

St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF OCTOBER 23

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SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 AM

IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM



TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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LESSONS FOR THE WEEK ([Links in blue](#))

First Reading [Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22](#)

Psalm Psalm 84:1-7

Second Reading 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel Luke 18:9-14



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.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 23, 2022
10:00 A.M.

Introduction to Today's Worship

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Sunday Worship for 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.

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

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ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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Sunday, October 23
9:00 am Adult & Children's Sunday School
9:15 am Parish Choir
10:00 am Worship

★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** ★

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

23-Oct John Eury

2:00 pm Confirmation @
Calvary
4:15 pm Youth Gathering

Monday, October 24

10:30 am Quilter's Group
6:30 pm Scouts

Wednesday, October 26

5:30 pm Wed. Together
6:00 pm Handbells
7:00 pm Parish Choir
9:30 pm College Online

Sunday, October 30

9:00 am Adult & Children's
Sunday School
9:15 am Parish Choir
10:00 am Worship
4:30 pm Trunk or Treat

23-Oct Nancy Faggart

25-Oct Vero Grady

27-Oct Michael Folino

27-Oct Joan McEachern

28-Oct Cliff Caffrey

28-Oct Linda Hartsell

28-Oct Riley Moran

28-Oct Donnie Peterman

28-Oct Taylor Pruette

28-Oct Heather Wilson

28-Oct Drew Yoos

UPCOMING DATES:

Oct 26 Wednesday Nights
Together

Oct 30 Trunk or Treat

Nov 1 Mary Magdalene
Circle

Nov 8 Lively Leisures

Nov 11 Parent's Night Out

Nov. 12 Rise Against
Hunger Meal Prep

Nov. 13 Budget Q&A

Nov 18 Port-A-Pit

Nov 20 Annual Meeting

**CHILDREN'S
SUNDAY
SCHOOL**



Children's Sunday School for Kindergarten through Grade 6 is available from 9:00 – 9:45. A light breakfast will be served. We will read a Bible story and perhaps work on a craft. Join us!

Ages K - 2nd Grade: Room 101, Teacher: Ann Blackwelder
Grades 3 - 6: Room 103, Teacher: Cheryl Webb



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church during worship is designed for children up to the second grade. Our youth director, Mike Holt, will be leading this ministry. Martha Matthews, Christine Lovelace, and Laura Overby will also be assisting in this ministry.

October Children's Church

October 23 - Laura Overby

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Flex Classroom - 9:00 am

Meet in the Flex Room (Cook Class) at 9:00 am. Frank Irvin will be leading the class.

[FIVE RESULTS OF THE GOSPEL STUDY GUIDE](#)



CHURCH NEWS



It's back!!! Wednesday Nights Together is returning in October. We will gather for food and fellowship and a short Bible study led by our interim, Pastor Saltzer. Please make reservations to help with planning the food.

5:30 pm

Church Fellowship Hall

October 26

November 9, 30

Make your reservation online or by calling the church office 704-786-0166.

Individual: \$10

Family: \$25



[Sign Up Now](#)



TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us on October 30th 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 below. Thank you for your help in making this a fun, community event!

In prior years we have had 125-150 kids come through, so plan to have enough candy.

**I WANT TO PROVIDE A
TRUNK**



CANDY CANDY CANDY

If you would like to donate candy to be given away at the Trunk or Treat, there will be a container in the Portico area for donations. Thank you!



St. James will be packing 10,000 meals on Saturday, November 12 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. We need between 50-60 people to help pack the meals. We also need 5 people who are willing to come early to setup and 5 people to stay late to take down.

If you would like to make a donation to help cover the cost of the meals, checks can be made payable to St. James with "Rise Against Hunger" in the Memo line.

**SIGN UP
NOW**

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

LECTOR/INTERCESSORS

Oct. 23 Jodi Ramirez
Oct. 30 Needed

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

Oct. 23 Margaret Garrison
Oct. 30 Needed

ACOLYTES / BOOK BEARERS

Oct. 23 Jacob and Josh Rinker

GREETERS

Oct 23 Jean Beasley
Oct 30 Barbara Albright



FREE CHAIRS

We have 24 folding Samsonite chairs that need a new home. If you can use any of these, contact the church office. They are currently located on the 2nd floor hallway at the end.

Frist Come, First Served.

SOCIAL MINISTRY



MEAL PACKING OPPORTUNITY

Lifeline Christian Mission will be packing meals for Florida victims of Hurricane Ian on **Tuesday the 25th**. Lifeline is located in Gibson Mill, 325 McGill Ave NW Suite 175, Concord, NC 28027

Hurricanes, famines, job loss, and political unrest are some instances where families need short-term assistance. When you pack meals, you provide a family with a source of stability so that moms and dads can focus on getting back on their feet.

You can sign up by clicking on the link below.

[SIGN UP NOW](#)

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Help bring joy at Christmas to a child. Samaritan's Purse's, Operation Christmas Child is under way. This Ministry delivers shoeboxes of gifts around the world at Christmas to children in need.



