

# St. James Lutheran Church

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

## Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



### WEEK OF JUNE 11

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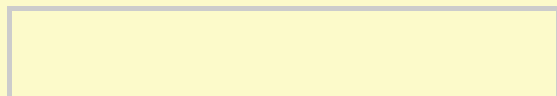
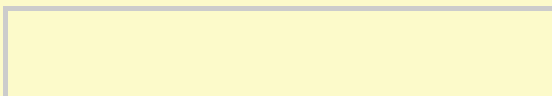
## SUNDAY WORSHIP JUNE 11



*Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ~Matthew 9:22*

### SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.





# Saint James Lutheran Church

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.

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
JUNE 11, 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, June 11

9:15 am Parish Choir  
10:00 am Worship  
11:20 am Meet & Greet Luncheon

### Monday, June 12

10:30 am Quilting Group

### Tuesday, June 13

6:00 pm Congregation Council

### Wednesday, June 14

2:00 pm Staff Meeting

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

11-Jun Rachel Larkin

13-Jun Terry Splawn

14-Jun Jeff Koenig

15-Jun Ann Blackwelder

15-Jun Anne Eury

15-Jun Nita Jones

## **COMING SOON**

June 11 Meet & Greet

**Saturday, June 17**  
8:30 am Leah's Hope  
Trailer

**Sunday, June 18**  
9:15 am Parish Choir  
10:00 am Worship /  
Congregational Meeting

Luncheon

**June 17** Mac Mullins  
Ordination at St. Paul's,  
Durham

**June 18** Congregational  
Meeting

**July 30 - August 1** Vacation  
Bible School

JUNE 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 11:30 am Preschool Grad. <b>NC Synod Assembly</b>	3 <b>NC Synod Assembly</b>
<b>4 Holy Trinity</b> 9:00 am Sunday School 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship- Graduation Sunday 11:15 am Social Ministry 11:20 am Graduation Reception	5 10:30 am Quilting Group 7:00 pm Esther Circle	6 5:00 pm Executive Council 6:00 pm Property	7 7:00 pm Parish Choir	8 6:00 pm Handbells	9	10
<b>11 Pentecost 2</b> 9:00 am Sunday School 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship 11:20 am Meet & Greet Luncheon	12 10:30 am Quilting Group	13 6:00 pm Congregation Council	14 2:00 pm Staff Meeting	15	16	17 8:30 am Leah's Hope Trailer <b>Youth Beach Trip</b>
<b>18 Pentecost 3</b> 9:00 am Sunday School 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship- Congregational Meeting <b>Youth Beach Trip</b>	19 10:30 am Quilting Group <b>Youth Beach Trip</b>	20 <b>Youth Beach Trip</b>	21 <b>Youth Beach Trip</b>	22 <b>Youth Beach Trip</b>	23 <b>Youth Beach Trip</b>	24 <b>Youth Beach Trip</b>
<b>25 Pentecost 4</b> 9:00 am Sunday School 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship 11:20 am Evangelism 11:20 am Summer of Service <b>Scouts-Summer Camp</b>	26 10:30 am Quilting Group <b>Scouts-Summer Camp</b>	27 <b>Scouts-Summer Camp</b>	28 2:00 pm Staff Meeting <b>Scouts-Summer Camp</b>	29 <b>Scouts-Summer Camp</b>	30 <b>Scouts-Summer Camp</b>	

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

### LECTOR/INTERCESSORS

**June 11** Kenny Propst  
**June 18** Needed  
**June 25** Barbara Albright

### COMMUNION ASSISTANT

**June 11** Kenny Propst  
**June 18** Needed  
**June 25** Dianne Lambert

### ACOLYTES

**June 11** James and Kyleigh

### VIDEOGRAPHER

**June 11** Chris Miller  
**June 18** Ann Blackwelder  
**June 25** Needed

### COUNCIL PERSON OF THE MONTH

**June 18** Beth Huss  
**June 11, 25** Jon Miller

### USHERS

**June:** Brad Baker, Chip

Hughes  
**June 18** Finley Stephens  
**June 25** Jacob Rinker

## **GREETERS**

**June 11** Gretchen Walker  
**June 18** Gretchen Walker  
**June 25** Laura Overby

Harward, Taylor Pruette, Al  
Pieschel, Jon Miller

## **FLOWERS**

**June 11** Juanita Fitts  
**June 18** Laurie and Chris Miller  
**June 25** Available

## **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**



Children's Sunday School will not meet during the summer and will resume in September.



