

St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



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WEEK OF MAY 16



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of

the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Sunday, May 16

In-Person Indoor Worship will be Sunday at 10:00 a.m. To provide for everyone's safety, you will stay masked during the service, and be seated by the ushers to be socially distanced.

GATHER WITH US FOR
IN-PERSON WORSHIP



WEEKLY WORSHIP Live Streamed

Online Worship for Sunday, May 16 will be live-streamed on YouTube beginning at 9:55 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 Live Stream](#)

[Worship Bulletin May 16](#)



ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

CHURCH EVENTS

Sunday, May 16

9:55 am Live Steam Worship
10:00 am In-Person Worship
College Mission Trip-No Youth

Monday, May 17

10:30 am Quilting Group

BIRTHDAYS

17-May Liz Klein

18-May Dare Godrey

18-May Harrison Propst

18-May Amy Whisnant

19-May Nick Lovelace

Sunday, May 23

9:55 am Live Steam Worship

10:00 am In-Person Worship

3:00 pm Youth at Propst's Farm

20-May Greg Hartman

20-May Rich Rezza

20-May Louise Walker

21-May Beverly Heilig

21-May Ethan Patterson

22-May Wayne King

CHURCH NEWS



COOK SCHOLARSHIPS

In 1968, John M. Cook, Jr established an endowment to assist college and graduate students who are members of St. James Lutheran Church to help pay their tuition.

The Cook Trust Fund Committee is now accepting applications for the fall and spring semesters of the school year 2021/2022. Please contact the church office by phone or email keith@sjnc.net to receive a first time or returning application. The deadline to return the application will be **June 1st, 2021** to be considered for a scholarship this fall.

Please contact Kenny Propst with any questions that you may have regarding the application process at 704-467-2300 or fcpinc@vnet.net.

MEAL TRAIN

Help out with providing a meal once a week to Martha and Jimmy Summers. It's easy to sign up, just click the link below. Thank you for your support of this ministry.



[Sign Up for the Meal Train](#)

GRADUATES

If you have a student who will be graduating from high school or college this year, please let the church office know. keith@sjnc.net or 704-786-0166 We want to be able to recognize



their accomplishments and to be sure that we don't miss anyone. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SALVATION ARMY CENTER OF HOPE



LET'S BUILD HOPE!! - SAVE THE DATE

THE SALVATION ARMY CENTER OF HOPE LAND DEDICATION

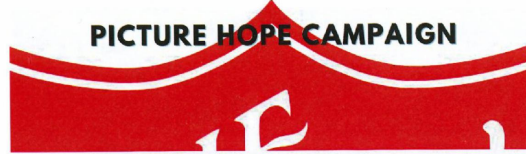
for Cabarrus & Stanly County Residents

JUNE 4, 2021 | SAM CORNER OF PATTERSON AND ASHLYN

Please partner with The Salvation Army to change lives and renew hope in our community.

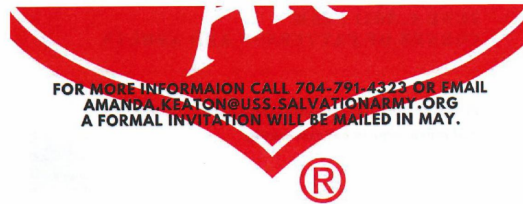


PICTURE HOPE CAMPAIGN



Where we are now:

We have currently raised or received pledge amounts that equal to \$5,144,131 of our \$7 million goal! Our efforts in this journey began by reaching out to private donors, followed by an official campaign kickoff in September 2019. We are moving full force to reach out to agencies, corporations, and individuals in the community to make this vision a reality. To do so, we are hoping for your support to complete the funding needed to charge ahead with this project. We hope to take these studies, thoughts, and plans and bring them to life to make lasting impacts in the lives of many people in need. Our goal is to break ground on the shelter in fall 2021.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 704-791-4323 OR EMAIL AMANDA.KRATON@USS.SALVATIONARMY.ORG A FORMAL INVITATION WILL BE MAILED IN MAY.

