

*As Abraham and Sarah welcomed the Lord by the oaks of Mamre and were told they would have a son (Genesis 18), I welcome you to worship, and we welcome God among us.  
Let us listen for God's good news for today!*

## SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP THIS WEEK

**Preacher:** Rev. David French

**Liturgist:** Rev. Peter Heckert

**Elder:** Mark Bowman

**Organist:** Linda Kyrouac

**Greeters:** Sat. 6:00-Patty Small; Sun. 8:00-  
Jim & Kelly Gross, Wayne & Eileen Luke;  
Sun. 10:30-Richard & Beth Lancaster

**Ushers:** Sat. 6:00-Dick & Cathy Collison;

Sun. 8:00-Scot & Ann Benham, Jacob Griffin,  
Jeff Woolard; Sun. 10:30-Tom & Kristy McCain,  
Dave & Nancy Sattler

**Acolytes:** Sun. 8:00-Parker Rosi, Hope Plassard,  
Ben Bunton, Tyce Parker;  
Sun. 10:30-Kelby Tarter, Madison Moffatt,  
Keaton Brooks, Harrison Shaffer

*Lord Jesus Christ, "in [you] all things hold together" (Colossians 1:17).*

*Thank you for holding me together, for holding my loved ones, for holding our world. Amen.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Kathy Bishop, Julie Byers, Janet Clark, Richard Evans, Bethany Funnell, Tammy Kult, Charlotte Melady, Scott Meyer, Janna Minjarez, Scott Neff, Steve Neff, Kim Nelson, Bob Nixon, Kurt Ostrander, Rod Schoon, Dan Schroeder

**DEATHS:** Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the following who were called to rest from their earthly labors:

- ✠ Robert Gillespie (father of Ron Gillespie) called home on Friday, July 12
- ✠ Tom Burkhardt (son of Betty Burkhardt/brother of Robin Max)
- ✠ Sally Eckelman called home on Thursday, July 18.

Please keep them in your prayers as they mourn their loss.

## ✠ ALTAR FLOWERS ✠

The altar flowers today are sponsored by the McCain family in memory and celebration of Evelyn McCain's 85th birthday. Wife, Mother, and Grandmother (7/21/1934 - 1/10/2012). If you would like to sponsor flowers to commemorate a special day in your life, please sign up today -- the flower chart is on the closet door in the church office (near Nola's desk), or just call or e-mail the office for the date(s) you want. *We are currently seeking additional sponsors for July 28, August 11, and August 18.* The cost to sponsor one bouquet is \$30 and you can take the flowers home after services to enjoy!

## ♥ NURSERY ♥

Have a little one crying or needing a diaper changed? We want you to know that the nursery/cry room is always open for your use during worship services. There is a television in the room so that you won't miss out on anything happening in the sanctuary. The nursery/cry room is P204 (yellow classroom).

## ☺ FELLOWSHIP TIME ☺

Everyone is invited to enjoy the fellowship and some light refreshments in the cafeteria immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Sunday service.

## ✝ SUNDAY ADULT CLASSES (9:15-10:15 A.M.) ✝

**WHO AM I? WHAT AM I DOING HERE?** led by Pastor Heckert in the cafeteria (room P212). The universe, God's will, speaking the Christ story, true human fulfillment, God's Law, the point of it all-these are some of the ideas in Pastor Joel Biermann's explorative video Bible study. In six sessions, he takes us from the beginning to that place where, on the Last Day, we find our greatest realization as humans. What is it all about? Essentially, it's about us being God's creatures, redeemed by Christ and restored through faith, and our role to fulfill God's place for us within His creation.

**A DEEPER LOOK** led by Grace Gillespie in room P202 (green classroom). This group discusses the Bible lessons (pericopes) which are read in church each Sunday. You are invited every Sunday, but will not be lost if you miss a Sunday. This is a casual class with lots of interaction. We pray for each other and care for each other. Join us today and every Sunday.

