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“Reflect on Romans this Summer”



For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free (Romans 8:2)

Our monthly calendar flips to July and we are reminded to celebrate freedom on our country's declaration of independence on July 4th.

Our summer liturgical calendar flips to July and August and we are instructed to celebrate our freedom found in Christ every day of our lives.

Each Sunday for the next few months has our New Testament reading taken from the book of Romans. Martin Luther's proclaimed Romans the life-changing and essential book of Scripture, describing it this way:

“This letter is truly the most important piece in the New Testament. It is purest Gospel. It is well worth a Christian's while not only to memorize it word for word but also to occupy himself with it daily, as though it were the daily bread of the soul.”

(From Preface to the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans by Martin Luther, 1483-1546)

Need a good summer read or want to test your memory? Open the middle of your New Testament — the heart of it, if you will — and you'll find your way into the book of Romans. Read portions of it daily and you will find verses to underline, commit to memory and your soul enlightened.

Or follow the Sunday lectionary calendar (printed in this newsletter) and follow along how Christ invites you into the life-expanding freedom that he offers to each of us by his life, death and resurrection.

Let us celebrate our freedom found only by faithfully following God, knowing Christ and letting the Holy Spirit lead us into a free and eternal life. In Jesus name, let us study and pray

Pastor Lisa