

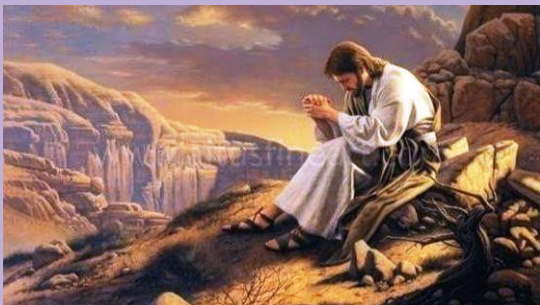
St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF MARCH 13



SECOND 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.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 13, 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.

[WATCH THE LIVESTREAM](#)

[DOWNLOAD BULLETIN FOR MARCH 13](#)

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.



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.

[The Passover - Study Guide](#)

[The Passover - Scripture](#)

SECOND SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

A second Adult Sunday School class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:00 in the Parlor. Pastor Tony is the facilitator.



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Sunday, March 13

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

Monday, March 14

10:30 am Quilting Group
6:30 pm Scouts

Wednesday, March 16

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

Sunday, March 20

9:00 am Adult Sunday Schl
10:00 am In-Person Worship
2:00 pm Confirmation Cluster



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

13-Mar Wendell Overby

13-Mar Anne Swayney

14-Mar Sara Faircloth

16-Mar Tony Eury

16-Mar Dee Pieschel

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.

3/16 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"

To sign up for the meal, go to
<https://forms.gle/nXCzvFyWLzKeTQvp8>
or call the church office 704-786-0166.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY

A letter was mailed this week that included an Estimated Giving Card and a Time and Talent sheet. Please review them, pray about our ministry and how God would have you use the gifts He has entrusted to you, and then complete these forms and bring them to worship on March 27. This day will be designated as Commitment Sunday.



If a couple is using one Time and Talent sheet, each person should initial beside of volunteer opportunities so that we know which person is volunteering for each.

Extra copies of the Estimated Giving Card and the Time and Talent Sheet are available in the narthex or may be downloaded below.

[TIME AND TALENT SHEET](#)

[ESTIMATED GIVING CARD](#)



KING OF KINGS

*Silent film with live organ
accompaniment*

Sunday, April 10, 2022
6:00 pm

St. James Lutheran Church

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.

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

**St. Andrew
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[St. Andrew Lutheran Church](#)

A promotional graphic for the Cabarrus Glow Bowl for Kids' Sake event. The top half features a black background with the event title in glowing green and white text. The bottom half shows a group of four people (two men and two women) smiling and holding bowling balls in a bowling alley setting. The text "Registration is OPEN!" is overlaid in large, glowing green letters at the bottom of the image.

glow  **Big Brothers Big Sisters.**
OF CENTRAL CAROLINAS CABARRUS COUNTY
BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE
Saturday, March 26th
Stars and Strikes ~ 9 am to 1 pm
Form a Team or Join a Team & Register Today!

Registration is OPEN!

The Cabarrus **Glow Bowl for Kids' Sake** will take place on **Saturday, March 26th** from 9:00 am-1:00 pm at **Stars and Strikes in Concord**. We will have bowling, food, Swag bags, prizes, and so much more!!!!

Do you like Bowling?.... Prizes?..... Food?..... Fun?..... Raising money for our at-risk Youth to receive one-to-one Mentoring in Cabarrus County?

- **Register yourself and Team** on our website

<https://2022bfkscabarrus.causevox.com/>

(Registration

instructions attached)

- Create a team- 6 Bowlers make up a team. \$50 per adult & \$25 per child
 - Create a fun Bowling name!
 - Weekly prize incentives for those registered.
 - DJ Wild Card spinning the tunes and Glow in the Dark tumblers for every participant.
 - An amazing raffle with donated prizes from around Cabarrus County.
 - Lunch included for every participant.
 - Prizes awarded for best costumes, highest score, and most money raised!!
- Discounted rates for individual sale of
 - 1 hour arcade game card for \$5
 - 1 session of laser tag \$5
 - 1 session of bumper cars \$3

We can't wait to see you there!

BBBS Cabarrus County

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

YOUTH MINISTRY



UPCOMING DATES

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.



[Give Now](#)

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