



**St. John's**  
LUTHERAN  
Church & School

## Weekly News

2415 Silas Creek Parkway  
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336-725-1651

8:30 a.m. – The Well  
(Contemporary Service)

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Bible Class

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Service

### Sunday, January 13, 2019 – The Baptism of Our Lord

#### Flower Chart for 2019

The 2019 flower chart is in the book in the narthex. Consider signing up for a date. **January and February sign-ups are needed now!** This is a great opportunity to remember or honor someone, or to celebrate a special occasion. Thank you to everyone that signed up in 2018.

#### Bible on a Stick

Once again St. John's has an opportunity to come through for our troops, those who are defending us in over 100 countries. Last year we donated \$1275 to Faith Comes by Hearing and it was matched for a real total of \$2590!

Once again we helped bring the Word of God to so many of our men and women in uniform. Also we should note that over one million bibles on a stick have been distributed to our troops. We will have an opportunity to donate again this year in a short campaign the first two weeks in January.

There will be a basket in the Narthex where you can drop your donation or you can place in the offering plate using an offering envelope or another clearly labeled Bible on a Stick.

It is a regular donation fund. If you have any questions, contact Don Adamick.

#### Check your Envelopes

It appears that someone has accidentally picked up Larry and Kay Bowman's contribution envelopes for 2019, box 41.

Please check the envelopes you did pick up to make sure you have the correct ones. Contact Don Adamick if you have them or if you have any questions. Thanks.

#### Statements for 2018

Statements are in the back of the narthex. Please pick them up so we can avoid mailing costs. Thank you!

#### Envelopes for 2019

**Are located on a table in the narthex.** If you do not currently have weekly offering envelopes, and would like them for 2019 please email the church office at [churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org](mailto:churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org).

#### January Directories

In early January we will be printing our annual directory. Please make sure all your information is up to date. Any changes contact Kerstin at [churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org](mailto:churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org).

We will also be taking pictures again for the Fellowship Board. Time to be announced.

#### Congratulations to St. John's Student!

Congratulations to 7th grader Lizzie Howell for winning first place in this year's DAR Essay Contest, at both the local AND district levels! Her essay about the women's suffrage movement now goes on to the state-level contest!

#### Opportunity Scholarships

St. John's will be hosting an informational seminar on the **Opportunity Scholarship Program on Feb. 2 from 11:00am – 1:00pm.** If you have school age children, please come. If you know anyone with school age children (**PS-12<sup>th</sup> grade**) please let them know.

The government has scholarship money available (if you qualify) for all families considering private education, not just for one year, but every year through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Often these scholarships cover nearly the entire cost of tuition! Lots of folks think they cannot afford private (St. John's!) education for their children. With the Opportunity Scholarship Program – they can!

#### Save the Date – Montgomery Baby Shower!

Everyone is invited to attend a baby shower for Michaela Montgomery! The shower will be held after late service on **Sunday, February 10, 2019.** More information coming soon.

#### Cancer Prayer Service – TODAY!

Are you ready to take charge of your breath, and movement? Join us on January 13 after the Prayer Service to hear from Lynn Felder. Lynn is a cancer survivor who teaches cancer patients and others with limited mobility to gain back your body. She is an award winning journalist and yoga instructor who teaches her audiences personal recovery through her own experiences. She provides her services at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. Her goal is to help patients, survivors, and their friends and family through the journey to be happy and less suffering.

#### Cancer Ministry Team

We invite you to join us and Cancer Companions as we battle cancer one prayer at a time. We're just one week away from 40 days of cancer prayers.

Registration is easy! Simply text the word 'CANCER' to 57838 and you will be on the list to receive a prayer video from prominent Christians throughout the course of the 30 day challenge.

### **Adult Sunday Bible Study**

All are welcome to Pastor Tom's Adult Class on Sunday mornings from 9:45 – 10:30am. In the Fellowship Hall. You do not need to attend every Sunday (for "keep up"). Stop in whenever and as often as possible!

### **Fruit of the Spirit notecards on sale now!**

Get your St. John's Lutheran Banner notecards. These cards are based on the banners hanging in the church. Each card features a graphic of a "Fruit of the Spirit" banner on the front. There are 9 cards and 9 envelopes in each box. They are blank inside for note writing. Each card has a description of the design on the back.

Cards are only \$10 and they make great gifts. Please see Kerstin in the church office or during bible study to purchase a box. All proceeds go to St. John's Lutheran Church and School.

