



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



Ring Out - Week of Oct. 13, 2024

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Introduction to Sunday's Worship

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the

invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

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...

THIS WEEK

The Week Ahead

Sunday, October 13

9:00 am Adult SS

9:00 am Choir

9:30 am Children's SS

10:00 am Worship

[2:00 pm CROP Hunger Walk](#)

[4:00 pm Youth Group Kick Off](#)

Monday, October 14

Church Office Closed

10:30 am Quilting

SUNDAY

Sunday Ministries

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

Oct. 13 Barbara Albright

Oct. 20 Kim Haberman

COMMUNION

ASSISTANT

Oct. 13 Dianne Lambert

Oct. 20 Samantha Hillegass

ACOLYTES

Oct. 13

Oct. 20 Noah Pittard

Tuesday, October 15
Kerr St. Ministry Meal

Wednesday, October 16
5:30 pm Handbells
5:30 pm Mission Fund
(Parlor)
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, October 19
Leah's Hope Trailer

Sunday, October 20
9:00 am Adult SS
9:00 am Choir
9:30 am Children's SS
10:00 am Worship

GREETERS

Oct. 13 Esther Circle
Oct. 20 Nancy Faggart

VIDEOGRAPHER

Oct. 13 John Patterson
Oct. 20

OCTOBER USHERS

Brad Baker, Chip Harward,
Taylor Pruette, Al Pieschel,
Jon Miller

BUILDING SUPERVISOR

October: Glenda Poole

ALTAR FLOWERS

Oct. 13
Oct. 20

[Online Calendar](#)



Happy Birthday!

15 Oct. - Erin Everett, Morgan Trott

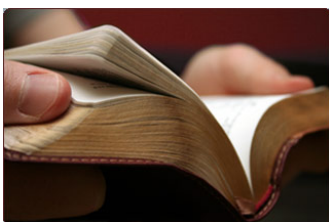
17 Oct. - Isla Glatz

18 Oct. - Laura Baker

19 Oct. - Stephanie Harris

Volunteer!

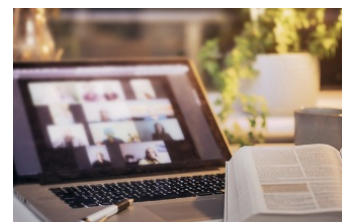
Please consider volunteering for one for the remaining 2024 dates.



Lector



Communion



Videographer

Altar Flowers



Please consider placing flowers at the altar this year!
Cost is \$100 to cover the two arrangements.
Click below for open dates.

[Sign Up for Altar Flowers](#)

Announcements

Western NC HELENE RELIEF

We see the images and hear the stories of the destruction wrought by Hurricane Helene in the mountains of Western North Carolina and we want to do something to help. Our Church Council invites all of us to help by making an offering to help our neighbors in Western North Carolina. Our gifts will be forwarded to the North Carolina Synod Disaster Fund which assists our sister congregations with their recovery needs. **Offerings received through Sunday, November 10th will be forwarded the following week. Please note “Helene Relief” or similar on your gift.**



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TROOP 91 FINAL PUMPKIN SALE!



ROTARY SQUARE
SATURDAY, **OCT. 12TH**
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

DOWNTOWN CONCORD
111 UNION STREET SOUTH

Calling all youth 6th - 12th grades!

Come out this **Sunday, October 13th** from **4-5pm**. Mike Holt and Pastor Bill will meet you in the Fellowship Hall. Pizza will be served. Games will be played.



A suggested calendar for the rest of the school year will be shared and your input will be sought. Confirmation will be discussed near the end. Parents are welcome! Click below to RSVP!

[Please RSVP to help us prepare.](#)

Trunk or Treat!

Join us on **Sunday, October 27, 2024** at our rear portico parking lot from 4:30pm - 6:00pm for St. James' annual Trunk or Treat event! Enjoy candy, popcorn, music, and games! If you would like to host a "trunk" or help run a game, please let us know: info@sjnc.net.

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH
TRUNK OR TREAT
 CANDY, POPCORN, MUSIC, GAMES!
OCTOBER 27TH
4:30PM-6:00PM
 104 UNION ST. S.

Save the Date!
Nov. 2, 2024 - 7:00 p.m.



A CONCERT OF CELEBRATION!

featuring

The St. James Parish Choir and Orchestra
 under the new leadership of conductor
 Dr. Kevin Estes, Director of Music

Alex Wilborn, trumpet

Kirsten Olson, oboe d'amore

Keith McNabb, organ

Music of J. S. Bach and Handel, including the Orchestral Suite No. 3,
 individual concertos for trumpet, oboe d'amore and organ,
 and featuring Cantata No. 129, *Gelobet sei der Herr*

November 2, 2024



7:00 pm



Coat Collection for Western NC

As the weather turns colder and we begin to reach for our own coats, let us remember those in need. Over the next two Sundays, we will be collecting new and gently used coats (all sizes) for distribution to

communities in Western North Carolina, where cooler mountain temperatures are soon to arrive. The collected coats will be distributed through local fire departments and school systems.

