

St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4

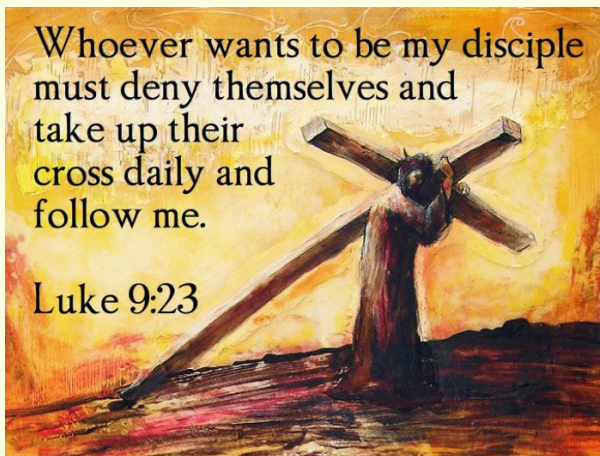
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SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 AM

IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM



Whoever wants to be my disciple
must deny themselves and
take up their
cross daily and
follow me.

Luke 9:23

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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by the company and forgiveness of Christ in holy communion and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.



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.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 10:00 A.M.

Introduction to Today's Worship

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St. James Lutheran Church Online



Sunday Worship for 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.

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ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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Sunday, September 4
10:00 am Worship

Monday, September 5
Labor Day - Office Closed

Tuesday, September 6
10:30 am Mary Magdalene Circle

Wednesday, September 7
7:00 pm Parish Choir

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

04-Sep Kim Haberman

04-Sep Patrick Propst

05-Sep Simon Lovelace

05-Sep Ashleigh Matthews

06-Sep Sophie Horton

06-Sep Trey Horton

06-Sep Dylan Urso

06-Sep Paul Winterhalter

08-Sep Laura Overby

Sunday, September 11
 9:00 am Children's Sun Sch
 9:15 am Parish Choir
 10:00 am Worship
 4:00 pm Youth Kickoff

UPCOMING DATES:

Sep 13 Lively Leisures
Sep 18 God's Work. Our Hands.
Nov. 12 Rise Against Hunger Meal Prep

08-Sep Edith Propst
09-Sep Dianne Lambert
10-Sep Ryan Patterson
10-Sep Alisa Wickliff
10-Sep Libby Williams



SEPTEMBER 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 5:00 pm Kale-Young Rehearsal	3 2:00 pm Kale-Young Wedding
4 Pentecost 13 10:00 am Worship	5 LABOR DAY <i>Church Office Closed</i> 	6 10:30 am Mary Magdalene Circle	7 2:00 pm Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Parish Choir	8	9	10
11 Pentecost 14 9:00 am Children's SS 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship 4:00 pm Youth Kick Off	12 10:30 am Quilting Group 6:30 pm Scouts	13 12:00 pm Lively Leisures 6:00 pm Congregation Council	14 2:00 pm Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Parish Choir 9:30 pm College Online	15	16 4:00 pm Clark-Gribble Rehearsal	17 10:00 am Leah's Hope Trailer 4:00 pm Clark-Gribble Wedding
18 Pentecost 15 9:00 am Children's SS 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship 11:30 am God's Work. Our Hands 4:00 pm Youth Gathering	19 10:30 am Quilting Group My Father's House	20 My Father's House	21 2:00 pm Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Parish Choir 9:30 pm College Online	22	23 6:30 – 9:00 pm Parent's Night Out	24
SALVATION ARMY NIGHT SHELTER MEALS						
25 Pentecost 16 9:00 am Children's SS 9:15 am Parish Choir 10:00 am Worship 2:00 pm Confirmation @ Kimball 4:30 pm Youth Gathering	26 10:30 am Quilting Group	27	28 2:00 pm Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Parish Choir 9:30 pm College Online	29	30	

[Download September Calendar](#)

CHURCH NEWS

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

The Mary Magdalene Circle will meet the first Tuesday of the months of September, October and November at 10:30 am in the church fellowship hall. Looking forward to



sharing devotions and seeing each other. For more information, contact Jean Beasley.

