

Ring Out

A Weekly Newsletter



St. James Lutheran Church

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

THIS WEEK- APRIL 26



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine

is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

Worship Bulletin for April 26



Online Worship

Online Worship for Sunday, April 26 will be available on Facebook [@stjamesnc](#) and YouTube [St. James Lutheran Church Concord NC](#) at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday morning. An email with information will be sent when the online worship service is posted. You can open or print the bulletin and follow along with the service.

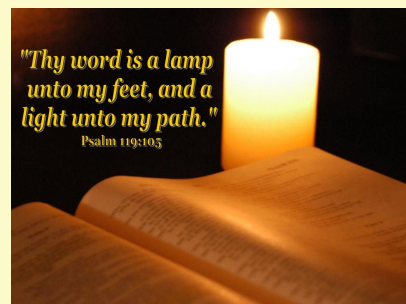
SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading Acts 2:14a, 36-41

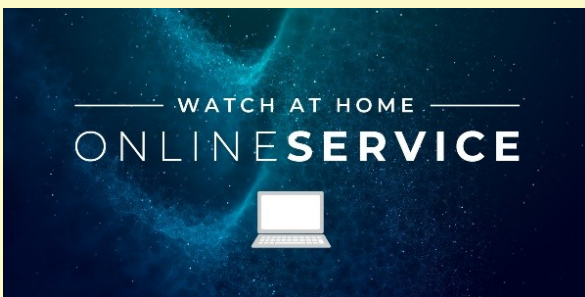
Psalm Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Second Reading 1 Peter 1:17-23

Gospel Luke 24:13-35



Readings for April 26



SYNOD WORSHIP OPTIONS for April 26

The bishop's staff will provide a **video recording** for worship this coming Sunday which can be accessed from **the synod's YouTube channel** by the end of this week.

The staff will also offer **live worship this coming Sunday at 10:00 a.m.** with Pastor CeCee Mills preaching. This worship is available by Zoom for online or call-in connection. Use this [Zoom link to join](#). Meeting ID: 980 4120 4683 Password: none. Or, join by phone (audio only): +1 646 876 9923.

CHURCH NEWS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 26-Apr** Kailey Hartman
- 27-Apr** Thomas Grady
- 28-Apr** Kara Bestler
- 28-Apr** Larken Muenster
- 29-Apr** Sam Hurley
- 29-Apr** Stacey Wilson
- 01-May** Anna Grace Craver



NEW BABY

Winstyn Grace Downs was born on April 16. Parents are Grayson and Jessica Downs, brother, Holden Downs and grandparents are Mike and Beth Downs, Everyone is doing great!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Jimmy and Patty Propst celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Thursday, April 23. Let's celebrate with them on this wonderful occasion!



COOK SCHOLARSHIPS

In 1968, John M. Cook, Jr established an endowment to assist college and graduate



students who are members of St. James Lutheran Church to help pay their tuition. The Cook Trust Fund Committee is now accepting applications for the fall and spring semesters of the school year 2020/2021. Please contact the church office by phone or email keith@sjnc.net to receive a first time or returning application. The deadline to return the application will be **June 1st, 2020** to be considered for a scholarship this fall.

Please contact Kenny Propst with any questions that you may have regarding the application process at 704-467-2300 or fcpinc@vnet.net.

OFFICE PHONE

If you call the church office, please leave a message. Staff will be checking their messages on a regular basis. **704-786-0166**



MEAL TRAIN

You Are Invited to Join the Meal Train for Martha and Jimmy Summers

What is a meal train? There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out?" The answer is usually to help them with a meal. When many friends give a meal, this is a Meal Train.

If you can help, just open the Meal Train.

[Get Onboard the Meal Train](#)

To our friends at St. James Lutheran Church,

During these difficult times that we are experiencing in our world right now, there are always caring and compassionate people that step in

*Thank
you* 

and help in the most beautiful ways. We want to **thank you** for standing with our shelter throughout the year. We could not help the amount of people we are helping daily without the meals that have been provided to our Salvation Army Concord Center of Hope shelter location.

Theodore Roosevelt once said, “ This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in.” That is what you have done through your kind acts, and we can’t thank you enough. We are praying for you and your family members. Stay safe, and God bless!

Ruth A. Fetz

The Salvation Army, Resource Development Coordinator



CCM FOOD NEEDS

What a month it has been! We have continued to serve about 25% more households than usual since we began the drive-through pantry in mid-March. About one fourth of those have never come to us for assistance before. At the same time, we have been unable to purchase any food in bulk for grocery stores, and we’re limited on how much we can obtain from Second Harvest Food Bank. Nevertheless, our wonderful community has stepped up in a marvelous way. Through the generosity of so many, the Lord has met all our needs and then some.

Some of our church partners have found creative ways to collect food —“stuff the bus,” collection bins in their drive-through areas, drive & drop times, etc. We are so grateful to all of you who have continued to collect and deliver the food. Currently, it is best to deliver the food between 10:00 and 1:00, Mondays-Fridays.

CURRENT NEEDS ARE:

- Any kind of canned vegetables (except green beans)
- Baked Beans (ideally 15 or 16 oz cans)
- Canned Meat (Tuna or Chicken)

As always, we especially seek low sodium items, no-added-sugar items, and whole grain items. And we can always use more plastic grocery bags!

Thank you for the continued support from our church partners.

YOUTH MEETINGS



ONLINE YOUTH MEETINGS

All in-person Youth meetings and activities are currently cancelled. Online Zoom meeting will be held

Sunday, April 26 at 6:00 Code 375 225 931

Wednesday, April 29 at 6:00 Code: 468 883 755

INFORMATION

FACEBOOK PAGE

Want to see photos, events, news items on Facebook? Follow St. James on Facebook. Go to www.facebook.com and search for:

[@stjamesnc](https://www.facebook.com/stjamesnc)



YOUTUBE CHANNEL

**St. James Lutheran Church
Concord NC**

Go to the YouTube website. www.youtube.com then search for **St. James Lutheran Church Concord NC** Subscribe to St. James' YouTube channel where service videos and other videos from time to time will be uploaded. Once you subscribe, turn on Notifications so you will know when a new video is uploaded.

INSTAGRAM

Do you like photos and videos? Then follow [stjamesnc](https://www.instagram.com/stjamesnc) on Instagram. Download the Instagram app on your smartphone or tablet, create an account and then search for St. James.



WEBSITE

Check out St. James website, www.sjnc.net. There you will find links to Church News, Events, Publications including bulletins, newsletters, and online worship services, and lots more.

Visit our website

ONLINE GIVING

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.



The need for your giving and support continues, even though we have had to cancel gathering and corporate worship services.

Give Now

ST. JAMES STAFF

- **Rev. Tony Bradshaw**, Senior Pastor [Email](#)
- **Rob Keene**, Director of Music Ministries [Email](#)
- **Mike Holt**, Youth and Family [Email](#)
- **Jill Irvin**, Financial Administrator [Email](#)

- **Keith Sutton**, *Parish Administrator* [Email](#)
 - **Cindy Cruse**, *Hospitality Coordinator* [Email](#)
 - **Kathryn Radcliffe**, *Nursery Coordinator* [Email](#)
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