

St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF APRIL 24



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 AM
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.

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APRIL 24, 2022
10:00 A.M.

Introduction to Today's Worship

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Sunday Worship for April 24 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 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER BULLETIN](#)

[WATCH THE LIVESTREAM](#)

SUNDAY SCHOOL



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Sunday School 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!

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.

JESUS ASCENDS INTO HEAVEN LESSON

JESUS ASCENDS INTO HEAVEN SCRIPTURE



ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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Sunday, April 24

9:00 am Adult & Children's
Sunday School
10:00 am Worship

Monday, April 25

10:30 am Quilting Group
6:30 pm Scouts

Wednesday, April 27

7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 1

9:00 am Adult & Children's
Sunday School
10:00 am Worship



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

25-Apr Natalie Williams

26Apr Kailey Hartman

27-Apr Thomas Grady

28-Apr Kara Bestler

29-Apr Sam Hurley

29-Apr Stacey Wilson

CHURCH NEWS

Children's Church during worship will be 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.

Children's CHURCH

May Children's Church

May 1

May 15



MEAL TRAIN

There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out?" The answer is usually to help them with a meal. When many friends provide support through a meal, Meal Train keeps everyone organized. We have a meal train for Martha and Jimmy Summers.

Click below to get on board the meal train.....

SIGN UP NOW

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

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:

- May 1
- June 12

SOCIAL MINISTRY

CCM FOOD PANTRY APRIL



March was a surprisingly busy month for the Food Program. Our pantries served the most households since November, and the second-most in the past year. Except for a couple of big church food drives, this is a slim time donation-wise, and our inventory is beginning to shrink quite a bit. We welcome all food drives and donations!

In the very near future, we will be launching a new initiative in partnership with the Cabarrus Health Alliance's maternity clinic and at least one of our local crisis pregnancy centers. We plan to provide special boxes or bags of food specially designed **for expectant mothers**. There are some special items we could use for those boxes, including:

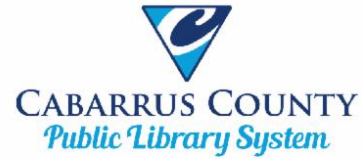
- Peanut Butter
- Dried Beans
- Instant Brown Rice (bags or box)
- Whole Wheat Crackers (Triscuits or Wheat Thins)
- Dried Fruit/Raisins

Currently, the pantry items we are in **biggest need** of are:

- Toilet Paper and Paper Towels
- Dried Beans
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Chicken
- Other Canned Meats (except tuna!)
- Spaghetti and other Dried Pasta

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

CHURCHWIDE / COMMUNITY





Family-to-Family

SAT. APR. 23 & 30, MAY 7 & 14 • 10AM-3PM

A four session education program for family, friends, and significant others of adults with mental health conditions. Sponsored by Cabarrus NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness). NAMI is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness.



 **SPACE IS LIMITED. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CALL 704-436-8736 OR  704-920-2066 TO REGISTER BY PHONE, SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER ON WEB.**

Mental Health Resource Fair

SAT. MAY 14 • 11AM-2:30PM

**27 UNION ST
CONCORD, NC
28025**

11AM-2:30PM: RESOURCE FAIR IN AUDITORIUM

11:30-12:30: MENTAL HEALTH BASICS

**1:30-2:30: ACCESSING MENTAL HEALTH IN A
DIVERSE COMMUNITY**

**JOIN US FOR OUR MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCE FAIR
AND LEARN ABOUT THE ORGANIZATIONS IN
CABARRUS COUNTY THAT ARE HERE TO HELP YOU
AND YOUR LOVED ONES.**



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

24-Apr 4:00 pm Youth Gathering

27-Apr 9:30 pm College Online

06-May 11:00 - 7:00 Port-A-Pit

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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