



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



Ring Out - Week of April 20, 2025

The Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter

Introduction to Sunday's Worship

“The last enemy to be destroyed is death,” Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

[Download Bulletin](#)

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, April 20

Easter Sunday

(No Sunday School)

9:00 am Choir

9:45 am Prelude Music with Instrumentalists ☐

10:00 am Worship

Monday, April 21

Easter Monday

Church Offices Closed

Thursday, April 24

5:30 pm Handbells

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, April 27

9:00 am Adult SS

9:00 am Choir

9:30 am Children's SS

10:00 am Worship

Sunday Ministries

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

April 20 Margaret Garrison

April 27

COMMUNION

ASSISTANT

April 20 Kim Haberman

April 27 Dianne Lambert

ACOLYTES

April 20 Noah Pittard

April 27

GREETERS

April 20 Nancy Faggart

April 27 Gretchen Walker

VIDEOGRAPHER

April 20 Laurie Miller

April 27

APRIL USHERS

Chip Popovici, Jimmy Harris,
Jeff Jones, Jeff Gilbert, Phil
Tesh

**APRIL BUILDING
SUPERVISORS**

Jeff Gilbert & Chip Popovici

ALTAR FLOWERS

Online Calendar of Events



Happy Birthday!

20 April - Sondra Bryn, George Hartsell
21 April - Stephen DeGrace, Sydney Haberman, Ryan Kuly
26 April - Kailey Hartman

Volunteer

Videographers



Communion Assistants



Acolytes



Lectors



Altar Flowers



Events/Ministries



Member Meal Train Opportunity

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



Announcements

Join Us for Easter Sunday!

Join us as we gather to celebrate the joy of Easter and
The Resurrection of Our Lord!

Easter Sunday Schedule:

9:45 AM – Prelude Music with Instrumentalists

10:00 AM – Holy Communion Service

Please note, there will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday.

He is risen indeed — alleluia!



Easter Worship
April 20, 2025

9:45 AM - Prelude Music with
Instrumentalists

10:00 AM - Worship

 ST. JAMES
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EST. 1843

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday!

A Friendly Reminder!

Join us tomorrow, **Saturday, April 19 at 2:00pm** for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt! We'll be searching for eggs in and around the church grounds — don't forget to bring your baskets!



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EASTER EGG HUNT

Snacks
Stories
Candy

SATURDAY, APRIL 19TH | 2:00PM

104 Union St. S. Concord, NC 28025

Bring your basket!

Thank you to all who volunteered, and/or donated eggs and candy!

**Easter Blessings in Bloom — Thank You for the Lily
Gifts!**

Easter Lily Gifts

Fuller & Jean Beasley
In Memory of: Mr. and Mrs. Fischer Jones Beasley, Jr.
Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Nelson Fries

Jeff & Kelley Carpenter
In Memory of: Don and Jo Eng
Grady and Isolee Carpenter

Matthew Castle & Fay Castle
In Memory of: Deborah Castle

Sylvia H. Corl
In Honor of: Brent, Michelle and Mason Corl
In Memory of: Madge and Byron Harrison, Jake
Whitaker, David Smith, and Marc Sloop

Margaret Garrison
In Honor of: Her six grandchildren in high school and college

Ann & Will Gillon
In Memory of: Elizabeth and Leonard Gillon
Mamie and John Bullock

Kim Haberman
In Honor of: Pastor Bill Ridenhour
In Memory of: Don and Jo Eng



Samantha Hillegass
In Honor of: My two beautiful granddaughters,
Ally and Kristen
In Memory of: My sister Elsie and brother Floyd

Judy Hoekstra
In Honor of: Hoke, Ward, Coco, and Nell; Michele Ward

Nell Hoekstra & Naomi Lovelace
In Honor of: Ms. Kathryn Radcliffe for taking
such good care of us in the nursery

The Kittel Family
In Memory of: Robin Hallatschek

Michael & Cindy Korinko
In Honor of: Michael and Cindy Korinko's parents

Joan & Buddy McEachern
In Memory of: Our beloved Lyn McEachern

Joan & Patrick Mahoney
In Memory of: Ethel, Robert and Phyllis Hertzell
Vera, Philip and Peg Mahoney

Easter Lily Gifts

Martha & Dan Matthews
In Honor of: Jason, Stephanie, Trevor, Ashleigh,
Evelina, and Patrick Matthews
In Memory of: Mickey and Helen McGee, and
Jake McGee

Lois, John, & Miles Marlow
In Memory of: Jimmy C. Marlow, Sr.

