

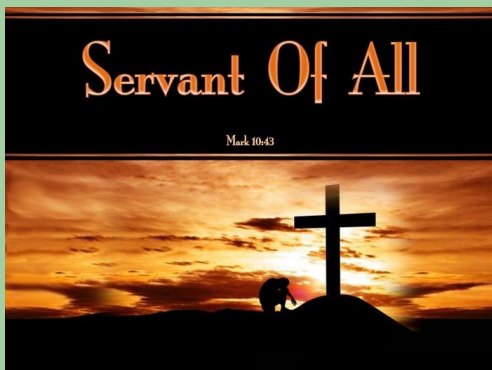
St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF OCTOBER 17



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

IN-PERSON WORSHIP Sunday, October 17

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. There will be no congregational singing at this time.



WEEKLY WORSHIP Live Streamed

Online Worship for October 17 will be live-streamed on YouTube beginning at 9:50 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.



[Bulletin for October 10](#)

[Watch Livestream](#)



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

An Adult Sunday School class will be offered on Sunday mornings at **11:15 a.m.** in the Cook Fellowship Classroom. Frank Irvin will be teaching and everyone is invited. Please have a Bible or Bible App ready because we're going to look outside the texts listed in the lesson.

Note the time change to after worship at 11:15

God Provides Manna, Water and Quail - Study Guide



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Sunday, October 17

9:50 am Live Stream Begins
10:00 am In-Person Worship
11:15 am Adult Sunday Schl

Monday, October 18

10:30 am Quilting Group
6:30 pm Scouts

Wednesday, October 19

6:30 pm Bible Heroes
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 24

9:00 am Q & A with Bishop
9:50 am Live Stream Begins
10:00 am In-Person Worship
11:00 am Reception for Bishop
11:15 am Adult Sunday Schl
4:30 pm Trunk or Treat

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Trunk or Treat:
October 24



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

17-Oct Isla Glatz

18-Oct Laura Baker

19-Oct Stephanie Harris

19-Oct Kim Williams

20-Oct Katie King

22-Oct Calen MacFarlane

22-Oct Joyce Smith

23-Oct John Eury

23-Oct Nancy Faggart

CHURCH NEWS



From the Pastor

Did you know that St James is one of 190 Lutheran congregations in the North Carolina Synod, and that the North Carolina Synod is one of 65 synods in the Evangelical Lutheran

Church in America (ELCA)? Why does that matter? Well, the word synod literally means “coming together.” So as part of a synod that is one of 65 synods, we are joined together in a common mission to Christ...a mission in which we are able to accomplish far more together than any one congregation or synod could accomplish on its own.

As part of our shared life together as the ELCA, the Bishop and staff of each synod office exists to oversee and provide support to the ministries of that synod’s congregations and rostered leaders.



To help us maintain and strengthen that relationship, we are pleased to announce that on **October 24**, the Bishop of the North Carolina Synod, the Rev. Dr. Timothy Smith, will join us in worship. In addition to preaching at the 10:00 service, Bishop Tim will be available in the sanctuary from 9:00 – 9:45 am to answer questions and update us on the work of the North Carolina Synod; and at the conclusion of worship he will join us for refreshments in an outdoor meet and greet.

We hope you will join us as we come together for a time of worship and fellowship!

In Christ, Pastor Tony

TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us on October 24th from 4:30 - 6:00 pm for candy, popcorn, music, and a bounce house at Trunk or Treat! If you’d like to provide a trunk and candy, please sign up here [Click to sign up](#) or call the

church office. 704-786-0166 Thank you for your help in making this a fun, community event!

Space is limited, so sign up now!



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoeboxes are now available and located at the Portico entrance. Pack your shoebox and bring back by **November 7**. Include \$9 to cover shipping. Do not seal the box; use provided rubber band.

SNACK BAGS FOR POLICE AND FIRE

We will be delivering goodie bags to our police and fire personnel in Concord on Sunday afternoon, October 31. If you are willing to help deliver, please contact Samantha Hillegass or Dee Pieschel.



SOCIAL MINISTRY

CCM FOOD PANTRY OCTOBER

We are moving into food drive season, which is a very good thing. Some of our inventory is getting low! Normally, one of our biggest annual food drives is the Cabarrus County Fair Food Drive (normally the 2nd Sunday of September). For the second year in a row, it was cancelled. We are OK now, but that drive especially benefited our satellite pantries, and now we're having to really dip into our regular warehouse inventory to keep them stocked. If your church or community organization is planning a food drive soon, here are the items we needing the most:



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:

- Canned Chicken and Tuna
- Canned Pasta with Meat
- Beef Stew
- Chili with Meat
- Canned Corn
- Canned Carrots, Peas, Potatoes, and Mixed Veggies
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Diced tomatoes
- Canned Pinto Beans
- Soup
- Rice / Macaroni and Cheese
- Toilet paper

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:

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Chapel Hill, NC

300 E Rosemary St
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
Pastor Will Rose
Pastor Mark Coulter



[Learn More about
Holy Trinity Lutheran](#)

I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear

YOUTH NEWS



OCTOBER YOUTH CALENDAR

- Oct 17** 4:00 All Youth Gathering
- Oct 20** 9:00 College Online
- Oct 24** 3:00 Confirmation Cluster
- Oct 27** 9:00 College Online
- Oct 29** 6:30 Family Drive in at the Movies
- Oct 31** 4:00 All Youth Gathering



SUNDAY'S COOL

Below is a link to this week's Sunday's Cool. Check it out!

[Read Now](#)

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.

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