## **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Adult's Sunday School will not meet during the summer and will resume in September.

# **CHURCH NEWS**

## **Call Committee Update**

The Call Committee is pleased to announce that the person chosen to be our primary candidate for the next Senior Pastor at St James Lutheran has been approved by Church Council. The next step is for the congregation to meet the candidate and get to know him. Our candidate will worship with us on Sunday, June 11th. After the worship service there will be a luncheon where everyone will have an opportunity to meet the candidate and ask questions. Please plan to attend both the worship service and the luncheon, as we will vote the next week to extend the call and on a compensation package.







## All-Church Luncheon

Sunday, June 11,  
after 10:00 am worship

# Meet & Greet Luncheon and Question and Answer June 11, 2023 11:20 am

The question and answer session with our primary candidate will be Zoomed live. Click the link below to connect to the Zoom link beginning on June 11 at 12:00 pm

[Zoom Link](#)

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## Congregational Meeting June 18, 2023 10:00 AM



A Congregational Meeting will be held at the beginning of worship on Sunday, June 18th. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on our Primary Candidate to become the next Senior Pastor of St. James and to vote on a compensation package.

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## PRAYERS

### Members of St. James

- Patsy Black
- Margaret Garrison
- Tom Grady
- Connie King
- Tom Ridenhour

### Family and Friends:

- Amanda Elliott, granddaughter of Anne Fridlund
- Marga Beville
- Karey Conrad and Glenn Copeland, friends of Al and Dee Pieschel
- Bishop Tim Smith
- Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, Hickory, 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.*

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## MY FATHER'S HOUSE

St. James and St. John's will be hosting My Father's House Ministry on June 12-14. St. James will be providing the meal on Monday and Tuesday, June 12 and 13. There are presently 6 adults and 8 children in the ministry. If you can provide an item for the meals, please contact Sylvia Corl.



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## MAY MEMORIALS

### **Linn Baker**

Given by Tom Grady

### **Alex Barnhardt**

Given by Nancy Faggart (Organ Fund)  
Given by Tom Grady

### **Arnold Bradshaw**

Given by Tom Grady

### **Don Faggart**

Given by Tom Grady

### **Sandra Faggart**

Given by Nancy Faggart (Organ Fund)  
Given by Tom Grady

### **Norma Mosley**

Given by Nancy Faggart (Organ Fund)  
Given by Tom Grady

### **Cynthia Petrea**

Given by Tom Grady

### **Jimmy Propst**

Given by Ralph Barnhardt  
Given by Fuller & Jean Beasley

### **Jimmy Propst cont..**

Given by Dale & Barbara Merrell

(Organ Fund)

Given by Steven & Robin Moore

Given by John H. & Margaret Knox  
Morrison

Given by Kent Panther

Given by Al & Dee Pieschel

Given by Glenda Poole (Organ Fund)

