



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



Ring Out - Week of Jan. 19, 2025

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Introduction to Sunday's Worship

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of God's glory to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at Jesus' baptism—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God's people as those being married rejoice over one another. By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.

Download Bulletin



Sunday Worship 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 Live Stream

On the Calendar...

THIS WEEK

The Week Ahead

Salvation Army Meal Week

Sunday January 19

9:00 am Adult SS
9:00 am Choir
9:30 am Children's SS
10:00 am Worship

Monday, January 20

Church Office Closed

10:30 am Quilting
6:30 pm Scouts

Wednesday, January 22

5:30 pm Handbells

Thursday, January 23

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY

Sunday Ministries

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

Jan. 19 Christine Ruff
Jan. 26 Margaret Garrison

COMMUNION

ASSISTANT

Jan. 19 Samantha Hillegass
Jan. 26 Christine Ruff

ACOLYTES

Jan. 19 Noah Pittard
Jan. 26 Samantha Hillegass

GREETERS

Jan. 19 Laura Patterson
Jan. 26 Lois Marlow

VIDEOGRAPHER

Sunday January 26

9:00 am Adult SS

9:00 am Choir

9:30 am Children's SS

10:00 am Worship

11:00 am Snow Event!

Jan. 19 Annette Propst

Jan. 26 Debbie Davis

USHERS

Dale Merrell, Gretchen

Walker, Robert Davis, Lex

Patterson, Samantha

Hillegass

BUILDING SUPERVISOR

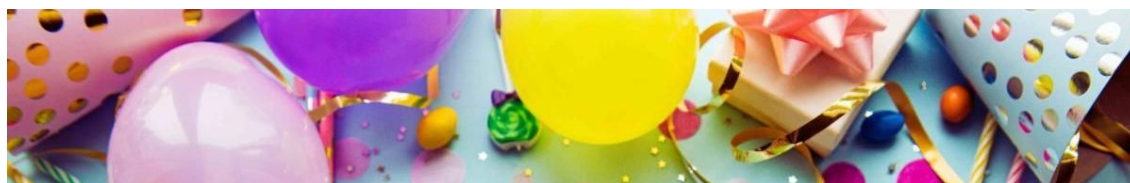
Kenny Propst

ALTAR FLOWERS

Jan. 19 Kelley Carpenter

Jan. 26 Glenda Poole

Online Calendar



Happy Birthday!

19 Jan. - Carrie Craver, Gail Johnson, Kristin Rinker

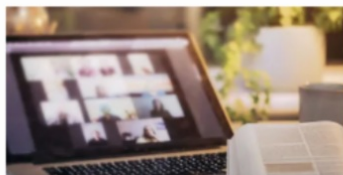
21 Jan. - Michael Phillips

22 Jan. - Samantha Cooley, Jeff Jones, Jason Pittard

25 Jan. - Anne Fridlund

Volunteer

Videographers



Communion Assistants



Acolytes



Lectors



Altar Flowers



Events/Ministries



Announcements

Snow Event - Jan. 26

❄️Attention Families!❄️

Join us for a special Snow Event on **Sunday, January 26** right after service! Head to the Fellowship Hall for a light lunch, snow activities, and of course, sno-cones! ☐ [RSVP by January 24th!](#)



Meal Packing Event - March 8

Join us on Saturday, **March 8th, at 10:00 am** at Gibson Mill for a morning of service with Lifeline Christian Mission.

We need 60 volunteers to help pack meals at various stations. The event will run from 10:00 am to approximately 11:30 am, and all necessary supplies, including hairnets, gloves, and guidance, will be provided. With your help, we expect to pack 10,800 meals! [Click here to sign up!](#)

Scouting for Food ☐

In 1981 Saint James Lutheran along with six other local churches combined efforts to create Cooperative Christian Ministry to assist families in need for food and housing. This time of the year is the highest demand for food items for the pantry. Scouting Pack and Troop 91 are hosting a food collection to supply the Cooperative Christian Ministry food pantry with non-perishable food supplies.



