



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



Ring Out - Week of July 14, 2024

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Introduction to Sunday's Worship

When Amos reports his vision of God judging Israel for its mistreatment of the poor, he becomes a threat to the power of the priests and the king. John the Baptist also speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. In Herod's fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and

to proclaim God's saving love.

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

Sunday, July 14

9:00 am Parish Summer
Choir

10:00 am Worship

Monday, July 15

10:30 am Quilting

Tuesday, July 16

*5:30 pm Kerr Street Ministry
Meal*

Saturday, July 20

SUNDAY

Sunday Ministries

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

July 14 Chris Miller

July 21 Barbara Albright

COMMUNION

ASSISTANT

July 14 Kim Haberman

July 21 Samantha Hillegass

GREETERS

July 14 Sylvia Corl

July 21 Maureen Hollmeyer

8:30 am Leah's Hope Trailer

Sunday, July 21

9:00 am Parish Summer
Choir

10:00 am Worship

11:15 am VBS Volunteer
Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Upcoming

VBS

Sunday, July 28 - 30;

5:30pm - 7:30pm

VIDEOGRAPHER

July 14 Chris Miller

July 21 John Meadows

JULY USHERS

Dale Merrell, Gretchen

Walker, Robert Davis, Lex

Patterson, Samantha Hillgass

BUILDING SUPERVISOR

Chip Blackwelder

ALTAR FLOWERS

July 14

July 21

Online Calendar



Happy Birthday!

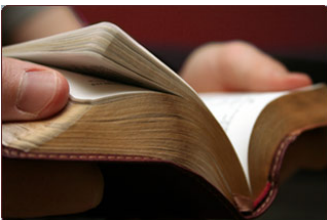
15 July - Margaret Ford, Mark Weisel

16 July - James Hughes, Jr., Beth Huss, Janice Klauss, Ann Ridenhour,
James Weisel

18 July - Keith Fink, Reggie Hardister, Sid Hughes, Jr.

Volunteer!

Please consider volunteering for one for the remaining 2024 dates.



Lector



**Communion
Assistant**



Videographer

Altar Flowers



Please consider placing flowers at the altar this year!
Cost is \$100 to cover the two arrangements.
Click below for open dates.

[Sign Up for Altar Flowers](#)

Announcements

Reminder - Do not answer spam emails/texts claiming to be Pastor Bill

This is just a friendly reminder, do not answer emails or texts claiming to be Pastor Bill or anyone else from the Church requesting information and/or monetary items. Screen messages for correct email/phone numbers and anything saying "urgent" or "need a favor" is likely spam.

Please consider volunteering for Videographer

Below is a brief run-down if you are considering volunteering to serve as videographer.
It is less intimidating than it sounds!

- 1** - On Sunday, facing the pulpit, you would go into the left side door where the laptop is, log on, select the OBS icon and click "start streaming" and "start recording" between 9:45am - 10am.
- 2** - From there, you can take the Android tablet to your seat and open the "PanTilt-Zoom" icon and zoom in/out as you wish (although not necessary if you wish to keep it at the wide angle shot).
- 3** - At the end of the service you would return to the laptop, hit "stop streaming" and "stop recording" and exit out of the OBS program and log off the laptop.

John Patterson was kind enough to write up a step-by-step instruction sheet that sits beside the

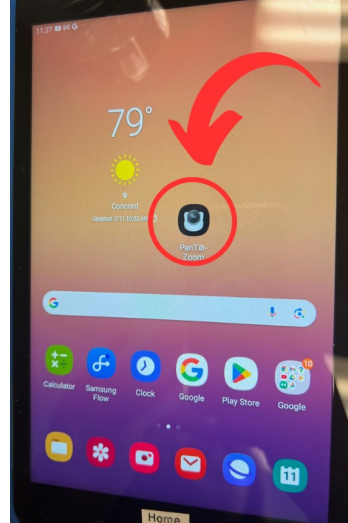


Laptop station

computer.

If you are willing to serve as videographer, please let the office know and we can schedule a time to run through the process, or you may shadow someone that is acting as videographer on a Sunday.

[Click here for a list of open videographer volunteer slots.](#)



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Adult Vacation Bible School Opportunity

ADULT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

at Central UMC
August 12-14



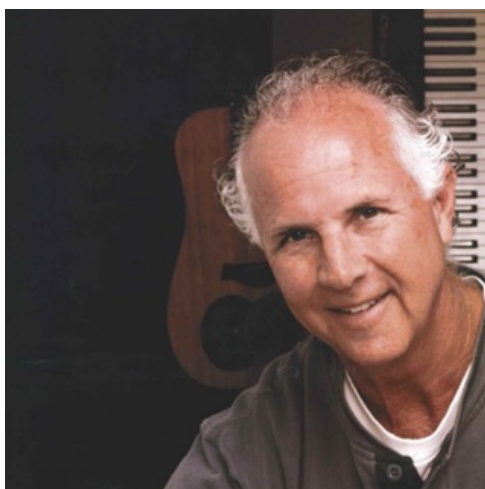
Senior Adult VBS @ Central UMC

Our friends at Central UMC have extended an invitation to their Senior Adult Vacation Bible School this August.

