Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



St. James Lutheran Church

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

THIS WEEK- APRIL 5

PALM SUNDAY

Today, we encounter the paradox that defines our faith: Jesus Christ is glorified king and humiliated servant. We too are full of paradox: we fervently desire to follow Christ but find ourselves afraid. We



celebrate as Christ comes into our midst, and we follow with trepidation as his path leads to death on the cross. Amid it all, we are invited into this paradoxical promise of life in and through Christ's faithfulness. We begin this week that stands at the center of the church year, anticipating the completion of God's astounding work.

Worship Bulletin for April 5



Online Worship for Sunday, April 5 will be available on Facebook oscillation-nc-ed- 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.





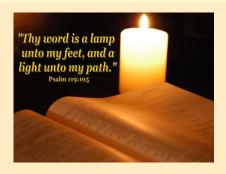
AN IDEA FOR PALM SUNDAY

How can we publicly acknowledge this important day on our calendar when so many of us will be behind closed doors?

What if everyone on Sunday April 5 in the morning, puts a branch on the door of their house or on the window, to celebrate Palm

Sunday? It could be any green branch you can get. This would help, despite the social distancing, to be connected as we enter into the Holiest of Weeks.

If you would like to take a picture of your front door with the branch, send those to Keith **keith@sjnc.net** and will share a slideshow of these photos next week.



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm Psalm 118:1-2,19-29 Second Reading Philippians 2:5-11 Gospel Matthew 21:1-11

Readings for April 5

YOUTH NEWS



ONLINE YOUTH MEETINGS

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

Sunday, April 5 at 6:00 Code: 375 225 931 Wednesday, April 8 at 6:00 Code: 468 883 755

CHURCH NEWS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

06-Apr David Clary

06-Apr Mark Murphy

08-Apr David Smith

09-Apr Myers Jones

10-Apr Alex Barnhardt

11-Apr Troy Heston

11-Apr Alison Monk





OFFICE PHONE

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

MEMORIALS RECEIVED IN MARCH

The following Memorials were received during March.



March Memorials



LIVELY LEISURES

The Lively Leisure luncheon scheduled for April 21 is cancelled. More information later. Please stay safe and well. Thanks, Sylvia

MY FATHER'S HOUSE

St. James / St. Johns Lutheran will be hosting My Father's House Ministry **April 20-22.** St. James will provide the dinner meal on Mon., April 20 and Tues. 21. St. Johns is responsible for the meal on Wed. April 22.



The meals will be dropped off at the kitchen door of My Father's House Ministry around 5:30 those days. There are presently 6 adults and 4 children in the Ministry. If you can provide an item for the meal on April 20 or 21, please let me know and I'll be glad to pick it up from your home. Thanks so much, Sylvia Corl 704-786-0296 or cell: 704-425-8621



STATIONS OF THE CROSS ONLINE

Plans are in the works to offer a Stations of the Cross online. Logistics are being worked out currently. Watch for an announcement next week on how you can participate remotely.

CCM FOOD NEEDS



COOPERATIVE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

CCM is still in need of food items for their drive-thru food distribution. As you can imagine the needs are great at this time. If you can help, please drop off food items at CCM.

CURRENT NEEDS ARE:

- Any kind of canned vegetables (except green beans)
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- Diced Tomatoes
- Tuna and Canned Chicken
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Pasta Sauce

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



MEMBER DIRECTORY

Thank you to everyone who has responded by providing updated information for our member directory that was emailed last week. If you have not had a chance to look at the entry for your family, please check and let the

office know of any changes or missing information. A revised member directory will be sent out soon.

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.



OUR STEWARDSHIP

Contributions and Receipts for March 29, 2020 \$8,964.00

(\$8,414.00 needed per week)

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

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.

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Give Now

ST. JAMES STAFF

- Rev. Tony Bradshaw, Senior Pastor <u>Email</u>
- Rob Keene, Director of Music Ministries Email
- Mike Holt, Youth and Family <u>Email</u>
- Jill Irvin, Financial Administrator Email
- Keith Sutton, Parish Administrator Email
- Cindy Cruse, Hospitality Coordinator Email
- Kathryn Radcliffe, Nursery Coordinator Email
- Kenny Propst, Congregation President Email

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