



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

Week of June 1, 2025

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Introduction to Worship

It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.

Watch the Live Stream:



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The Week Ahead

Sunday, June 1

9:00 am Choir
9:30 am Children's Sunday School
10:00 am Worship

Monday, June 2

10:30 am Quilting

Tuesday, June 3

6:00 pm Executive Committee

Thursday, June 5

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, June 8 *Confirmation Sunday*

9:00 am Choir
9:30 am Children's Sunday School
10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Confirmation Reception
(Fellowship Hall)

Save the Dates:

June 13: Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster, PA

July 20 - 22: Vacation Bible School

[Online
Calendar](#)

Sunday Ministries

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

June 1 Kim Haberman
June 8 Barbara Albright

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

June 1 Elizabeth Hurley
June 8 Samantha Hillegass

ACOLYTE

June 1
June 8 Noah Pittard

GREETER

June 1 Gretchen Walker
June 8 Martha Matthews

VIDEOGRAPHER

June 1 Laurie Miller
June 8 Annette Propst

USHERS

Brad Baker, Chip Harward, Taylor
Pruette, Al Pieschel, Jon Miller

BUILDING SUPERVISOR

Tommy Propst

ALTAR FLOWERS

June 1 Todd & Gretchen Walker
June 8 Elizabeth Hurley

**Sign Up to
Volunteer**

Lector

Communion
Assistant

Acolyte

Videographer

Altar Flowers

Happy Birthday!

June 1 - Jason Kartheiser

June 3 - Michael Holt, Nancy Hopkins, Jack Nivens III

June 4 - Thomas Propst, Jr., Miles Walker

June 5 - Mark Davis

Announcements



Cook Scholarship Recipients

The Cook Memorial Trust Fund Committee is honored to announce this year's scholarship recipients for the upcoming school year.

Congratulations to the following recipients:

Hudson Davis - Appalachian State University
Casey Gale - UNC Wilmington
Allison Hinson - East Carolina University
James Hughes - UNC Charlotte
Sam Hurley - Johns Hopkins University
William Irvin - Central Piedmont Community College
Hollis Miller - Appalachian State University
John Patterson - Lincoln Memorial University
Noah Pittard - Rowan Cabarrus Community College
Julianna Popovoci - East Carolina University
Jacob Rinker - UNC Wilmington

We are proud of their accomplishments and look forward to watching them grow in their continuing education. When you have a chance, please join us in congratulating them and continue to support them in both prayer and words of encouragement.

- Cook Memorial Trust Fund Committee

My Father's House Ministry Needs

St. James Lutheran Church will provide meals for My Father's House Ministry **June 16 and 17**. If you can help provide a side dish to accompany a chicken meal or a ham



meal for that Monday or Tuesday supper, please contact Martha Matthews: 704-787-2180.



Facility Use Notice - Amazing Grace

Our partners at Amazing Grace will be hosting a summer program throughout June that will utilize both the kitchen and fellowship hall for most of the day. The program will involve teens and young adults learning job and life skills.

The program will run Tuesdays - Thursdays every week in June.

As always, please refer to the [online calendar](#) for program or facility use.

Memorials & Honorariums

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Memorials & Honorariums

The following memorials & honorariums were given in memory or in honor of:

In Memory Of:

Anne Fridlund
Given by:
Fuller & Jean Beasley
Will & Ann Gillon

Ann Ridenhour
Given by:
Will & Ann Gillon

Reminders

Confirmation Sunday - June 8

Join us on Pentecost **Sunday, June 8** as we celebrate Confirmation Sunday, a joyful milestone in the faith journey of nine of our young members.



Following the service, all are invited to a reception in the Fellowship Hall to offer congratulations and enjoy a time of fellowship.



MCCL - June 13

St. James will welcome the Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster, PA (MCCL) for a special concert on **Friday, June 13 at 7:00pm**

These talented singers (grades 6–12) are on tour through NC & VA, sharing their beautiful program: Morning & Evening: Songs for the Everyday — music that celebrates God's presence in the simple moments of life.

Can you open your home for the night? We're looking for members that can host singers after the concert. Hosts provide: a simple snack, bedding (or sleeping bag), and simple breakfast. Choir members return to St. James by 8:00am the next morning to continue their journey.

If you can host, complete [this form](#) and email to holly@sjnc.net. Forms are also available in the office.

Questions?

Contact Elizabeth Hurley:
elizabeth.p.hurley@gmail.com ; 704-796-8538.



Register Now for VBS

Join us for *Road Trip* VBS!

This year's Vacation Bible School is **July 20 - 22nd from 5:30pm to 8:00pm**. Join us for three days of stories, games and challenges that reinforce God's presence along the road of life.

[Click here to register.](#)

Volunteers: If you are interested in volunteering you will need a *Safe Gatherings* background check. Email holly@sjnc.net for instructions.

Register by: July 6, 2025 to ensure a t-shirt!

We're Hiring!



Search for Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries

St. James is actively seeking a Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries!

This new position, which will focus on leading and growing our youth program, came out of the conversations during last fall's stewardship meetings. We invite you to [learn more](#) about the position and help spread the word.

In Our Prayers

Paul Auten

(Friend of Robert & Debbie Davis)

Joyce Beaty

(Friend of the Marlows)

Family of Michael Black

(Nephew of Patsy Black)

Angie Buchanan

Mike & Debbie Cagle

(Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis)

Noah Clifton

Bruce Coffey (Friend of Mark Murphy)

Karey Conrad (Friend of Dee Pieschel)

Catherine Durst

(Daughter of Anne & Dee Hodges)

Nadine Filipak

(Friend of Al & Dee Pieschel)

Ed Frost (Friends of the Marlows)

Tim Gibson (Friend of Deb Black)

Tom Grady

Maureen Hollmeyer

Will Irvin

Ruth Lawler

(Friend of Dee & Al Pieschel)

Patricia Mahoney

(Sister-in-law of Joan Mahoney)

Annaleah, Michael, & Preston Morrow

(Friends of Shannon Nesbit)

Jan Phillips

(Family of Brownie Brown)

Al Pieschel

Tom Ridenhour

Stan Parnell

(Friend of Robert Davis)

Geoff & Pam Seige

(Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis)

Upcoming Events



Online Giving

Secure Online Giving

Supporting your church is just a few clicks away! With [online giving](#), you can make a one-time gift, set up automatic recurring donations on the date you choose, and view your complete giving history.

Automated recurring gifts are a convenient way to provide our church with much-needed consistent support throughout the year. Thank you for your faithful generosity.



Ways to Give

St. James Staff

Rev. Bill Ridenhour, Pastor [Email](#)

Jill Irvin, Financial Administrator [Email](#)

Dr. Kevin Estes, Director of Music Ministries & Organist [Email](#)

Holly Sloop, Communications Coordinator [Email](#)

Kathryn Radcliffe, Nursery Coordinator [Email](#)

Teresa Honeycutt, Custodian [Email](#)

Kim Haberman, Congregation President [Email](#)

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