Monday - Wednesday, August 12-14 (9:30 am - Noon), singer/storyteller, humorist, and folk theologian Ed Kilbourne will lead a Senior Adult VBS at Central UMC. Ed is widely known and recognized for his unique gift of combining intimate music and cutting-edge spiritual teaching in worship and concert setting. In 2015 he helped create the Sr. Adult VBS format. Since then he has led over 50 of these music and storytelling events around the country.

Registration is \$40/person or \$70/couple and includes programming and lunch for each day.

[Click here for brochure and registration form or stop by the office.](#)



Partner News

Cooperative Christian Ministry:

My Father's House Annex Opens in Kannapolis



Cooperative Christian Ministry (CCM) announced the opening of the NEW My Father's House Annex facility in Kannapolis, N.C. The establishment of this transitional housing opportunity was made possible through a partnership with the Cabarrus Health Alliance (CHA) and the SUN Clinic, in addition to a facility agreement with faith community partner, Memorial Baptist Church.

“It is through collaboration, as demonstrated on this project, that we persevere and make a greater impact for our community,” said Ed Hosack, CCM’s Chief Executive Officer. “We’ve done the easy part in transforming a building. Now we focus our attention on the people we will serve here. With God’s help, we will transform lives.”

The opening of this facility replaces transitional housing capacity lost in 2023 with the closing of the previous My Father's House facility in Concord.

[Cont.'d...](#)

June Honorarium

JUNE 2024

Memorials & Honorariums

The following honorarium is given in honor of:

Sylvia Corl

Given by Nancy Faggart to My Father's House
in Honor of Sylvia Corl.

Memorials & Honorariums
may be given at sjnc.net

Reminders

Registration Available for VBS!

Registration is now available for Vacation Bible School **July 28 - 30**. VBS is free to members and visitors but requires registration. Register early to secure a spot and preferred t-shirt size. Open to children ages 4 through 5th grade (nursery available ages 0 - 3 years old).

Reminder: All volunteers will be required to have a current *Safe Gatherings* background check. Contact the office to complete this process.



The graphic features a large, stylized number '3' in the center, filled with various cultural and religious icons such as churches, a lighthouse, a mosque, a pagoda, a city skyline, a farm, and a boat. To the left of the '3' is a wooden sign that reads 'RIVER OF Life'. Above the sign, the text 'VBS' is written in a large, white, cursive font. Below the sign, the dates 'JULY 28 - 30, 2024' are written in a white, cursive font. In the top right corner, there is a small logo for 'ELCA World Hunger Evangelical Lutheran Church in America' with the tagline 'God's Work. Our Hands.' Below the '3' is a row of ten diverse children's faces. At the bottom, a wooden boat is shown with the text 'ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH' and 'Ezekiel' on its side. A QR code is located on the left side of the graphic, and the phone number '704-786-0166' and email 'info@sjnc.net' are listed below it. A note at the bottom left states: 'All volunteers will be required to have a current Safe Gatherings background check.'

VBS
RIVER OF Life
JULY 28 - 30, 2024

Register Now!

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info@sjnc.net

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UPCOMING EVENTS

AUG. 11

Blessing of the Backpacks

Lunch after Worship

SEPT. 20

Kid's Night

Movie & Pizza

**MORE INFO
TO COME!**

OCT. 5

WELCA Cabarrus/Stanny Conference

Speaker & Lunch

OCT. 27

Trunk or Treat

Candy & Activities

NOV. 24

Thanksgiving Worship

Pie Party to Follow

DEC. 1

Advent Tree Lighting

Lighting of the Christmas Tree

DEC. 8

Bethlehem at the Farm

Details TBA

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SPEAKER
To Be Announced

CABARRUS & STANLY FALL CONFERENCE GATHERING

Join women across Cabarrus & Stanly ELCA Lutheran Churches as we discuss ministries and hear from an inspirational speaker!

October 5, 2024
8:00 AM - ENDS W/LUNCH



Location
St. James Lutheran Church
104 Union St. S.
Concord, NC 28025



SAVE THE DATE -- REGISTRATION AVAILABLE SOON

Acolyte Recruitment

Please give prayerful consideration to becoming a servant-leader as a St. James Acolyte. Training will be provided and you will be a most welcome addition. And remember: it's not just for children – all may serve! Contact **Pastor Bill** for information.



In Our Prayers

IN OUR PRAYERS



Jo Eng
Tom Grady
Tom Ridenhour
Noah Clifton
Angie Buchanan
Linda Jones

(Family of Barbara & Dale Merrell)

Susan Tadlock *(Friend of Deb Black)*

Mary Dorothy White *(Friend of Patsy Black)*

Sheril Rominger *(friend of the Marlow's)*

*One Heart Global Ministries Mission Trip to
Equador (our AirOne HVAC tech).*



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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