



**THE VOICE OF OUR REDEEMER &
 ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCHES**
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 & Sunday 9A.M. with Sunday School: 10:15 A.M.

May/June 2023

Romans 4:13 “The promise that he would be the heir of the world was not given to Abraham or his descendants through the law, but through the righteousness that is by faith.”

(Evangelical Heritage Version)

Paul asks, “What did Abraham, our forefather, discover?” at the start of Romans 4. Meaning, what did Abraham learn about the way to salvation? He learned that he too was wicked sinner. He learned that he could not save himself by his own works. And we’re just like him. By nature we too are wicked sinners.

We don’t like to hear that. We like to think of ourselves as: *The not-so-bad, the pretty good, the better than most.* We are sometimes less than honest. This June and July Romans will challenge us to admit that we’re truly impatient with God and his promises and try to take matters into our own hands, we lie and cheat and steal and lust and hate, we’re lazy and arrogant and selfish. We use foul language and tear others down with our words. Far more often than we’d like to admit we’re just like the unbelieving world around us.

We were born in sin, and we show our sinful nature every day in thoughts, words and deeds. We haven’t earned God’s favor. We’ve earned nothing but eternal death.

But Romans (and all the Bible) has wonderful news for us. Our God justifies the wicked. He is the God of perfect justice, the God who hates sin. But he is also the God of perfect grace, the God who loves the sinner. It is his love for us that leads him to justify us.

Christ is Risen!

Pastor Steve

Our attendances for the past two months were:

| | 3/4-5 | 3/11-12 | 3/18-19 | 3/25-26 | 4/1-2 | 4/8-9 | 4/15-16 |
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| 5 PM | 10 | 11 | 5 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 9AM | 44 | 36 | 30 | 41 | 50 | 44 | 42 |

Special Services: 3/1- 13, 3/8- 12, 3/15- 8, 3/22-10, 3/29-21
M. Thursday- 42 Good Friday- 33 Easter 6:30 AM-31

Parents are strongly encouraged to bring their children to Sunday School whenever possible. It would be a great encouragement in the faith for your children and for all the other children of our church as well.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class will be continuing our look at Matthew over the next two months.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study continues in May their Bible Study of women in the Bible

Carrollton Vacation Bible School will be June 12-24

We are again having a three – night VBS from 5:30-8 PM each night. We will also have extra registration forms in the church entryway soon. Please invite friends and neighbors.

Kampsville Vacation Bible School plans will be set soon.

Upcoming Youth Events

We need to make plans for the coming months and to elect an officer to help coordinate events. We can always use volunteers to help with VBS week.

Camp Wartburg (near Waterloo, IL) and **Camp Cilca** (near Springfield) have information available on-line. Consider a week at camp this summer.

Ladies Aid

President Joyce Grizzle

The Ladies Aid will have their Mother's Day program on May 16 at 2 pm. We will play the dime game- to benefit the mites mission projects. . We'll also have some readings on Mothers. All ladies of the church are invited and please bring a guest. Our church will be assisting with the summer lunch at the First Baptist Church. More info will be in the bulletin.

MAY WORSHIP PLANS:

7th - The 5th Sunday in Easter (10:30 Kampsville service)

Pastor George Gude

14th – The 6th Sunday in Easter /Mother's Day
(10:30 Kampsville service)

John 14:15-21 "Keeping the Commandments"

20th & 21st –The 7th Sunday in Easter

John 17:1-11 "Keeping the Word"

27th & 28th – Pentecost (Memorial Day)

Acts 2:1-21 "Both Young and Old "

JUNE WORSHIP PLANS:

3rd & 4th – Holy Trinity Sunday

Matthew 28:16-20 "Uncertain Worship"

10th & 11th - Second Sunday after Pentecost

Romans 4:13-25 "All the Same"

17th & 18th – Third Sunday after Pentecost

Romans 5:6-15 "Help from the New Adam"

24th & 25th –4th Sunday after Pentecost

Romans 6:12-23 "Breaking Sin's Power"



Thanks to Roy Becker and all those who helped decorate at both churches for Easter!



