

# St. James Lutheran Church

*"Growing in Christ Through Worship, Learning,  
Fellowship, and Service."*

## Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



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## WEEK OF JULY 9

### SUNDAY WORSHIP



### SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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A Parish of the North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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## Welcome!

St. James is a house of prayer where all people can come to know the compassionate heart of Jesus. We are a community of Christians where you can belong before you believe. At Saint James the beauty of ancient worship and traditional spiritual practices transform contemporary lives. Join us as together we discover the sacred in the heart of the city. Our worship includes ancient and contemporary symbols and practices along with preaching and music to inspire you to follow Jesus in your daily life. We welcome both the spiritual seeker and seasoned disciple to find their home in God with us. If you are looking for a spiritual home or just exploring the life of faith, we hope you will walk with us on that journey of discovery.

**SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
JULY 9, 2023  
10:00 A.M.

### Introduction to Today's Worship

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Sunday Worship for will be live-streamed on YouTube beginning at 9:45 on Sunday morning. An email with the link will be sent on Sunday morning. You can also watch a recorded version later by visiting our [YouTube Page](#).

You can open or print the bulletin and follow along with the service.

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## ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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#### Sunday, July 9

9:15 am Parish Choir  
10:00 am Worship

#### Monday, July 10

10:30 am Quilting Group

#### Tuesday, July 11

5:00 pm Executive Committee  
6:00 pm Church Council

#### Wednesday, July 12

2:00 pm Staff Meeting  
7:00 pm Ladies Choir Ensemble

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

10-Jul Casey Gale

11-Jul Margaret Fink

11-Jul George Patterson

11-Jul Thomas Propst, Jr.

15-Jul Margaret Ford

15-Jul Mark Weisel

### COMING SOON

July 16 Summer of Service Lunch and Projects

July 30 - August 1 Vacation Bible School

**Saturday, July 15**

8:30 am Leah's Hope  
Trailer

**Sunday, July 16**

9:15 am Parish Choir  
10:00 am Worship  
11:20 am Summer of  
Service Lunch and Projects

**SUNDAY MINISTERS**

**LECTOR/INTERCESSORS**

**July 09** Jodi Ramirez  
**July 16** Barbara Albright  
**July 23** Needed  
**July 30** Christine Ruff

**COMMUNION ASSISTANT**

**July 09** Jodi Ramirez  
**July 16** Kenny Propst  
**July 23** Anne Hodges  
**July 30** Needed

**ACOLYTES**

**July 09** Jodi Ramirez, Logan  
Whisnant  
**July 16** Finley Stephens  
**July 23** Noah Dixon  
**July 30** Noah Pittard

**GREETERS**

**July 09** Sylvia Corl  
**July 16** Maureen Hollmeyer  
**July 23** Barbara Albright  
**July 30** Jean Beasley

**VIDEOGRAPHER**

**July 09** Ann Blackwelder  
**July 16** Annette Propst  
**July 23** Ann Blackwelder  
**July 30** Needed

**COUNCIL PERSON OF  
THE MONTH**

**July** Chip and Ann Blackwelder

**JULY USHERS**

Dale Merrell, Gretchen Walker,  
Robert Davis, Lex Patterson,  
Samantha Hillegass

**FLOWERS**

**July 09** Available  
**July 16** Al and Dee Pieschel  
**July 23** Available  
**July 30** Elizabeth Horner

**CHURCH NEWS**

**SUMMER OF SERVICE**

Mark your calendars now for Sunday, July



16 after worship. This is a multi-generational event so everyone is invited. You do not have to have children, to attend. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to interact with children and others of all ages. We will meet in the fellowship hall for a lite lunch and then spend God-time with Mr. Mike, games with Pastor Craig and other a special project, Food Drive for the Blessing Box and CCM. Make your reservation below so we can plan accordingly.

