



What David Knew and What You Should Know About Sin
Psalm 51 : 1 - 19

Prelude	<i>This I Believe</i>	
	<i>Offering</i>	
	<i>I Am Yours</i>	
Welcome	Martin Smith	
Songs	<i>Death Was Arrested</i>	
	<i>Higher Ground</i>	#364 vs. 1 – 4
	<i>Forever Reign</i>	
Prayer & Message	Pastor Gary Salm	
Communion		
Announcements		
Closing Song	<i>Living Hope</i>	
Postlude		

Invitation to Communion

Our celebration of communion is open to all believers. Communion Stewards will pass the elements to you.

If you are looking for a new church family, please fill out the blue card, located in the back of the pews. After the service, please give the blue card to the Welcome Rep in the foyer and receive a complimentary gift bag that includes additional information.

Please give Prayer Requests (yellow slips located in the pew) to Pastor Gary. The prayer list is updated monthly with each newsletter. Please let the church office know if prayers have been answered.

Please remember to sign the attendance sheet inside the black pew pad and pass it down the pew.

At Christian Union Church we recognize that giving to God in tithes and offerings is an act of worship. A private act of worship according to Jesus. We have a box in the foyer to collect those offerings, and we also receive them in the mail. God loves a cheerful giver. We pray: Gracious God, as we come before you this morning, we give you thanks for all the many ways that you have blessed us. As we present this offering, it is only a portion of all that we have received from our God. We dedicate these gifts to your purpose and ask your blessing upon them.

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Announcement Highlights

Volunteers for Ushers and Communion Stewards - are being requested for May 2026. Please see the sign-up sheets on the table in the foyer on Sunday morning. Questions - contact Nancy Owens or Gina Camp.

CLIMB – will be on the first Wednesday evening of each month from 6pm to 7pm in the KidZone room and is for Kindergarteners through 5th grade children. The next event is on May 6th. Questions – contact Lori Salm.

Men's Monthly Breakfast - is Saturday, May 9th at 8am. Questions – see Doug Doty, Dan Ford, Josh Poole, or Joe Richard.

May Dining Out - will be on Thursday, May 14th at 6pm at Busy Corner in Goodfield. The sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board outside of the office. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy and Ron Donaldson. Please sign-up or call the church office by Tuesday, May 12th.

Paulette Thompson Celebration of Life – will be at Jonah's in East Peoria on Saturday, May 23rd from 1pm to 4pm. Please RSVP to Lee Martin at 309-264-5123 if you plan to attend.

Change to Tuesday night Bible studies - For five weeks, starting on May 5th, on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-7:30pm, Joe Richard will teach the combined men's and women's Bible study classes together in the sanctuary for a special series on Jesus' parables. Anyone may join us for this special series.

May 5 – Luke 15:11-32, The Prodigal Son

May 12 – Luke 10:25-37, The Good Samaritan

May 19 – Matthew 13:3-23, The Sower

May 26 – Matthew 25:14-30, The Talents

June 2 – Matthew 25:31-46, The Judgement of the Nations

Do you know someone who is GRADUATING?

We would like to honor our graduates in the May 17th bulletin and worship service, but we need your help in gathering the information. We would like to know about anyone completing Jr. High, Middle School, High School, College, or a Graduate Degree.



Specifically, we need to know **who** is graduating, the name of the **school**, and their **degree** or diploma. We would also appreciate a picture too.

Please email or text the church office with this information no later than **Wednesday, May 6th**. Thank you!

Highlights of This Week at Christian Union Church

For the complete list of events, please see UPCOMING EVENTS on the website.

Sunday, 04/26	9:30 am	Coffee and donuts - Front Foyer
	10:00 am	Worship Service and KidZone
	5:00 pm	Sunday Night Prayer Group – Living Room
Tuesday, 04/28	6:30 pm	Women's Bible Study – Family Room
	6:30 pm	Men's Bible Study - Chapel
Wednesday, 04/29	6:30 pm	JH & HS Elevate – Fellowship Hall
Saturday, 05/02	9:00 am	Music/Band Rehearsal