Given by Cal & Linda Pratt

Given by Allen & Angie Propst

Given by Alex & Sharon Rankin

Given by Deon Gray Ritchie

Given by Doug & Rebecca Stafford

Given by Todd & Gretchen Walker

Given by Wayne & Libby Williams

Given by Patricia Wolf

Given by Martin & Zelda Young

Given by CESI

Given by Henderson Oil Company

### **Alex Patterson**

Given by Tom Grady

### **Clary Phillips**

Given by Nancy Faggart (Organ Fund)  
Given by Tom Grady

Given by Marion & Barbara Bost  
Given by Al Brown (Cemetery Fund)  
Given by Nancy Faggart (Organ Fund)  
Given by Thomas & Ashley Fisher  
Given by Bill Fisher  
Given by Don & Jo Ann Fowler  
(Cemetery Fund)  
Given by Will & Ann Gillon  
Given by Tom Grady  
Given by Jo Eng, Kelly Carpenter,  
Kim Haberman  
Given by Smith, Kesler & Co. PA,  
Mark Haynes  
Jerry & Nancy Hopkins  
Given by Bryan & Carol Propst  
Hovey  
Given by Hunter & Beth Huss (Organ Fund)  
Given by Mr. & Mrs. Don Isley  
Given by Patsy Jackson

## **Jimmy Summers**

Given by Tom Grady

## **Martha Summers**

Given by Fuller & Jean Beasley  
Given by Joseph Beasley  
Given by Al Brown (Cemetery Fund)  
Given by Nancy Faggart (Organ Fund)  
Given by Bill Fisher  
Given by Don & Jo Ann Fowler  
(Cemetery Fund)  
Given by Will & Ann Gillon  
Given by Tom Grady  
Given by Dale & Barbara Merrell  
(Organ Fund)  
Given by Glenda Poole (Organ Fund)  
Given by Wayne & Libby Williams

## **Jean Ritchie Utley**

Given by Al Brown (Cemetery Fund)

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# **GRADUATION SUNDAY**







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## KID'S NIGHT OUT



Kid's Night Out was small in numbers but great with excitement and enthusiasm! Calvary hosted this night of fun, and it was packed with games, fun, pizza, a wonderful craft and a movie to boot. We are looking forward to our next adventure in June! Keep watch for more info to come.



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## SUMMER OF SERVICE

Mark your calendars now for Sunday, June 25 after worship. This is a multi-generational event so everyone is invited. We will meet in the fellowship hall for a lite lunch and then we have several service activities planned.

Make your reservation below so we can plan accordingly.

[Sign Up Now](#)

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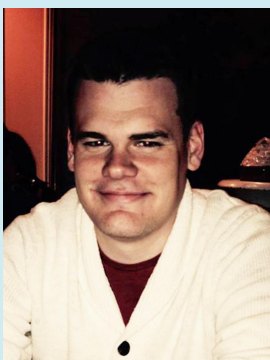




## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Stellar VBS - Shine Jesus' Light July 30 - August 1

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

[Register to Attend](#)



## CONGRATULATIONS CHRIS MILLER

Having grown up reading the Independent Tribune, it is nice to be home. My name is Chris Miller and, as of Tuesday, I'm the newest reporter with the paper.

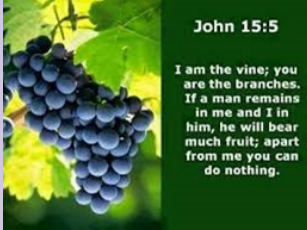
I had spent the past four years as a reporter for the Stanly News and Press, also known as the SNAP, in Albemarle.

I am excited but anxious to be covering the county I have always called home. There is a certain pressure that simply did not exist in Stanly County, as very few people knew me before taking the position; that is certainly not the case here, as I have many family and friends in the area.

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# CHURCHWIDE / COMMUNITY

## WE ARE THE BRANCHES



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.

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*

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## Mt. Olive Lutheran Church Hickory, NC

2780 N. Center St.  
Hickory, NC 28601  
Rev. Ryan Ray



Learn More about  
[Mt. Olive Lutheran Church](#)

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## Astounding Giftedness and Blessing

### SYNOD ASSEMBLY HIGHLIGHTS FROM BISHOP TIM SMITH

As I write this, the 2023 NC Synod Assembly ended just late yesterday afternoon. It was wonderful really. Lots of visiting between sessions and during meals, joyful worship, and presentations that were not only informative but inspiring. A highlight for me was receiving Comunidad Amada de Cristo (Christ's Beloved Community) as an official congregation of the NC Synod, which we will, in turn, commend to the ELCA for their inclusion. We elected a LOT of people because of our new Synod Council rotation of serving four years with each assembly year (odd years) and half of the council rolling off. And we elected churchwide assembly voting members who will not be

attending until 2025 but it'll be too late in June of 2025 to register them. And a new synod secretary—perhaps the youngest synod officer ever?—the immensely capable and qualified Pastor Cassie McIntosh Overcash. And Discipline and Consultation Committees. And two years' worth of budget and compensation guideline approvals. A lot!

