you on Valentine's Day!! Thanks for supporting the youth group.

O AFC: It is time to register for the upcoming weekend. The weekend will be held February 26th-28, 2010, Watseka, IL, Calvary Lutheran Church. We would like to know by February 14th (TODAY) if you can attend, so we can start lining up the transportation and planning things for the weekend. Just a reminder this is a longer trip. We need all the help we can get in spreading the Good News of Jesus and helping us make the Central Illinois Area grow. If you have any questions about the weekend or upcoming weekends please contact me at jamieoafc@live.com or cell 1-217-430-4760. A complete list of upcoming events is in the Newsletter.

Our Response Last Weekend to God's Grace

Attendance	Feb. 6 & 7, 2010	Income	Feb. 6 & 7, 2010
Worship	45 + 92 + 62 = 199	General Fund	\$6,222.20
Holy Communion	166	Specials	\$513.50
Adult Bible Class	29	Bequests	
Teen	3	Building Fund	
Pre-K — Grade 8	26	Endowment Funds	
		Memorial Fund	
		Total	\$6,735.70

Hebrews 3:1-6: On this Transfiguration Sunday we reflect on the truth that Jesus proved Himself to be God's Chief Steward by fully giving Himself to doing that which was pleasing to His Father in heaven. God's grace in Christ enables us to live as children of the Heavenly Father who use all that we are and have for His glory and purposes.

We are looking for new men interested in becoming **Communion Assistants**? With all services having communion, we need more people. If you are interested in helping call Ryan Vaughn (221-9854), Pastor Eden (224-3929) or the church secretary (223-1769)

Ladies Bible Study on "Esther - It's not too late to join the group!" It's Tough Being a Woman" is the topic. It is a 10 week DVD study by Beth Moore and will offer you an in depth and very personal examination of the Old Testament book of Esther - a book filled with drama, power, romance, and intrigue. " Beth peels back the layers of history and shows how very contemporary and applicable the story of Esther is to us" in today's world. Then & now - It tough being a women." Join us for Beth Moore's newest Bible study on Monday mornings from 9-11:00 a.m. The DVD's last about 1 hr., then there is a workbook to go through and discuss for the 2nd hour.



PLuS Group is sponsoring a Valentine's Day Pancake and Sausage Breakfast TODAY. On February 25th, they will have a Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

Last chance: Year - end statements are on the tables in the Narthex. Please pick yours up!!

Pastor Larry Troxel is scheduled to do the "Ask the Pastor" program on our synod's radio station, KFuo-AM (850 AM), on Friday, Feb. 19, 11:05 am until Noon (CST). For most of you who cannot receive the station over-the-air, you can listen to the program live or listen to the archive file on www.kfuo-am.org The program is listed with "The Bible Study" as the second or bonus hour.

Birthdays This Week

- 14 Valerie Howerton
- 14 Lindsey Howlett
- 16 River Bugh
- 16 Adam Buss
- 16 Annalisa Eden
- 16 Darren Fink
- 17 Kimberly Gooding
- 17 Ryne Lubben
- 17 Sarah Meyer
- 17 Kenneth Wiesemann
- 19 Amy Buss
- 19 Raymond Miklius
- 19 William Schanbacher
- 20 Brittany Bouchez
- 20 Kelsey Valentine

Baptismal Anniversaries This Week

- 14 Adam Miklius
- 14 Peter Miklius
- 14 Shanna Wemhoener
- 15 Thaddeus Douglas
- 15 Brandon McGartland
- 16 Randy Ellerbrock
- 17 Cameron McDowell
- 20 Bennie Hines Jr.

Wedding Anniversaries This Week

- 14 Gary & Shelia McElfresh

Sunday School Report: In Jan. our donations will go to the ORLC Knitters.

GREETING CARDS (sponsored by PLuS)
Be sure to check out the wide variety of greeting cards we have, including Valentine's & Confirmation cards @ \$.50 ea.

It starts this afternoon so Sign-Up NOW: for the Quincy Bible Institute - Look for the insert in your bulletins with more details on the topics and speakers.

There are still **Large Print "Portals of Prayer"** available in the Narthex.

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has set aside \$2,000,000.00 in matching funds for the Haiti Relief Effort. This will be used to match gifts that are given to this cause through **March 31, 2010**. All checks should be made out to one of the following Lutheran relief agencies. They are:

Lutheran World Relief or
LCMS World Relief/Human Care

Your check should then be sent to:
Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
4321 North Ballard Road
Appleton Wisconsin 54919
Attn: Fraternal Services

These checks will be matched \$1.00 for every \$2.00 donated to the Haiti Relief effort up to a total of \$2,000,000.

All checks should have Haiti Relief effort on the line in the lower left hand corner of the check. Thrivent will then match \$1.00 for every \$2.00 you donate.

Please join us at Camp CILCA's Men's Retreat (March 5-7) or our Women's Scrap-booking Retreat on March 19-21. Please check out our website for more info at www.cilca.org and see the new summer program online too !!! Registration for all camp sessions will become available Feb. 10, 2010. Camp is most certainly a memory that you will want your children to have.

VITA Program - Get your basic taxes prepared for free if you are considered low income or limited income. Call 217-577-1996 for info. They are located at John Wood Com. College.

Sunday to Sundays: In an effort to be good stewards, and not be wasteful, we are asking that each **family** take **one** Sun. to Sun. You are encouraged to take it home where all of you can read it at your leisure. We will still print enough bulletins so that each person should be able to have one.

