



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



Ring Out - Week of March 2, 2025

The Transfiguration of our Lord

Introduction to Sunday's Worship

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see God's glory in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by God's Spirit.

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Sunday Worship 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.

[Watch the Live Stream](#)

On the Calendar...



The Week Ahead

Sunday, March 2

- 9:00 am Adult SS
- 9:00 am Choir
- 9:30 am Children's Sunday School Planning Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:00 am Lunch & Lenten Activity Day** ☐

Monday, March 3

- 10:30 am Quilting
- 6:30 pm Scouts

Tuesday, March 4

- 10:30am Mary Magdalene Circle
- 6:00 pm Executive Committee

Wednesday, March 5

- Ash Wednesday** †
- Noon Ash Wednesday Service
- 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday



Sunday Ministries

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

- March 2** Kim Haberman
- March 5 Noon**
- March 5 7pm**
- March 9** Elizabeth Hurley

COMMUNION

ASSISTANT

- March 2** Elizabeth Hurley
- March 5 Noon** Elizabeth Hurley
- March 5 7pm** Elizabeth Hurley
- March 9** Margaret Garrison

ACOLYTES

- March 2** Noah Pittard
- March 5 Noon**
- March 5 7pm**
- March 9**

GREETERS

- March 2** Maureen Hollmeyer
- March 5 Noon**

Evening Service

Thursday, March 6

5:30 pm Handbells

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, March 8

10:30 am Meal Packing with
Lifeline Christian Mission ☐

Sunday, March 9

9:00 am Adult SS

9:00 am Choir

9:30 am Children's SS

10:00 am Worship

March 5 7pm

March 9 Judy Benz

VIDEOGRAPHER

March 2 Laurie Miller

March 5 Noon

March 5 7pm

March 9

MARCH USHERS

Mike Downs, Al Brown Jr.,
Sid Hughes, Bill Hardister,
Hunter Huss

**MARCH BUILDING
SUPERVISORS**

Kim Haberman & Hunter
Huss

ALTAR FLOWERS

March 2

March 9

[Online Calendar](#)



Happy Birthday!

2 Mar. - Amy Splawn

5 Mar. - Lauren Popovici

6 Mar. - Sam McGuire, Sarah Poplin, Logan Whisnant

7 Mar. - Camden Burroughs, Avery Miller

Volunteer

Videographers



Communion Assistants



Acolytes



Lectors



Altar Flowers



Events/Ministries



Announcements

Support Our Scouts

Our Scouts are selling discount camp cards to help offset the cost of their summer programs! This year's cards offer fantastic savings at many local favorites, including Harris Teeter, Academy Sports, and Cannon Pharmacy.



Each card is just \$10, and Scouts will be available this **Sunday, March 2nd, in the portico area before worship** service to make them available for anyone interested.

Even if you don't plan to purchase a card, we'd love for you to stop by and say hello!

Our Scouts meet on Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30pm, and youth from Kindergarten through 12th grade are always welcome to join.

Thank you for supporting our Scouts!

Children's Christian Ed. Activities - Sunday!



Children's Sunday



School Planning Meeting

You're invited to join the Christian Education Committee and Pastor Bill this **Sunday, March 2nd, at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall** for an important discussion about your child's faith journey.

Topics will include:

- Incorporating music into Sunday School
- Launching a new Sunday School class for grades 3-5 this fall
- Exploring opportunities for adult engagement during the 9:30–10:00am time before worship

Lunch & Lenten Activity Day

† Attention Families! †

The start of Lent is a time when we focus on getting ready for Easter! Join us this **Sunday, March 2nd after worship** for a light lunch and stay for a fun take-home Lent egg activity to utilize throughout the Sundays in Lent.

[Please RSVP to help us plan by Feb. 28th](#)

Ash Wednesday Services

St. James will observe Ash Wednesday on **March 5th** with the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. **Worship will be offered at Noon and 7pm.**



[Please consider signing up for an available worship volunteer slot.](#)

My Father's House Needs

St. James and St. John's Lutheran will provide meals for My Father's House Ministry March 17-19. There are 4 adults and 8 children in the ministry. If you can help provide items for a supper meal for **March 17 or March 18**, please contact Martha Matthews: 704-787-2180 or Sylvia Corl: 704-425-8621.



Committee Spotlight

Worship & Music Committee

Worship is at the heart of our faith, bringing us together through Word,

Sacraments, Prayer, and Music. The Worship & Music Committee works with the Pastor and Music Director to ensure meaningful worship experiences that reflect Lutheran liturgy.