Please drop off your donations in the Children's Sunday School room, located downstairs near the portico entrance, by **Sunday, October 13**. For more information, text Elizabeth Hurley at 704-796-8537.

Salvation Army Meal Week

Salvation Army Meal Week is coming up! **St. James is committed to covering dinners Sunday 10/27 through Saturday 11/2**. The Salvation Army Night Shelter (located at the intersection of Patterson Ave and Ashlyn Dr here in Concord) feeds, rests and showers some 40 homeless members of our community, many of them partial or entire families, 7 days a week. As part of our local benevolence and mission, St. James members sponsor evening meals at the shelter for these folks in need. These meals, whether home made or purchased, should be delivered to the shelter by 6PM, and sponsors have the option of staying to help serve or drop offs. Reimbursement for some or all the meal costs is available through the Social Ministry Committee. **[PLEASE sign up to sponsor one of these meals.](#)** *Thank you in advance!*



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

This Week's Lesson

A Plea for Deliverance - Psalm 22:1-11

The Book of Psalms served as the hymnbook for the Old Testament people of God. Today's lesson will cover Psalm 22, a Psalm that New Testament Christians will be familiar with, because it quoted often in the Passion Narratives of the Gospels. Often referred to as the "Psalm of the Cross", we will also look at it in its original context and try to gain a deeper understanding of this beautiful Scripture. Hope to see you there!

Support Operation Christmas Child

Help bring joy to a child in need this holiday season by packing a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. Shoeboxes are available in the portico area, along with easy-

to-follow instructions for packing and sponsoring a box.

Please remember to return your unsealed shoebox by **Sunday, November 17th**. Let's share God's love through this simple yet powerful act of giving!



Grab a box. Fill a box. Pray. Return by Nov 17.
GOOD NEWS. GREAT JOY.

September Memorials & Honorariums

A black rectangular graphic with a white cross at the top center. The text is in white and gold. The background is decorated with a border of white and gold floral illustrations. The text reads: "SEPTEMBER 2024 Memorials & Honorariums The following memorials & honorariums were given in memory or in honor of: In Honor Of: Bishop Tate Watlington Given by Ed & Betsy Ballard In Memory Of: Jerry Poole Given by Glenda Poole Charlie Blackwelder Given by: Nancy Faggart Fred & Dianne Lambert Jo Eng Given by Jim & Laurie Miller Jack Cooper Given by: Nancy Faggart Fred & Dianne Lambert".

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Given by Ed & Betsy Ballard

In Memory Of:

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Charlie Blackwelder Given by: Nancy Faggart Fred & Dianne Lambert	Jack Cooper Given by: Nancy Faggart Fred & Dianne Lambert

Reminders

A graphic with a light beige background decorated with autumn-themed illustrations: orange and green leaves, pumpkins, and small brown dots. The text is in brown and black. The text reads: "UPCOMING EVENTS OCT. 27 Trunk or Treat Candy & Activities NOV. 2 A Concert of Celebration Choir and Orchestra Concert NOV. 17 Congregation Meeting After Worship Lunch NOV. 24 Thanksgiving Worship Pie Party to Follow DEC. 1 Advent Tree Lighting Lighting of the Christmas Tree DEC. 8 Bethlehem at the Farm Details TBA".

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Volunteers Needed! Bethlehem at the Farm

Sunday, Dec. 8, 4pm – 7pm

In need of townspeople

Arrive at 3:30pm

Costume to be provided!



Scan QR Code

or visit: bit.ly/VolunteerBATF



Join The Bells of St. James!

The Bells of St. James invite you to join in on the fun!
Have an interest in playing chimes or handbells?
Consider joining - no experience is needed!

Handbells/Chimes practices are **Wednesdays from 5:30pm - 6:30pm** in the History Room. You don't have to have any experience to make beautiful music!
For more information contact [Brad Davis](#).

Prayers & Considerations

IN OUR PRAYERS



Brad Baker

Tom Grady

Tom Ridenhour

Noah Clifton

Angie Buchanan

Linda Jones

(Family of Barbara & Dale Merrell)

Joyce Beatty

(Friend of the Marlow's)

Bruce Coffey

(Friend of Mark Murphy)

Tim Gibson

(Friend of Deb Black)

Annaleah, Michael, and Preston Morrow

(Friends of Shannon Nesbit)

Karey Conrad *(Friend of Dee Pieschel)*



Member Meal Train Opportunity
(one date remaining)

Click here to support a meal train for Jay Clemmer.



WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA RELIEF!

Make an offering to our neighbors in Western NC.

Gifts will be sent to the NC Synod Disaster Fund which assists our sister congregations with recovery needs.

Offerings received through **Sunday, Nov. 10** will be forwarded the following week.

Please note **“HELENE RELIEF”** on your gift.



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

Keep in touch!



Follow St. James on **Instagram** & **Facebook!**

Be sure to tag **@stjamesnc** when posting so we may share!

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