## ✂ SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:15-10:15 A.M.) ✂

- 2 Yr. Olds - Preschool: Room P204 (Yellow Classroom)
- Kg - 2nd Grade: Room P205 (Orange Classroom)
- 3rd - 5th Grade: Room P206 (Red Classroom)
- 6th - 8th Grade: Room F104 (Church Office Conference Room)
- High School: Room S204 (7th Grade/Language Arts Classroom)

**What are the 2 year olds - 5th graders learning about?** Starting with Genesis, we will work through the Bible in three years through major Bible stories from the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Acts. Students will learn and grow in faith alongside their peers as they explore the Bible, draw connections to the Small Catechism, and learn the traditions of the Lutheran Church.

**What are the 6th - 8th graders learning about?** We are studying the Divine Service and the reasons behind why Lutherans worship the way they do. This is a great opportunity for our youth to prepare for confirmation, first communion, and being a faithful member of Christ's church.

If you have questions about the Sunday school program, contact Superintendent Janna Minjarez at [minjarezfamily@hotmail.com](mailto:minjarezfamily@hotmail.com).

## 📖 WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES 📖

**COFFEE CLUB** led by Pastor French on **Thursdays 7:00-7:45 a.m.** in the church conference room.

**MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST** led by Pastor Jim Barton and Doug Schroeder on **Fridays 6-7 a.m.** at the Downtowner Restaurant in Market Square. You can come for coffee or breakfast at 6:00 a.m. or just for the Bible study beginning at about 6:30. We are looking at the Epistle and Gospel lessons for the coming Sunday, along with a related Old Testament Scripture to become familiar with more of the Old Testament, too. You are welcome any time. See Pastor Barton for details.

### ✿ TV & RADIO MINISTRIES ✿

**ISSUES, ETC.:** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen live or on-demand at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) and on the LPR mobile app.

**LUTHERAN RADIO STATION - KFUE:** Listen to KFUE.org, the broadcast arm of the LCMS, as we share Christ for you anytime, anywhere via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at [kfue.org](http://kfue.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUEradio** on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#). This week on KFUE.org, hear live broadcasts from the LCMS Synodical Convention during The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:15 a.m. CT), study the Saga of Salvation in Exodus 6-8 on Sharper Iron with host Rev. Timothy Appel and guest pastors (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and hear incredible insight into Numbers 31-35 on Thy Strong Word with host Rev. AJ Espinosa and guest pastors (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at [kfue.org](http://kfue.org) or wherever you get your podcasts!

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** "Relationship" by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on July 21. Topic: Communication with God -- Lord's Supper (1 Corinthians 11:17-34). *The Lutheran Hour* is heard every week in our listening area at 7:00 a.m. on station 720 AM, at 7:30 a.m. on 97.3 FM, at 9:04 a.m. on 107.7 FM, or at 10:00 a.m. on 97.3 FM. You can also catch TLH on SiriusXM satellite radio on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. on its Family Talk channel 131. Have questions? Contact our LHM ambassador - Jerry Ripke at (765) 490-5254 or [jerryripke@gmail.com](mailto:jerryripke@gmail.com).

**WORSHIP ANEW:** This 30 minute Lutheran television worship service includes the readings for the day, prayers, and a Lutheran pastor delivering a message that is one-on-one to the viewer. *Worship Anew* is aired each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. on WHMB-TV40. Visit [www.WorshipAnew.org](http://www.WorshipAnew.org) for more information about this exciting program!

### ◇ GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS ◇

**CHECK OUT THIS MINISTRY:** Plan to stop by the fellowship hall on Monday morning (July 22) and check out the Quilters. You are welcome to cut, sew, tie, or just visit.

**ADOPT-A-CHAIR:** We have found our fellowship hall seating is becoming tattered and torn. As you know, we often use the seats for special occasions, and many visitors use the seating at those events. After a little research, it was found that we can purchase new chairs for about \$25 each. In order to come up with the funding, we thought you may want to "Adopt-a-Chair." If you are interested in adopting, please see Nola or Mindy in the church office to complete the process. **Thank you to our current adopt-a-chair "parents": Charles & Charlotte Adkins, John Brooks, Bill Buffington, Barbara Francis, Ruth O'Connor, Mark & Stephanie Richeson, Les & Carol Ricks, & Judie Watts.**

**ATTENTION ALL 7TH AND 8TH GRADERS:** With the beginning of another school year quickly approaching, we look forward to the continuation of our confirmation instruction and the celebration of confirmation for our 8th graders! **All 7th and 8th grade students** (St. James and public school students) should meet in the cafeteria for a brief orientation to our confirmation program for 2019-2020! The 6:00 p.m. meeting on **Wednesday, August 7** will last one hour and will include the following:

- Review the purpose and expectations of confirmation students.
- Pick up materials and schedules and pay fees.
- Fill out information form and acolyte scheduling form.

