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#### **FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

**3/26/27/22**

**WELCOME** in the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you worship with us this morning. Visitors are invited to sign our guest book at the church entrance.

Sermon: "The Good Father and His Two Lost Sons,"

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

LSB 184-202 Hymns: 915; 568; 636; 571

St.. Luke's, 8:30 a.m.

P. 5 Hymns: 279; 375; 149; 245

St. John's, 10:00 a.m.

LSB 151 Hymns: 915; 594; 568; 435; 571

**ATTENDANCE:** (M): 47 Saturday: 11 (C): 16 Sunday School: 3  
Adult Bible Classes: Sunday: 6 Weekday: 13 Mid-Week Lenten  
Service: 25

**REGULAR ENVELOPE COLLECTION** at St. John's next  
Saturday/Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>.

**ENVELOPE COLLECTION** at St. John's this evening/morning  
is for VBS.

**BROUGHT TO THE ARMS OF JESUS** through the washing of  
Holy Baptism this morning is Finley Gen Krawiecki infant  
daughter of Jesse & Kerri Krawiecki. Finley's sponsors are Jessica  
Spenner and Larry Evans. We welcome Finley into God's family  
here at St. John's and pray God's richest blessings on her.

**ACOLYTES FOR APRIL ARE:** Ava Witte and Addison  
Knolhoff.

**USHERS FOR APRIL ARE:** Stanley Renth, Kent Schuette,  
Chad Brinkmann and Dean Sprehe.

**AN OFFICERS' AGENDA MEETING** will be held after the  
service next Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the Fellowship Hall.

**T-SJ DONATION FUNDRAISER:** T-SJ will be accepting  
donations of "soft" items for a fundraiser. Another charitable  
organization will accept donations of gently used clothing, shoes,  
purses, bedding, towels, curtains, and any soft textile goods. All  
items need to be in white 13-gallon trash bags; boxes and larger  
bags **cannot** be accepted. **Anything hard or heavy like books,**  
**furniture, small appliances or décor items, etc. is**  
**not accepted.** This fundraiser has helped T-SJ provide Chapel  
shirts for the entire student body and staff as well as helping fund  
other projects. If you have any questions, please call the school  
office at 618-327-8561. Thank you for your generosity!

**Donation deadline is Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** The St. John's Easter Egg Hunt  
will be held on Saturday, April 16th. Please note change of date.

Larry Brinkmann - St-Joseph's, Breese

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF Mar 27th-Apr 2nd, 2022

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

**Wayne Wessel** recuperating at home under doctor's care and getting physical therapy. He welcomes visitors and prayers.

**Jeff Burnette**—cousin of Ronnie Daum (C) suffered a stroke

**Becky**--friend of Peggy Brinkmann in Arizona and **Elaine Sheppard**—sister of Peggy--for their health

**Terry & Deb Lange** in Minnesota to await heart and liver transplant. Monitor her progress at [caringbridge.org](http://caringbridge.org)

**Gretchen Trinklein**—Monitor her progress at [caringbridge.org](http://caringbridge.org)

**Douglas Habbe**--Gary Maschhoff's great-nephew—continues to receive good reports that his new kidney is functioning well.

**Sara Leinberger**—daughter-in-law of Dave & Marlene Leinberger

### THOSE RECEIVING TREATMENTS / OTHER SERIOUS AILMENTS:

**Jim Geiner**—New Minden neighbor—taking cancer treatments

**Rosemary Miller**—sister of Howard Weihe—now receiving immuno therapy

**Mike Wehrenberg**—Jacob Mueller's father-in-law—hospitalized with infection

**Matthew Morkachis**--Great Nephew of Eunice Witte--diagnosed with leukemia; found lump behind his eye

**Bill Patton**—brother-in-law of Betty Sachtleben—diagnosed with lung cancer

### MISSION PRAYERS:

- LCMS World Missions.
- Ministry to inactive members.
- Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School, East St. Louis, our Sunday School Mission Project
- Centralia Correctional Center—Pastor has received the green light to begin meeting in person!

### We Remember:

Upcoming vacancy at TSJ after **Mrs. Diane Backs** retires this spring

The People of Ukraine

### GOD'S BLESSINGS TO:

**Finley Gen Krawiecki** baptized this morning

**BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS:** Joshua Seeger & Nola Kraft 3-27; Angie Wells & Andrew Garrison 3-28; Gabrielle Garrison 3-29; Shawn Stevenson (C) 3-30; Jesse Lambeth 3-31; Jackie Bailey, Ken Zapp, Jr., Xander McDaniel and Lucas Meinert 4-1

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** Tammy Weihe-Rounds & Jim Rounds 3-28; Sandra & Allen Martin 4-1



**RADIO BIBLE CLASS:** Church members and listeners are invited to sign up to sponsor a broadcast. This may be done in memory of someone special or in honor of a birthday or anniversary, etc., to be mentioned on the air if you wish. See the sign-up sheet on the table by the restrooms. The cost is \$100 per broadcast. Feel free to split the cost with someone else. Once you have signed up, make your check out to "St. John's Lutheran Church" and designate it as "radio broadcast" and deposit the check in the slot in the sacristy door before your chosen broadcast day. Please sign up in plenty of time; programs should be recorded and edited a week in advance.