Even though this is my job and I have a decent handle on what we do as synod, even I was astounded with the breadth and giftedness and the blessing of this synod represented and shared on that stage in Greensboro. So many faith-filled and inspiring, and even entertaining presentations, though I may need therapy for the Agent Goins costume visual! Deacons, pastors, laypeople, heads of affiliated agencies and institutions, all working together and stronger together for the sake of the Gospel!

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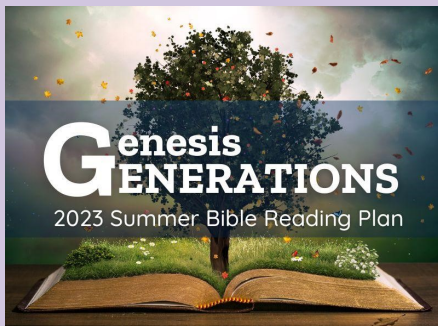
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## OPPORTUNITY HOUSE NEEDS



Opportunity House is in need of some basic items used in their daily operation providing meals, counseling, and showers to those in need in our community. If you can provide any of these items, please bring and place in the Portico area.

- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Laundry Soap
- Wash Cloths
- Bath Towels



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## 2023 Summer Bible Reading Plan Begins July 2

Join folks all across the synod as we read the Bible together—individuals, congregations, small groups— using the

2023 Summer Bible Reading Plan: *Genesis Generations*! Brought to you by the synod's Engage the Bible Ministry Team, you'll read together a chapter of Genesis, a short devotional writing, a few



questions to ponder, and a prayer. Devotions are written by NC Synod pastors and lay people. The readings begin on **Sunday, July 2**, and continue through Sunday, July 23—through Chapter 25 of Genesis. (This summer will leave us with a cliff-hanger, poised to continue with *Genesis Generations II* for Summer 2024.) Receive the daily readings via the website or email.

## [Subscribe to the Genesis Generations](#)

*(Click the Link and Scroll Down)*



What does QPR mean?



QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer — the 3 simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help. Each year thousands of Americans, like you, are saying "Yes" to saving the life of a friend, colleague, sibling, or neighbor.

Our QPR Training Course will be offered at

Cabarrus County Public Library

27 Union Street, Concord, NC

Monday June 12, 2023

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

To Register Please Contact

Anjie Vickers at [vickers.anjie@gmail.com](mailto:vickers.anjie@gmail.com)

*Please join us*

*QPR Saves Lives!*

# YOUTH MINISTRY

# Calvary—St. James

January



## UPCOMING DATES

**June 17-24** Beach Retreat at Kure Beach, NC

**July 2 - 8** Mission Trip to Altoona, PA

## JUNE NEWSLETTER

Youth! Make your plans now! Mark your calendar and plan to attend! All the information is in this month's newsletter.

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## CHURCH RESOURCES



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**LECTOR**

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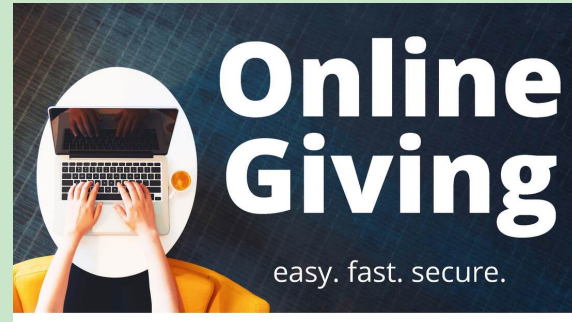


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