### **LWML KayWos Cloth Sale**

KayWos Cloth Sale! "Cleans anything from stoves, windows, cars, stainless, and removes bugs, grease, fingerprints and dust" Never use a window cleaner again. The cost of the cloth is \$5. This is sponsored by the LWML. See display in the Fellowship Hall or call Dot Cleary #336-767-4116 for an order.

### **Small Group Sunday Bible Class**

The Sunday Small Group Bible Class will continue its discussion of fellowship based on 1 John. What is the basis of our fellowship? Please join us.

### **Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study**

**We will begin again on January 8, 2019.** All Women are invited to the Tuesday 10:00 a.m. Bible Study meeting in the Library (off the cafeteria) for coffee and study, led by Dot Cleary.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month we will stay for sack lunch and games.

Call Dot Cleary for any questions. #336-767-4116

### **Thursday Evening Bible Study**

**We will start back on January 3, 2019.**

Please join us. For more information, please contact Bill Thorpe ([wthorpe@triad.rr.com](mailto:wthorpe@triad.rr.com)) or Rich Essbach ([rhcessbach@triad.rr.com](mailto:rhcessbach@triad.rr.com)).

### **Adopt-A-Student Program**

There are several children at St. John's who receive need based discounts due to their inability to pay full tuition. These funds do not go to the family or student. The parents/guardians continue to pay what they have been paying. The funds cover the lost income at St. John's from the discounted tuition.

Please prayerfully consider being a part of the new Adopt-A-Student Program! Envelopes are in the back of the church.

**Crisis Control for January:** Beef Stew, you may drop off your canned goods in the basket in the narthex.  
**Thank you for your December contributions of 73lbs!**

**Altar Flowers Today** are given to the glory of Nathan & Tina Kottlowski in honor of Nick's birthday.



### **Sunday, 1/13**

8:30 a.m. – "The Well" with Holy Communion

9:30 p.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

**2:00 p.m. – Cancer Prayer Service**

### **Tuesday, 1/15**

10:00 a.m. – Bible Study

**7:00 p.m. – Board of Directors meeting**

### **Wednesday, 1/16**

Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline

5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Meal

6:00 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Tutoring

### **Thursday, 1/17**

9:30 a.m. – Prayer Warriors

7:00 p.m. – Thursday Evening Bible Study

### **Sunday, 1/20**

8:30 a.m. – "The Well" with Holy Communion

9:30 p.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

2:00 p.m. – Well rehearsal

**2:00 p.m. – Prayer Shawl Ministry**

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry Opportunities**

St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry invites ALL members to make OR give OR request a *Prayer Shawl* or *lap-afghan* for a friend, family member, co-worker or acquaintance in need of a tangible reminder that they are loved by God and "wrapped" in prayer for divine healing, comfort, hope and strength. **There is no cost for the shawl.** If you'd like to make a shawl, lap-afghan or tags, or know someone who you'd like to receive one, please contact Ann Carney #336-602-1232 or Katie Goad #336-924-6977

### **Ways to support the school:**

***Shine Time Car Wash*** on Hanes Mall Blvd by Hobby Lobby will give the school 20% of each sale when you punch in the fundraising code of **#2929**.

**Link your Harris Teeter VIC card - #2929**

**Link your Lowes Foods card to our school.** You can now link your Lowes Foods card to St John's and the

school gets a portion of your purchases of Lowes private label items. You can link up to 3 schools.

<https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/Account/SelectCard?mode=CartToClass> to sign up. Thank you from the PTO!



**Happy Birthday to:**

1/16 Dave Barcio  
1/16 Chase Hardin  
1/17 Nick Kottowski  
1/19 Eric Westendorff

**Happy Anniversary to:**

1/16 Dal & Alice Mierisch

**Intercessory Prayer Warriors:**

A group of people led by Rich Essbach meets weekly from 9:30 – 10:00 on Thursday mornings to pray collectively for our St. John's Family. All church members are invited to meet in the Sanctuary during this half hour to pray for our congregation.

**The Telephone Prayer Chain** is another prayer opportunity. Please call Dot Cleary (336-767-4116) or Martha Tegeler (336-774-6772) if you would like to receive or be a part of this service. You may also call with prayer requests.



**St. John's Prayer Needs**

Prayer requests can be emailed to Dale Mierisch at [wb9szl@triad.rr.com](mailto:wb9szl@triad.rr.com).

