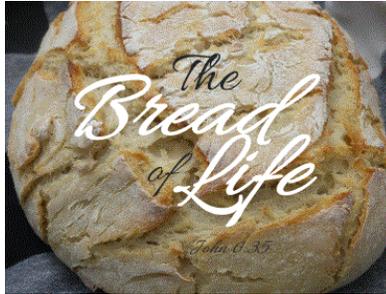


# RIVER OF LIFE **STREAMS**

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## **Better than Sullivan's Mill**

When you walk into Sullivan's Mill in Silver Dollar City the aroma is heavenly and our favorite of the breads and pastries is the Cinnamon Bread. Two weeks ago, our children, the Berry Family, went to Silver Dollar City in Branson, MO. and brought us back a loaf of Sullivan's Cinnamon Bread. Even the next morning when we pulled off a chunk of the freshly warmed bread it was more than delicious! And, even on the following morning when I got up early to work in the garden while it was still cool, Joan brought me a chunk of the warmed bread and a glass of cold milk, it was great.

John chapter 6 is known as the "Bread of Life Chapter" for good reason. The chapter begins with Jesus feeding 5000 with five barley loaves and two fish. That created a big interest in Jesus and a large number began to follow him wherever He went. Beginning two weeks after this miracle, in the Gospels in the first three Sundays in August this year Jesus refers to Himself as "The Bread of Life".

In calling Himself the "Bread of Life" – and not something ritzy like the Caviar of Life or even tasty like the Cinnamon Bread of Life – He speaks of God's most elemental and basic provision for us.

The conversations between Jesus and the people in the Gospels grow each week and we discover more about Jesus, the "Bread of Life." One thing for sure is that Sullivan's Cinnamon Bread or anything else that seems so great and important in life can't compare with the "Bread of Life".

Greetings in Christ!  
*Pastor Mitschke*



**11:45AM**

**Aug. 1 - Communion . . . . . Pentecost 10**

*Pastor Warren Mandel*

Exodus 16:2-15, Ephesians 4:1-16

John 6:22-35

**Aug. 8 – Communion . . . . . Pentecost 11**

*“Bread of Life – My Flesh”*

John 6:35-51

**Aug. 15 – Communion . . . . . Pentecost 12**

*“Bread of Life – Eternal Life”*

John 6:51-69

**Aug. 22 – Communion . . . . . Pentecost 13**

*Pastor Dennis Fitzpatrick*

Isaiah 29:11-19, Ephesians 5:22-33

Mark 7:1-13

**Aug. 29 - Communion . . . . . Pentecost 14**

*“Inside Out or Outside In”*

Mark 7:14-23



**Judy Bremmer (815) 457-2745**

1215 Burns, Minooka, IL 60447

Judy had Gall Bladder surgery at Morris Hospital July 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Sandra Krause**, Lakeview Rehab Center  
14716 S. Eastern Ave., Plainfield, IL 60544

**Bill Richardson**,  
Our Lady of Angels Nursing Home  
1201 Wyoming Ave., Joliet, IL 60435



## **Sunday School...**

**Sunday School is out for the Summer**

**Startup date to come soon.**



## **Confirmation**

**Confirmation is out for the Summer**

**Startup date to come soon.**



## **Youth Group**



Thank you to all who helped in the Joliet Slammer fundraiser. We sold 42 tickets! River of Life made an easy \$210 and had fun at the game!!!

## **Adult Bible Study**

### **Bible Class is out for the Summer**

**Startup date to come soon.**

## **Swaddling Clothes**

*Our outreach ministry for families!*

Open only the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month.

**August 14th**

**8:30 am – 12 pm**

We are looking for volunteers in the Swaddling Room on Wednesdays from 6 – 7 pm. If you are interested to help, please contact Pam Sterle or Amanda Graves. The more the merrier!

Swaddling is considering having a “Back to School” day for parents. We are looking for volunteers. If anyone would be interested in helping, please contact Pam Sterle or Amanda Graves. More info to come.

Jenny Sopkin

Please consider donating your time to this worthwhile ministry.  
Help is always needed and appreciated.

## **Three Rivers Fest**

The Three Rivers Fest goes from August 11th to August 15th. We are having a baby changing station at the festival located on the park district property. We set up a tent and a diaper table under the tent. It is filled with wipes and diapers. People can change their babies on the diaper table. Our job is to change the paper on the table after each change. We are asking people to sign up for a two-hour slot or more if they can. The sheet to sign up is on the bulletin board in the narthex.



## **Holy *COMMUNION***

The Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood is received reverently among us. With COVID-19, our reception of the Sacrament is still affected.

Social distancing is practiced coming forward. Communicants come to receive the Sacrament as singles or a family. As the first family/single leaves the Communion Table, the next single or family comes forward.

In our distribution of the wine and the bread in the Sacrament, there is now no contact between the pastor/elder and the people.

The bread and wine are in individual cups touched only by the communicant(s). As the pastor says "*Take eat*" . . ., each communicant takes his own cup with bread, "*Take drink*" ., each communicant then takes his own cup with wine. The pastor then speaks the dismissal.

We followed suggestions and introduced these new precautions long ago. If you have comments or suggestions, please feel free to share them with an elder or pastor.

We appreciate the service of our Altar Guild for their beautiful service and add an extra thank you for their special work currently.

Dave Hall, Head Elder