

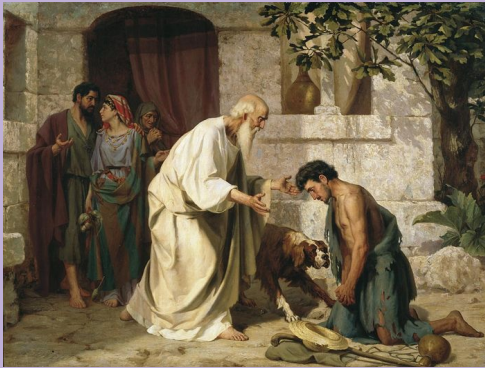
# St. James Lutheran Church

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

## Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



### WEEK OF MARCH 27



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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.

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 27, 2022  
10:00 A.M.

### Introduction to Today's Worship

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Online Worship for March 20 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 27](#)**

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.



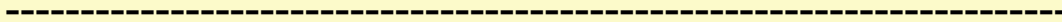
## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

the lesson.

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

## **[JESUS FEEDS THE FIVE THOUSAND LESSON](#)**

## **[JESUS FEEDS THE FIVE THOUSAND 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.



## ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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#### **Sunday, March 27**

9:00 am Adult Sunday Schl  
10:00 am In-Person Worship  
*Commitment Sunday*  
4:00 pm Youth Gathering

#### **Monday, March 28**

10:30 am Quilting Group  
6:30 pm Scouts

#### **Wednesday, March 30**

6:00 pm Lenten Meal  
6:45 pm Lenten Service  
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

#### **Sunday, April 3**

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



### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

**27-Mar** Ann Gillon

**28-Mar** John Marlow

**28-Mar** Jimmy Propst

**28-Mar** Chip Blackwelder

**29-Mar** Tanner Poplin

**30-Mar** Landon Trott

**30-Mar** Elliott Horton

**01-Apr** Sandra Faggart

**01-Apr** Jeff Gilbert

## 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.

**3/30 John 16:4b-33**  
Truth”

“The Spirit of

**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.

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## 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](#)**

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## MARY MAGDALENE CIRCLE

The Mary Magdalene Circle plans to resume meeting on the first Tuesday of the month. Upcoming dates are April 5 and May 3 They



will meet in in the church fellowship hall at 10:30 am. F

## COMMUNITY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

For over twenty years, area churches and individuals have participated in a Good Friday Stations of the Cross walk through downtown Concord or through the Logan community. This year's walk is scheduled for **April 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm**, and will last about 75 minutes.



The walk this year will begin at Grace Lutheran Church (corner of Chestnut and Tournament) followed by stops in the Logan community. St. James will be participating in the readings.

If we have inclement weather we will hold the program at Grace Lutheran Church.



## FIRE AND POLICE APPRECIATION WEEK

Fire week and Police week in Cabarrus County are coming up in May. In support of our local Police Officers and Fire Fighters, your Social Ministry Committee is encouraging our members to purchase gift cards that will be given to individual officers and fire fighters. If you would like to participate: purchase a gift card for a local restaurant or grocery store. A gift card of value of \$20 – \$50 would be much appreciated.

Take or send the gift card to the church office by April 15 and a member of the Social Ministry committee will deliver all the gift cards collected to the Police and Fire Fighters. Please note the gift card is for Police Week or Fire Week.

# EASTER LILIES

You have the opportunity again this year to place Easter Lilies in the church for Easter. A list with the names of donors and those that are being memorialized/honored will be in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.



Please return the order form with your check/monies. Checks should be made out to St. James Lutheran Church and can be mailed to the church (PO Box 684, Concord, NC 28026), or you may place in offering plate or bring by the church office. Please print clearly the information you would like to have printed.

**Cost is \$12.00 per flower**

*The deadline for ordering is April 10, 2022*

*Order forms are in the narthex and will be in the bulletin over the next several weeks.*

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## 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.

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

### CCM FOOD PANTRY MARCH

This month we begin our third year of drive-through pantries as we continue to deal with the COVID pandemic. While currently the pandemic seems to be receding, at least temporarily, we will continue to operate our drive-through model here at the Crisis Center for at least the near future, as it is a more efficient and effective model. However, we are developing



ways to enhance our ministry to our clients, including offering the opportunity for prayer if they desire it.

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:

- Dried Beans
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Carrots, Mixed Vegetables, and Potatoes
- Canned Chicken
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels

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



## 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

# 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*

## Low's Lutheran Church Liberty, NC

2136 NC-61  
Liberty, NC 27298  
Pastor John Mark Beam



Learn More about

[Low's Lutheran Church](#)

**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 26<sup>th</sup>** 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

**27-Mar** 4:00 Youth Gathering

**30-Mar** 9:30 College Online

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## 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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## ST. JAMES STAFF

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  - **Jill Irvin**, Financial Administrator [Email](#)
  - **Scott F. Foppiano**, Organist / Director of Music [Email](#)
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