St John Church of Christ

Bulletin

April 24, 2022



From The Elders at the St. John Church of Christ

Hello and hope your week is going well. After Carl's sermon on Sunday the 17th, I read Romans 6:1-23 in the Message paraphrase of the Bible. It speaks in my kind of language. I thought it would be very helpful for everyone to read, as a review, and to meditate on.

ROMANS 6

WHEN DEATH BECOMES LIFE

- **1-3** So what do we do? Keep on sinning so God can keep on forgiving? I should hope not! If we've left the country where sin is sovereign, how can we still live in our old house there? Or didn't you realize we packed up and left there for good? That is what happened in baptism. When we went under the water, we left the old country of sin behind; when we came up out of the water, we entered into the new country of grace—a new life in a new land!
- **3-5** That's what baptism into the life of Jesus means. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus; when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus. Each of us is raised into a light-filled world by our Father so that we can see where we're going in our new grace-sovereign country.
- **6-11** Could it be any clearer? Our old way of life was nailed to the cross with Christ, a decisive end to that sin-miserable life—no longer captive to sin's demands! What we believe is this: If we get included in Christ's sin-conquering death, we also get included in his life-saving resurrection. We know that when Jesus was raised from the dead it was a signal of the end of death-as-the-end. Never again will death have the last word. When Jesus died, he took sin down with him, but alive he brings God down to us. From now on, think of it this way: Sin speaks a dead language that means nothing to you; God speaks your mother tongue, and you hang on every word. You are dead to sin and alive to God. That's what Jesus did.
- **12-14** That means you must not give sin a vote in the way you conduct your lives. Don't give it the time of day. Don't even run little errands that are connected with that old way of life. Throw yourselves wholeheartedly and full-time—remember, you've been raised from the dead!—into God's way of doing things. Sin can't tell you how to live. After all, you're not living under that old tyranny any longer. You're living in the freedom of God.

In Our Prayers

Jerry & Kay Kinnamon
Marilyn Thornburgh
Carol Gingrich
Dena Mansel
Don Rugan
George & Shirley Shelton
Gayle Byer
McKeel Family

Upcoming Events

Vacation Bible School [June 4]

Come join "God's Team - Champions with Heart"! Plans are being made now for this year's vacation bible school. Contact Orrin or Meagan to find out how you can help make it a success again this year!

Silver Maple Camp [4 Sessions]

Registration for summer youth camps at Silver Maple Camp are now open!

Early Session - Ages 9-18 [June 5-11]
Day Camp - Ages 7-9 [July 12] 9:30-4:00
Day Camp - Ages 7-9 [July 13] 9:30-4:00
First Session - Ages 9-13 [July 10-16]
Second Session - Ages 13-18 [July 17-23]
Day Camp - Ages 7-9 [July 26] 9:30-4:00
Day Camp - Ages 7-9 [July 27] 9:30-4:00
Third Session - Ages 9-18 [July 24-30]

Birthdays & Anniversaries *

4/27 - Tom Turner

5/8 - Trent Sallee

5/12 - Dylan & Destiny Huffman

5/15 - Richard Brensing

*If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please let us know!

Worship Order

Song Leader: Gary Hornbaker

Sound System: Orrin Feril

Gathering Song: #23 - Our God, He Is Alive (v1, 4)

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Landon Marks (Colossians 3:1-4)

Prayer: Teddy Gingrich

Song: #492 - Only In Thee

Song: #366 - By Christ Redeemed

Communion: Stan Aldrich

Song: #851 - I'll Fly Away

<u>Lesson</u>: Steve Tandy

Song: #902 - Nothing But The Blood (v 1)

Closing Prayer: Terry Sallee