Dale & Barbara Merrell
In Memory of: Lynda Jones

Dale Merrell
In Honor of: Barbara Merrell

Eric & Lindsey Olsen
In Memory of: Kenneth and Angela Olsen
Debby and Michael Landers

The Parks Family
In Memory of: Family Friends

Lex, Laura, & John Patterson
In Memory of: Mr. and Mrs. Alex M. Patterson
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooper



Al & Dee Pieschel
In Honor of: Our Risen Lord and Family

Lori and Charlie Pittard
In Honor of: Kim and Betty Miller
In Memory of:
Our grandparents and JB and Nancy Pittard

Annette and Kenny Propst
In Honor of: Our grandson, Teddy Propst

Kenny Propst
In Honor of: Annette on our engagement day

Sammy, Linnea, and Micah Realon
In Memory of: Carl and LaVonne Braaten
Alberta and Carl Dahlgren

Sis
In Memory of: Mom and Pop Becker

Deb & John Walker
In Memory of: Celeb Harding
Durwood and Gail Bost

NC Women of the ELCA 2025 Cabarrus/Stansly Spring Conference Gathering

The NC Women of the ELCA will gather for a morning of fellowship, worship, and service on **Saturday, May 17, 2025**, at St. Martin Lutheran Church, Concord. The theme,

Wonder Watchers, will be led by Karen Birkedal, inviting participants to reflect on how to stay awake to God's beautiful, watchful dream for the world.

Time: 8:30 am Registration | 9:00 am–12:30 pm
Cost: \$12 per person

Register by May 10 with Elaine Elsheimer at javaelsheimer@gmail.com or 704-

*You Are Invited to the NC Women of the ELCA
2025 SPRING CONFERENCE GATHERING
"Wonder Watchers"*



[See flyer for details and registration sheet.](#)

Reminders

Apply Now! - John & Alma Cook Memorial Scholarship is Open for Applicants

Attention Students!

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

The Cook Trust Fund Committee is now accepting applications for the 2025/2026 academic school year.

Interested applicants can email holly@sjnc.net for an application. Please confirm if you are a first-time or returning applicant so you will receive the appropriate forms.

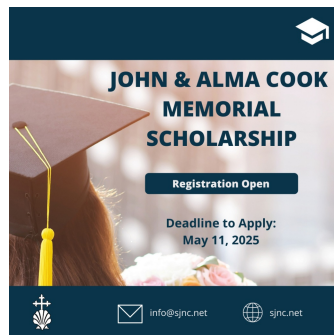
****Earlier deadline this year!****

APPLICATIONS DUE BY MAY 11, 2025

Save the Dates - Vacation Bible School 2025

Children and Volunteers!

Please save the dates for this year's Vacation Bible School **July 20 - 22, 2025**. All volunteers will be required to have a current Safe Gatherings background check. Please contact holly@sjnc.net to receive instructions on how to complete this process.



Partner News



 Save The Date 

Rotary Fights Hunger | May 3, 2025 | 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Cabarrus Arena & Events Center
4751 State Hwy 49, Concord, NC 28025

Join the Rotary Clubs of Cabarrus County for a powerful, community-wide event as we come together to pack 100,000 meals for families experiencing food insecurity.

This hands-on volunteer opportunity is open to everyone – families, businesses, civic groups, churches, and individuals – all working toward one goal: fighting hunger and strengthening our community. Put “Service Above Self” into action and make a real difference – all in one morning!

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Prayer List

IN OUR PRAYERS

Paul Auten

(Friend of Robert & Debbie Davis)

Joyce Beaty

(Friend of the Marlows)

Family of Michael Black

(Nephew of Patsy Black)

Angie Buchanan

(Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis)

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)

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)

Al Pieschel

Tom Ridenhour

Stan Parnell

(Friend of Robert Davis)

Geoff & Pam Seige

(Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis)

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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Holly Sloop, *Communications Coordinator* [Email](#)

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