



The Arising News



*Jesus said to them,
"Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."
Matthew 4:19*

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**Worship Times: In-Person ~ Sunday 9:00am
Adult Bible Study - Sunday 10:30am
Sunday Devotionals via Facebook - Every Sunday
Communion is celebrated every Sunday @ 9:00am**

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Office hours:
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Pastor Licht is off
On Mondays



August – Dates to Remember

8/01 Thurs.	6:30pm	LWML Bible Study
	6:30pm	Elder Meeting
8/03 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
	7:30am	Men's Bible Breakfast
	4:00pm	Family, Fish, Fellowship
8/04 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Bible School
8/06 Tues.	6:00pm	LBDC Board Meeting
8/07 Weds.	5:00pm	Congregational Life
	6:00pm	ED Board Meeting
8/08 Thurs.	6:30pm	Council Meeting
8/10 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
8/11 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Bible School
8/12 Mon.	3:30pm	Quilt Assembly Group
8/17 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
8/18 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Bible School
8/22 Thurs.	5:30pm	Christian Care Meal Prep/Serv
8/23 Fri.	12:00pm	Fellowship Friday
8/24 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
8/25 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Bible School
8/26 Mon.	6:30pm	Future Planning Meeting
8/27 Tues.	9:30am	Mugs & Muffins
8/31 Sat.	7:00am	Workout



The Gospel for August



August 4th John 6:22-35

I Am the Bread of Life

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

August 11th John 6:35-51

I Am the Living Bread

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

August 18th John 6:51-69

The Words of Eternal Life

⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵ And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

August 25th Mark 7:1-13

Traditions and Commandments

⁸ You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men."

⁹ And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ¹⁰ For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' ¹¹ But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban" (that is, given to God)' ¹² then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³ thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

John 6:25-34

"I Am the Bread of Life"

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸ Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" ²⁹ Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰ So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?"

³¹ Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³² Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

³⁴ They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Repentance: Pulling the Weeds

Our march through the season of Pentecost continues. As you may recall from last month, the color in our chancel for this season is green, signifying growth. Outside we see the growth of grass and trees, flowers and crops. Plant a seed in the Spring and watch it grow through the Summer. What we see is an increase, from a small seed to a large plant, from a single seed to a plant of many seeds.

Jesus teaches in the parables that the Word of God is like a seed, comparable to a tiny mustard seed growing into a large plant, or the seeds scattered by a farmer increasing thirty, sixty, even a hundredfold (Matt 13:23, 31). So the book of Acts, chronicling the growth of the Church in the early years after Jesus' ascension into heaven, speaks of the Word of God: "And the Word of God continued to increase..." (6:7). "But the Word of God increased and multiplied" (12:24). "So the Word of the Lord continued to increase and prevail mightily" (19:20).

The Word of God increases among us just as seeds planted give increase. Likewise, as the growth of a plant is inhibited by the presence of weeds, so the growth of God's Word in our lives is inhibited by a pernicious weed called "sin." Farmers and gardeners weed their fields and gardens to maximize the increase they hope to receive from the seeds they plant. So we are called to repent that the weeds of our sins may be removed from us and the Word may "increase and prevail mightily" in our midst.

Hear the call to repent, and like a diligent farmer or gardener, make it a daily habit. Uproot your sins before they get the upper hand and choke out the growth God intends for His Word in your life. Pull those weeds and lay them at the foot of the cross. In other words, "repent and believe in the Gospel" (Mk 1:15).

God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless your penitential meditation this month as we set our focus on the very prevalent and persistent sin of "giving false testimony." God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith as He gives increase to His Word in your life. Amen.

Pastor Licht



The Eighth Commandment

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

Questions for Self-Reflection:

Do I gossip, listen to rumors, or take pleasure in talking about the faults or mistakes of anyone?
Do I defend others against false accusations?
Do I judge others without the authority to do so?