- September 6
- October 4
- November 1



AUGUST MEMORIALS

Alex Patterson (Jane)

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)
Given by Sheila Jones

Cynthia Petrea

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)

Don Eng

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)

Gene Beasley

Given by Glenda Poole

Alex Patterson

Given by Nancy Faggart

GG Brown (Phyllis)

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)

Jerry Poole

Given by Glenda Poole (Designated)

Martha Kelly (John)

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)

Linny Baker (Joyce)

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)
Given by Carol & Marcia Brooks
Given by Sheila Jones
Given by Dale & Barbara
Merrell (Columbarium)
Given by Kathryn Radcliffe
Given by Wanda Speagle

Ray Faggart (Peggy)

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)

Sandra Faggart

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)
Given by Sheila Jones

Susan Murray

Given by Fuller & Jean Beasley
Given by Jeff & Deedee Gilbert
Given by Will & Ann Gillon
Given by Glenda Poole
Given by Kathryn Radcliffe

Virginia Sutton

Given by Al Brown (Cemetery)
Given by Glenda Poole



AUGUST HONORARIUMS

Don Eng

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)

Jo Eng

Given by Nancy Faggart (Cemetery)

THIS PAST SUNDAY

	August 28	August Average
Stewardship	\$5,341.44	\$5,513.29
Attendance	218 In-Person 123-Online	113 In-Person 67 -Online

LECTOR/INTERCESSORS SEPTEMBER

Sept 04 Barbara Albright
Sept 11 Christine Lovelace
Sept 18 Mark Murphy
Sept 25 Needed

WORSHIP LEADERS SEPTEMBER

Sept 04 Daniel Gleason, Sem.
Sept 11 Rev. Betsy Mitchell
Sept 18 Mac Mullins, Sem
Sept 25 Mac Mullins, Sem

SOCIAL MINISTRY



GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS SUNDAY September 18

On September 18 after church join us for God's Work. Our Hands. GWOH is a nationwide

ELCA activity providing an afternoon of service to those in our community. Immediately after service, we will offer a bag lunch in the fellowship hall. During lunch find the Group Leader for the activity you have signed up for to let them know you are present.

We have 5 activities to choose from.

1. **FOOD BAGS / HYGIENE KITS:** Filling 100 bags with rice and 100 bags with dried beans. We will also assemble about 50 hygiene kits. Activity is in the Fellowship Hall. The lead is Jeff Gilbert.
2. **QUILTING KNOTS:** Quilting Ministry in the education building of

the church on the first floor. Golda Jay is the lead.

3. **OPPORTUNITY HOUSE:** Opportunity House is located one block from St James on Corban Ave, next to Carolina Courts. We will be sorting and organizing donated items and other items in their inventory. Samantha Hillegass is the lead
4. **FAMILIES FIRST:** We will complete two landscaping projects. Address is 985 Central Drive NW. Chip Popovici is the lead.
5. **BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS** Write encouraging welcome back to school notes and attach to a snack! History Room at St. James.

Please use the sign up link below or on the church webpage. Also order your GWOH T shirt when you sign up for an activity. We are using the same T shirt design as last year. Please call Mark Murphy 704-301-2816 with questions.

[SIGN UP FOR
GWOH](#)

NIGHT SHELTER

St. James will be providing meals for the Salvation Army Shelter of Hope Sunday, September 18 - Saturday, September 24. The Salvation Army Night Shelter is located at 216 Patterson Ave SE, Concord.



Provide dinner for 25-28 adults. You will be advised if the number increases but no more than 30. (Please include a protein, vegetable, a starch and dessert) If you have any questions, contact Mark Murphy.

[SIGN UP
NOW](#)

BLESSING BOX

For the month of **September**, 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



COOPERATIVE
CHRISTIAN
MINISTRY

CCM FOOD PANTRY

Thank you SO much to all the churches and organizations who sponsored food drives for us this summer! You made it possible for us to continue to serve hundreds of our neighbors with nutritious food. In July, we served a total of 626 households through our Crisis Center, in just 15 days. Across the total program, we served a total of 880 households. Not the same numbers as in June, but still substantial, considering that a lot of the pantries were not open the first week of the month. This month, we've noticed that we're serving a LOT more brand new households who have never come to CCM for help before. The effects of inflation and skyrocketing housing costs are taking a harsh toll on a lot of our lower income neighbors!

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

- Cereal
- Any kinds of canned vegetables, including corn. green beans, carrots, potatoes, mixed, peas
- Dried Pinto Beans
- Baked Beans
- Canned Fruit (except fruit cocktail)
- Any kind of Canned Meats (except tuna!)
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Pasta Sauce
- Soup
- Toilet Paper and Paper Towels

As always, we especially seek low sodium items, no-added-sugar

items, and whole grain items.

