

St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF APRIL 3



SUNDAY OF THE PASSION PALM SUNDAY

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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

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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.

PALM SUNDAY SUNDAY OF THE PASSION APRIL 10, 2022 10:00 A.M.

Introduction to Today's Worship

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St. James Lutheran Church Online



Online Worship for April 3 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.

[DOWNLOAD BULLETIN FOR APRIL 10](#)

[WATCH THE LIVESTREAM](#)

SUNDAY SCHOOL



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginning April 10 (Palm Sunday), Pastor Tony will be offering a children's Sunday school class with grades 3-6 in mind, from 9:00 – 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall. We will read a Bible story and perhaps work on a craft. Join us!

Also beginning April 17 (Easter Sunday), we will have Children's church during worship on the first and third Sundays of the month. It will be designed for children up to the second grade. We

hope to expand to every Sunday as more volunteers are identified. Our youth director (Mike Holt) will be leading this ministry.

Please share this information with families we may have missed...and please contact me if you have any questions.

Blessings,
Pastor Tony



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

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 EMPTY TOMB LESSON

THE EMPTY TOMB SCRIPTURE

FOUR MINIMAL FACTS



ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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Sunday, April 10

9:00 am Adult Sunday Schl

10:00 am Worship

6:00 pm King of Kings

Monday, April 11

10:30 am Quilting Group

6:30 pm Scouts

Tuesday, April 12

6:00 pm Council Meeting



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

10-Apr Alex Barnhardt

11-Apr Troy Heston

11-Apr Alison Monk

Wednesday, April 13
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 14
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday

Friday, April 15
12:00 pm Good Friday
3:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 16
10:00 am Love Feast on the Streets
1:00 pm Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 17
7:00 am Easter Sunrise
9:00 am Adult Sunday Schl
10:00 am Worship

13-Apr David Hardister
13-Apr Amanda Irvin
13-Apr Chip Popovici
14-Apr Joan Mahoney
14-Apr Mary Catherine Nivens
14-Apr Michelle Urso
15-Apr Hayden Weisel
16-Apr Winstyn Downs

CHURCH NEWS

TIME AND TALENT

Have you ever thought, I would like to read the lessons, sing in the choir, help with Vacation Bible School? This is your chance to let us know. If you have not completed a Time and Talent sheet for 2022, we ask that you complete one as soon as possible. These are used to match your interest on areas that you would like to serve. You can download below, pick up in the narthex or church office. Thank you for your service at St. James.



[TIME AND TALENT SHEET](#)

EASTER EGG HUNT April 16

There will be an “around the Church” Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16 at 1:00

pm. Please help with the egg hunt by donating the following items: empty eggs (plastic), filled plastic eggs, candy, stickers or small prizes to fill empty eggs. There will be a collection box at the Portico entrance. Please help by donating eggs and candy. We have invited our Preschool to join in the fun.



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 available in the narthex and the church office.

ALTAR FLOWERS

We have several dates open in the coming months. If you would like to place flowers on the altar you can use the link below, sign up on the flower calendar at the Portico entrance, or call the church office. (704-786- The cost is \$100 for two vases.



[RESERVE FLOWERS HERE](#)

Dates Available:

- April 24
- May 1

- May 8 (Mother's Day)
- June 12
- June 19 (Father's Day)



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.



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.

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

St. Andrew Lutheran Church Mount Airy, NC

1401 Fancy Gap Road
Mount Airy, North Carolina 27030
Pastor Rosa Erickson



Learn More about
[St. Andrew Lutheran Church](#)

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 15th 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.

Love Feast on the Streets

Supporting our Homeless Community
in Cabarrus County
**Free meal, hot showers,
haircuts, treat bags, clothes and
light grocery to go.**

DATE: Saturday
April 16, 2022

TIME: 10:00am

PLACE: St. James Lutheran
Church

104 Union Street South
Concord, NC 28025

Every 3rd Saturday beginning in May



Hosts: Leah's Hopes and Dreams &
Esther's Heart for Transformation Ministry, Inc



If you would like to volunteer to help with this monthly event, contact Mark Murphy.



OPPORTUNITY HOUSE SUPPLIES

Opportunity House has need of supplies for their ministry. Donations can be left at the Portico Entrance.

- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Laundry Soap
- Men's Casual Shoes
- Trash Bags (large, up to 60lbs)
- Backpacks (do not have to be new, but in good condition)

YOUTH MINISTRY



UPCOMING DATES

13-Apr 9:30 pm College Online

20-Apr 9:30 pm College Online

24-Apr 4:00 pm Youth Gathering

27-Apr 9:30 pm College Online

No Youth Gathering on April 3, 10 or 17

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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