



**THE VOICE OF OUR REDEEMER &
ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCHES**

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Services: Saturday 5 PM in Kampsville
& Sunday 9A.M. with Sunday School: 10:15 A.M.

November/December 2021

Bible Study Options for everyone:

- In November the Sunday morning Adult Bible study our study of the letter to the Romans.
- The Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study has resumed meeting only from 9:30 to 10:30, socially distanced with no snacks this fall as we work through COVID.
- We have begun a Bible class looking at John's Epistles at St John on Saturdays at 3:45 PM.

Sunday School

We have resumed classes. Pastor will be looking at possible plans for a Christmas Program with parts for our children starting with some preparations in late November.

LYF (Lutheran Youth Fellowship- grades 7-12)

We have begun raising funds for a trip to the National Youth Gathering in Houston TX in July of 2022.

Thanks to all of our great supporters at our BBQ in October – there are a few packages of left overs in the freezer! Please also join us for Chili & Soup on December 1, from 5-6:30 PM (Before our first Wednesday Advent service). We can also use volunteers to help Sam Droste as the scouts collect donations for the Carrollton Area Food Pantry. The bag drop off will be on the morning of November 13 and pick-up will be on November 20.



Isaiah 51:5a *My righteousness is near.
My salvation goes forth, and my arms will bring justice
to the peoples. (EHV)*

How much longer? As COVID and its restrictions continue that is what many of us are asking? But “how much longer” is also what children and parents may be asking as Christmas approaches and the package deliveries are becoming even slower.

This isn't a new question. We may be more impatient than past generations, but we did not invent that problem. As Bible study class in Carrollton finishes its quick look at Isaiah in the next couple months we will be reminded that Isaiah and his fellow Old Testament believers had that same question – how long!?

God's answer to them is also there for us. His salvation is near, Jesus is constantly offering us strength and hope in word and Sacraments if we will only receive those gifts. They can help us as we wait for our final deliverance at His second coming.

As we head into this Advent, our services and the devotions available in print or online from the Lutheran Hour for this Advent (in many different ways), will all remind us of this certainty Jesus desires to give us. His promises from the beginning to end of our stories will provide for all of our needs

If you feel the need now to be strengthened in your faith by God's gifts in the sacrament but have concerns about how to do that safely, please talk to me (contact info on the top of this sheet) to arrange a way to receive Jesus' gifts in a way that feels safe for you soon.

Attendance for the past two months was:

	9/4-5	9/12	9/18-19	9/25-26	10/2-3	10/9-10	10/17	10/23-24
Sat. 5 PM	11	3	10	14	12	11	17	12
Sun. 9 AM	34	32	34	45	38		49	50

(On 9/12 & 10/17 we tried having Kampsville service at 10:30 AM, those service attendances are in the Sat 5 PM column.)

Ladies Aid – President Joyce Grizzle
Ladies Aid will be meeting on Monday, November 15 at 1 pm with Helen Flowers as hostess. Following the meeting we will look at the Chrismons and see what we can make for this year's tree. If you have questions, check with Sandy Purcell.
December 15 will be out Christmas party following church services. All adults are welcome to join us for games and snacks.
Just a reminder, December 1 will be our turn at the Food Pantry.
Our church is in charge of Operation Christmas. Set up will be at the Methodist Church Hall. All volunteers are needed. Please watch the bulletin for more details.

Notes of Thanks for the last two months:

- Π Thanks to those who have agreed to be nominated for election at our December voters meeting to serve our church in various offices.
- Π Thanks to those who tirelessly volunteer to prepare our church for services and reach out to our neighbors including our altar guild members who are resuming some of their work.
- Π Thanks to our organists who work their schedules together so that God may be praised in music.
- Π Thanks to our Sunday School and midweek teachers.
- Π Thanks to the many people who helped make the tent at Old Settler's Days such a success this year!

Keep in your prayers:

- ✝ Caitlyn Ramirez, who we are supporting in the Dominican Republic in *Together in Mission*. Her husband will hopefully soon be finishing Seminary preparation there to return to Peru as the second native Peruvian Lutheran Pastor.
- ✝ Maria Sasieta, serving in missions with Stronghold Cambodia

On November 24th you are encouraged to join in the Thanksgiving Eve 6 PM service (with communion) at Hope Lutheran in Jerseyville.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP PLANS:

- Nov. 6 & 7th - The Sunday for All Saints
1 John 3:1-3 See Him as He IS
- 13 & 14th - The 25th Sunday after Pentecost
Mark 13:1-13 Enduring to the End
- 20 & 21st - Christ the King Sunday
Mark 13:24-37 My Words Will Never Pass Away
- 27 & 28th - 1st Sunday in Advent
Luke 19:28-40 Blessed is He who comes

DECEMBER WORSHIP PLANS:

- 1st - 1st Wednesday in Advent – **6:30 PM**
(Note the time change)
Luke 1:1-4 - A Beginning with Promise
- 4th & 5th - 2nd Sunday in Advent
Malachi 3:1-7b I, the LORD, Do Not Change
- 8th - 2nd Wednesday in Advent (7 PM)
Luke 1:5-18 – A Middle with Promise
- 11-12th -3rd Sunday in Advent
Luke 7:18-28 A Guarded Life
- 16th – 3rd Wednesday in Advent (7 PM)
Luke 1:19-23 An End with Promise
- 18-19th– 4th Sun. in Advent (Children's Program?)
Luke 1:39-45 A Joyful Response
- 22nd – 4th Wednesday in Advent (7 PM)
Luke 1:24-38 A New Beginning with Promise
- 24th - Christmas Eve (7 PM & 8:30 PM)
Luke 2:1-20 Give us this day....
- 25th - Christmas Day (9 AM)
John 1:3 Not Overcome
- 25th & 26th -First Sunday after Christmas
Luke 2:22-40 Under the Law

Subscriptions for the 2021 Lutheran Witness (including the 8 page district supplement) are \$18 and are due in to the church by November 14th. Please sign up on the sheet in the church entryway at either Carrollton or Kampsville.