Items needed are:

1. Any canned meat or tuna
2. Soups, other than Tomato
3. Fruits, other than Pears
4. Oatmeal and Cereal (whole grain and low sugar, if possible)
5. All types of beans, other than Pintos
6. Pasta, especially Mac & Cheese
7. Toiletries, baby diapers, and paper products

Our group's goal is to collect 2000 pounds of food to deliver to CCM. **Please consider clearing your cabinets, or purchasing items and placing them in the portico area by Sunday February 2nd.**

You may also donate to CCM with a check that will go to purchase food items,

Thank you for helping to relieve hunger and food insecurity for families in need!



Contribution Statements Update

Contribution statements have been emailed for your convenience. If you need a hard copy for your tax records, please let us know, and we'll be happy to provide one.

Thank you for your faithful giving!

Member News!

Kelley Carpenter Recognized as Teacher of the Year

We are thrilled to celebrate Kelley Carpenter, who has been named Concord Middle School's Teacher of the Year for 2025–2026!

Please join us in recognizing Kelley's achievement and praying for her continued impact in the lives of her students.



Congratulations, Kelley, from your St. James family!

Sunday Ministries



This Week's Lesson

The Lord is Active - Psalm 103:1-14

Psalm 103 is a beautiful hymn of comfort for God's People. God Knows us and our sins, and yet, is compassionate and merciful to us in spite of it! The purpose of this lesson is to awaken us to God's mercies that surround us and thank and praise Him for it. Believers can anticipate these blessings for all their lives. Look forward to seeing you then!

In case you missed it...

A Memorial Service

Ann Porter Ridenhour died on December 19, 2024. **Pastor Bill will lead a brief funeral liturgy with Holy Communion on Wednesday, January 22nd at 11am at St. James.** There is no visitation. As concerns St. James, Ann is survived by her second husband, Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Ridenhour, Sr.



Upcoming Events

IT'S SNOW TIME AT ST. JAMES!

Attention Families!

Join us after worship on **Sunday, January 26** for a special **SNOW EVENT** in the Fellowship Hall! We'll have a light lunch, snow-themed activities, and sno-cones!

Please RSVP by January 24



ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH
GROWING IN GRACE SINCE 1843

Lifeline
CHRISTIAN MISSION

Meal Packing Event
Saturday, March 8th
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Gibson Mill | 325 McGill Ave NW
Suite 175, Concord, NC 28027

Volunteers needed!
All ages welcome!



Prayers & Considerations

IN OUR PRAYERS

Brad Baker
Joyce Beaty (*Friend of the Marlow's*)
Angie Buchanan
Mike & Debbie Cagle
(*Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis*)
Noah Clifton
Bruce Coffey (*Friend of Mark Murphy*)
Karey Conrad (*Friend of Dee Pieschel*)
Emma DePaulis
Nadine Filipak
(*Friend of Al & Dee Pieschel*)
Anne Fridlund
Ed Frost (*Friends of the Marlow's*)
Tim Gibson (*Friend of Deb Black*)
Tom Grady



Scott Harrington
(*Friend of Glenda Poole*)
Linda Jones
(*Family of Barbara & Dale Merrell*)
Ruth Lawler
(*Friend of Dee & Al Pieschel*)
Annaleah, Michael, & Preston Morrow
(*Friends of Shannon Nesbit*)
Jan Phillips
(*Family of Brownie Brown*)
Tom Ridenhour
Stan Parnell
(*Friend of Robert Davis*)
Geoff & Pam Seige
(*Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis*)

Member Meal Train Opportunity

[Click here to support a meal train for Jay Clemmer.](#)



Online Giving

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.



Ways to Give

Keep in touch!



Follow St. James on [Instagram](#) & [Facebook](#)!

Be sure to tag [@stjamesnc](#) when posting so we may share!

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