

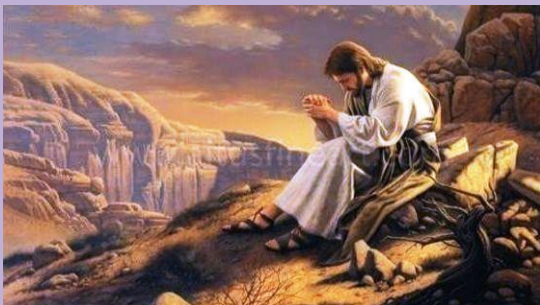
St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF MARCH 6



FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
IN-PERSON * LIVESTREAM



Saint James Lutheran Church

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

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

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.

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 6, 2022
10:00 A.M.

Introduction to Today's Worship

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Online Worship for March 6 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.

[DOWNLOAD BULLETIN FOR MARCH 6](#)

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.

[WATCH THE LIVESTREAM](#)



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

An Adult Sunday School class will be offered on Sunday mornings at **9:00 a.m.** in the History Room on the 2nd floor of the Education Building. 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.

[Noah and the Flood - Study Guide](#)

[Noah and the Flood - Scripture](#)

ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 6

9:00 am Adult Sunday Schl
10:00 am In-Person Worship

Monday, March 7

10:30 am Quilting Group
6:30 pm Scouts

Wednesday, March 9

5:30 pm Lenten Meal
6:30 pm Lenten Service
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, March 13

9:00 am Adult Sunday Schl
10:00 am In-Person Worship



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

06-Mar Sarah Poplin

06-Mar Logan Whisnant

07-Mar Camden Burroughs

07-Mar Avery Miller

07-Mar Ella Wickliff

10-Mar Jay Clemmer

10-Mar Jonas Jay

11-Mar Linny Baker

11-Mar Jeff Miller

CHURCH NEWS



WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

March 9 - April 6

During the season of Lent we will gather for a meal each Wednesday at **6:00**, followed by a time of worship, song, prayer and a brief meditation on Jesus' final conversation with his disciples prior to his crucifixion. You may find it

helpful to read the verses assigned for each week before worship. All services will be livestreamed.

3/09 John 14:1-31

"I will not leave you orphaned"

3/16 John 15:1-17

“Abide in my love”

3/23 John 15:18 – 16:4a

“Servants are not greater than their master”

3/30 John 16:4b-33

“The Spirit of Truth”

4/06 John 17:1-26

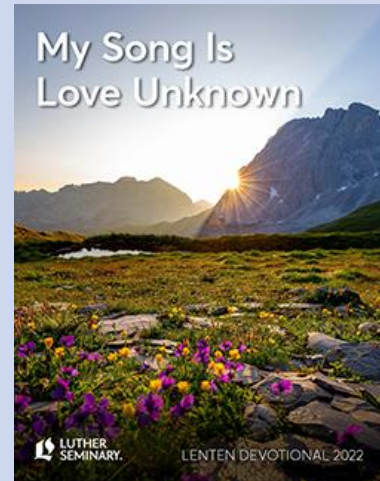
“That they may all be one”

LENTEN DEVOTIONALS

My Song Is Love Unknown

Luther Seminary invites you to use the 2022 Lenten devotional, “My Song is Love Unknown” for personal or congregational use throughout the Lenten season.

DOWNLOAD THE DEVOTIONAL



KING OF KINGS

Sunday, April 10, 2022
St. James Lutheran Church
6:00 pm

Please join us for Cecil B. DeMille’s 1927 black and white silent film masterpiece, “King of Kings” starring H.B. Warner. The film is a stunning, dramatic period-representation of Christ’s earthly adult ministry. The presentation on Palm Sunday reinforces the significance and beauty of Holy Week as we look toward Christ’s passion, death and triumphant resurrection on Easter Day.

This is the first silent film with live organ accompaniment program to be offered in the Concord area. Scott Foppiano, the St. James Organist/Director of Music, has presented this program throughout the United States and will provide the organ accompaniment.

The film is appropriate for all ages. There is no admission charge. Please plan to attend and bring your families and friends.



BLESSING BOX

For the Month of March, St James has the opportunity to stock the blessing box at Rotary Square. Items can be put directly into the box or left in the red Blessing Box bin that is just inside the rear door of the church.

Please see the list of items below. Thank you for being a blessing in our community. Mark Murphy will be the contact person for any questions.

- Canned goods / Crackers / Cereal
- Bags of rice / Ramen / Pasta
- Peanut butter / Jelly
- Granola bars / Raisins
- Fruit snacks / Pudding cups / Fruit cups
- Baby food / Bottled water
- Other non-perishables
- Shampoo / Soap / Deodorant
- Toothbrush and toothpaste

MY FATHER'S HOUSE

March 21-23

St. James / St. Johns Lutheran will be hosting My Father's House Ministry, March 21, 22, and 23. St. James will provide the dinner meals on Mon. March 21 and Tues. March 22. There are presently 11 adults and 10 children in the Ministry.



If you can provide an item for the meal for March 21 or March 22, please let Sylvia Corl know and she will be glad to pick up the item from your home and take it to MFH. Thanks so much for your help with this needed ministry.