**TEACHING POSITION:** With the announcement of Mrs. Diane Backs' retirement, we also announce that there will be a third grade teaching position available. Duties would include teaching third grade as well as a combined third and fourth grade for part of each day. Experience with teaching K-8 music would also be beneficial. The ideal candidate would be a Lutheran teacher with joy in their heart and a love for Jesus and His children. They would have a Bachelor's degree in Education with a Lutheran Teacher's diploma. Christian teachers without a Lutheran teacher's diploma may also be considered. We look forward to the next T-SJ team member that will help us to be "partners in Christ, instructing for life, and equipping for eternity." Please submit the names of any interested teachers to Mrs. Amy Kurtz at [principal@tsjlutheran.org](mailto:principal@tsjlutheran.org).

**A YOUTH HUDDLE** will take place on Sunday, April 3 in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

**SOLID, SERIOUS, SUBSTANTIVE...** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: Human Tyranny vs. Christian Freedom; The Movie "Nightmare Alley;" The Gradual; Peter & Cornelius and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUD, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:** Friendly reminder!! Members must donate before the end of March. Just call 1-800-847-4836.

**THE ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP** is selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts as a fundraiser to raise money for Ukraine. You can order boxes of one dozen glazed doughnuts OR certificates for one dozen glazed doughnuts. Each costs \$10. There is a sign-up sheet on the table across from the bathrooms, or you can get your orders and money to a youth group member or Jessica Spenner. Make checks payable to St. John's Lutheran Church. The order/payment DEADLINE is Friday, April 8. Order pick-up is Saturday, April 16 from 12-2pm in the schoolhouse basement.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERVICE:** This week (March 30<sup>th</sup>) Pastor Nate Wollenberg from Hoyleton will again be our guest speaker for our series: *Witnesses to Christ, People of His Passion*. This week focuses on *Barabbas*. Please join us at 6:30 p.m.



**PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW:** In recent days, both congregations have received sizable bequests—

St. Luke's received a check from the estate of Arvie Reinhart in the amount of \$43,260.21. (This is the correct amount; Pastor apologies for the erroneous figure in last Sunday's bulletin.) The gift came with the following notation: "It was Mr. Reinhart's desire that this money be invested and that the annual income be used for the perpetual care, maintenance, improvement, or embellishment of the cemetery."

St. John's received a check from the estate of Esther Oexeman for \$79,050.07 designated for "Building Maintenance" (Building Fund). Executor John Brammeier wrote, "Please receive this check along with all the gratitude Esther had for your church. She always felt at home there...God's blessings upon your congregation."

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying, 'Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' 'Blessed indeed,' says the Spirit, 'that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!'" Revelation 14:13

**LANSDOWNE WORK DAY:** This summer, we have the opportunity "to do good and show mercy," by engaging in mission work in the neighborhood of Lansdowne, East St. Louis, IL, with LCI's "Neighborhood Work Day" on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Unity Lutheran Church and LCI in partnership with Lutheran churches across the Southern Illinois District (SID) will be working collaboratively to conduct a "Work Day for the Clean-up and renovation of properties in close proximity to Unity Lutheran Church and Unity School. Through this initiative, we seek to care for our neighbors' bodily needs and share Christ's love with them; to do good and show mercy!

To learn more about the various ways that you can participate and/or contribute to this project with your gifts, time, and talents, please contact Rev. Dr. Willie P. Stallworth, Sr. Pastor from Unity, and LCI's CEO at 314-724-9949 or 618-874-6600.

**SPONSOR NEEDED:** As part of our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, Eleanor Schumacher Klein has graciously donated \$175 toward the \$300 needed to sponsor organist Nancy Peterson (Mascoutah) for the Hymn Festival on April 24<sup>th</sup>. This gift is in memory of her parents, Hugo and Vera Schumacher, who served as organists at St. John's for many years. If you would be interested in making up the difference—perhaps in honor of our other organists who have served over the years—please contact Pastor Mueller.

**This Week: Mar 27<sup>th</sup>-Apr 3rd, 2022**

Today	8:00 a.m. The Lutheran Hour on KSIV 91.5 FM 12:00 & 5:30 p.m. KFUE 1-3:00 p.m. Confirmands in FH
Monday	6:30 p.m. GriefShare
Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Bible Class 7:30 p.m. Historical Society
Wednesday	6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Lenten Service
Thursday	6:15-7:30 p.m. Weekday Religion
Saturday	8-10:00 a.m. Confirmands in Church 6:30 p.m. Worship at NM
Sunday	8:30 a.m. Worship at Covington 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m. St. John's Bible Study on WNSV 104.7 10:00 a.m. Worship at New Minden w/HC 10:30 a.m. "Worship Anew" on DIRECT TV 377 and Channel 18 on Cable TV Youth Huddle After Service Officers' Agenda Mtg After Service 1-3:00 p.m. Confirmands in Church