

# WEEK OF November 26, 2023

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

## **Christ The King Sunday**

## **Introduction to Sunday's Worship**

On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet we await the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may

be known in our loving words and deeds.

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## <u>Announcements</u>

**Tree Lighting at St. James** - Sunday, December 3rd at 5:00 pm to make ornaments and Tree Lighting Liturgy at 6 pm with snacks and drink to follow.

#### **Children's Sunday School**

**is back!** SS starts at 9:30 a.m. With the return of Sunday School, the Children's Sermon and Children's Church will cease. The nursery will be for children up to and including age 5.



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 <u>YouTube Page</u>.

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

WATCH THE LIVESTREAM



## ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK & BEYOND

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Sunday, November 26 9:15 am Parish Choir

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

### Monday, November 27

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

26-Nov Lauri Fowler28-Nov Kyleigh Hughes29-Nov Garrett Baker30-Nov Patrick Matthews02-Dec Betsy Ballard

10:30 am Quilting Group 6:30 pm Bible Study (Birth Narratives) 6:30 pm Scouts

**Tuesday, November 28** 6:00 pm Property Committee

Wednesday, November 29 6:00 pm Bella Voce Choir 7:00 pm Parish Choir

**Thursday, November 30** 6:00 pm Handbells

#### Sunday, December 3

9:15 am Parish Choir
9:30 am Children's SS
10:00 am Worship
11-3 pm Blood Drive in
memory of *Carole Grady*5:00 pm (make ornaments)
6:00 pm Tree Lighting

Pastor Bill's Teaching Debut An Advent Journey -The Birth Narratives of Luke and Matthew Mondays November 27 and December 4, 11, 18 @ 6:30

#### <u>p.m.</u>

Bring your bible, your sense of humor and your questions. Do we have a coffee pot (asks the new guy??) If we do, we'll put it on. By then, you will have too many holiday sweets in your kitchen. *Bring some with you* 

We will go no more than an hour. It's possible we'll finish in less than four weeks. If we go longer than four weeks, you'll simply have to show up on Monday, December 25th. By 6:30 p.m. on the 25th, you Al Brown,Jr. Blake Green Nathan Larkin Jaxon Yow

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

#### **Salvation Army Ringing of**

the Bells at Sam's Club at Northlite Shopping Center in Kannapolis - Thursday, November 30 and Wednesday, December 13. Sign up times run from 10 am until 7 pm. The last shift ends at 8 pm sign up sheet is in Portico area.

Second Annual Blood Drive in memory of Carole Grady is scheduled for Sunday,

December 3rd. Appointments are available from 11 am until 3 pm in the Fellowship Hall of St. James.

#### Please use this link

https://donorportal.oneblood.org/d onate-now/donation-centers-listselect-time?driveID=1349825 to reserve your donation time. For more information,

please contact Anne Eury at 704-201-5070.

#### **POINSETTIAS**

will have had enough of your family.

With sufficient interest, Pastor Bill will run a brown bag matinee.

With sufficient need expressed, we will try for child care. No guarantees.

## To the Saints of God at St. James Lutheran Church:

I am grateful to Debbie Wilkinson for returning to St. James as our part-time Office Administrator, Debbie retired from this position in 2019. Debbie has agreed to continue working with me (and us) for the next six months with a check in at the three-month mark. Six months gets us through Easter and shall allow enough time for a plan to emerge for how the office "is going to work" moving forward.

Debbie is working part-time. Her primary job responsibilities are limited to basic church secretarial duties and those are the priorities to which I have asked her to devote her time. In her part-time capacity those are tasks that I have asked her to prioritize over anything else. Thank you in advance for your understanding and patience. Poinsettias can be ordered by filling out this attached form and mailing back to the church office, drop in offering plate, or you may bring by the church office. Deadline for ordering is December 4th. <u>Click here for form</u>

### My Father's House

St. James and St. Johns will host My Father's House Ministry December 11, 12, and 13.

### **Lively Leisure's**

The next Lively Leisure's luncheon and program will be Tuesday, December 12. The program will be presented by Bella Voche Choir.

Peace, Pastor Bill

### HEY! "WE" NEED SOME HELP

Ok, I need some help. Do you have experience in public relations? Do you have skills in helping organizations to communicate more effectively and efficiently. Do you have experience in helping organizations improve their ability to communicate with its members and the wider community?

Does St. James need a communication team tasked with building more effective and efficient communication across the make up of our community? This is a worthy question, I think the answer is "yes, yes we do."

I am not asking for any individual to make an infinite commit from which you will never be paroled. I am seeking folks who would be willing to sit for a brief period of time around the question "ok, this is how you can get started and this is what you need to begin addressing this concern."

I hope that has a little more clarity than mud. Thanks!

Peace, Pastor Bill

## **SUNDAY MINISTERS**

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

Nov 26 Margaret Garrison Dec 03 Kim Haberman

COMMUNION ASSISTANT Nov 26 Christine Ruff Dec 03 Elizabeth Hurley

ACOLYTES Nov 26 Noah Pittard Dec 03

GREETERS Nov 26 Anne Hodges Dec 03 VIDEOGRAPHER Nov 26 Dec 03 Chris Miller

**NOVEMBER USHERS** 

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

FLOWERS Nov 26 Jill & Michael Strahl Dec 03 Ashley Cline/Jeff Koenig

## **CHURCH NEWS**



### Members of St. James

- Patsy Black
- Tom Grady
- Tom Ridenhour
- Noah Clifton

### **Family and Friends**

- Steve Conrad, Lauri Lyn Hodges (friends of Al and Dee Pieschel)
- Jerry Kiser (nephew of the Marlows)
- Linda and Paul Jones (family members of Barbara and Dale Merrell)

## **CHURCH RESOURCES**

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provide our church with much needed consistent support throughout the year.

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- Jill Irvin, Financial Administrator Email
- Scott Foppiano, Organist / Director of Music Email
- Kathryn Radcliffe, Nursery Coordinator Email
- Teresa Honeycutt, Custodian Email
- Debbie Davis, Congregation President Email

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