FEBRUARY MEMORIALS

In Memory of Carole Grady

By Ken and Patty Argo
By Lynn and Peter Arts
By Susan and Peter Reinke
By Bill and Sarah Settlemyer
By Linny Baker
By John Barrier
By Boots and Alice Beasley
By Joseph Beasley
By Mr. and Mrs. Guy Beaver
By Mr. and Mrs. John R. Boger, Jr
By Margaret Morrison Bradley
By Dr. and Mrs. Brantley Briley
By Carrol and Marcia Brooks, Family
By Al Brown (Cemetery Fund)
By Terry and Sandy Brummeyer
By Lee Bryan
By Cannon Foundation
By Wayne and Connie Cherry
By Reidsville HS Class of 1961
By Susan Cogdill
By Bill and Joyce Connolly
By Mary Ann Cooper
By Dana Cox
By Allen and Janet Craven
By Alan and Nancy Cress
By Wayne and Margaret Dabbs
By Orion and Martha Daniel
By Barry and Lynn Eisenberg
By Max and Iris Elliott
By Jo Eng
By Benny and Cheryl Ertel
By Keith and Margaret Fink
By Bill Fisher
By Katherine Flack
By Don and Jo Ann Fowler
By Margaret Garrison (Cemetery Fund)
By Jeff and Deedee Gilbert
By Joe Grady
By Mary Ann Mills Graham
By Dan Gray (Property Capital Fund)
By Michael and Mary Gray
By Kim Haberman
By John and Margaret Harroff
By Linda Hartsell
By Jean Harwood-Stanhope
By Tim Hawkins
By Robin and Barbara Hayes

By Susan Miller (Columbarium)
By Jim, Laurie and Chris Miller
By Hugh and Anne Morrison
By Mr. and Mrs. John H Morrison, Jr.
By John F Morrow, Sr.
By Mary Jane Myers
By Cynthia Craig, children: Tommy
Honey and Sherry Honey-Barrow
By Norman and Penny Negre
By Edwin and Hilda Outen
By Alex, Lex, Laura, and John
Patterson (Cemetery Fund)
By Mr. and Mrs. Clary, Michael
Phillips
By Al and Dee Pieschel
By Glenda Poole
By Bill and Sarah Price
By Propst Construction Company
By Jimmy and Patty Propst
By Kelia Raiford
By Alex and Sharon Rankin
By Charles and Sarah Reeves
By Tom and Ann Ridenhour (My
Father's House)
By Deon Gray Ritchie
By Ben and Meg Roach
By Marshall Rogers
By Rich Sauser
By James and Jean Scarbrough
By Steve and Kay Smith
By Terry and Amy Splawn
By Jo Stephens
By Herman Stone
By Sabert and Brenda Trott
By Timothy and Gail Vaughn
By Todd and Gretchen Walker
By Jane Weathers
By Seth Weinschenker
By Wayne and Libby Williams
By Andy and Donae Yoos

In Memory of Don Eng

By Jo Eng and Family (Roof Repl.)

In Memory of Ernestine Irvin

By Al Brown (Cemetery)
By Keith and Margaret Fink
By Nick and Christine Lovelace

By Jan Beatty Hendley
By Jenny Hendrix
By Buddy Hilbish
By John and Fay Holmes
By Jerry and Nancy Hopkins
By Joseph and Nancy Hunter
By Howard and Margaret Irvin
By Pat Jackson
By Jeremy and Golda Jay
By Sheila (Brown) Jones
By Geoff and Lesa Jones
By Joan Jones
By Wayne Austin King
By Mary Lambert
By Winslow and Buddy Leatherman
By George and Betsy Liles
By Steve and Jenny Linebarrier
By Thomas and Sandra Long
By Nick and Christine Lovelace
By Royce and Janice McCombs
By Buddy and Joan McEachern

By Susan Miller (Columbarium)
By Alex, Lex, Laura and John
Patterson (Cemetery)
By Glenda Poole

In Memory of G. G. Brown

By Alex, Lex, Laura and John
Patterson (Cemetery)

In Memory of Lee David Ballard

By Ed and Betsy Ballard

In Memory of Martha Kelly

By Jimmy and Patty Propst

In Memory of Phyllis Harward

By Alex, Lex, Laura and John
Patterson (Cemetery)

SOCIAL MINISTRY

CCM FOOD PANTRY MARCH

CCM continues to be blessed by so many community partners who conduct food drives, put together special hygiene kits, and support us in many other ways. Early this month the Boy Scouts again held their annual Scouting for Food drive, and we have received in excess of 11,000 lbs. of wonderful non-perishables! Thanks to all of you whose congregations sponsor Boy Scout Troops!



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 Pinto Beans and Kidney Beans
- Diapers (all sizes)

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

CHURCHWIDE / COMMUNITY



Lenten Bible Study with the Bishop

Again this year, in hopes of giving our ministers a break or an alternative option—not to compete!—Bishop Tim Smith will be leading an NC Synod-sponsored Bible study on the Gospel of Luke during Lent for five consecutive Thursdays, beginning **March 10** and concluding on April 7 from 7:00-8:15 p.m. Note we will not

meet the week of Ash Wednesday nor during Holy Week. All are welcome!