Do I speak the truth in love, trying at all times to explain everything in the best possible way?
(From *Lutheran Service Book, Pastoral Care Companion*, CPH, 2007)

Have you committed perjury, or affirmed with an oath what you do not know to be true?
Have you spoken or thought ill of anyone, repeated gossip or rumors, or damaged anyone's reputation?
(From *Preparation through Reflective and Introspective Examination*, Emmanuelpress.us)

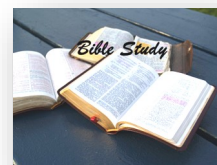
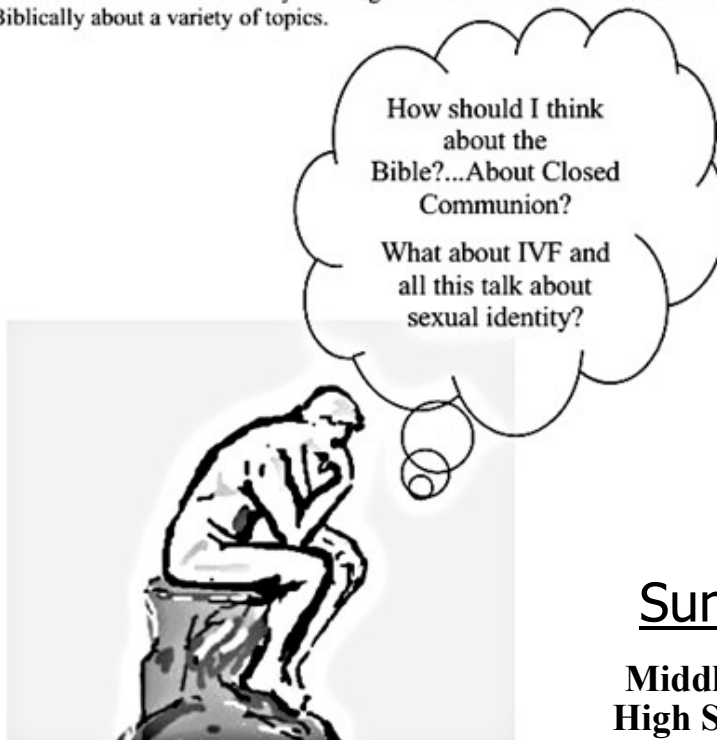
Learning to Think Biblically

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Romans 12:2

We are all too easily conformed by this world. Its ways dominate our thinking not only in our daily lives but also in how we approach things in the church.

Join us this Summer on Sunday mornings at 10:30 as we let God's Word teach us to think Biblically about a variety of topics.



Sunday School

**Middle School Youth &
High School Youth meets
Every Sunday
At 10:30am**



New Member Class

If you or someone you know is interested in joining our church, please contact Pastor Licht or call the church office, 563-386-2342.



*"...with full courage
now as always
Christ will be
honored in my body,
whether by life or by
death. For to me to
LIVE IS CHRIST, and
to die is gain."*

*~St. Paul
Philippians I*

*Friends are
Welcome
at all of
our events.
Please
invite
them!*



Summer Sunday Fun-Day

Calling all 4th grade- High School Students! Join Mr. Emory in the Library during the Bible Study hour for **Summer Sunday Fun-day!** The plan is a fun activity or lesson or video to continue through the summer months! **Bring a Friend!**

August Youth Event

Youth Group

Family Cookout

August 24, noon-4pm

**The whole family
is welcome for**

**an afternoon of fun,
food and fellowship.**

Gruenhagen Residence

Contact Kali with ???



Dates to Remember

Aug 3rd—Family, Fish & Fellowship

Aug 24, noon-4pm Youth Group Family Cookout

Sept. 8th—Rally Day



Calling all children ages
3 months -3rd grade!!!

This month we will continue
summer Sunday school with
a fun lesson, activity or
video for children 3 months
old-3rd grade. Contact
Heidi Iltis or Leslie McCoy
with any questions.
4th-12th grade will join Mr.
Emory in the Library for
the Summer during the
Bible Study hour.

Parents, we encourage you
to take advantage of this
opportunity to stay in God's
Word through the Summer
months!



Dates to Remember:

August 3rd—Family,
Fish & Fellowship

Sept. 8th—Rally Day

Look for more details on Rally Day
activities in the bulletin and in the
September Newsletter.

Starting on September 8th we will
be in need of someone to help as an
aide in the classroom with Sunday
school. We are also looking for help
to serve in the nursery during the
Sunday school hour on a rotating
schedule. Please contact
Leslie McCoy if interested.

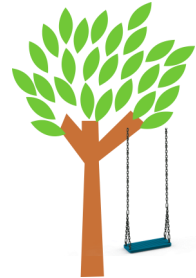




“Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program.”

Little Blessings – “Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program.”

No LBDC Article was Submitted for the August Newsletter-A busy month.



Upcoming Events at RCLC

RALLY DAY!

