St. James Lutheran Church

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



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WEEK OF March 17, 2024

SUNDAY WORSHIP

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Introduction to Sunday's Worship

God promises Jeremiah that a "new covenant" will be made in the future: a covenant that will allow all the people to know God by heart. The church sees this promise fulfilled in Christ, who draws all people to himself when he is lifted up on the cross. Our baptismal covenant draws us to God's heart through Christ and draws God's love and truth into our hearts. We join together in worship, sharing in word, song, and meal, and leave strengthened to share God's love with all the world.

BLESSING BOX – ROTARY SQUARE

What the Blessing is Box? It's a box that is located in Rotary Square that is stocked with food other necessities and available to those in the community. St. James has agreed to stock the Blessing Box during the month of March. You can place items in the box yourself or you can drop them off at the church. Mark Murphy will be the contact person (704-301-2816) for any questions. Types of items needed: Canned goods / Crackers / Cereal; Bags of Rice / Ramen / Pasta: Peanut Butter Jelly: Granola Bars / Raisins: Fruit Snacks / Pudding Cups / Fruit Cups; Baby Food / Bottled Water; Other nonperishable items; Shampoo Soap / Deodorant: Toothbrush & Toothpaste. Questions – please see or call Mark Murphy (704-301-2816)



Sunday Worship will be livestreamed YouTube on beginning at 9:45 on Sunday morning. An email with the link will be sent on Sunday morning. You can also watch recorded а version later by visiting our YouTube Page.

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

WATCH THE LIVESTREAM

National Alliance for Mental Illness

The starting time is set for NAMIWalks Cabarrus on May 18 at 9 am at Frank Liske Park. But we like to think that the starting line is right here and now. Are you ready to get going on your fun and rewarding journey with NAMI?

Take the first steps today on the path to hope for all our friends, family, and neighbors as you announce to the whole community: "I am

NAMIWalks."

Together, we will all be NAMIWalks 2024 — through our commitment, unity, and laughter leading up to, and of course on, Walk Day.

Remember, NAMIWalks powers the life-changing work of NAMI Cabarrus, And NAMI Cabarrus powers "Mental Health for All."

Registration is live, so sign up today. Vendor table opportunities are available.

NAMI Cabarrus Super Team (namiwalks.org)



ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK & BEYOND

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Sunday, March 17 THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

9:00 am Adult SS9:00 am Parish Choir9:30 am Children's SS10:00 am Worship

Monday, March 18

10:30 am Quilting Group6:30 pm ScoutsMy Father's House

Tuesday, March 19 My Father's House

Wednesday, March 20 5:30 pm Wed in Lent 6:00 pm Bella Voce

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross event this year is being coordinated by Teresa Hillie of Grace Lutheran Church. As one way to honor Jesus Christ, on Good Friday, March 29, we will plan to gather at 3:15 p.m. and begin the service at 3:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary of Grace Lutheran Church. The church is located at 58 Chestnut Drive, SW in Concord. The walk will take place in the Logan Community. If we experience inclement weather, we will hold the event in the Sanctuary at Grace Lutheran. We hope

7:00 pm Parish Choir My Father's House

Thursday, March 21 6:00 pm Handbells

Saturday, March 23 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Scouts

(Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, March 24 PALM SUNDAY

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

Wednesdays in Lent

March 20TH 5:30ish - 7ish Light Meal / Study / Prayer Office

Menu:

Pizza, Salad, Tea, and Dessert

Please sign up on pew pads, e-mail or call church office...

info@sjnc.net

704-786-0166

EASTER GIFTS - 2024

If you would like to place an Easter Lily in the church or would like to simply give a

you will plan to participate.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Bring your baskets and join us for crafts, stories, snacks and Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 30 at 2:00 p.m. We will gather on the St. James Playground to begin the Easter rotations.

We are collecting plastic eggs filled with individually wrapped candy for our Easter Egg Hunt. Please make donations by Friday, March 29. There is a container by the portico door to collect your donations.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - 2024

Children and Volunteers...

Please save the dates July 28-30, 2024 for Vacation Bible School. All volunteers will be required to have a current Safe Gatherings background check. Please contact Debbie in the church office to receive instructions as to how to complete this process. She will then give you written instructions as to how to fill out information online.

donation in memory/honor of someone - please return the form provided in the bulletin by placing in offering plate or mailing to the church OR call/e-mail the church office (704-786-

0166/info@sjnc.net) There will be a Gift List with the names of donors and those that are being memorialized/honored placed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

Cost \$20.00 per flower or a donation

Deadline: March 23, 2024

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

20-March Ann Gillon, John Marlow23-March Chip Blackwelder, Tanner Poplin, Landon Trott

CURRENT HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 24 Passion Sunday - 10:00 a.m.

March 28 Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m. Laying on of Hands / Holy Communion

March 29 Good Friday - Noon The Death of our Lord

March 31 Easter Sunrise - 6:30 a.m.

March 31 Breakfast after Sunrise Service - 8:00 a.m.

March 31 The Resurrection of our Lord - 10:00 a.m.



<u>Easter Sunrise Breakfast 8:00 am</u> (following Sunrise Service)

Please sign up for Easter Sunrise Breakfast on pew pads, info@sjnc.net, or call the church office 704-786-0166. Please list # in your family that will be attending.

SUNDAY MINISTERS

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

March 17 Gretchen Walker March 24 Frank Irvin

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

March 17 Ann Blackwelder March 24 Margaret Garrison

ACOLYTES

March 17 John Meadows March 24

GREETERS

March 17 Judy Benz March 24 Joyce Smith

VIDEOGRAPHER

March 17 LeeAnn Miller March 24 Samantha Hillegass

MARCH USHERS

Mike Downs, Al Brown, Jr., Sid Hughes, Bill Hardister, and Hunter Huss

BUILDING SUPERVISOR -

Chip Blackwelder

ALTAR FLOWERS

March 17 March 24 Palms

Reminder: Altar Flower Chart is posted in the portico area and there are a lot of available dates. Please consider placing flowers at the altar on a Sunday this year. Cost is \$100 for two arrangements.

CHURCH NEWS



Members of St. James

Family and Friends

- Linda and Paul Jones (family members of Barbara and Dale Merrell)
- Susan Tadlock (friend of Deb Black)
- Mary Dorothy White (friend of Patsy Black)

- Tom Grady
- Tom Ridenhour
- Noah Clifton

CHURCH RESOURCES

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.

Give Now



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Use the link below to follow St. James on Instagram.

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ST. JAMES STAFF

- Rev. Bill Ridenhour, Pastor <u>Email</u>
- Jill Irvin, Financial Administrator Email
- Holly Sloop, Communications Coordinator Email
- Scott Foppiano, Organist / Director of Music Email
- **Debbie Wilkinson**, Interim Parish Administrator **Email**
- Kathryn Radcliffe, Nursery Coordinator Email

- Teresa Honeycutt, Custodian Email
- Debbie Davis, Congregation President Email

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