These items can be dropped off at the Portico Entrance during office hours.

MY FATHER'S HOUSE

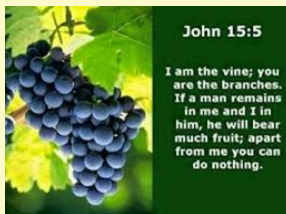
September 19-21

St. James/St. Johns Lutheran will be hosting My Father's House Ministry, September 19, 20, and 21. St. James will provide the dinner meals on Mon., September 19 and Tues., September 20.



If you can provide an item for the meal for September 19 or 20, please let Sylvia Corl know. She's glad to pick up the item from your home and take it to MFH. Thanks so much for your help with this needed Ministry.

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

Abiding Presence Lutheran Church Fuquay Varina, NC

7300 Sunset Lake Rd,
Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526
Pastor Kimberly Carlson



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Join us in the Movement to Provide Mental Health Education, Support and Outreach to Faith Communities

Register at www.namicabarrus.org or call 704-791-8417

SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 6pm-8pm

Harrisburg Presbyterian Church

4815 State Hwy 49, Harrisburg, NC

RAO | COMMUNITY HEALTH presents

2ND ANNUAL

CARE VILLAGE

It takes a village to make an impact.



Saturday | September 17, 2022

Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County

247 Spring St. NW, Concord, NC 28025

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Food | Music | Cooking Demos
Exercise Classes | COVID-19 Vaccines
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OF CABARRUS COUNTY



CABARRUS
HEALTH
ALLIANCE

YOUTH MINISTRY

Calvary—St. James



UPCOMING DATES

- Youth Kick Off September 11
- College Online September 14, 21, 28
- Youth Gathering September 18, 25
- Parent's Night Out September 23
- Confirmation cluster at Kimball September 25

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

YOUTH NEWS
SEPTEMBER, 2022
A MINISTRY OF ST. JAMES AND CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

BOY! WHAT A GREAT SUMMER IT'S BEEN!

THE YOUTH MINISTRY has been on the run this summer. We have traveled to Kure Beach, NC to enjoy a nice beach retreat filled with fun, relaxation and God time. Later in the summer we traveled to Gatlinburg, Tennessee for our mission trip. There, we put up sheetrock, mud, and we sanded, and we sanded and we sanded some more until we finished the job given. We would like to point out that we were putting the finishing touches on the offices of a thrift store and coffee house as well. One might ask why we would be serving at a business? The thrift store and coffee house are a ministry that serves the community.

They are very unique in that they support five employees, cover all of the cost and then serve the needs of the elderly in the community. They support the cost of housing repairs, medication, visits to the doctors, grocery runs and the list goes on. They are a huge key to supporting those in need. The Youth Ministry also built two decks for two elderly gentlemen in need right here in our backyard. We served at the Bilingual Preschool by replacing fencing around the heating and air conditioning units as well as catching up on some landscaping around the fencing.

[Read this month's newsletter.](#)

YOUTHQUAKE

DATE / TIME: Saturday, October 1. We will leave St. James at 8:00 am. Youthquake is held in Hickory, NC and starts at 10:00 and ends at 3:00 pm. We should return to St.



James around 4:30—4:45 pm.

WHAT IS YOUTHQUAKE? An event designed for 3rd through 5th graders where you will enjoy a day of worship, music, fellowship, devotions, and fun.

COST: the cost is 20.00 per student, (includes a t-shirt, a pizza lunch) You will also need money for a fast food breakfast.

SIGN UP: Please sign up on the Youth bulletin board at St. James or Calvary, call the church office, or sign up below. We need a minimum of three, 3rd—5th graders to go. Please include your t-shirt size when sign up. Signup cut off is September 15th.

**SIGN UP
NOW**



PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

WHEN: Our September Parent's Night Out will be on Friday Night, September 23 from 6:30 to 9:00 pm

WHERE: Calvary Lutheran Church

WHAT: We will have a pizza dinner, games, God Time and a movie. We will be showing "UP", rated PG.

SIGNUP: Please complete the form below to sign your child up to participate. This is for ages 3 years through 5th grade.

**SIGN UP
NOW**

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.



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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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