Sunday, September 8th

More Information is coming about this Special Day at
Risen Christ Lutheran Church

LifeLight Classes!

Class Begins on Wednesday, September 11th
9:00am and 7:00pm classes

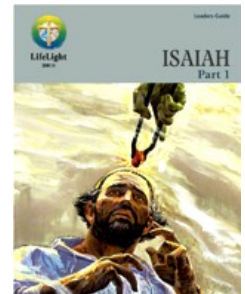
Studying the book of ***Isaiah (Part 1)***

More information will follow

Look for the Sign-up Sheet

Check the Narthex in the coming weeks

Contact Pastor Licht with your questions





8/02 *Thomas Allison*

8/03 *Jordan Franzenburg*

8/03 *Don McLaughlin*

8/03 *John Simons*

8/03 *Rose Simons*

8/04 *David Osborn*

8/04 *George Osborn*

8/07 *Shawna Corby*

8/09 *Rachel Smith*

8/10 *Christian Morrison*

8/11 *Paige Canarr*

8/13 *Felicity Smith*

8/14 *Lucas Granados*

8/15 *Kay Johnson*

8/16 *Kitra Terry*

8/18 *Kaedyn Burkey*

8/19 *Marv Steinhagen*

8/21 *Grant Van Nice*

8/22 *Denise Petersen*

8/23 *Bryan Johnson*

8/25 *Garrett Duncan*

8/27 *Tim Welch*



“One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism.”
Ephesians 4:5



8/03 Ron Dippel
8/03 Raelynn Fuhlman
8/04 Sharon Webb
8/05 Nancy Snyder
8/05 Marv Steinhagen
8/07 Rose Simons
8/08 Anthony Firch
8/08 Bradley Wittnebel
8/09 Steven McCoy
8/10 Leslie McCoy
8/10 Christian Morrison
8/10 Liam Smith
8/10 Terry Warner
8/12 Felicity Smith
8/12 Kurt Van Nice
8/15 Pam Osborn
8/16 Sienna Repp

8/16 Tim Welch
8/17 Ava Finkey
8/17 Daniel (Ed) Kelly
8/17 Melody Reimers
8/17 Joe Speer
8/18 Linda Hergert
8/18 Rita Rekemeyer
8/19 Blake Cornett
8/20 Riley Reller
8/21 James Luedtke
8/25 Tiffany Kraklio
8/29 Sam Ross
8/30 Alyssa Petersen
8/31 Kim Dippel

Numbers 6:26

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You; the Lord
Make His Face to shine Upon You and be
Gracious to You; the Lord lift up his
Countenance upon You and give You Peace.”



8/01 David & Carol Perry

8/04 Kerry & Kali Gruenhagen

8/12 Marvin & Marge Reimers

8/13 Thomas & Rosemarie Allison

8/18 Richard & Grace Schrage

8/25 Roger & Cheryl Amhof

8/30 Stacy & Patty Thomas

8/01 John & Rose Simons

8/06 Jan & Naomi McCloud

8/12 Jeff & Kelly Roehm

8/18 Brad & Carolyn Bauer

8/23 Mark & Heidi Iltis

8/25 Jacob & Allison Harkey

8/31 David & Rachel Luebbe

*"I am my beloved's and my
beloved is mine. "*

Song of Solomon 6:3



Membership Changes

If you have changed address, or know of another member who did but may not have informed us, please either remind that person to get us the new information or supply it yourself. Thank you for helping us keep in touch with our treasured members.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rev. Bob Bartel—Undergoing Cancer Treatment

Kali Gruenhagen—Recovering at Home

Tyson Baumgardner (Gloria Blackledge's nephew) - in a coma since 12/27/23

Dean Enfield—Recovering from Surgery

Rose Allison—Undergoing Cancer Treatment

Paulette Waech—Declining health, multiple medical concerns



HOSPITALIZED? If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital or will be an outpatient at any medical facility and you desire Pastor Licht to visit, please notify the church office at 386-2342. Also, if you are a home-bound member and would like a visit, feel free to request a visit by notifying the church office.

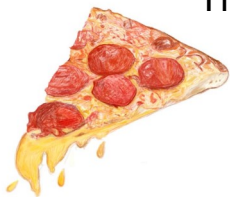
FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIAL!

Mark your calendars for September 20th
The Fun Begins at 5 p.m.