We need to have at least one parent of each 7th/8th grader come to the meeting so that we all start with the same goals. We are looking forward to a great year as together we grow in our Christian faith! Please mark your calendars now! We need everyone to be there!

**ATTENTION WOMEN:** It is time to start thinking about continuing our constant digging into the Word of God. This Monday night Bible study will begin on **September 10** from 7:00-9:00 in the conference room (church office area) and will run for 10 weeks. Bring your own beverage. We will be studying the Gospel of Luke – parts 1 and 2, getting the life and love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Luke gives us many features omitted in Matthew and Mark, and the Christmas songs. Being a physician, we get the longest account of the virgin birth. There are 20 miracles and 23 parables. Here we find the human account of the walk to Emmaus. Luke gives us a definite human sympathy which reveals the truly human nature of Jesus, and shows us first hand a great deal about the suffering of humanity. Luke uses more medical terms than Hippocrates, the father of medicine. I hope to see many of our ladies and guests coming into our group for learning and fellowship. Look for the signup sheet near the scrip counter in the west lobby (until August 31). The cost of study materials is \$11.00. Please contact Barbara Kirkpatrick at (765) 474-3715 with any questions.

**DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET:** The spring quarter edition of *Portals of Prayer* is available on the bookshelf in the narthex (the back hallway leading into the sanctuary) for you and those you might know. Take a few home and give them to relatives, friends, coworkers, and teammates. These devotions are short and very easy reading. It is a great way to start or end each day.

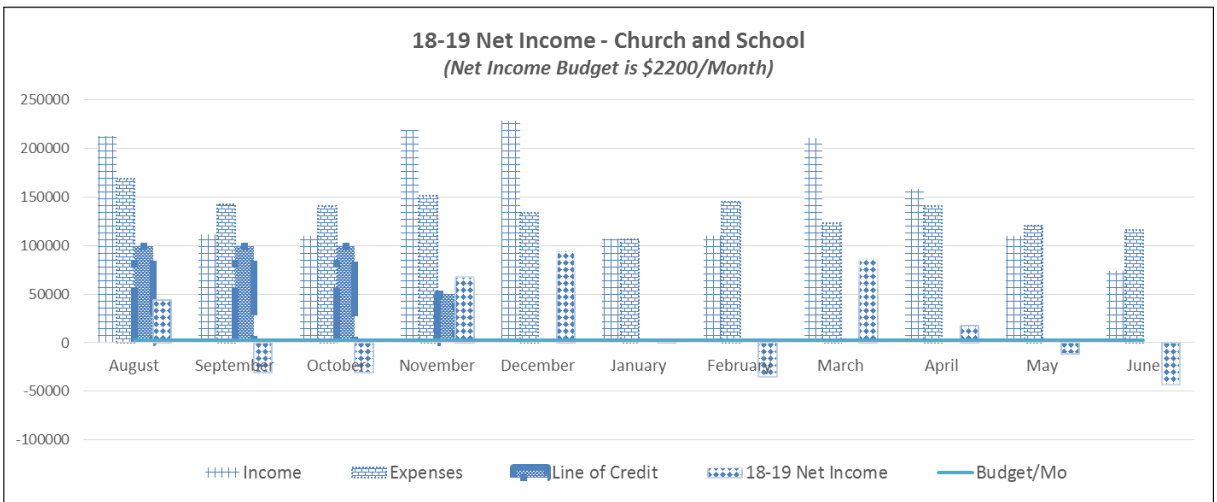
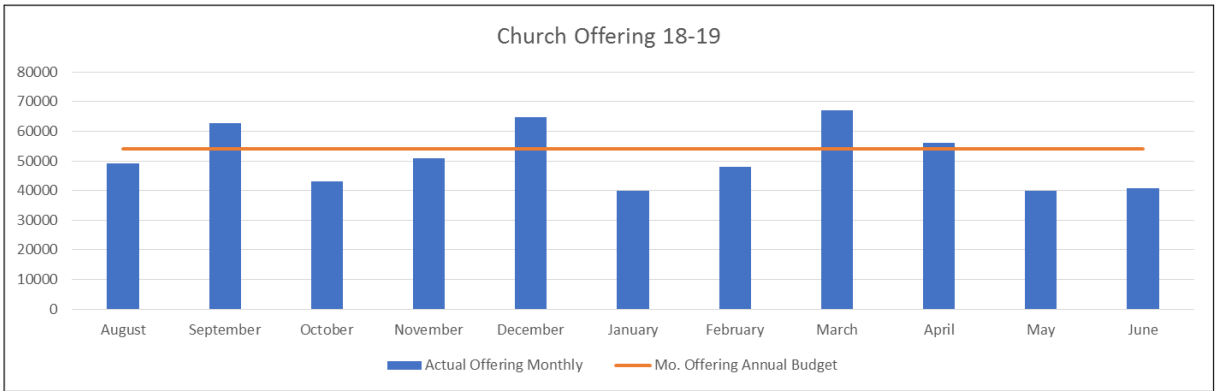
**HE LISTENS:** Please consider being a part of our St. James prayer chain. If you are interested in being a prayer partner or if you have a prayer concern, please e-mail [prayersofstjames@gmail.com](mailto:prayersofstjames@gmail.com).

