

St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14



TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's Beloved. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.



WEEKLY ONLINE WORSHIP

Online Worship for Sunday, February 14 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.

**Worship Bulletin
February 14**



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ZOOM

Frank Irvin will be offering a Zoom Sunday School class on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is invited. Please have a Bible or Bible App ready because we're going to look outside the texts listed in the lesson. Click on the link below to join in the discussion.

[The Birth of Moses
Study Guide](#)

[Scripture Readings](#)

Join the Class



ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

CHURCH EVENTS

Sunday, February 14

9:30 am Online Worship Service
10:00 am Zoom Sunday School

BIRTHDAYS

15-Feb. Lori Pittard

16-Feb. Stephanie Matthews

Wednesday, February 17

6:30 pm Ash Wednesday
Drive-In Communion
9:30 pm College Online

Thursday, February 18

6:30 pm Bible Heroes Pre-2nd
7:00 pm Bible Heroes 3rd-5th

Sunday, February 21

9:30 am Online Worship Service
10:00 am Zoom Sunday School
5:00 pm Youth

16-Feb. Clary Phillips

17-Feb. Jason Matthews

17-Feb. Elias Rutemiller

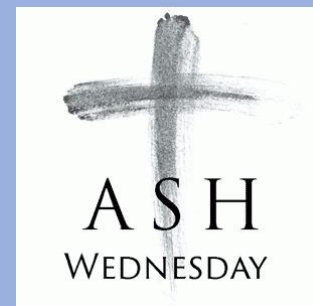
18-Feb. Mark Hartman

18-Feb. Jodi Ramirez

CHURCH NEWS

ASH WEDNESDAY DRIVE-IN WORSHIP

Join us in your car for a Drive-In Ash Wednesday communion service on Wednesday, February 17 at 6:30 pm. The service will be held in the Garden Lot. Mark your calendars now as we begin our Lenten journey together. More details and bulletin coming soon.



WORSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES DURING LENT

Ash Wednesday: February 17—Drive-in service @ 6:30 in the Garden lot; a worship service will also be available on YouTube and Facebook.

Wednesday's in Lent: St James has joined with other downtown churches to prepare an ecumenical Lenten devotional that will be posted on YouTube and Facebook each week starting February 24.

Bible Study: Beginning February 11, Bishop Tim Smith of the NC Synod is offering a Thursday evening Zoom Lenten Bible study on the Book of Isaiah. It begins at 7:00 pm. Please use the following link to register: [Register Now](#)

Daily Devotional: Once again this year Luther Seminary is providing a daily Lenten devotional. Copies are available in the church office or you may download the devotional using the following link: <https://www.luthersem.edu/godpause/lenten-devotional/>

COMMUNITY NEWS



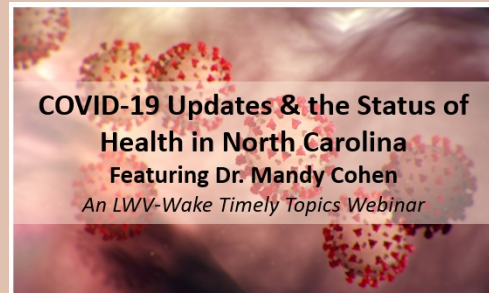
NEEDS AT MY FATHER'S HOUSE MINISTRY

We have learned recently that two families will be moving out of My Father's House Ministry into their own homes. They are in need of kitchen items, pots, pans, dishes, glassware, etc. (can be used.) Items like bed linens, should be new. If you have items that you can donate, even lamps, tables, etc. please call or e-mail Sylvia Corl and she will be glad to pick them up. Many thanks,

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COVID-19 UPDATES AND HEALTH IN NC

The COVID-19 pandemic has dominated much of our lives for almost a year and has highlighted other issues within our health systems. Dr. Mandy Cohen, NC's Secretary of Health & Human Services, has been at the forefront of navigating the state through the pandemic and tackling other important health issues. Join us on **Thurs., February 25** at 5 p.m. for an online discussion with Dr. Cohen as she updates us on COVID-19 and the status of health in NC.



[Learn More; Register to get the Zoom link.](#)

CHURCH-WIDE NEWS

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YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH MEETINGS

- February 21
- February 28



CHURCH RESOURCES

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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