Families of Risen Christ:

The Congregational Life Committee has planned a

“Family Game Night”



Pizza will be provided for supper

Bring snacks to share

Also, bring a favorite game (or several games)
board games, card games, games with dice, word games

PIZZA



Snacks

Family time



Games

Fellowship time



FUN



It's A great way to spend time on a Friday evening!

Time with your friends at Risen Christ!

And an Opportunity to make new friends!



Council Inputs to Newsletter- August 2024

The Risen Christ Church Council is elected as representatives of the congregation as the church follows its purpose in preaching the word of God, caring for its members, and serving in God's Kingdom.

Christian Care meals continue. Volunteers to prepare and serve the meals are always needed. **Board of Stewardship** continues to compile popular meals used at Christian Care to aid those who would want to prepare a meal. Please consider your participation and sign up on the kiosk if you can support future months. The months of August, September and October still remain where support can be provided.

Board of Education is continuing fundraisers to help with Youth activities and the Higher Things conference in June, so donations will be sought in the future to support that effort.

Congregational Life Committee is encouraging sign-ups to provide treats for Sunday morning fellowship time. A request has been made for members to prepare frozen treats/cookies that can be used for fellowship on Sundays. Contact Heidi Iltis if you have any questions. A Family Fish & Fellowship event is planned for 8/3/24. Look for ways to support on signup lists.

Board of Future Planning continues its efforts to further build & reinforce collaboration between the church and LBDC, as well as looking for ways to support other committees in their assigned tasks and missions.

Board of Evangelism continues to look for ways to provide outreach to members and non-members alike. Additional committee members are being sought to support this mission, if interested. Information was provided at the rummage sale and will be provided at the coming fish fry.

Board of Trustees continues to maintain the facilities by performing on-going maintenance activities, as needed. If you see any areas needing attention, please make those issues known to the church office, or Myles Zirpel.

The Council is always looking for help in the many and various ways that Risen Christ supports the Pastor, Church Administrator, Staff, Members, and the Community. If you would like to get involved, or have questions, please see any Council member.

Your Servant in Christ,
Dave Luebbe

Risen Christ Lutheran Church is called to participate in the ImpactLife Blood Drive for July 1st ~ August 18th.

Jessica Welch is heading up this drive for RCLC—if you have any questions please contact Jessica at: 563-528-3969 or you may visit the website at www.bloodcenter.org to schedule a donation.

They have informed us there is a **Critical Need for certain blood types; 0+ also 0- and B-** Little Blessings Daycare will receive a monetary gift for Units Received from RCLC participation.

We Thank you for your Donations.

Critical Need for

O+
O-
B-



ImpactLife

50 Years of Saving Lives

BLOODCENTER.ORG our contact is Jessica Welch, 563-528-3969

BLOOD DRIVE

Risen Christ Lutheran Church

July 1st - August 18th

Davenport Donor Center

5500 Lakeview Parkway

West Davenport Donor Center

1320 W. Kimberly Road Suite 12

Open Daily – visit www.bloodcenter.org for hours

Please eat before
you donate
& remember
to bring a
Photo ID
Thank you!

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Submitted by Grace Schrage

Mission Statement: As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

Equipping women through God's Word: All women of RCLC are invited to our monthly Thursday night Bible study. In August, on the 1st at 6:30 p.m., we will look at Bible references to wells in a study – "Wellspring of Life". As we do this, we will have a goal of opening our eyes to the well of blessings in our lives.

Other Bible study opportunities: Every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Licht

Beginning in September, a Women's Bible study, sponsored by the Board of Education – Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. Watch for more details.

Serving others: On August 12th at 3:30 p.m., work on quilts – pin or tie!

On August 27 – Mugs and Muffins will meet. We will have devotion time, a time to sing with LBDC pre-K children, and then, assemble school kits.

Other opportunities to serve others (and have time for fellowship):

Don't forget: August 3 – Family Fish Fry – opportunities to serve fellow members of RCLC and have fellowship time – food, games – begins at 4 p.m.

We will have election of officers at our Sept 28 Pin and Tie Day. Pray for women of RCLC to consider how they might be involved. We will plan to begin after the Women's Bible study at 10:00 a.m.

Mission support: Our LWML at RCLC provides support for mission projects through our Iowa East District and through National LWML by collecting Mites for Missions. Look for the Large Mite Box on the first Sunday of the month (Aug 4). Also, check out the page about the highlighted Mission Grant for August. For more information about LWML, check out lwml.org. Our society also supports seminary students. Look in this newsletter for a note from one of our seminary students!

