

St. John Lutheran Church, New Minden, Illinois
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St. Luke Lutheran Church, Covington, Illinois

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER/MOTHER'S DAY 5/14/23

WELCOME in the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you worship with us this morning. Visitors are invited to sign our guest book at the church entrance.

Sermon: "Baptism Now Saves You," 1 Peter 3:13-22

St. Luke's, 8:30 a.m.

P. 15 Hymns: 301;298; 304; SD 43

St. John's, 10:00 a.m.

LSB 151-160 Hymns: 590; 596; 594; 601

There will be a brief children's message at St. John's.

ATTENDANCE: (M) 78 (C) 15 Sunday School: 9 Adult Bible Class: Sunday 4

ENVELOPE COLLECTION at St. John's this morning is for Armed Services. All money not in an envelope will go to the home budget.

REGULAR ENVELOPE COLLECTION at St. John's next Sunday, May 21st.

RIGHT-TO-LIFE ROSES will be available to buy after the service this morning. Cost is \$2.00.

ALTAR FLOWERS at St. John's this morning were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Deb Lange who went to her heavenly home a year ago on May 18th. These were given by Terry Lange.

THE FLOWERS on the piano at St. John's this morning were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Wilma Lange, mother of Terry Lange, who went to her heavenly home five years ago on May 12th. These were given by Terry.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! St. John's is hosting Rainforest Explorers VBS during the week of June 5-9 from 5:30-7:30 pm. A light dinner will be served each evening, and Friday evening will be the closing service with a family meal afterward. Register at vbsmate.com/events/StJohnsNewMinden/26959. Please contact Jessica Spenner if you have any questions or would like to help.

OPEN TEACHING POSITION AT T-SJ: Join a wonderful group of Christian teachers at Trinity-St. John Lutheran School. We are partners in Christ, instructing for life, and equipping students for eternity. Part-time Third Grade Teacher: Mornings, approximately 25 hours/week. T-SJ is seeking a Christian teacher to teach third grade Language Arts, Math, and Social Studies in the mornings beginning the 23-24 school year. Interested candidates should contact Principal Amy Kurtz at 618-327-8561 or principal@tsjlutheran.org.

GRADUATES: If you have a son or daughter graduating from college, high school, junior high, etc., please let LuAnn know name, date of graduation, from where graduating, degree received, if applicable, and future plans if any.

MRI this morning, then
Stanley Renth—cancer surgery at Barnes

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF May 14th-20th, 2023

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Pastor Bill Mueller—Pastor's brother—suffered heart attack, recuperating at home

Eunice Pries (C) at Aviston Countryside Manor

Paul Ryterski—friend and neighbor of Ibendahl family—appreciates prayers and is doing much better

Tom Anderson—friend of the Hausler's—awaiting a lung transplant

Wayne & Lola Wessel—in need of your prayers

Sara Leinberger—friend of Judy Vogt—ongoing health problems

THOSE RECEIVING TREATMENTS/OTHER SERIOUS AILMENTS:

Gayle Klitzing—friend of Hausler's—undergoing radiation for pancreatic cancer

Rosemary Miller—sister of Howard Weihe—starting new chemo treatment

Duane Miller—brother-in-law of Howard Weihe—diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

Amie Evans--sister-in-law of Jesse Krawiecki—diagnosed with cancer

MISSION PRAYERS:

- LCMS World Missions
- Ministry to inactive members.
- Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School, East St. Louis, our Sunday School Mission Project
- Centralia Correctional Center

We Remember:

- St. Salvator, Venedy, and Olive Branch as they prepare to call another pastor
- TSJ as they prepare to call another principal—call meeting at Trinity May 21st
- TSJ as we are in need of a part-time 3rd grade teacher

We Remember:

The People of Ukraine
The people suffering from the earthquake and tornadoes, etc.

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Spencer Dunn 5-15; Addison Knolhoff
& John Kroeger 5-16; Kelley Kaiser & Orville Sprehe 5-17; Grace
Schuette, Trudy Windler and Patti Zapp 5-18; Brittany Weihe 5-19

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Keisha & Jon Rettinger 5-14; Ralph
& Sue Boester, Sr., 5-16; Tyler & Courtney Sprehe 5--17

NASHVILLE CROSS OVER HOOPS CAMP

When? Tuesday, June 20 **Where?** Trinity St. John Lutheran School (680 W Walnut St, Nashville, IL) **Who?** Boys and Girls in Grades 3-8 (open to players from any school) **Times?** 2:30-4:30 Grades 3-5, 5:00-7:00 Grades 6-8 **Cost?** \$40 (includes t-shirt) **Deadline?** June 6 (to receive t-shirt) **Register Online!** <https://www.crossoverhoops.org/trinity-st-john>

FAREWELL AND GOD SPEED: As you may have heard we will be having a Farewell And GodSpeed recognition of Amy's time here at TSJ and the work she has been called to do in Georgia during the Saturday Night Service at Trinity on the 27th of May. After the service we will be having a going away party after church over at the parsonage. Rachel and I (Pastor & Mrs. Benning) will be providing the meat, drinks, and tableware. We are asking if you all would bring a dish to share. Thank you for your help in celebrating this new chapter and call in the Kurtz's Family Life. You may drop off your dish to share before the service. Please RSVP to pastorb@tsjlutheran.org if you and your family will be able to make it.