We will have empty shoeboxes available at Church inside the portico entrance. Information on Packing a Shoebox and suggested items to include is located here, [PACKING A SHOEBOX](#)

Please bring your shoebox of items to the church by Sunday **November 13**. Boxes are designated for a boy or a girl. Please contact Samantha Hillegass if you have questions.



COOPERATIVE
CHRISTIAN
MINISTRY

**CCM FOOD
PANTRY**

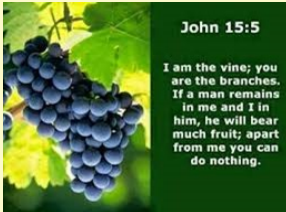
We are moving into the holiday food drive season, which is wonderful—because our inventories have been very low. This is the time of the year when we seek to rebuild those inventories to carry us through the winter. We also continue to serve an increasing number of families—getting close to the same numbers we served in 2020. So thank you so much to all of you and your congregations who support us faithfully and generously.

Currently, the pantry items we are in biggest need of are:

- Spaghetti Noodles and any kind of dried pasta
- Any kind of canned vegetables, especially green beans and corn
- Diced Tomatoes
- Dried Pinto Beans
- Any kind of canned beans (Baked, black, pinto, kidney, etc.)
- Canned Fruit (except fruit cocktail)
- Any kind of Canned Meats (except tuna!)
- Pasta Sauce
- Peanut Butter
- Toilet Paper and Paper Towels

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

CHURCHWIDE / COMMUNITY



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.

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

Mt. Pisgah Lutheran Church Hickory, NC

9379 NC Hwy 127
Hickory, NC 28601

Pastor Mike Stone

Learn More about
[Mt. Pisgah Lutheran Church](#)



A Service of Remembrance

*Choral works of comfort, hope and peace,
dedicated to all who were lost and all who mourn.*

Presented by the Piedmont Choral Society



Sunday, October 30, 2022 at 4:00pm

Calvary Lutheran Church
950 Bradley Street | Concord, NC

Free Concert - No Ticket Required

FOR MORE INFORMATION: pcsconcordnc@gmail.com OR 704-699-6053



★ December 17, 2022 ★

National Wreaths Across America Day

Help honor local heroes!

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a veteran's grave this December at:

OAKWOOD CEMETERY

Concord, North Carolina

Just scan the QR code to your right with your smartphone camera to sponsor a wreath online or visit

<https://wreathscrossamerica.org/NC0329>

proudly coordinated by: Cabarrus Black Boys Chapter
Daughters of the American Revolution



#FindAWay2022

Sponsor a Wreath

**MEALS ON WHEELS
ANNUAL SOUP SAMPLING**

Sunday, October 30, 2022 11:30 - 2:30

Enjoy Signature Soups & Fabulous
Desserts from local restaurants.
A variety of breads and dessert options!



Location: City Club at Gibson Mill, 325
McGill Avenue NW Concord

\$30 per person (One ticket purchase covers the cost of meals for an
entire week for a homebound client)

To purchase tickets visit:

<https://cabarrusmow.org/sunday-soup-sampling/>



**Community Fellowship Luncheon
to support Second Course**

November 6, 2022

First Presbyterian Church

70 Union Street, North

12:30 pm

\$20 per person

BBQ Grilled Chicken~Mac & Cheese

Green Beans~Cole Slaw~Rolls

Lemonade~Tea~Water

Desserts

Second Course's mission is to equip persons transitioning back into society after incarceration and/or rehabilitation with occupational and life skills that will empower them to secure employment. Students utilize food prepared during classes to meet requirements for Safe-Serve certification and to feed the vulnerable population in their community.

Tickets available at

www.secondcourse.org

As a 501c3 organization, your donation is tax deductible.



YOUTH MINISTRY

Calvary—St. James

January



UPCOMING DATES

- **Friday Night at the Movies** October 21
- **Confirmation Cluster at Calvary** October 23
- **Youth Gathering** October 23
- **College Online** October 26
- **Trunk or Treat** October 30

**Port-a-Pit
Chicken
Fundraiser**



BAR-B-Q CHICKEN

Calvary Lutheran Church
Lunch & Dinner
Friday, November 18

Take Out Only (Noon - 7:00 pm) Includes: ½ BarBQ Chicken,
Slaw, Baked Beans, and Roll \$12
Desserts Available for Sale
Tickets available from Mike or in the church office.

Proceeds to Calvary/St. James Youth Ministry

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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ST. JAMES STAFF

- **Rev. Craig Saltzer, Interim Pastor** [Email](#)
- **Keith Sutton, Parish Administrator** [Email](#)
- **Jill Irvin, Financial Administrator** [Email](#)
- **Scott F. Foppiano, Organist / Director of Music** [Email](#)
- **Mike Holt, Youth and Family** [Email](#)
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