ZONE and DISTRICT ACTIVITIES:

September 13 & 14th – LWML IED Fall Retreat at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

Fall Zone Rally – will be held at Park View Lutheran – date TBD

Coming Activities:

August 1 – 6:30 p.m. Bible Study August 4 – First Sunday – Mite Box will be available.

August 12 – Quilting August 27 – Mugs and Muffins

September 5 – Executive Board meeting at 5:30 p.m. followed by Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.

September 28, Saturday – 10 a.m. – PIN AND TIE DAY

October 13 – LWML SUNDAY = Details still being planned



DID YOU KNOW – LUTHERANS INVENTED HYMNALS?**Submitted by Grace Schrage**

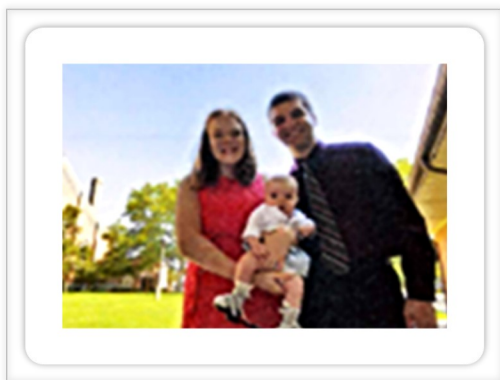
This was a statement “boldly stated (by) the Rev. Dr. Jon Vieker, dean of the chapel at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis” He was a speaker at a weeklong symposium (May 24-27, 2022) held in the Dominican Republic. The symposium included education about and celebration of the release of a new Spanish-language hymnal.

Dr. Vieker went on to support his statement: Yes, a hymnal was assembled in Czech in 1501 while “the refinement and widespread printing of hymnals was found first among the Lutherans.” He went on to say: “More importantly, the widespread use of these hymnals among Lutherans became one of the major vehicles for the spread of the Gospel throughout Germany and much of the rest of Europe. So having said all of that, I will say it again: Lutherans invented hymnals.”

Another quote from Dr. Vieker: “Luther learned from his first hymn that hymns can spread the Gospel.” *[above information is from Lutherans Engage, Fall 2022: Fostering a Lutheran Identity in Latin America]*

Indeed, we have God’s Word proclaimed and our faith supported and strengthened with the hymns we sing each Sunday!

Thanks be to God for the composers who have written texts and tunes that convey God’s Word
Thanks be to God for Pastors who guide us in worship, using Divine service settings and selecting hymns to enrich our worship



**Joshua, Rachel & Lily
Teggatz**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ of Risen Christ,
Greetings in Christ! As Rachel, Lily, and I prepare to depart from St. Lorenz (see cover), and head back to St. Louis for our final year of seminary, we wanted to thank you for your continuing prayers and support. It has been a wonderful year of learning experiences and ministry opportunities that we will never forget and we're sad to leave but excited to continue learning as we get closer to our first call. We definitely feel all the support we're receiving every step of this journey, so thank you. God bless you all as you continue to preach Christ crucified and risen for all people!

In Christ,

The Teggatzes

Joshua, Rachel

+Lily

Back to School!

LWML has plans to Assemble “School Kits” for Lutheran World Relief.

Please Donate these Items for the Kits.

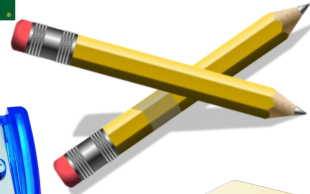
The School Kits will be assembled at the Mugs & Muffins Meeting, on August 27th, 2024

School Kits

Our LWML ladies plan to assemble school kits for Lutheran World Relief. We have some items needed for these kits (rulers, pens for at least 60 kits) but will need additional supplies.

Needed to make 60 School kits

- **240 -70 sheet spiral notebooks**
- **60 – Pencil sharpeners**
- **52 – blunt cut scissors**
- **200 – pencils**
- **30 – 2 ½ inch erasers**
- **57 – box of 16 or 24 crayons**



Thank you for helping to supply these items!





CHRISTIANCAREQC.ORG

Men's Shelter Meal Service

Where: 2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL

When: The fourth Thursday night of each month. Arrive at the shelter between 5:00- 5:30 pm, depending on meal prep time required.