**We pray for St. John's congregation and school**

Pastor Thomas Clocker  
Principal Mark Edmiston  
Director of Admissions Tom Baldwin

**Our called workers and staff**

Frances Burmeister  
Michael Zeoli  
Board of Directors  
Board of Elders  
Hispanic Tutoring

**Our Board of Directors:** Adam Orsborn Chairman; Tim Nelson, Steve Lorenz, Jeff Goad,

**We remember those who are shut in:**

Chris Johnston, Marty Loper, Kay Moose, Marilyn Sagehorn, Millie Tetzlaff

**We pray for those who are fighting cancer:**

Joel Christiansen, Val Chumney, (daughter of Dave & Jean Rudolph former members), Mary Deakle, (friend of Sheryl Thorpe), Jeanette Dyson, Terry France (Stephanie Andrews' father), Katie Goad, Melody Hawkins, (Nancy Livengood's cousin), Bob Hoisington, Bob Jordan, (Jamie Deal's uncle), Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Bill Lonnecker (friend of the Essbachs), Rebecca Perry, (Stacey Perry- school secretary's, mother-in-law), Tara Phillips (niece of Arden & Glenda Lackey), Gene Rapier, Deb Schoolcraft, Mike Timms (Rich Essbach's nephew), Arline Urban, **Frank Williams (Sarah Williams' husband).**

**For those undergoing/recovering from surgery or dealing with health issues:**

**Travis Bane (Cyndi Bane's son), Asher Bracken, (grandson of Renee & Don Henderson), Breanne Bracken, (Renee & Don Henderson's daughter), Morris Crafton, Danny Collins, (friend of Nicole Shannon), Elizabeth, (Charla Adams' niece), Teddy Deranamie, Brooke Gartley, Chris Gwaltney, (Debbie Baronowski's son), Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), Christine Karim, (friend of Rich Essbach), **Jay Keller**, Sandy Lyles (Gwen Clocker's friend), Don Marzke, (Bruce Sawicki's Brother-in-Law) Peter Morlock, (friend of Essbach's), Uncle Steve Morrison & family (Pastor Clocker's son-in-law's uncle), Karl Mount, (Dot Cleary's son-in-law), **Jean Nelson (Tim Nelson's mom), Florence Renken (John Renken's wife),** Butch Roberts, Jacki Rullman, Ron Semple, (Beth Meier's stepfather), David Sablich, (friend of Rich Essbach), **Mary Schulze (friend of Gwen Clocker),** Millie Tetzlaff, Zeldia Wilson, (toddler friend of Meg Lorenz).**

**Congratulations**

**To Don & Renee Henderson on the birth of their new grandson, Asher Brandt Bracken, born on January 6, 2019. Please pray for Asher, he was having breathing difficulties and has been transferred to Brenner's Children's Hospital.**

**For those who mourn**

**Prayers for Pastor Mitch Vogeli & his family on the unexpected passing of his wife Teri. (Former Pastor of the Gartley family).**

**For those serving in our armed forces; for continued safety and extra comfort if serving away from home:**

Dallas Darcy, Loren Jacobi, Branden Lackey, Dylan McArthur-Reed, Andrew Nelson, Tegan Owen, Natasha Peting, Allie Petty, Brad Rullman, Jon Tessmann, Kevin Wilson, Steve Young

**Persecution Prayer:**

Many young men are lead astray by the lie that coming to Islam will make them super rich. They are lead down the path to terrorism as an acceptable way of life. Andrew, a Tanzanian who is featured in the Voice of the Martyrs newsletter this month, was such a man. He eventually returned to his Christian upbringing and is working at a VOM training center, where he reaches out to other

young men who are being enticed by Islam. Give thanks that Andrew escaped the pull of Islam. Pray that he can help others experience the same grace that he was given in finding Jesus as his Savior. Thank God for organizations such as Voice of the Martyrs, who administer to the persecuted church.

For more information see the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

**Elder Assignments**

**Member/families**

Bob Burke -----	(A-Bra)
Steve Anderson-----	(Bre-Der)
Rich Essbach -----	(Do-Ga)
Rich Essbach -----	(Ge-Hen)
Larry Bowman-----	(Hes-Kie)
Bill Thorpe-----	(Ko-Lor)
Mark Meier -----	(Lov-O)
Mark Meier -----	(P-R)
Dale Mierisch -----	(S)
Rob Schwabe-----	(T-Z)

**Participation January 6, 2019**

8:30	68
10:45	100
Nursery	4

***A Great Place to Grow in Christ***

*As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

**Pastor Thomas Clocker, 301-732-9203,  
revclocker@gmail.com**

**Mark Edmiston, Principal**

**Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and  
Community Relations**

**Sonia Davidson, Director of Preschool**

**Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for  
Contemporary Worship**

**Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for  
Traditional Worship**

Church Office Hours: Monday through Thursday,  
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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