

# St. James Lutheran Church

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

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## WEEK OF March 10, 2024

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

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## The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

The fourth of the Old Testament promises providing a baptismal lens this Lent is the promise God makes to Moses: those who look on the bronze serpent will live. In today's gospel Jesus says he will be lifted up on the cross like the serpent, so that those who look to him in faith will live. When we receive the sign of the cross in baptism, that cross becomes the sign we can look to in faith for healing, for restored relationship to God, for hope when we are dying.

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## A HELLO AND A GRATEFUL GOODBYE

St. James is excited to welcome Holly Sloop to the new staff position of Communications Coordinator. The Communications Coordinator's responsibilities are to develop, in concert with church leadership, a strategy and vision to promote effective communication across the congregation. To design and produce digital and printed communication for the congregation including bulletins, newsletters, website, email communications, message boards and social media. Holly's initial schedule is Monday through Wednesday 9am-3pm and Thursday 9am-Noon. Holly is a Concord resident.

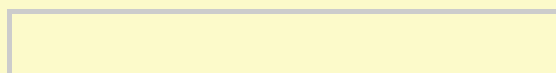
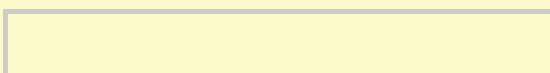
The Communications Coordinator position is a brand-new position. Its duties will be defined over time. Initial thoughts of how the job would work will prove to be unnecessary. Unforeseen thoughts will arise and the position will adapt.

We offer a heartfelt and grateful goodbye to Debbie Wilkinson. Debbie has chosen to "re-retire" at the end of March. There are no words sufficient to express the thanks and appreciation due Debbie for her interim service these last few months. Following the abrupt September departure of the former Parish Administrator, she was a godsend to Pastor Bill and was instrumental in keeping the office functioning. Please take every opportunity to share your words of thanksgiving with Debbie.

St. James is now seeking a part time receptionist to work 10-12 hour per week, Monday through Thursday. The receptionist will be responsible for basic administrative tasks. When we say we are seeking an individual for this position, we mean it. It will take a particular person who only wants to work 10-12 hours per week. Please feel free to recommend.

The position of Parish Administrator no longer exists. The duties of what St. James has understood to be a Parish Administrator are now split into these two new positions.

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## BLESSING BOX – ROTARY SQUARE

What is the Blessing Box? It's a box that is located in Rotary Square that is stocked with food and other necessities 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 non-perishable items; Shampoo / Soap / Deodorant; Toothbrush & Toothpaste. Questions – please see or call Mark Murphy (704-301-2816)



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  
LIVESTREAM](#)



## ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK & BEYOND

**ON THE CALENDAR  
THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, March 10**

**MY FATHER'S  
HOUSE MINISTRY**

St. James/St. Johns  
Lutheran will be hosting My

## THE FOURTHSUNDAY IN LENT

### Daylight Saving Time begins

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

### Monday, March 11

10:30 am Quilting Group  
6:30 pm Scouts

### Tuesday, March 12

12:00 noon Lively Leisures  
6:00 pm Congregation  
Council

### Wednesday, March 13

5:30 pm Wed in Lent  
6:00 pm Bella Voce  
7:00 pm Parish Choir

### Thursday, March 14

6:00 pm Handbells

### Saturday, March 16

8:30 am Leah's Hope Trailer

### Sunday, March 17

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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

Father's House Ministry  
March 18-19. There are 21  
people in the ministry. If you  
can help by providing items  
for the dinner meals on  
Monday, March 18 or  
Tuesday, March 19, please  
let Sylvia Corl know (cell:  
704-425-8621).  
Thanks, *Sylvia*

## 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  
you will plan to participate.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

## Wednesdays in Lent

March 13TH

5:30ish - 7ish

Light Meal / Study /

Prayer Office

### Menu for March 6th

*Chicken Salad on*

*Croissants, Deviled Eggs,*

*Pasta Salad,*

*Drink and Dessert*

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

[info@sjnc.net](mailto: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 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*

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.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

*donation*

Deadline: March 23, 2024

**10-March** Jay Clemmer

**11-March** Jeff Miller

**13-March** Wendell Overby,  
Anne Michelle Swayney

**16-March** Tony Eury, Dee  
Pieschel

## 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.

## SUNDAY MINISTERS

### LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

**March 10** Christine Ruff

**March 17** Gretchen Walker

### COMMUNION ASSISTANT

**March 10** Malinda Allison

**March 17** Kenny Propst

### ACOLYTES

**March 10** Joshua Rinker

**March 17** John Meadows

### GREETERS

**March 10** Barbara Albright

**March 17** Judy Benz

### VIDEOGRAPHER

**March 10** Chris Miller

**March 17**

### MARCH USHERS

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

### BUILDING SUPERVISOR -

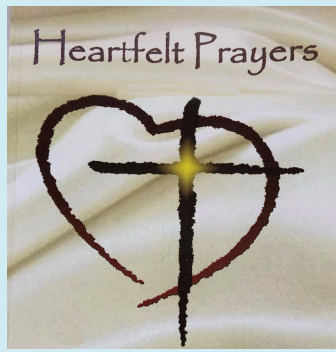
Robert and Debbie Davis

### ALTAR FLOWERS

**March 10** Jo Eng

**March 17** Dee and Al Pieschel

## CHURCH NEWS



## Family and Friends

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

## Members of St. James

- 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.



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# ST. JAMES STAFF

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