

# St. James Lutheran Church

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

## Ring Out A Weekly Newsletter



### WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12

#### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Three weeks ago we heard Peter's confession of faith as told in John's gospel. This week we hear Mark's version, when Peter says, "You are the Messiah." In John, the stumbling block is Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus' words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus' words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of *messiah*) in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.



**IN-PERSON WORSHIP**

#### **IN-PERSON WORSHIP** Sunday, September 12

In-Person Indoor Worship will be  
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

In light of the upturn in new COVID

cases, the Health and Safety Committee and Church Council strongly encourage everyone to wear masks during worship. There will be no congregational singing at this time.

## WEEKLY WORSHIP Live Streamed

Online Worship for September 12 will be live-streamed on YouTube beginning at 9:50 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.



[Bulletin for September 12](#)

[Watch Livestream](#)



## ON THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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**Sunday, September 12**  
9:50 am Live Stream Begins  
10:00 am In-Person Worship  
11:15 am God's Work. Our  
Hands

**Monday, September 13**



### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

10:30 am Quilting Group

**Sunday, September 19**

9:50 am Live Stream Begins

10:00 am In-Person Worship

**12-Sep** Terri Fleck

**13-Sep** Will Gillon

**16-Sep** Collins Whisnant

**17-Sep** Evelina Matthews

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**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR**

**Salvation Army Night  
Shelter:**

September 19-25

**My Father's House:**

September 20-22

**Rise Against Hunger:**

November 13

**CHURCH NEWS**

**PART-TIME DIRECTOR OF  
MUSIC/ORGANIST**

**Saint James Lutheran Church  
Concord, North Carolina**



Saint James Lutheran Church of Concord, North Carolina is seeking a part-time Director of Music/Organist. Working under the supervision of the Senior Pastor, the Director of Music/Organist will provide leadership, direction and support for the worship and music life of the church. The Director of Music/Organist will serve as the primary musician of the congregation and a resource to all musical groups in the congregation and church programs.

Please submit a letter of interest, resume and at least three references to [sjlcjobs@gmail.com](mailto:sjlcjobs@gmail.com) A complete job description will be provided upon request.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY**

**BLESSING BOX**

**September**

What is the Blessing Box? It's a box that is located

in Rotary Square that is stocked with food and other necessary items (List Below) available to those in the community.

St James has agreed to stock the Blessing Box during the month of September. You can place items in the box yourself or you can drop them off at the church. 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



## SALVATION ARMY NIGHT SHELTER

**September 19-25**

We will be providing meals for the guests at the Salvation Army Shelter of Hope. If you have any questions or want more

information, contact Mark Murphy. You can sign up online by clicking the link below:

[Sign Up](#)

## MY FATHER'S HOUSE

**September 20-22**

St. James / St. Johns Lutheran will be hosting My Father's House Ministry, Sept. 20-22, 2021. St. James will provide the dinner meals on Mon., Sept. 20 and Tues. Sept. 21.



There are presently 5 adults and 5 children in the Ministry. Two additional families are expected to move into the Ministry in the next two weeks so the number will change. If you can provide an item for

the meal for Sept. 20 or Sept. 21, please let Sylvia Corl know and she will be glad to pick up the item from your home and take it to MFH. Thanks so much for your help with this needed Ministry.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### CCM FOOD PANTRY--AUGUST



I mentioned last month that we working on plans to reopen the inside of our Crisis Center to clients. However, with the current resurgence of the COVID virus in our community, we have made the decision to postpone that step. Nevertheless, we have been working hard to reorganize our warehouse and pantry to better streamline our food service, no matter what model we are using. As we do so, we also are better able to identify our needs!

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:

- Canned Chicken
- Canned Corn
- Peanut butter & jelly
- Diced tomatoes
- Baked beans (pork & beans)
- Canned carrots, peas, potatoes and mixed veggies
- Toilet paper

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



### REMEMBERING 9-11

The bells at St. James will be tolled at the following times on Saturday, September 11 to remember the 20th anniversary of the attack.