[Register Today to Receive Zoom Link Details](#)



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

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Mocksville, NC, NC 27028
Pastor Kelly Huckle Moore



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SENIOR HEALTH AND WELLNESS EXPO
March 9 at 10:30 am - 2:00 pm

WELLNESS ROCKS!

FREE EVENT



Cabarrus County Active Living and Parks

Wednesday, March 9th
10:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Cabarrus Arena & Events Center
4751 NC Highway 49 N, Concord, NC

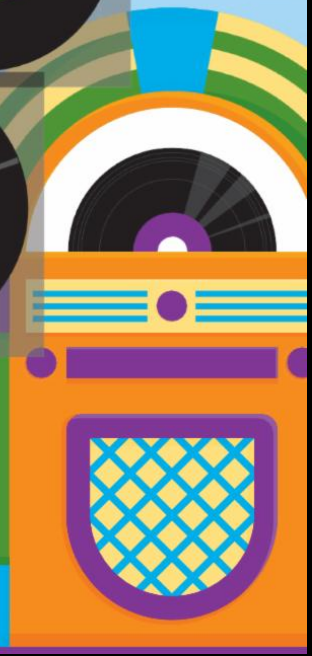


For more information:

 704-920-3484

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 www.cabarruscounty.us/seniors





“And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful” (Colossians 3:15).

Since last week, the news of the Russian invasion of Ukraine has filled news reports and social media feeds. Heartbreaking images of people saying goodbye to loved ones and lining up at the borders to leave the country are occupying our screens. Prayers and calls for peace are coming from around the world as we watch this crisis unfold.

Civilians fleeing the violence are heading toward Ukraine’s western districts and such neighboring countries as Poland, Moldova, Slovakia, Romania and Hungary. Ukrainian men of military age (18-60) are required to stay in the country, so most of those fleeing the violence are women and children. According to one report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, more than 500,000 people are seeking refuge in neighboring countries including Hungary, Poland, Slovakia and Moldova. There are major humanitarian concerns for both internally displaced people and refugees. Many of these Ukrainians fleeing their homes need shelter and such basic necessities as food, water and toiletries. Care for people also includes pastoral and psychological support to address the trauma they’ve endured.

Lutheran Disaster Response is accompanying our companion churches in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia, as well as such ecumenical partners as the Lutheran World Federation and Church World Service, in their humanitarian responses to the crisis. These partners provide refugees with immediate support and supplies such as food, blankets, water and hygiene kits. Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton has joined other religious leaders from Europe and around the globe in issuing an **interfaith call for peace** in the region.

Your gifts will support Ukrainians and others. Gifts to “Eastern Europe Crisis Response” will be used in full (100%) to assist those affected by the crisis in Ukraine and neighboring countries.

Our prayers abound for the loss and devastation experienced in Ukraine and Eastern Europe.

[GIVE NOW](#)

YOUTH MINISTRY



UPCOMING DATES

06-Mar 12:00 Youth Servant Day at the Bilingual Preschool

09-Mar 9:30 College Online

11-Mar 7:00 Friday Night at the Movies

13-Mar 4:00 Youth Gathering

16-Mar 9:30 College Online

20-Mar 2:30 Confirmation Cluster 4:30 Youth Gathering

23-Mar 9:30 College Online

27-Mar 4:00 Youth Gathering

30-Mar 9:30 College Online

YOUTH NEWSLETTER

The weather is getting warm, and the youth are heating up! Found out what is happening coming up.

[March Youth Newsletter](#)



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SERVANT DAYS ARE BACK! WAHOO!

It looks like warmer weather is approaching, COVID is waning, and this combination means more opportunities to make a difference to others will be coming our way! What a great way to kick off the coming of Spring and celebrating the new life that comes with this season.

This coming Sunday, March 6, at 12:00 noon, the Youth Ministry will be gathering at Calvary and then heading over to the Bilingual Preschool to build a new fence around the heating and air conditioning units. There will be a few more things to do as well, so the more we have serving, the more we can accomplish! Please bring a sack lunch if you haven't eaten before you arrived. You will also need a pair of gloves and a water bottle. All are welcome to join in the fun.

Another project that is in the works is replacing a set of steps that goes up to a small deck for an elderly gentleman. We celebrate this project as it comes from a new set of eyes in the field, Meals on Wheels. More information will be coming soon.

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FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Friday, March 11, starting at 8:00pm. Jungle Cruise, rated PG-13. Pizza will be served. Invite a friend!

April 3 is the LAST SUPPER EXPERIENCE.

We could use some help in making this happen so if you would, please sign up on the bulletin board. Thanks so much!



GARDEN TIME IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

It won't be long until it will be time to jump into the garden to prep the ground, plant and harvest. More info to follow soon.

DATES TO MARK DOWN:

All Youth Beach Retreat: June 18 - 25
Youth Mission Trip: July 17 - 23 A \$100.00 deposit is currently due. Confidential scholarship funds are available upon request.

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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