

2026 FALL INGATHERING SEASON

ILLINOIS | CENTRAL AREA

We are so grateful for our Quilters and Kit Makers! Your compassionate service is at the very heart of Lutheran World Relief.

In 2025, your love stitched more than 315,000 quilts, bundled nearly 490,000 kits, and embraced countless families in 15 countries, including the United States.

You brought comfort and hope to families who lost everything from natural disasters in the **U.S.**, hygiene and dignity to the elderly in war-torn **Ukraine**, and ensured a lack of school supplies didn't keep children in **Liberia** from their education.

You are a **beacon of hope** to our **most vulnerable neighbors**, shining **God's light** in a world of increasing need. **THANK YOU!**

UPCOMING INGATHERINGS NEAR YOU

With the Fall Ingathering season approaching quickly, here is some important logistical information:

Holy Cross Lutheran Church



1201 N. Chestnut St.,
Shelbyville, IL 62565



Fri, Oct 30, 9am-10am – ONE HOUR ONLY!



Sandy Brix
217.774.4229 (home)
217.774.2952 (church)
brixvet@consolidated.net

Immanuel Lutheran Church (Carthage)



921 N County Road 1900,
Carthage, IL 62321



Fri, Oct 30, 9am-11am



Maxine Smart
217.357.2613 (cell)
217.357.3601 (church)
mlsmart1950@gmail.com

Immanuel Lutheran Church (Flatville)



2498 County Road 2100 East,
Thomasboro, IL 61878



Sat, Oct 31, 9am-noon



Julie Wilson
217.202.6515 | juliewilson361@gmail.com
JoAnn Ehmen
217.893.8451 | ronjoannehmen@gmail.com

St. John's Lutheran Church



2477 W. Washington St.,
Springfield, IL 62702



Sat, Oct 31, 9am-11am



Rose Moser
217.622.3057 (cell)
roswitha64@aol.com

First Lutheran Church



364 E Water St.,
Galesburg, IL 61401



Mon-Wed, Oct 26-28, 9am-noon



Izzy Garcia
309.343.3176 (church office)
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MUST CALL FOR DROP OFF APPOINTMENT

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



1617 E. Emerson St.,
Bloomington, IL 61701



Sat, Oct 31, 9am-2pm



Vickie Robertson
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INGATHERING MAP

You can also check the **INGATHERING MAP** at ingathering.lwr.org for the closest location. No Ingathering or drop site near you? No problem! You can drop or ship your items to our warehouse:

Lutheran World Relief
398 East Richmond Street,
South St. Paul, MN 55075
651.457.9009

ITEMS ACCEPTED

Quilts, School Kits, Personal Care Kits, Baby Care Kits and Fabric Kits. For **general assembly** instructions, go to lwr.org/quilts or lwr.org/kits.

PACKING NOTES

Pack your items **TIGHTLY** in medium-size **strong boxes secured with packing tape**. This ensures boxes do not collapse during transit. **Each box cannot exceed 40 lbs.** Pack completed quilts and kits **SEPARATELY** in boxes.

Create your own label OR write on your boxes in **LARGE, BLOCK LETTERS** with **LWR, church information, type and number of contents**.

TRACKING YOUR BOXES

Meet Lydia: your new quilt and kit tracking tool! This quick, simple, stress-free online system lets you pre-register your boxes and follow them all the way to their final destination.

If you can use a computer, tablet or smartphone, you're ready to go!

Get started today at lwr.org/tracker.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact the Quilt & Kit Ministry team at quiltsandkits@lwr.org.



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