# Observe Moments of Silence

Observe a moment of silence on September 11 at any or all of the following times marking key moments on 9/11. Every year, the moments below are observed as part of the official 9/11 anniversary commemoration ceremony held at the World Trade Center for victims' families.

- **8:46 a.m.:** Hijackers deliberately crashed American Airlines Flight 11 into floors 93 through 99 of the North Tower.
- **9:03 a.m.:** Hijackers deliberately crashed United Airlines Flight 175 into floors 77 through 85 of the South Tower.
- **9:37 a.m.:** Hijackers deliberately crashed American Airlines Flight 77 into the Pentagon, near Washington, D.C.
- **9:59 a.m.:** The South Tower collapsed.
- **10:03 a.m.:** After learning of the other attacks, passengers on United Airlines Flight 93 launched a counterattack on hijackers aboard their plane to try to seize control of the aircraft. In response, the hijackers crashed the plane into an empty field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.
- **10:28 a.m.:** The North Tower collapsed, leaving the 16-acre World Trade Center site in ruins and collateral damage affecting all adjacent properties and streets. The rescue effort commenced immediately.

## Toll Bells

Toll bells on September 11 at 8:46 a.m. or at each of the times listed above.

# CHURCHWIDE NEWS

## ECUMENICAL MINISTRY



### **Relationship together as siblings in Christ is rooted**

The ELCA and the North Carolina Synod are committed to visible unity among Christians as well as mutual understanding and cooperation for the common good between Christians and people of other religions and worldviews.

As a church, we must consider anew our calling and commitments as we live in a world that is both ecumenically diverse and multi-religious. Three key ELCA documents, or declarations, currently serve to guide this critical work:

**“A Declaration of Ecumenical Commitment”** (1991)

**“Declaration of the ELCA to the Jewish Community”** (1994)

**“A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment”** (2019).



## Full Communion Partners

The ELCA has six full communion partners:

- United Methodist Church
- United Church of Christ,
- Episcopal Church
- Moravian Church
- Presbyterian Church (USA)
- Reformed Church in America.

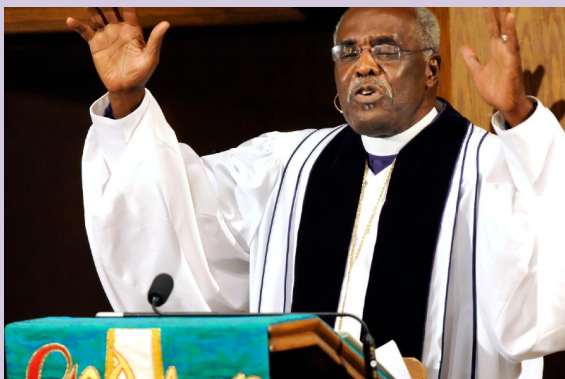
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## Stories of Ecumenical Work in the NC Synod

Read stories of ecumenical work happening across our synod—both in an official synod capacity and locally as congregations come together to worship, learn, and serve.

[Read More](#)



## Bilateral Dialogues

"Bilateral dialogue" is two churches coming together for awareness, healing, and a deeper relationship. The ELCA is in dialogue with the AME Church, the AME Zion Church, the Christian Church (Disciples of



## Ecumenical Committee

The Ecumenical Committee of the North Carolina Synod works with the bishop to tend to, engage in, and celebrate our ecumenical relationships.

Christ), the Mennonite Church (USA), the Orthodox Church, and the Roman Catholic Church.

[Read More](#)

[Contact Committee](#)



## 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:

### Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church Salisbury, NC

701 E Lafayette St  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 636-5787



[Learn More about  
Messiah Lutheran](#)

*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



### SEPTEMBER YOUTH CALENDAR

**Sept. 12** 4:30 pm Youth Cookout  
**Sept. 12** God's Work. Our Hands.



**Sept. 15** 9:00 pm College Online

**Sept. 18** TBD Youth Fundraiser at Georgie Jeanes Antiques and Gifts

**Sept. 19** 4:00 pm All Youth Gathering

**Sept. 22** 9:00 pm College Online

**Sept. 29** 9:00 pm College Online

## 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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### ST. JAMES STAFF

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