What: We provide a meal for 50-60 people.

Details: Meal items can be prepared ahead of time and heated up at the shelter. They have 2 big ovens that we can use. They provide serving dishes, utensils, plates, drinks and clean-up. We provide a tasty nourishing meal (main dish, side dishes, dessert.).

Thrivent members can apply for Thrivent Action Team dollars for each date they help in order to defray the costs. In a nutshell: sign up for a date, plan a meal, prepare it and serve it with love.

Contact Bryan Johnson or Sandy Sievert or sign up at the kiosk in the narthex if interested in helping prepare a meal.

This is a great family or small group activity!

Look for Sign up at the kiosk for all months in 2024.

August—OPEN

September—Angie, Jordan & Jason Franzenburg

October—OPEN

**Thank you to All of the Families that Contribute their time & resources to Help Feed Those in Need in Our Community.
God Bless You!**

2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201

(309) 786-5734

www.christiancareqc.org



Collecting Mites Sunday, August 4th



Look for
the
BIG BOX
in
Fellowship
Hall



Mites for Missions IDE
LWML Thanks you!

**Your Contributions Are
Making A Difference!**



Youth Group August CookOut!



Invite Your Whole Family!

August Youth Event

Family Cookout

Saturday, August 24, noon-4pm

The whole family is welcome!

for

**an afternoon of fun,
food and fellowship.**

We'll be at the Gruenhagen Residence



MEN'S

BIBLE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY

August 3rd
Starting @ 7:30am

Breakfast will
be served!

LWML Bible Study Next Meeting

Will be Thursday, August 1st
at 6:30pm

All Women are Welcome!

2023-2025 MISSION GRANT #26

Life Connection Events and Kits

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE — \$70,000

About This Mission Grant

The mission of Lutherans for Life (LFL) is to renew hearts with the Word of the Lord and to receive every human being as a sister or brother with whom we may share God's everlasting blessings. Life issues like an unplanned pregnancy or a terminal diagnosis offer us mission moments.

LFL has learned that youth and students gravitate toward activity-oriented involvement and have developed a framework consisting of two elements — namely, pilot events and "event-in-a-box" kits designed to intentionally connect young adults with seasoned local Life Teams, Life Chapters, and LFL pioneers. Participants will learn to conduct life-affirming education and service in their own neighborhoods.

This grant will provide funds to support the outreach effort to young adults to encourage their involvement in LFL Life Teams and Life Chapters.



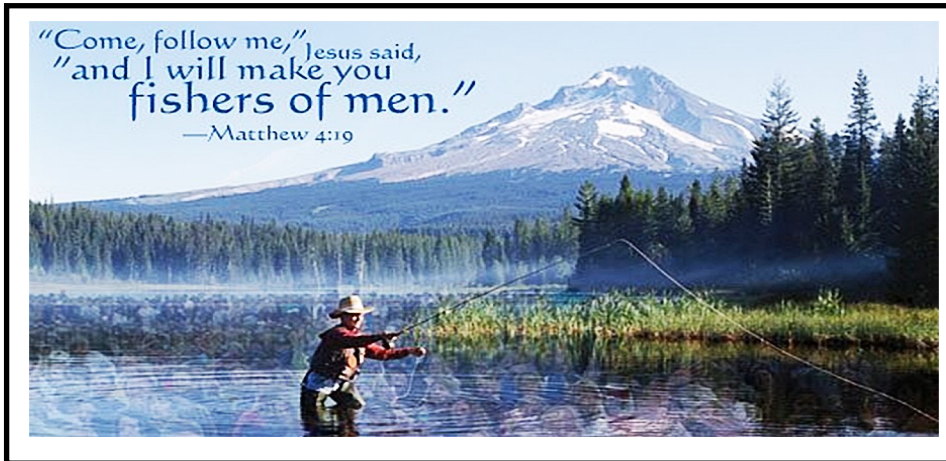
Life issues like surprise pregnancy, terminal diagnoses, biotechnology, and sexuality offer us mission witness moments. In these contexts we can proclaim and practice the Good News: God creates, redeems, and calls every member of our race as His own precious treasure from fertilization to forever.

If you have any questions, Contact Jessica Welch



“Every
tithe of
the land,
whether
of the
seed of
the land
or of the
fruit of
the trees,
it is the
Lord’s; it
is holy to
the Lord.”
Leviticus

27:30





Risen Christ Lutheran Church Family Fish Fry & Fellowship!