PRISON MINISTRY WORKSHOP: Prison Ministry volunteers from around the district will be getting together on Thursday, May 18th, at the St. John's, New Minden, schoolhouse. The morning of this will focus on our "Reaching In" volunteers. "Reaching In" provides an opportunity for volunteers to correspond with inmates and witness to them without ever going into a prison. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the program and the expectations. In the afternoon, we'll be working with our regular volunteers. It's a fantastic day to learn about Prison Ministry in our district and see where you can help. We'll be starting at 9:00 with opening devotions and lunch at around noon. If you are interested in attending, please let either Pr Jeff Nehrt (jeffnehr84@gamil.com) or Jon Hohgreffe (jhohgreffe@gmail.com) know by noon on Monday, May 15th, so we can have a count for lunch.

THE LIGHT OF GOD'S WORD IN A WORLD OF DARKNESS... Issues, Etc. is a radio-talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Ascension of Christ, The Movie "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3," The Hymn "Christ Is the World's Redeemer," Responding to Unanswered Bible Questions and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUD, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LWML: There will be a brief LWML meeting before the Ascension church service. (In the fellowship Hall @ 6 p.m. as listed on the calendar.)

VBS SIGN-UP SHEET for helpers to serve meals and/or provide snacks can be found on the table by the bathrooms. Servers needed from 5 - 7 p.m.

ALL LADIES are invited to a Wednesday Evening Zone Bible Study of the book of Ruth: May 31-June 28th @ Trinity Hoyleton Church. (6:30 p.m. - 7:30ish)
Pastor Mueller, Zone Counselor, will lead us on May 31. June 7, 14, 21, and 28 a chapter will be read each night and then discussion will follow lead by Deb Albers. Bring a Bible, your water bottle, a pen, and something to take notes. No charge, just come. We can join in the Word and fellowship with one another! If interested in attending, please contact Natalie Ibendahl 618-214-0855.

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SMALL CHURCH SUMMIT

**Concordia Lutheran Church
2300 E. Wilshire Rd.,
Springfield, IL 62703**

[Please note the change of location. This is different from what is advertised in the May *Lutheran Witness*.]

**Date: June 3, 2023
Time: 10:00am to 2:30pm**

Small Church Summit provides churches of any size a free opportunity to gather with folks from other small Central Illinois District and Southern Illinois District churches, to share encouragement and plans, learn together, and hone in on priorities for your church.

The featured presenter will be **Pastor Todd Kollbaum**, Director of LCMS Rural and Small Town Mission. He will talk about resources and cooperation.

There will be an ice cream social upon the conclusion of the formal proceedings, at 2:30.

You may reach out to Rev. Dr. Ken Schurb at kschurb@cidlcms.org with any questions. Please register at <https://forms.gle/PPzJpC72NjhCZqME8>

If interested in attending, please contact Pastor Mueller (618-314-3972). This event is designed especially for churches like St. Luke's and Olive Branch.



Love them BOTH

LOVE bears all things,
believes all things,
hopes all things,
endures all things,
1 Corinthians 13:7

Your change can make a change! Women and men come in to our clinic each day facing unplanned pregnancies. Depending on their current circumstances, they often feel they don't have many options.

At the Pregnancy Clinic, we're here to extend love and hope to these clients through each of our resources. However, we cannot cover them in love and blessings without your help!

We provide services free of charge at our locations in Salem & Centralia:

Pregnancy Testing	Prenatal & Parenting Lessons	Options Counseling
STD Testing & Treatment	Dads Matter Mentor Program	Limited Ultrasound
Abstinence Education	Post Abortion Counseling	Community Referrals
Material Goods (diapers, wipes, baby supplies and furniture)		

Can you help?

Take a bottle home and fill it with change, cash, or even checks! Pray for the clients we see at the clinic. Pray for the volunteers, staff and board of directors at the Clinic.



Bring the bottle back to your church on Father's Day, June 18, 2023

Need a receipt? ☐ Yes ☐ No Want added to mailing list? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, St Zip: _____

Church: _____

Interested in ☐ volunteering as an advocate at PCC (4 hours per week)
☐ volunteering as Dads Matter Coach/Mentor (especially needed in Centralia)
☐ speaker from Pregnancy Care Clinic
☐ donating monthly online or by mail

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Care Clinic**

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This Week: May 14th-21st, 2023

Today	8:00 a.m. The Lutheran Hour on KSIV 91.5 FM 12:30 & 5:00 p.m. KFUE
Monday	NO GriefShare 6:30 p.m. TSJ 8 th Grade Graduation & Awards Service
Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Kindergarten End-of-Year Celebration
Wednesday	Last Day of School w/11:15 a.m. Dismissal 6:00 p.m. Weekday Religion in Schoolhouse
Thursday	8:30 a.m. Pastor at CCC 9-3:00 p.m. SID Prison Ministry Conference 6:00 p.m. LWML in FH 6:30 p.m. Ascension Day Svc (M)
Saturday	NO Worship
Sunday	8:30 a.m. Worship at Covington 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m. St. John's Bible Study on WNSV 104.7 10:00 a.m. Worship at NM w/HC 10:30 a.m. "Worship Anew" on DIRECT TV 377 and Channel 18 on Cable TV