

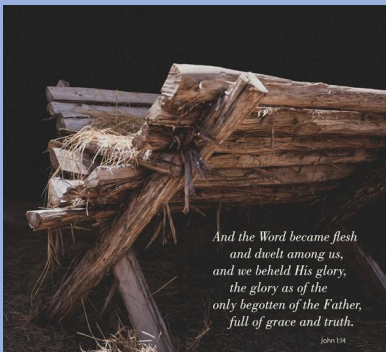
St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF JANUARY 2



*And the Word became flesh
and dwelt among us,
and we beheld His glory,
the glory as of the
only begotten of the Father,
full of grace and truth.
John 1:14*

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

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IN-PERSON WORSHIP Sunday, January 2

In-Person Indoor Worship will be
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

The Health and Safety Committee
and Church Council strongly encourage everyone to wear masks
during worship. Congregational singing has resumed with masks.





WEEKLY WORSHIP

Live Streamed

Online Worship for January 2 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.



**Saint James
Lutheran Church**

A Parish of the North Carolina Synod of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Welcome!

St. James is a house of prayer where all people can come to know the compassionate heart of Jesus. We are a community of Christians where you can belong before you believe. At Saint James the beauty of ancient worship and traditional spiritual practices transform contemporary lives. Join us as together we discover the sacred in the heart of the city. Our worship includes ancient and contemporary symbols and practices along with preaching and music to inspire you to follow Jesus in your daily life. We welcome both the spiritual seeker and seasoned disciple to find their home in God with us. If you are looking for a spiritual home or just exploring the life of faith, we hope you will walk with us on that journey of discovery.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF
CHRISTMAS**

JANUARY 2, 2022
10:00 A.M.

Introduction to Today's Worship

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[Bulletin for January 2](#)

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Sunday, January 2

9:50 am Live Stream Begins
10:00 am In-Person Worship

Monday, January 3

Office Closed



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Wednesday, January 5
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, January 9
9:00 am Adult Sunday Schl
9:50 am Live Stream Begins
10:00 am In-Person Worship

04-Jan Susie Kartheiser

06-Jan Jon Miller

06-Jan Karen Rezza

07-Jan Stephanie Deville

07-Jan Nic Whisnant

08-Jan Brad Davis

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- **Salvataion Army Night Shelter** January 23-29

CHURCH NEWS



OFFERING ENVELOPES

The Offering Envelopes for 2022 are now available in the Portico Entrance. If you would prefer for your envelopes to be mailed, please contact Jill Irvin in the church office. 704-786-0166

2021 CONTRIBUTIONS

2021 Contributions will be recorded in 2021 if the envelope is postmarked by December 31, 2021. Contributions dropped off at the office must be received by 12 Noon on Friday, December 31. Online giving is recorded in 2021 as long as the transaction occurs by midnight on December 31.



2022 FLOWER CALENDAR

The 2022 Flower Calendar is now available online for you to make your reservation. Use the link below to select your date(s) and make your reservation. We use Pots of Luck Florist in Concord and the cost of two vases is \$100. If you would prefer, you can call the church office to make your reservation. Payment for flowers can be mailed or dropped off at the church or placed in the offering plate with a notation "Altar Flowers" in the memo line.

[Make Your Reservation](#)



DECEMBER MEMORIALS / HONORARIUMS

In Memory of David Hurley

By Al Brown (Cemetery Fund)

In Memory of G. G. Brown

By Fuller and Jean Beasley

By Mr. & Mrs. Guy Beaver

By Al Brown (Cemetery Fund)

By Bill & Anne Cain

By Will & Ann Gillon

By Kay Nixon

In Honor of Elizabeth Hurley

By Susan Miller (Columbarium Fund)

SOCIAL MINISTRY



SALVATION ARMY NIGHT SHELTER MEALS

St. James will be providing meals for the Salvation Army Shelter of Hope Sunday, January 23 - Saturday, January 29. The Salvation Army Night Shelter is located at 216 Patterson Ave SE, Concord.

Provide dinner for 20 adults. You will be advised if the number increases but no more than 30. (Please include a protein, vegetable, a starch and dessert) If you have any questions, contact Mark Murphy.

Sign Up to Serve

CCM FOOD PANTRY DECEMBER



Our community is so wonderful! Even though we missed some of our usual big fall food drives, we have received an abundance of donations and other drives, including more than usual of the Food Lion Holiday boxes and Lowe's Foods Bags. We also had sufficient financial donations to purchase a large quantity of food at wholesale prices through Second Harvest Food Bank. As a result, our food needs list is much shorter now.

Donations can be dropped by the church during office hours. Pull up under the Portico and call the office. 704-786-0166

Our current big needs are:

- Cereal
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Corn
- Canned Pinto Beans and Baked Beans (pork & beans)
- Canned Potatoes, Carrots, Mixed Vegetables, Peas
- Tomato Soup

- Diapers (all sizes)

As always, we especially seek low sodium items, no-added-sugar items, and whole grain items.

CHURCHWIDE NEWS

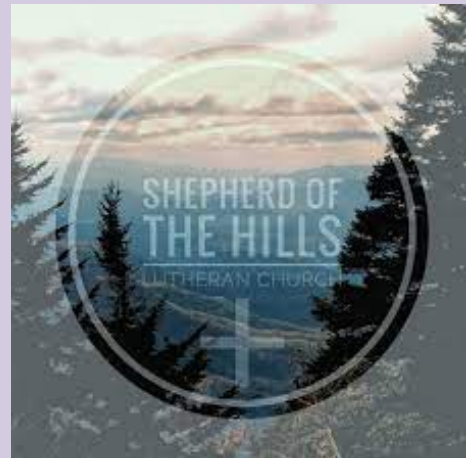


WE ARE THE BRANCHES

Each week we will remember in prayer our brothers and sisters at one of our partner Lutheran churches in the NC Synod. Please lift them up in your prayers during the week also. This week we remember:

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Sylvia, NC

749 Hwy 107
Sylva, NC
Pastor Rosemary Peek



Learn More about
[Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran](#)

I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

~John 15:5

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.

[Give Now](#)

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