Saturday, August 3rd at 4:00pm

Family Fun, Fellowship and
Good Food!

If You Like a Good Fish Fry, Come Join Us!

The Fun Begins at 4:00pm with
Games for Kids of All Ages!

Adults can Join in the Fun Too!

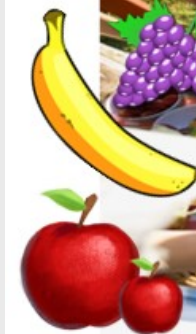
If you have any questions,

contact Heidi Iltis

email: hmiltis@yahoo.com



Fellowship Friday! Friday, August 23rd at 12pm



Let's Get Together and Share a Lunch with Our Friends at Risen Christ. Please Bring Food to Share, then Stay Afterwards to Visit or Play a Game of Cards. Bring Friends! We Look Forward to Seeing You!



Let's Bowl!
LCMS Bowling League
Have Fun with your Friends/Meet New Friends
Any Age Can Participate!
We Need Your Feedback,
Find A Survey in the Narthex

Did you know there is a LCMS church bowling league that has been around since 1962? That's right 62 years!

There are currently 4 churches that come together each Monday night in the Fall/Winter. It is a fun time to network and meet members from sister churches in the community. So, there are some quick questions to see if there is any interest in joining great network of people and have some fun bowling along with it All ages are welcome and we would love to see you there. Please take the time to answer the questions so our league can make any changes in the future.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Take the Survey Circle your Answers, leave in the church office.

Or contact Michael Wagner with your questions. 309-453-7206 or email: wagner1680@gmail.com

Homebound Members of our Risen Christ Family:



Donna Cook
Kristi Manley
Sandy McLeod
Dan & Trish Speth

Paulette Waech
David Perry
Doralee Rock
Joe Speer

Keep these members in your prayers and don't forget to reach out to them as you are able (e.g.: cards, phone calls, text messages) and remind them that although they are not able to regularly gather together with us, they remain part of our family. Thank you.



CHRIST'S HANDS IN ACTION - Do you have tasks or small jobs around the house with which you need help? Risen Christ is looking to establish a "Service Group" at the church to assist church members (and others) with tasks/small jobs around the house. These small jobs could range from changing light bulbs to raking leaves, to small landscaping projects. As such, we are looking for inputs on service/assistance needs of members. After we formulate a list of projects, we will be seeking participation of members to assist with performance of these service tasks. **Please submit ideas/requests to Myles Zirpel, or write them on the sheet in the Narthex**, with sufficient contact information to allow follow-up on your suggestions. Thanks in advance for your inputs to jump start this new service opportunity.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Are you looking for ways to serve your neighbor? Consider taking part in one of our service options:

Christ's Hands In Action is a service group created to meet the needs of members of our church and community with small jobs or household tasks which they may not be able to do on their own. Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex.

Service Videos: Volunteers are wanted to help with video livestreams and editing for network airings. This is a great opportunity for adults and youth alike! Training is available by request.

Board of Trustees is always looking for new members! If hands-on skills are more your area of expertise, consider joining the Board of Trustees. Trustees help maintain the church building and grounds.

Members of all skill levels are needed, so if you have any interest in serving with one of these areas then please contact Myles Zirpel to take part!

Help Wanted!

We are in need of someone to mow the Little Blessings playground area. Please **contact Myles Zirpel** if you are interested in serving in this way!



The Church Office Hours have Changed.

Monday—Thursday; 10:00am—3:00pm

Friday; 10:00am—1:00pm



Please Make Note of this Change. Call the Office if you have any questions. 563-386-2342

Christian Care Community Meal/Prep/Serve

Risen Christ Lutheran Church by the Stewardship Committee requests a Group, Committee or Family to Help Feed 50-60 people in Need in our Community. With the Rising Cost of Food and Many that go Without Meals or Have to Make the Choice between Food & Medications or other Needs—There are Many Who Need a Nutritious Meal.

Thank you to All Who Take the Time to Participate and Create a Tasty Nutritious Meal for the Many.—Please Sign Up for August & September & October. Thank you! *Contact: Bryan Johnson & Sandy Sievert*

“2 We give thanks to God always for all of you, Constantly mentioning you in our prayers.”