ESTHER'S HEART

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Saturday, June 5, 2021

Esther's Heart for Transformation Ministry is growing. Join the celebration and ribbon cutting.

OPEN HOUSE

Esther's Heart for Transformation Ministry Inc. is **GROWING** and we'd like for you to join us as we celebrate what **GOD** has done!

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2021 - 1PM TO 4PM
RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY - 1:30PM

ESTHER'S PLACE
728 JACKSON TERRACE ST. SW
CONCORD, NC 28027



PLEASE RSVP BY MAY 20, 2021
[HTTP://BIT.LY/ESTHERSOPENHOUSE](http://bit.ly/esthersopenhouse)
FOR MORE INFO CALL 704.964.6125



CCM FOOD PANTRY

We are beginning to shift our models somewhat. In the past, our approach was "If you need food, come and get it!" And that works for many of the food-insecure in our community. However, we have begun to recognize that there are some who cannot come, for whatever reasons. So now we are beginning to think about how we can get the food to them. We are developing partnerships with Elder Orphan Care and the Community Paramedic program, sharing food resources with them to share with their clients. We also had developed a program in partnership with the county, Atrium, and the Cabarrus Health Alliance to deliver groceries to families who were under quarantine but needed food. Now we are putting the final touches on a similar but on-going program to deliver groceries to homebound households who lack the support system to help them get food from our pantry. It is amazing to see how God is opening doors for us to increase our impact and serve our food-insecure neighbors.

We continue to be so grateful to all the churches and organizations who support us with on-going and occasional food collections. You truly are invaluable!

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:

- Peanut butter & jelly
- Canned carrots, peas, potatoes and mixed vegetables
- Diced tomatoes
- Canned fruit
- Canned beans (not green)
- Any dried beans
- Pasta sauce
- Toilet paper

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

CHURCHWIDE NEWS

"God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday

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God's work.
Our hands.



Save the date
September 12

Sunday is **September 12, 2021**. This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the ELCA—one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. **Service activities** offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic

convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ—every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life—flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

St. James will be participating. More information and details to follow.

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. This week we remember:



First Lutheran Church in Albemarle

[More Information on First Lutheran Church](#)

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

YOUTH NEWS

MAY CALENDAR

May 16 College Mission Trip - No Youth

May 23 3:00 - 6:00 Cookout and Form Signing at Propst's Farm

May 30 No Youth - Memorial Day

YOUTH NEWSLETTER

Click below to read the May Newsletter. Things in Youth Ministry are heating up...find



out what's happening! Don't miss out.

May Newsletter

IT'S MAY ALREADY!

It is extremely hard to believe it's already May. That means that we are in the middle of planning for this coming Summer and if, all goes well, it will be a great Youth Summer. Here is what is ahead:

FISHING, HAMBURGERS, GAMES AND A FORM SIGNING GATHERING, ALL IN ONE AFTERNOON:

MAY 23 is the date! 3:00 - 6:00 at the Propagator Farm is the time and location. We will gather for a great afternoon of fun and to give everyone the chance to sign all of the annual and summer forms at one time. Mark your calendar and plan to join us that afternoon. Hope to see you there.

SERVANT DAYS!

As soon as school is out, SERVANT DAYS will begin! We will be serving others right here in our own backyard. Together we can make a big difference. We will hope that we will have enough work to go back-to-back, completing an act of Service here and to be followed with another waiting. McCall Baptist Youth are on board and eager to celebrate our partnership of serving. So, hang on to your work gloves, your hat and be ready to jump in to make a difference to others.

GARDEN TIME!

Thanks so much for all who have come out and worked so hard to reclaim the Youth Garden! You all have knocked it out of the park! Words are gone, blackberry briars have disappeared, plants have been planted and replanted due to frost, tomatoes have been staked and the sprinklers are set. Now, we just wait and celebrate what God will be doing with the Youth Garden. Great job to everyone giving a hand to help make it happen.

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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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