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*"Growing in Christ Through Worship, Learning,
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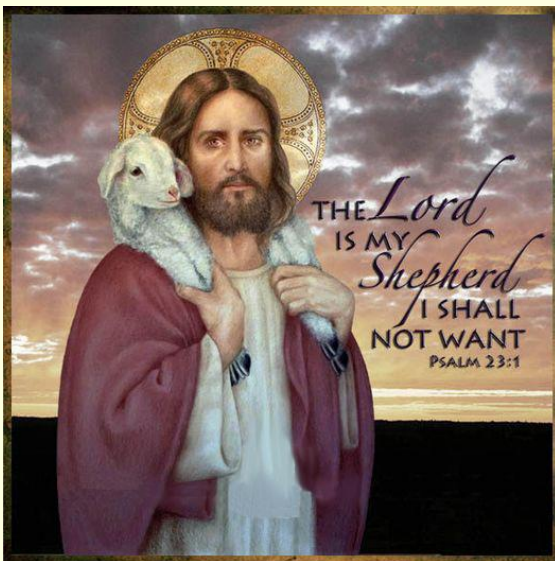
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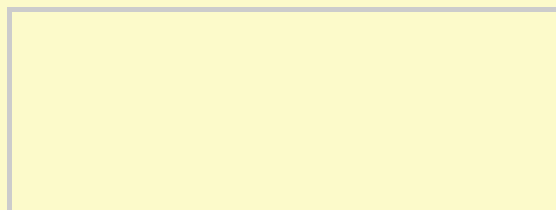
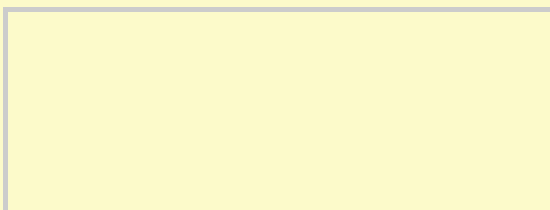
SUNDAY WORSHIP IN PERSON AND LIVESTREAMED

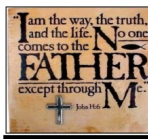


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Saint James Lutheran Church

A Parish of the North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
"Growing in Christ Through Worship, Learning, Fellowship and Service"

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.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF
EASTER
MAY 7, 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.

[WATCH THE
LIVESTREAM](#)

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ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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- Sunday, May 7**
- 9:00 am Sunday School
- 9:15 am Parish Choir
- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:15 am Evangelism
- 4:00 pm Youth Gathering

- Monday, May 8**
- 10:20 am Quilting Group

- Tuesday, May 9**
- 12:00 pm Lively Leisures
- 6:00 pm Church Council

- Wednesday, May 10**



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 07-May** Malinda Allison
- 07-May** Anthony Wyatt
- 08-May** Pat McDonough
- 09-May** Anne Reading
- 10-May** Joshua Rinker
- 10-May** Hollis Miller

3:30 pm Staff Meeting
 7:00 pm Parish Choir
 9:30 pm College Online

Thursday, May 11

6:00 pm Handbells

Friday, May 12

12:00 - 7:00 pm Port-A-Pit

Sunday, May 14

9:00 am Sunday School
 9:15 am Parish Choir
 10:00 am Worship-Rite of Confirmation
 5:00 pm Youth Cookout and Form Signing

COMING SOON

May 09 Lively Leisures

May 12 Port-A-Pit -Calvary

May 14 Confirmation

May 26 Kid's Night Out

June 04 Graduation Sunday

June 17 Mac Mullins

Ordination at St. Paul's,
 Durham

MAY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 10:30 am Quilting Group 6:30 pm Scouts 7:00 pm Esther Circle in Flex Rm	2 10:30 am Mary Magdalene Circle 5:00 pm Executive Council 6:00 pm Property	3 7:00 pm Parish Choir 9:30 pm College Online	4 6:00 pm Handbells	5	6
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21 Easter 7 9:00 am Sunday School 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship 2:30 pm Confirmation at St. James 5:00 pm Youth Cookout and Form Signing	22 10:30 am Quilting Group	23	24 2:00 pm Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Parish Choir 9:30 pm College Online	25 6:00 pm Handbells	26 6:30 – 8:30 pm Kid's Night Out	27
28 Pentecost 9:00 am Sunday School 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship	29 Memorial Day Office Closed Preschool Closed	30	31 7:00 pm Parish Choir 9:30 pm College Online			