1 Thessalonians 2



Iowa floods strike three LCMS congregations

By Sarah Reinsel is a staff editor and writer for LCMS Communications.

On June 22, heavy rainfall led to catastrophic flooding in northwestern Iowa. What residents described as a “wall of water” hit several towns near the Little Sioux River. Water completely covered the landscape. Three congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) were severely affected by the flood: Christ the King Lutheran Church in Spencer, Iowa; First English Lutheran Church in Spencer, Iowa; and Trinity Lutheran Church in Hawarden, Iowa. Both Christ the King and Trinity suffered significant damage to their church properties, and the flooding damaged the homes of dozens of families in these congregations.

Those outside the district who wish to support the relief and recovery efforts through LCMS Disaster Response can:

Make checks payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, noting “Disaster Relief” on the memo line. Mail to: The LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

Visit lcms.org/givenow/disaster, or text the keyword **LCMSDISASTERS** to the number 41-444 on their text-enabled phone or tablet.

Beautify our Altar with flowers. Sign up at the kiosk bulletin board.

ALTAR

8/04 MARGARET MILLER
8/11 TOM & ROSEMARIE ALLISON
8/18 STEVE & LESLIE MCCOY
8/25 DAVE & RACHEL LUEBBE

ORGAN



Flower Chart for year 2024 is available on the kiosk in the narthex. Please make checks payable to Risen Christ Lutheran Church

When you have signed up to provide flowers for a certain date, please fill out the pink Altar Flower instruction sheet and turn it in to the office by the prior Sunday. The cost for a bouquet is \$43 (slightly more if you wish to add special flowers).

Sunday Cookies

8/04 9:00am LBDC Committee*
8/11 9:00am Future Planning Committee*
8/18 9:00am Trustees Committee*
8/25 9:00am LWML Committee*



***Committee responsible when member's haven't signed-up.**

Please sign up at the kiosk to provide or serve cookies or both. There are opportunity's for everyone to serve. Everyone enjoys treats & community building after Sunday morning services. Call the church office with any questions.

Elders—Contact Tim Welch

8/04 Rich Emory

8/11 Scott Sievert

8/18 Tim Welch

8/25 Jason Franzenburg



Current Elder Assignments

Families with last names starting with:

A-B - Ian McCloud

C-F Stephen Smith

G-J Mark Iltis

K-L Scott Sievert

M-N Tim Welch

O-R Rich Emory

S Jason Franzenburg

T-V Rich Emory

W-Z Jason Franzenburg

Sound & Video

8/04 Dave Luebbe

8/11 Sam Ross

8/18 Dick Schrage

8/25 Terry Warner



As for me and
my house, we will
serve the *Lord.*

Joshua 24:15

Altar Guild—August

Heidi Iltis

Join the Altar Guild!

Contact Margaret Miller, Dawn Curtiss
or Pastor Licht if interested.



8/04 Hayden Rasler

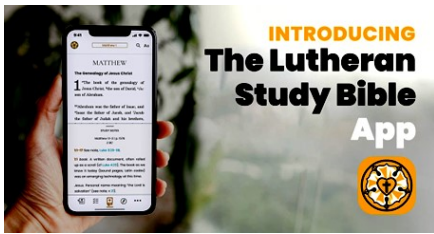
8/11 Eden Clark

8/18 Nathan McCoy & Maddie McCoy

8/25 Dalton Ferris & Hayley Ferris

The Lutheran Study Bible App

Apple App Store or Google Play Store



*"For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord,
from my youth."*

Psalms 71:5

**8/04: Ron Smith, Bryan Johnson, Sandy Sievert,
Dave Luebbe, Scott Sievert**

Elder: Rich Emory

**8/11: Myles Zirpel, Allan Elias, Jason Lehman,
Ian McCloud, Scott Sievert**

Elder: Scott Sievert

**8/18: Bryan Johnson, Sandy Sievert, Jason Franzenburg
Tim Welch**

Elder: Tim Welch

**8/25: Ron Smith Myles Zirpel, Terry Warner,
Scott Sievert, Jason Franzenburg**

Elder: Jason Franzenburg



GREETERS

9:00AM

8/04 Dick & Grace Schrage

8/11 Lynette Licht

8/18 Bryan & Sherri Johnson

8/25 Tim & Jessica Welch



August 2024



"Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life: whoever comes to me shall not hunger. and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.'"

John 6:35