**Next Summer Service Event date: August 20**

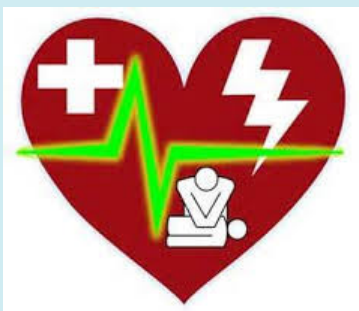
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## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Stellar VBS - Shine Jesus' Light July 30 - August 1**

Need Some Space This Summer? Join us at St. James for an out-of-this-world experience. Adult volunteers are needed. If you can help contact LeeAnn Miller.

[Register to Attend](#)



## **AED/CPR REFRESHER TRAINING**

The Health and Safety Team is coordinating AED/CPR training for individuals at St. James. This is a refresher course in CPR and use of the AED device. (No Certifications) We would like to have as many people trained to handle an emergency, if

it arises, when you are at the church. The sessions will be on Tuesday, **July 18** at two different times: 1:30 – 3:00 pm and 6:00 – 7:30 pm.

[Sign up for Course](#)



## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS TOGETHER SURVEY

The Parish Fellowship Committee is discussing ways to increase participation in Wednesdays Together. Please share with us your responses in the following survey.

[Take the Survey](#)



## BLESSING BOX / CCM FOOD DRIVE

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!**

CCM is experiencing one of their biggest demands ever for non-perishable food. The number of families needing assistance continues to grow. From now until July 16, we will be collecting food to help meet this need. This is a wonderful service that they provide to the county. Some of you already participate by monthly donations. We are challenging others to step up and help. A collection box will be in the Portico area.

### **Pantry items needed:**

- Canned Chicken
- Other Canned Meats (Hash, Chili, Vienna Sausages, etc.)
- Canned peas, carrots, potatoes, and mixed vegetables
- Pasta Sauce
- Any kind of canned beans (Pinto, Chili, Kidney, etc.) except for baked beans/pork & beans
- Peanut Butter
- Any Canned Fruit (Mixed, Peaches, Pears, Pineapple, etc.)
- Cereal

As part of our Summer of Service activity on July 16, we will fill the Blessing Box in Rotary Square and then take food to CCM.

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## JUNE MEMORIALS

### Martha Summers

Given by Jay Clemmer

### Jimmy Propst

Given by Dee and Ann Pieschel

Given by Morrison and Betty

Honeycutt

Given by Dwight and Kathy

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Given by Allen Miller, Jr.

Given by David Spivey

Given by Eric Teeter

## JUNE HONORARIUMS

### Pastor Craig and Marian

### Saltzer

Given by Nancy Faggart

### Katherine Weisel (60th Birthday)

Given by Ed and Betsy Ballard



## IT'S A GIRL

We celebrate the birth of Elizabeth Leigh Clifton born on July 5th. Parents are Amy and Eddie Clifton, grandparents, Robert and Debbie Davis.



## Family and Friends

- Lorene Ledford, mother of Deb Black
- Bishop Tim Smith
- Lutheran Church of the Living Word, Laurinburg, NC

## Members of St. James

- Patsy Black
- Tom Grady
- Tom Ridenhour
- Barbara Merrell

# CHURCHWIDE / COMMUNITY



John 15:5

I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

## WE ARE THE BRANCHES

Each week we will remember in prayer our brothers and sisters at one of our partner Lutheran churches in the NC Synod. Please lift them up in your prayers during the week also.

*I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ~John 15:5*

### Lutheran Church of the Living Word Laurinburg, NC

1925 S Main St  
Laurinburg, NC 28352  
Rev. Linda Nelson



Learn More about  
[Lutheran Church of the Living Word](#)

## SALVATION ARMY CENTER OF HOPE SHELTER



**TUCKER CENTER OF HOPE  
RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY**  
The Salvation Army of Cabarrus & Stanly Counties

**JULY 26 | 4PM**

Please join us for the ceremony at  
216 Patterson Avenue, Concord, NC 28025



Scan to RSVP or call 800-215-0196



# 2023 Summer Recital Series

Recitals begin at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted - Free Admission. A freewill offering will be accepted at each recital to support the Stigall Scholarship Fund, which helps offset private organ instruction tuition for organ students in grades 6 –12.