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Luke 10:40 – “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone?”** Martha is doing the right thing but in the wrong order. Her service to the Lord is good, but she has let it get ahead of hearing His Word. Mary has placed the Word first, which is good. Is there any doubt she will rise once she has heard the Word and get to serving as well? Isn't that what hearing the Word always leads us to do? We listen, then respond. We believe, and thus we act.

**CHURCH ATTENDANCE FOR JULY 13-14:** 244

**OFFERINGS FOR JULY 8-14:** \$13,015.75

## \$ FINANCIAL NEWS FROM MINDY SCHLOTMAN \$



### SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 28, 2019

Genesis 18:(17-19) 20-33; Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19); Luke 11:1-13

*The Prayer of the Church Is the Voice of Faith*



Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of faith by teaching them how to pray. He promises us: “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you” (Luke 11:9). If earthly fathers know how to give good gifts to their children, “how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him” (Luke 11:13). Thus, father Abraham was bold in his prayer because he believed the gracious promise of the Lord, that he would “surely become a great and mighty nation” (Gen. 18:18). When we pray in Jesus’s name, we also hold “fast to the Head” (Col. 2:19), “rooted and built up in him and established in the faith” (Col. 2:6-7).



- 21 ~ Cindy Jennings, Ralph Johnson
- 22 ~ Isabel Keiper, Peggy Prien
- 23 ~ Jim McDonald
- 24 ~ Paul Moses, Shelley Reichelt, Pam Walschlager
- 25 ~ Chad Baumgartner, Dale Petzing, Janet Sterrett
- 26 ~ Parker Rosi
- 27 ~ Carol Ricks, Claire Rowan, Madison Theesfeld

- 21 ~ N/A
- 22 ~ Dave & Jen Sterrett (24 years)
- 23 ~ N/A
- 24 ~ Nathan & Lauren Knowles (9 years)  
Jim & Lynne Reichelt (37 years)
- 25 ~ N/A
- 26 ~ Pat & Deb Patterson (33 years)
- 27 ~ Ben & Amy Schoon (17 years)

*Please take a moment to sign the Record of Fellowship pad today.*

*The birthday, anniversary, and baptismal birthday lists are generated from those records.*

*Bless you as you celebrate!*



Abby McCain, Hannah Northington,  
Shelley Reichelt, Jerry Ripke, Linda Rullman



### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sun. 7/21	08:00 AM - 09:00 AM 09:15 AM - 10:15 AM 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Worship (C) Adult Education/Sunday School Worship
Mon. 7/22	08:30 AM - Noon	Quilters
Tue. 7/23	07:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Board of Elders
Wed. 7/24		<i>No Scheduled Events</i>
Thu. 7/25	07:00 AM - 07:45 AM 07:00 PM - 09:00 PM	Coffee Club Board of Human Resources
Fri. 7/26	06:00 AM - 07:00 AM 03:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Men's Bible Breakfast Book Meets Art Club
Sat. 7/27	06:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Worship