[Download May Calendar](#)

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

LECTOR/INTERCESSORS

May 07 Gretchen Walker

GREETERS

May 07 Maureen Hollmeyer

May 14 Juanita Fitts
May 21 Barbara Albright
May 28 Margaret Garrison

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

May 07 Ann Blackwelder
May 14 Christine Ruff
May 21 Christine Ruff
May 28 Ann Blackwelder

ACOLYTES

May 07 Josh Rinker
May 14 Jodi Ramirez
May 21 Needed
May 28 Josh and Jacob Rinker

May 14 Barbara Albright
May 21 Sylvia Corl
May 28 Joyce Smith

VIDEOGRAPHER

May 07 LeeAnn Miller
May 14 Chris Miller
May 21 Chris Miller
May 28 Chris Miller

COUNCIL PERSON OF THE MONTH

May 7, 14 Robert and Debbie Davis

USHERS

May: Mike Downs, Al Brown, Sid Hughes, Bill Hardister, Hunter Huss

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL



Children's Sunday School for Kindergarten through Grade 6 is available from 9:00 – 9:45. A light breakfast will be served. We will read a Bible story and perhaps work on a craft. Join us!

Ages K - 2nd Grade: Room 101, Teacher: Ann Blackwelder
Grades 3 - 6: Room 103, Teacher: Cheryl Webb



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Flex Classroom - 9:00 am

Meets in the Flex Room at 9:00 am.
Frank Irvin is the coordinator.

This Week: **Jesus Makes A Promise**

[Link to the Lesson](#)

CHURCH NEWS

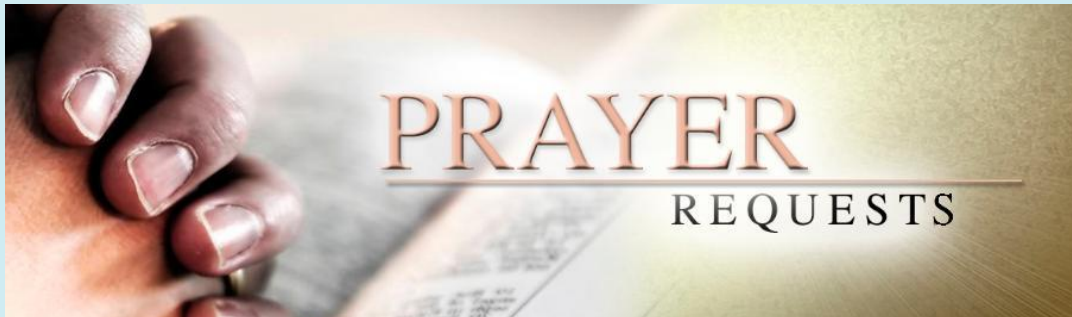


COOK SCHOLARSHIP

In 1968, John M. Cook, Jr established an endowment to assist college and graduate students who are members of St. James Lutheran Church to help pay their tuition. The Cook Trust Fund Committee is now accepting applications for the fall and spring semesters of the school year

2023/2024. Please contact the church office by phone or email keith@sjnc.net to receive a first time or returning application. The deadline to return the application will be **June 1st, 2023** to be considered for a scholarship this fall.

Please contact Kenny Propst with any questions that you may have regarding the application process at 704-467-2300 or kpropst@carolina.rr.com .



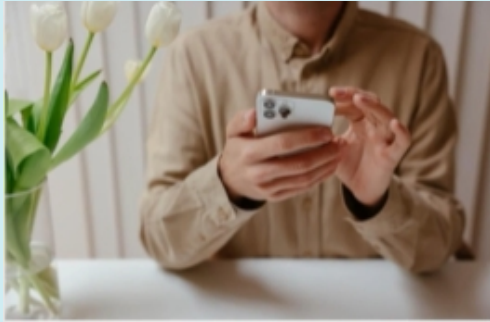
Members of St. James

- Patsy Black
- Tom Grady
- Jim Weisel
- Tom Ridenhour
- Family of Jimmy Propst
- Family of Martha Summers

Family and Friends:

- Betty Miller
- Marga Beville
- Bishop Tim Smith
- Karey Conrad, *friend of Al and Dee Pieschel*
- Glenn and Marte Copeland, *friends of Al and Dee Pieschel*
- Lutheran Church of the Holy Family, Highlands, NC

Family and Friends will be added for 1 month and then removed from the list. If you wish to keep someone on the list longer, contact the church office and we will be happy to keep them on the list longer.