Please refer to our website for the most up-to date schedule.  
[www.charlotteago.org](http://www.charlotteago.org)

<b>July 7</b>	<b>Stephen Williams 7 pm</b> First Friday Concert Series	<b>St. Luke's Episcopal Church</b> 1313 W. Council St. Salisbury
<b>July 16</b>	<b>No Program</b>	
<b>July 23</b>	<b>Royal School of Church Music</b> Closing Service 4 pm	<b>Myers Park Presbyterian Church</b> 2501 Oxford Pl. Charlotte
<b>July 23</b>	<b>Monty Bennett 7 pm</b>	<b>St. John's Baptist Church</b> 300 Hawthorne Ln. Charlotte
<b>July 30</b>	<b>Kevin Haney, M. L. Marley 5 pm</b>	<b>First Methodist Church of Conover</b> 410 1st Ave N. Conover

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**NAMI Family-to-Family** is a free, 8-session education program for family, friends, and significant others of adults with mental health conditions. NAMI Family-to-Family provides information about anxiety, depressive disorders, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, dual diagnosis, and other mental health conditions. Other topics covered include communication, problem solving, treatment and recovery.

**The course is designed to** increase understanding and advocacy skills while helping participants maintain their own well-being. The program is taught by trained family members who have a loved one with a mental health condition. NAMI Family-to-Family is an evidence-based program (EB). For information on the research base for the program, visit [nami.org/research](http://nami.org/research).

NAMI offers the NAMI Family-to-Family Education Program free of charge to participants, beginning **July 11, 2023**. For more information and how to register, please contact **NAMI Cabarrus** at **704.436.8736** or register online at [namicabarrus.org](http://namicabarrus.org).




**NAMI** Family-to-Family  
National Alliance on Mental Illness

### Participant Perspectives

*"This course overall was the single most, without a doubt, helpful and informative thing ever offered in all my years searching for answers...it has helped me to understand better and communicate more effectively with my brother."*

*"The course has helped me to realize that my son is still inside the body that is often times hidden by the mental illness and that I am not alone in this."*



**NAMI** | Cabarrus  
National Alliance on Mental Illness

### Class Schedule

To Register Please Visit:  
[namicabarrus.org](http://namicabarrus.org)

Anjie Vickers - President  
Phone: 704.436.8736  
Email: [namicab@namicabarrus.org](mailto:namicab@namicabarrus.org)

Register early space is limited

Location: Cabarrus Senior Center  
331 Corban Ave. Concord, NC

**Tuesdays 6:00 PM to 8:45 PM**

July 11, 2023	August 8, 2023
July 18, 2023	August 15, 2023
July 25, 2023	August 22, 2023
August 1, 2023	August 29, 2023

# YOUTH MINISTRY

# Calvary—St. James

January



## UPCOMING DATES

July 2 - 8 Mission Trip to Altoona, PA

## JULY NEWSLETTER

Summer has hit and the youth are off and running. Beach Trips, Mission Trips, and Vacation Bible School to name a few. Find out more!

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## CHURCH RESOURCES



**ALTAR FLOWERS**

[RESERVE FLOWERS](#)



**LECTOR**

[SIGN UP TO READ LESSONS AND PRAYERS](#)



**COMMUNION ASST.**

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Even if you haven't served in the past, consider serving in these

areas. Signups are always on our webpage at  
<https://sjnc.net/sign-up-now>

You can manage your giving online! Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions or make a one time contribution and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. In a few short minutes, you can make a one-time gift or set up a donation that will process automatically on a recurring basis. Recurring donations are convenient and provide our church with much needed consistent support throughout the year.



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- Keith Sutton, *Parish Administrator* [Email](#)
- Jill Irvin, *Financial Administrator* [Email](#)
- Scott Foppiano, *Organist / Director of Music* [Email](#)
- Mike Holt, *Youth and Family* [Email](#)
- Kathryn Radcliffe, *Nursery Coordinator* [Email](#)
- Teresa Honeycutt, *Custodian* [Email](#)
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