You can support Our Redeemer in Carrollton if you do online shopping with Amazon, just go to www.smile.amazon.com and register to give to Our Redeemer. The deals are exactly the same as at the standard Amazon site only the church gets a small percentage of your purchase price.

The Carrollton food pantry is another place you can use your abilities either providing food or giving of your time to help on our day distributing (see calendar). The food pantry is looking for special donations (particularly of toiletries and paper goods in addition to non-perishable food items and cash & checks so that they can buy the items they most need).

Operation Christmas will have an angel tree up in Advent to provide gloves, hats and scarves to teenage girls on the list as usual.

Meeting times for Church Council, Elders, Evangelism, Church Voters... are on the calendar. Transfer these to your calendars and watch the Sunday Bulletins for any specifics.

Remember in your Christmas Cards our members in nursing homes and assisted living facilities:

Florence Mehrhoff: Heritage Health
873 Grove St, Jacksonville, IL 62650

Janice Hardwick 620 W. Bridgeport
White Hall, IL 62092

Margaret Varble 620 W. Bridgeport
White Hall, IL 62092

Mary Lou Lehr 1 Myrtle Ln.
Hardin, IL 62047

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Happy Birthday!

November

1 Chelsea Lehr
3 Richard Mehrhoff
4 Chelsea Davis
5 Myka Bryson
12 Harry Flowers
14 Richard Riechmann
15 Betty Plogger
21 Aurora Baker
22 Gavin Cartwright
22 Brian Darr
24 Craig Winters
25 Mitchell Flatt
25 Tara Henline
25 Brandy Purcell
26 Daryl Riechmann
29 Matt Knight

December

4 Trent Tucker
5 Frank Custer
5 Patrick Tepen
7 Cain Tittsworth
8 Byron Berry
9 Catherine Custer
9 Kevin Jones
9 Bob Scott
12 Wesley Fanning
13 Bryon Kunzeman
14 Cody Steinacher
15 Linda Russell
18 Katelynn Meza
19 Rachel Coonrod
19 Leslie Range
19 Elena Sasieta
21 Nicole Gernigan
22 Brenda Midkiff
24 David Thompson
26 Evelyn Thompson
27 James Riechmann
29 Amanda Epps
29 Angela Lott
30 Emily Carroll
30 Cayla Fanning
31 Meghan Greaves

Baptismal Birthdays

November

2 Madison Struble
7 Jerod Busey
7 Barbara Lehr
7 Myka Bryson
9 Judy Riechmann
9 Michelle Coonrod
11 Channing Johnson
11 Sam Droste
15 Adriane Baker
15 Craig Winters
20 Connie Jones
23 Allen Darr
26 Tricia Ulery
28 Kathryn Tepen
28 Sidney Tepen
29 Megan Jacobsen

December

6 Roberta Coats
6 Sarah Baumgartner
8 Matthew Steinacher
14 Audrey Jones
15 Richard Mehrhoff
16 Patrick Tepen
18 Aurora Baker
18 Cody Steinacher
22 Terri Valstad
22 Daryl Riechmann
23 Richard Riechmann
24 Trent Tucker
25 Louise Vetter
25 Frances Custer
26 Halley Maurer
27 Denise Varble
27 Marty Knight
27 Scott Epps
27 Chelsey Davis

Note: the Birthdays and baptismal birthdays that are listed are based on our computer records at church. Please notify the church if there is an error or omission. (or if you'd rather keep your birthday to yourself - note; we won't give out your age.)

November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 All Saints Day	2 9:30 A.M Ladies' Study	3 1 PM Operation Christmas Meeting 5:30 PM Confirmation 7:30 PM Church Council Meeting	4 1:30 PM Mt. Gilead Service	5	6
7 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS set clocks back 1 hour	8	9 9:30 A.M Ladies' Study	10 5:30 PM Confirmation	11	12	13 9 Scouting for Food Drop off bags
14	15	16 9:30 A.M Ladies' Study	17 5:30 PM Confirmation 7 PM Elders Meeting	18	19 1 PM Operation Christmas Meeting	20 9 Scouting for Food Pick up donations
21 11:30 Chili Lunch followed by setting up community nativity	22	23 9:30 A.M Ladies' Study	24 6 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service in Jerseyville	25	26	27
28	29	30 9:30 A.M Ladies' Study	Services with Holy Communion Every Saturday at 5 PM in Kampsville & Sunday at 9 A.M. in Carrollton Bible Study for all ages Every Sunday at 10:15 A.M.			

December 2021

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5	6	7 9:30 A.M Ladies' Study	8 5:30 PM Confirmation 7 PM Advent Service	9	10	11
12	13	14 9:30 A.M Ladies' Study	15 5:30 PM Confirmation 7 PM Advent Service 7:45 PM Ladies Aid Christmas Party	16	17	18
19	20	21 9:30 A.M Ladies' Study	22 7 PM Advent Service	23	24 7 PM Christmas Eve -Carrollton 8:30 PM Kampsville Christmas Eve	25 9 AM Christmas Day Service - Carrollton No 5:30 Service
26 Service but no Bible Study in Carrollton 10:30 AM Kampsville Service	27	28	29 6:30 Elders Meeting	30	31	