SIGN UP FOR RING OUT OR TEXT MESSAGING

If you are reading our newsletter and are not on our subscriber's list, use the link below to be added to receive our weekly Ring Out.

Periodically we send out text messages related to upcoming events, registrations deadlines and other useful information. If you would like to be included in these text messages, use the link below to opt-in. We will not send more than 5 messages in a month and you can opt-out at any time.

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St. James Mission Fund

Requests funded this quarter include:

1. Cub Scout Troop 91 and Boy Scouts of America – scholarships for summer camps
2. St. James Capital Fund – for the needs to major building projects/repair.

If you know of a non-profit agency seeking funding to support their mission, please have them contact Jodi Ramirez or Annette Propst to learn how St. James Mission fund can assist. The next grant deadline is July 1.



HYMNS YOU LIKE TO SING

Our Music Department would like your help in letting us know what hymns you like to sing! In an effort to schedule more familiar Lutheran hymns, while keeping liturgically sound and honoring the seasons and themes of the church year, please send a note telling us what hymns you like and feel are most

familiar and beloved to you. If you also have a favorite organ piece, appropriate to the liturgy, please let us know that as well. Thank you all for assisting us at making St. James even stronger as we sing praise to God!

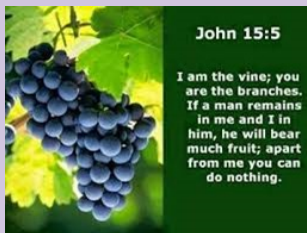
-Scott scottfop@gmail.com

CHURCHWIDE / COMMUNITY



The Raleigh Ringers is an internationally acclaimed, advanced community handbell choir based in Raleigh, North Carolina. Since its founding in 1990, The Raleigh Ringers has been dazzling concert audiences with unique interpretations of sacred, secular and popular music, including famous rock 'n' roll tunes arranged just for handbells. Don't miss the chance to come see them perform at Christ Providence! Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased by using the link below.

[Tickets](#)



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
Holy Family**

Highlands, NC

2152 Dillard Rd
Highlands, NC 28741
Pastor Ken Langsdorf

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[Lutheran Church of
the Holy Family](#)



COOPERATIVE
CHRISTIAN
MINISTRY

APRIL FOOD NEEDS

Retail prices for groceries are up anywhere from 50 to 100% from 2021. As a result, the food stamp allotments folks are still getting are only worth about half what they were before the pandemic hit. That, combined with the crazy costs of housing, is placing an unbearable burden on our lower-income neighbors—even many who are working full-time. Thus, it is not surprising that we are beginning to see a significant surge in the numbers of households seeking food assistance at all our pantries. We have a continued need for a LOT of donated non-perishable foods!

Currently, the pantry items we are in biggest need of are:

- Canned Chicken
- Other Canned Meats (Hash, Chili, Vienna Sausages, etc.)
- Canned peas, carrots, and potatoes
- Low Salt Corn and Green Beans
- Any kind of canned beans (Baked, Chili, Kidney, etc.) except for green beans and pintos
- Any Canned Fruit (Mixed, Peaches, Pineapple, etc.) except for pears
- Pasta

As always, we especially seek low sodium items, no-added-sugar items, and whole grain items.

PIEDMONT CHORAL SOCIETY

Joseph Judge, *Director* Dr. Don Simmons, *Accompanist*

~ FREE CONCERTS ~

Spirituals with orchestra

the songs

the stories

the secrets



Guest Musician
Teresa Moore-Mitchell, *soprano*

FRIDAY, May 19th 7pm

SUNDAY, May 21st 3pm

Calvary Lutheran Church
950 Bradley Street NE – Concord

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YOUTH MINISTRY

Calvary—St. James



MAY SCHEDULE

- Youth Gatherings May 7, 21**
- Port-A-Pit May 12**
- College Mission Trip May 15-19**
- Friday Night at the Movies May 26**

MAY YOUTH NEWSLETTER

Summer is on the way. Find out what's happening in Youth Ministry including the beach, mission trips, cookouts, and movies!

[READ NOW](#)

UPCOMING DATES

- June 17-24 Beach Retreat at Kure Beach, NC**
- July 2 - 8 Mission Trip to Altoona, PA**

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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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