

St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



THIS WEEK- MAY 24



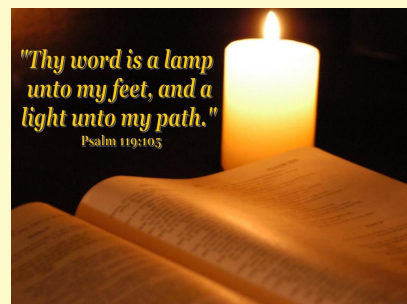
Worship Bulletin May 24

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

In today's readings the risen Christ ascends into heaven and his followers are assured that the Spirit will empower them to be witnesses throughout the earth. The disciples were told to not gaze up into heaven to look for Jesus (Acts 1:11); we find his presence among us as we proclaim the word and share the Easter feast. We too long for the Spirit to enliven our faith and invigorate our mission.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading Acts 1:1-11
Psalm Psalm 47
Second Reading Ephesians 1:15-23
Gospel Luke 24:44-53



*"Thy word is a lamp
unto my feet, and a
light unto my path."
Psalm 119:105*



Online Worship for Sunday, May 24 will be available on Facebook and YouTube at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday morning. An email with links will be sent when the online worship service is posted. You can open or print the bulletin and follow along with the service.



St. James YouTube
Channel



St. James Facebook
Page

SYNOD WORSHIP
for May 24
Pastor Danielle DeNise,
preaching



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 a.m.** with Pastor Danielle DeNise preaching. This worship is available by Zoom for online or call-in connection. **CLICK THIS Zoom link to join.** [Meeting ID: 997 5636 6561 Password: none Join by phone: 1-646-876-9923

NC Synod Worship Service

Then he led them out as far as Bethany,
and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them.
While he was blessing them, he withdrew
from them and was carried up into heaven.
And they worshiped him, and returned to
Jerusalem with great joy. Luke 24:50-52a

CHURCH NEWS



ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 24

9:30 am Online Worship Service
6:00 pm Youth Zoom Meeting

Monday, May 25

Wednesday, May 27

6:00 pm Youth Zoom Meeting

Sunday, May 31

9:30 am Online Worship Service

Church Office Closed
Memorial Day

6:00 pm Youth Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, May 26

6:30 pm Council Zoom Meeting

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

24-May Ron Krome

27-May Brad Baker

29-May Dylan Rutemiller



COOK SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline for Applications -June 1

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.

CCM FOOD DRIVE

We collected 767 lbs. of food, paper products, and cleaning supplies for **Cooperative Christian Ministry** on this past Sunday. Thank you to everyone who stopped by!





FAVORITE HYMNS

I am working on another video slideshow to be shared with you. All of us have favorite hymns that speak to us in very personal ways; mingling sorrow and joy, bringing comfort, combining beautiful poetry, and a melody that brings all together.

During this time of social distancing re-hearing our favorite hymns hopefully will be something that will bring you comfort and continue to keep us connected as a church family until the time we can meet together again.

Please send me one favorite hymn. keith@sjnc.net I know it's not easy to pick just one; but for the sake of space in the slideshow, please just send one. These should be hymns that are contained in our Lutheran hymnals, as I do not have access to music from other sources. If the response to this is great, I will split into more than one video. Rob Keene will be playing and recording the hymns and I will provide the words on the screen while the music is playing. Everything included will be subject to copyright and if a hymn is not covered under our copyright licenses, it will not be included.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING, WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

YOUTH NEWS



ONLINE YOUTH MEETINGS

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

Sunday, May 24 at 6:00 Code 375 225 931

Wednesday, May 27 at 6:00 Code: 468 883 755

INFORMATION

FACEBOOK PAGE

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[@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

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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](http://www.sjnc.net)

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](#)
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