We had a great Easter breakfast and two great Easter Egg Hunts this year in Kampsville and Carrollton. Thanks to all for the hard work in preparing them for our members and neighbors!

Happy Birthday

May:

- 1- Glenda Howland
- 3 Reed Rusten
- 6 Roy Becker
Marty Knight
- 7 Terri White
- 8 Phyllis Darr
- 9 Jody Nuss
- 11 Keeley Varble
- 12 Diana Varble
- 13 Evan Rahe
Leona Freand
- 15 Tony Purcell
- 18 Vicky Vetter
- 21 Mark Childress
- 25 Ben Petri
- 27 Ellen Logsdon
- 30 Jordan Davis
Blake Struble

June:

- 3 Craig Jones
- 4 Martha Bland
- 5 Brett Lehr
- 7 Judy Tepen
- 8 John Quandt
- 11 Austin Rahe
Zach Jones
James Reno
- 12 Butch Purcell
- 15 Richard Snyder
- 18 Cale Kunzeman
Tyler Jones
- 21 Ashli Lee
Kelli Rahe
- 24 Brenda Berry
- 26 Luke Tepen
- 28 Remington Stott

Happy Baptismal

Birthday - May:

- 8 Nathan Coonrod
Steve Lee
- 10 Rachel Coonrod
Linda Sullivan
- 11 Ryan Riechmann
- 13 Alfonso Sasieta
- 14 Doris Camerer
James Custer
Leslie Range
- 16 Ryan Reno
Dorothy Ray
Jim Jones
Wesley Fanning
- 17 Jody Woods
- 21 Karen Schnelt
Terri White
Diana Steinacher
- 27 Blake Struble
- 28 Leigh Ann Henline
Cindy Howard
- 30 Brian White
- 31 Eric Thaxton
Mable Thuer

June:

- 1 Harry Flowers
Leona Freand
- 3 Glenda Howland
- 6 Taylor Sullivan
- 7 Alexandra Flatt
Rosemary Sexton
- 10 Frank Custer
- 13 Taylor Rusten
Jody Nuss
Alex Baker
- 15 Linda Russell
Reed Rusten
- 16 Byron Berry
- 18 Jordan Davis
John Quandt
- 20 Jessica Jones
- 25 Diana Varble
Joe Terpening

May 2023

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| | 1 | 2 9:30 AM Ladies Study | 3 7:30 Church Council Mtg. | 4 National Day of Prayer | 5 | 6 No Saturday Service |
| 7 10:30 AM Communion Service at Kampsville (Pastor Gude) | 8 | 9 9:30 AM Ladies Study | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 No Saturday Service |
| 14 Mother's Day 10:30 AM Communion Service at Kampsville (Pastor Jacobsen) | 15 2 PM LWML Mother's Day Party | 16 9:30 AM Ladies Study | 17 1-3 PM We Host the Carrollton Food Pantry | 18 | 19 | 20 10 AM Evangelism |
| 21 | 22 | 23 9:30 AM Last Ladies Study till Sept. | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 Pentecost | 29 | 30 | 31 5:30 PM Elders Meeting 6:30 PM VBS Prep Meeting | Services with Holy Communion every Saturday at 5 PM in Kampsville & at 9 A.M. every Sunday in Carrollton Bible Study every Sunday at 10:15 A.M. (Except May 6 & 13 are moved to the 7th & 14th) | | |

June 2022

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| Services with Holy Communion every Saturday at 5 PM in Kampsville & at 9 A.M. every Sunday in Carrollton Bible Study every Sunday at 10:15 A.M. | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 10 AM Small Church Summit at Concordia Luth. In Springfield, IL |
| 4 Holy Trinity 4:00 p.m Ordination & Installation of Rev. Oliver LeMie at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Prairietown | 5 | 6 | 7 7:30 Church Voters Meeting | 8 | 9 | 10 10 AM Evangelism |
| 11 | 12 5:30-8 PM Carrollton | 13 5:30-8 PM Vacation | 14 5:30-8 PM Bible School | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 Father's Day | 19 1 PM Ladies Aid Meeting | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 5:30 Elders Mtg | 29 | 30 | |