

St. James Lutheran Church

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

Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 11

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SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 AM

IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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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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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 11

- 9:00 am Children's Sun Sch
- 9:15 am Parish Choir
- 10:00 am Worship
- 4:00 pm Youth Kickoff

Monday, September 12

- 10:30 am Quilter's Group
- 6:30 pm Scouts

Tuesday, September 13

- 12:00 pm Lively Leisures
- 6:00 pm Church Council



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 11-Sep Riece Pittard
- 12-Sep Terri Fleck
- 13-Sep Will Gillon
- 16-Sep Collins Whisnant
- 17-Sep Evelina Matthews

Wednesday, September 14

7:00 pm Parish Choir
9:30 pm College Online

Friday, September 16

4:00 pm Clark-Gribble
Rehearsal

Saturday, September 17

10:00 am Leah's Hope
Trailer
4:00 pm Clark-Gribble
Wedding

Sunday, September 18

9:00 am Children's Sun Sch
9:15 am Parish Choir
10:00 am Worship
11:30 am God's Work. Our
Hands.
4:00 pm Youth Gathering

UPCOMING DATES:

Nov. 12 Rise Against
Hunger Meal Prep

CHURCH NEWS



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church during worship will be on the first three Sundays of each 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. Martha Matthews will be facilitator on the second Sunday of each month.

September Children's Church

September 11

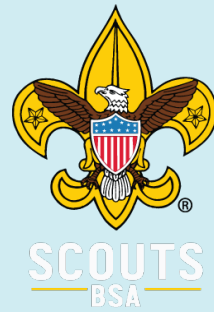
September 18

PASTORAL NEEDS

If you have a pastoral need during this interim time, you may call the church office 704-786-0166 during office hours or Congregation President, Ann Blackwelder 704-786-0826 after hours.

SCOUT PIZZA PARTY

This Monday September 12 at 6:30 pm, our Scouts will be hosting an open house pizza party for all youth interested in learning about the fun and adventure in Scouting.



All youth kindergarten through 5th grades are invited to learn about cub scouting, and young men 11 years old through 18 are invited to participate.

Ashlyn White is out cubmaster and Tommy Propst is the scoutmaster. Our scouts have a prize winning booth at the Cabarrus County Fair in the exhibit hall if you would like to visit there.

LECTOR/INTERCESSORS SEPTEMBER

Sept 11 Christine Lovelace
Sept 18 Mark Murphy
Sept 25 Needed

WORSHIP LEADERS SEPTEMBER

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**



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

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

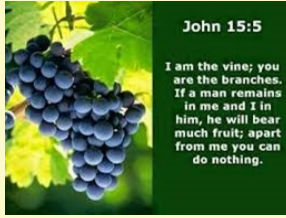
St. James/St. John's Lutheran will be hosting My Father's House Ministry, September 19, 20, and 21. St. James will provide the dinner meals on Mon., September 19 and Tues., September 20.



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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Saturday | September 17, 2022

Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County

247 Spring St. NW, Concord, NC 28025

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF CABARRUS COUNTY**



**CABARRUS
HEALTH
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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

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.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

[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

- **Keith Sutton**, *Parish Administrator* [Email](#)
- **Jill Irvin**, *Financial Administrator* [Email](#)
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