Some areas of responsibilities:

Plan regular and special worship services
Support and grow the congregation's music ministries
Maintain worship materials and instruments
Recruit and train worship leaders, lectors, ushers, greeters, etc.
Coordinate special seasonal services and decorations

Committee Members:

Chair: Elizabeth Hurley
Altar Guild: Ann Blackwelder (Chair), Debbie Davis
Ushers: Gretchen Walker
Acolytes & Crucifers: Beth Huss
Seasonal Decorations: LeeAnn Miller
Congregational Liaison: Travis Nesbit
Secretary: Glenda Poole
Ex Officio: Pastor Bill Ridenhour, Dr. Kevin Estes (Organist & Music Director)

For full details, check out this Sunday's bulletin insert!

Wednesdays in Lent

March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9 - 6:30pm

I understand that St. James has some history of gathering on Wednesdays in Lent. We will gather at 6:30 for an hour (or so) on the Wednesdays noted above. We will pray a prayer office and study the texts for the following Sunday. – Pastor Bill



This Week's Lesson

A Kingdom of Priests, A Holy Nation - Exodus 19:1-14

By making Israel His "kingdom of priests", God was laying the groundwork to bless the world through them! For Christians, the promise that "all peoples on earth will be blessed" has come true, in and through Jesus. He is the seed of Abraham, the inheritor of God's promise. Christ alone, because He is God's Son, is fit to be the king of God's kingdom; the permanent High Priest to a group of priests, He is the perfect mediator between God and humans.

Look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

February Memorials & Honorariums

FEBRUARY 2025

Memorials & Honorariums

The following memorials & honorariums were given in memory or in honor of:

In Memory Of:

Ann Ridenhour	Keith Fink	Lee David Ballard
Given by: Nancy Faggart	Given by: Sam & Laura Mitchener	Given by: Ed & Besty Ballard
	Tony Mosley	
	Given by: Al Brown Aurelia Rose Edwards Nancy Faggart Glen & Judey Hedrick M.R. & Martha Rawdon Barbara Slough Edwin Walker	

Upcoming Events



ST. JAMES
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
GROWING IN CHRIST
EST. 1843



Lifeline
CHRISTIAN MISSION™

Meal Packing Event

Saturday, March 8th
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Gibson Mill | 325 McGill Ave NW
Suite 175, Concord, NC 28027

Volunteers needed!
All ages welcome!



Confirmation Meeting - March 30

Parents and students of confirmation age are encouraged to join the Christian Education Committee and Pastor Bill on **Sunday, March 30th, after worship** for a Confirmation Planning Meeting.

We'll discuss the confirmation schedule and other



details for the upcoming program. We hope to see you there!



ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH
GROWING IN CHRIST
EST. 1843

EASTER EGG HUNT

Snacks
Stories
Candy

SATURDAY, APRIL 19TH | 2:00PM

104 Union St. S. Concord, NC 28025

Bring your basket!

Prayers & Considerations

IN OUR PRAYERS

Joyce Beaty
(Friend of the Marlows)

Michael Black *(Nephew of Patsy Black)*

Angie Buchanan

Mike & Debbie Cagle
(Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis)

Noah Clifton

Bruce Coffey *(Friend of Mark Murphy)*

Karey Conrad *(Friend of Dee Pieschel)*

Catherine Durst
(Daughter of Anne & Dee Hodges)

Nadine Filipak
(Friend of Al & Dee Pieschel)

Anne Fridlund

Ed Frost *(Friends of the Marlows)*

Tim Gibson *(Friend of Deb Black)*



Tom Grady

Scott Harrington
(Friend of Glenda Poole)

Maureen Hollmeyer

Linda Jones
(Family of Barbara & Dale Merrell)

Ruth Lawler
(Friend of Dee & Al Pieschel)

Patricia Mahoney
(Sister-in-law of Joan Mahoney)

Annaleah, Michael, & Preston Morrow
(Friends of Shannon Nesbit)

Jan Phillips
(Family of Brownie Brown)

Tom Ridenhour

Stan Parnell
(Friend of Robert Davis)

Geoff & Pam Seige
(Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis)



Member Meal Train Opportunity

[Click here to support a meal train for Jay Clemmer.](#)



Online Giving

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.



Ways to Give

St. James Staff

Rev. Bill Ridenhour, *Pastor* [Email](#)

Jill Irvin, *Financial Administrator* [Email](#)

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