Serving in Special Ways Today

Altar Committee: Kathy Hyer, Michele Clevenger, Ellie Bowles & Renee Benedetto

Communion Assistants this week:

5:00 p.m. - Bill Haire
8:00 a.m. - Bob Frink & Jerry Lunt
10:15 a.m. - Bill Humphrey & Steve Schoch

Communion Assistants Ash Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. - Bill Haire & Steve Kaiser

Communion Assistants next week:

5:00 p.m. - Bill Haire
8:00 a.m. - Larry Foster & Roger Hyer
10:15 a.m. - Chet Vahle & Jeff Wolfmeyer

Ushers: 5:00 p.m. - Bill Schanbacker

8:00 a.m. - Larry Ehmen, Clint Gooding, Gary O'Dell & Warren Vahle
10:15 a.m. - Bill Dicks, Ray, Alex & Maddie Miklius

Greeters: 8:00 a.m. – East – Karen Lohmeyer & Elizabeth Barton

– West – Roger & Elaine Hyer

10:15 a.m. – East – Terry & Sharon Vaughn
– West – Stan & Sherri Yelton

Registration Slips: Eleanor Schlegl

Counters: Rosie Meyer & Marilyn Lehenbauer

Nursery Helpers:

Parish Nurse for January: Donna Troxel

Van Driver: Steven Hyer

Treasurer reports are ready in the office for those who attend the Council meetings. Please pick yours up and look it over before the meeting this Wed. @ 6:00 p.m.

✠ **This Week at Our Redeemer** ✠

Today:
Feb. 14

The Transfiguration of Our Lord
(Valentine's Day)

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
9:00 a.m. Valentine's Breakfast - P LuS
9:10 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Holy Communion
4 - 6 p.m. Bible Institute w/ carry-in dinner & guest speaker the Rev. Mike Mohr



Monday:

Feb. 15 9 - 11 a.m. Bible Study on the Book of Esther

Tuesday:

Feb. 16 1:30 p.m. Holy Communion @ Good Samaritan
7:00 p.m. Senior Choir

Wednesday:

Ash Wednesday

Feb. 17 1:00 p.m. Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Youth Choir
5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
6:00 p.m. Church Council
7:00 p.m. Holy Communion with Desserts afterward provided by the Youngish Adults

Thursday:

Feb. 18 6:45 a.m. Bible Breakfast Bible Study at Coach House

Friday:

Feb. 19

Saturday:

Feb. 20 5:00 p.m. Holy Communion

Next Sunday: The First Sunday In Lent

Feb. 21 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
9:10 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Holy Communion
4 - 6 p.m. Bible Institute w/desserts provided by St. James

Upcoming Events:

Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day Pancake & Sausage Breakfast sponsored by the PLuS group
Feb. 14 - Bible Institute - Guest Speaker Rev. Michael Mohr - Carry-in dinner 4-6 p.m.
Feb. 21 - Bible Institute - Rev. Larry Troxel, Rev. Martin Eden & Rev. Harold Bender
Feb. 25 - PLuS Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Feb. 28 - Bible Institute - Bible Bowl & Rev. Larry Troxel
Mar. 13 - Spring Fling for St. James School
Mar. 25 - PLuS Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
April 25 - PLuS Serves Luncheon after late Service & Before Voter's meeting
May 2 - Confirmation
May 16 - David Rohe - Estate Planning Seminar
June 7-10 - Vacation Bible School (Mon. - Thurs.)

Amos - Restore the Roar!

Lenten Worship Schedule: All Lenten Services begin at 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday Amos 1:1-2 – “Rescued from the Rubble” Rev. Eden
Divine Service with Holy Communion

Feb. 24 Amos 3:1-8 – “The Four R's of Election” Rev. Rempfer

March 3 Amos 5:18-20 – “This is the Night the Lord has Made!” Rev. Eden

March 10 Amos 6:1-7 – “Grieving for Joseph” Rev. Bender

March 17 Amos 7:1-6 – “Locust Here, Locusts There, Locusts are Everywhere!”
Rev. Latzke

March 24 Amos 7:10-17 – “Lion Alert!” Rev. Mueller
Service of Corporate Confession and Absolution

Maundy Thursday Amos 8:11-14 – “The Taste Test” Rev. Eden

Good Friday Amos 9:1-6 – “Buried!” Rev. Eden

Easter Schedule: Easter Vigil: 5:00 PM Saturday
Sunrise Service: 6:30 AM
Easter Breakfast 7:30 – 9:00 AM
Easter Egg Hunt 9:00 AM Sunday School Video will follow
Divine Service: 10:15 AM

Easter Sermon Amos 9:11-15 – “Come to the Feast!” Rev. Eden

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church,

I received word again of the gift that you have sent to me and I just wanted to say thank you. Your generosity has blown me away and I know my words cannot say how grateful I am

for what you are doing for me. I stood there staring at the sheet in shock as I realized just how much you all are doing for me.

This quarter has had some major ups and downs here. There have been some major ups in the things I am learning and I am enjoying my practical classes such as my homiletics class. I continue to love working at my field work congregation and love the people here at the seminary. Had some random personal trouble happen a few weeks ago, but things are turning around and it is going better. All in all, though, it has been a good quarter!

I'm actually starting to consider potentially going into the military as a chaplain, no full decision yet, but something on my mind. If you could pray for me on that I would be very grateful. Is there anything I can pray for all of you about? I would love to know more about your congregation!

Again, I cannot thank you enough for the gifts you all are giving me. I am so thankful for you and you have been a reminder to me about how God will always provide for us. I pray that He is with you and you remember that grace that He has richly poured out through Jesus Christ!

God's Blessings

In His Service
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