

# St. James Lutheran Church

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

## Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



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## WEEK OF November 12, 2023

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

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## Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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### Introduction to Sunday's Worship

Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the lamb.

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## Announcements

**Budget Discussion** - this Sunday, November 12th at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

**Congregational Meeting** next Sunday, November 19th at 9:50 am before Worship for the purpose of election of Council Members, Synod Delegates, and approval of the 2024 Budget.

**2nd Annual Carole Grady Memorial Blood Drive** is scheduled for Sunday, December 3rd from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm.

**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.



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 [YouTube Page](#).

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 12**  
9:00 am Budget Discussion  
9:15 am Parish Choir  
9:30 am Children's SS  
10:00 am Worship

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

14-Nov Kim Johnson  
15-Nov Douglas McAnulty  
16-Nov Karen Parks  
Heidi Patterson

Blessing of the Operation  
Christmas Child Boxes

**Monday, November 13**

10:30 am Quilting Group  
6:30 pm Scouts

**Tuesday, November 14**

12:00 noon Lively Leisure's  
6:00 pm Congregation  
Council

**Wednesday, November 15**

11 - 1:30 pm Narcan  
Training in Fellowship Hall  
5:30 pm Wednesday Night  
Together  
7:00 pm Parish Choir

**Thursday, November 16**

6:00 pm Handbells

**Friday, November 17**

5-5:30 pm Children's Choir  
Rehearsal (prior to parade)  
W. M. Irvin Elementary

**Saturday, November 18**

8:30 am Leah's Hope  
Trailer

**Sunday, November 19**

9:15 am Parish Choir  
9:30 am Children's SS  
9:50 am Congregational  
Meeting  
10:00 am Worship  
11:15 am Families to make  
Nativity Blocks and have  
pizza

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  
p.m.

Bring your bible, your sense of

Noah Pittard

17-Nov Jane Craver

Alexander DeGrace

Michael Korinko

Buddy McEachern, Jr.

18-Nov Emerson Baker

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Samaritan's Purse**

**Operation Christmas Child**

boxes are due back this  
Sunday, November 12.

Please place them on  
counter in portico area  
nearest the door. If you  
would still like to get a box in  
time to return on Sunday,  
November 12 - they are  
located on counter beside  
women's bathroom in portico  
area. Take a box and follow  
instructions inside the box.  
Boxes must be returned no  
later than November 12th.

**Lively Leisure's** will meet

Tuesday, November 14 at  
noon in the Fellowship Hall.

**Wednesday Night Together -**

November 15th - 5:30 p.m.  
Menu: Black Bean Chili Soup,  
Creamy Coleslaw, Cheddar  
Biscuits, Apple Pie a la mode  
and Drink

Sign up by calling the church  
office or e-mail [info@sjnc.net](mailto:info@sjnc.net)

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 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.

**Families will make Nativity Blocks** after worship next Sunday, November 19 and will have pizza.

**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.

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

## SUNDAY MINISTERS

### LECTOR/INTERCESSORS

**Nov 12** Kim Haberman  
**Nov 19** Barbara Albright

### COMMUNION ASSISTANT

### VIDEOGRAPHER

**Nov 12**  
**Nov 19**

### NOVEMBER USHERS

**Nov 12** Dianne Lambert  
**Nov 19** Margaret Garrison

### **ACOLYTES**

**Nov 12** Finley Stephens  
**Nov 19** Noah Dixon

### **GREETERS**

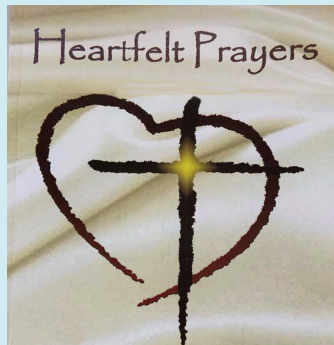
**Nov 12** Sylvia Corl  
**Nov 19** Judy Benz

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

### **FLOWERS**

**Nov 12** Dale and Barbara Merrell  
**Nov 19** Jo Eng

## **CHURCH NEWS**



### **Family and Friends**

- Steve Conrad, Lauri Lyn Hodges, friends of Al and Dee Pieschel

### **Members of St. James**

- Patsy Black
- Tom Grady
- Tom Ridenhour

## **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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