

# Ring Out

## A Weekly Newsletter



## St. James Lutheran Church

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

**THIS WEEK- MAY 3**



## **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

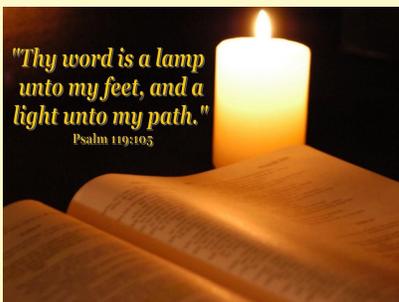
Today is sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday." Jesus is called the "gate" of the sheep in today's gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us amid the world's violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God's tender care to all creation.



## Online Worship

Online Worship for Sunday, May 3 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 links will be sent when the online worship service is posted. You can open or print the bulletin and follow along with the service.

A special thank you to Pastor Tony for his much appreciated efforts in this new way of worshiping, to Rob Keene for providing the music, and to Jeremy Jay for his many hours of work in putting the videos together and posting on Facebook and YouTube.



## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**First Reading** Acts 2:42-47

**Psalm** Psalm 23

**Second Reading** 1 Peter 2:19-25

**Gospel** John 10:1-10

Readings for May 3

## AS YOU DO.....

Who is there like you,  
God of mercy and grace  
who loves us as you do?

Who knows and understands our actions as you do?

Who hears the thoughts and words of our heart as you do?

Who knows our joys and sorrows and shares them as you do?

Who feels the pain we endure and comforts us as you do?

Who hears as we confess our sins and forgives as you do?

Who takes a broken heart and makes it whole as you do?

Who finds a life that's lost and welcomes it home as you do?

Who is there like you,

God of mercy and grace who loves us as you do?



## EASTER MUSIC

I hope you'll enjoy this collection of beautiful and exuberant music for the Easter season. If you have an extra moment or two these days, I encourage you to compare the rhythmic freedom of Gerald Near's chant settings with the robust and strictly metered hymn melodies of Bach's Orgel-Büchlein (Little Organ Book). At least, that's what organ geeks would do (I speak from experience). :-)

There are a couple of Scooby Snacks in the works, too, but this set covers most of what you could expect to hear during Easter at St. James.

Take care, and happy listening!. - Rob

[Listen to Easter Music](#)

## SYNOD WORSHIP for May 3

Bishop Tim Smith, 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.



## MAY THEMES FOR EACH SUNDAY

During May, we continue for four more Sundays of Easter celebration and then move to Pentecost on May

31. Click on the link below to preview the themes and Gospel for each Sunday.

[May Themes](#)

## CHURCH NEWS

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 03-May** Charlotte Glatz
- 03-May** Edwin Glatz
- 03-May** Elizabeth Harris
- 03-May** Joy Lineberger
- 04-May** Thomas Baker
- 04-May** DeeDee Gilbert
- 04-May** Trent Propst
- 05-May** Julie Burroughs
- 05-May** Michael Cartwright
- 05-May** Sarah Propst
- 06-May** Kimmie Brooks
- 06-May** Bryson Ziegler
- 07-May** Anthony Wyatt
- 08-May** Sandy Barnhardt
- 08-May** Patricia McDonough
- 09-May** Anne Reading



### 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](mailto: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](mailto:fcpinc@vnet.net).

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## TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY



April Memorials



## 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

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The residents of My Father's House Ministry enjoyed great meals Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday when St. James and St. Johns hosted. Some meal items were from members' homes and

*Thank  
you* 

others were bought with donated funds.  
The Ministry was very appreciative...



*Lively Leisures*

## LIVELY LEISURES

The Lively Leisure luncheon and program has been cancelled for May 19. The summer break this year will include June, July and August. The next

Lively Leisure luncheon and program will be on September 15, 2020 at St. James. Wishing everyone a good summer.

Stay safe and well, Sylvia

## YOUTH MEETINGS



### ONLINE YOUTH MEETINGS

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

**Sunday, May 3 at 6:00** Code 375 225 931

**Wednesday, May 6 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](http://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](http://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.

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## INSTAGRAM

Do you like photos and videos? Then follow [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](http://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](#)

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## 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.**

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