



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 28, 2018 – Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

2017 Statements

Please remember to pick up your statements in the back of the church.

Upcoming 2018 Directory

An updated directory will be available by the end of January. If you want to be included in the newest directory (and you aren't in the current one) or if you have any changes to your address, phone number or email please let Kerstin know. By Email: churchsecretary@stjohnsnc.org or place your information in my mailbox.

New Members

We will receive New Members on Sunday, February 11. If you have joined St. John's in the past year or so and have yet to be officially recognized and received in a worship service: Please email Pastor Clocker revclocker@gmail.com so we can recognize you on the 11th!

If you have never been through Lutheran Confirmation or New Members' class, please join us Wednesday nights in Lent, beginning **Wednesday February 21**. We will meet from 5:45-6:45pm (worship is at 7:00pm). Class will run for 5 weeks. This class is necessary for membership if you have not previously been a member in a Lutheran congregation.

This class is also just a fun review of the basics for anyone to attend!

Church & School – Dinner & Movie Night

Please join us for a homemade spaghetti dinner and movie on **Saturday, February 17 at 5:30 pm** for a wonderful fellowship event! Dinner will begin at 5:30 with a family friendly movie to be shown at 6:30 pm. Please come for the whole evening or just the dinner or movie! The movie will be announced soon!

Valentines for Shut-ins

On **Saturday, February 3rd** the Women in Mission (LWML) will have a Valentine's Party in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00am. Everyone is invited (including children), to come and make Valentine's for our loved ones and we will take them to members who can no longer attend our services. Refreshments will be served.

Call Committee Update

The Southeastern District (SED) has received our profile and the candidate names from us. Pastor Seaman reviewed the profile and said it was excellent. It has been accepted and we are waiting for the district to send us the names of candidates for the Call Committee to review for consideration.

Bible on a Stick

Once again St. John's has come through for our troops. As of last weekend we donated \$1270 to Faith Comes by Hearing and this will be matched for a real total of \$2540!

This will help bring the Word of God to so many of our men and women in uniform

Spelling Bee Winners!

Congratulations to our 2018 Spelling Bee winners:
Elementary – Emerson Wagner-Dunn – 4th Grade
 Saya Nolan – 5th Grade
Middle School – Caroline Hoover – 6th Grade

REMINDER:

If you signed up for a poinsettia please remember you need to pay the church for it. The florist we used does not bill individuals. Thank you.

Lutheran World Relief - Mission Quilts

Anyone who can sew a straight stitch, please join us on **February, 17, 2018 from 9:00am-1:00pm**. Let Martha Musser know if you are bringing a machine. If anyone has cotton fabric we would love to have it donated!

Flowers for 2018

The 2018 flower chart is in the narthex. Consider signing up for a date in 2018. There are **2 more spots in February and 3 in March** that are still available. This is a great opportunity to remember or honor someone or to celebrate a special occasion.

Altar Help Needed

Help! Our Altar Guild is very short handed. If you would like to serve the church in this way, please see Clare Adamick or let the church secretary, Kerstin Walker, know of your interest. Thanks.

Would you like 2018 Envelopes?

If you are a member, regular worshiper or frequent guest and would like offering envelopes for 2018 please indicate on the attendance pad in your pew.

Inclement Weather Policy:

When it is necessary to announce delays or closings for worship or church activities due to bad weather, St. John's Lutheran Church will post the revised schedule or cancellation on the TV WXII Channel 12 scroll and website. Also, there will be a radio announcement on WSJS Radio – 600 AM. Members will be alerted as well via email and the phone tree.

Turner-Hayes Scholarship Fund

Twice a year, in January and August, the Board of Elders accepts applications for scholarship awards from the Turner-Hayes Scholarship Fund. Confirmed members of St. John's who are enrolled in and attending college are encouraged to apply. The award of \$500 is available each of these two times. The application needs to be submitted by the end of January.

Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study is studying "God is in the Laundry Room"- 8 sessions about seeking God. We meet in the Music Room and begin at 10:00 a.m. with coffee. All ladies are invited to join in the study of God's Word. On the 4th Tuesday of every month there bring a sack lunch for Games Day after class! Call Dot Cleary at (336) 767-4116 with any questions.

The Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:00 a.m. in room 101 (Extended Care Room). All are welcome to join in to study Beth Moore's "Entrusted", a study of 2 Timothy. They will be viewing the videos that go along with the study. Any questions, please contact Kathleen Sawicki at @kb-promotions.net or #336-744-5733

Thursday Evening Bible Study

We are beginning a new study using Focus on the Family's Truth Project series. It will encompass video presentation with time for discussion. We meet for an hour beginning at 7PM in the 8th grade science classroom. Please park at the lower end of the parking lot so that you can use the outside door of the 7th grade classroom for entry. We will begin by examining Pilot's question "What is truth?" Contact Bill Thorpe (wthorpe@triad.rr.com) or Rich Essbach (rhcessbach@triad.rr.com) for further information.

Crisis Control for January: Toilet Tissue. The collection basket is in the Narthex.

Altar Flowers Today are given to the Glory of God by Martha Tegeler in memory of Cecile Honeycutt.

Correction: Last week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Carol & Reg Koontz.

Ushers Needed

Volunteers are needed to usher on Sundays at the 10:45 services. It's a very easy job. You get to greet members and visitors at worship. Please contact Arden Lackey (336-723-3270) or Holly Wilson (410-245-8680) if you are willing to assist. Thank you.



Today, 1/28

8:30 a.m. "The Well" with Holy Communion
9:30 am. Bible Class & Sunday School
10:45 am. Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
2:00 pm – Prayer Shawl Ministry
4:00 pm. - Well Rehearsal

Tuesday, 1/23

10:00am – Senior Bible study

Wednesday, 1/31

Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline

5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Meal
6:00 p.m. – Tutoring
7:15 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 2/1

9:30 am – Prayer Warriors
10:00 am – Women's Bible Study
7:00 pm – Evening Bible Study

Next Sunday, 2/4

8:30 am. - "The Well" with Holy Communion
9:30 am.- Bible Class & Sunday School
10:45 am -.Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
4:00 pm. - Well Rehearsal

Music Notes: Actively looking for new members for

the Adult Choir! Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:15. The Sunday morning schedule is a bit complicated. Group I meets at 9:00 for warmup and touchup. These singers then go to Sunday School. Group II, the non-Sunday School singers, meets at 10:00 and has the same warmup and touchup. At 10:25, the two groups meet in the Chancel and run the anthem. I'm looking forward to an exciting year! *Frances*



This ministry could not happen without the support of our awesome volunteer tutors! Please join us in being the "hands and feet" of Jesus to our neighbors! Come one

Wednesday a month or as often as you like! **You do not need to speak Spanish to participate!!**

Please let us know if you would like to join us or if you have any questions, contact Kris Gartley, Kathleen Sawicki or Cheryl Wulfert. Hope to see you there!

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:

Upcoming Spirit Nights:

Wednesday, January 31,
11:00am – 11:00pm at Buffalo Wild Wings

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. Thanks so much from the PTO!



Happy Birthday to:

1/30 Steve Anderson
1/30 Luke Lovejoy
1/30 Noah Lovejoy
2/1 Morris Crafton
2/1 Thelma Wolf
2/3 Tina Kottlowski

Happy Anniversary to:

1/23 Max & Pat Eury (28 years)

Intercessory Prayer Warriors: A group of people led by Katie Goad 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.

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: Tim Nelson Chairman; Adam Orsborn, Vice-Chair; Nathan Kottlowski, Secretary; Judy Meisinger, Education; Jeff Goad, Finances & Facilities

We remember those who are shut in:

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

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Deedee Bement (Brendyn Gronewoller's mother-in-law), Marsha Braun (Doris Braun's daughter), Joel Christiansen, Jack Fordham, Terry France (Stephanie Andrews' father) Katie Goad, Rod Gorham, Geri Gorham, (Rod Gorham's mother), Eva Hammacker (Donna Gronewoller's mother), Bob Hoisington, Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Mason Lankford (22-month-old child known by Meg Lorenz), Jerry Linder, Bill Lonnecker (friend of the Essbachs), Dave Lundmark, Laura McNeil (friend of Dale & Alice Mierisch), Tara Phillips (niece of Arden & Glenda Lackey), Gene Rapier, Deb Schoolcraft, Mike Timms (Rich Essbach's nephew), Arline Urban

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

Jeanne Blizard, Claudia Essbach, Tim Gartley, RJ Hamby (Joan Happel's son-in-law), David Henderson (Gary & Nancy Brake's nephew & Stephanie, Hannah, Maddie & Abby Kiel's cousin), Mary Lee (Clarice George's mother), Jan Lundmark, Alice Mierisch, Sylvia Phillips, (Rich Essbach's cousin), Justin Riley (Carl Schlotzauer's grandson), Michael Riley (Anita & Bob Hoisington's nephew), Jacki Rullman,

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

For those who mourn:
Bruce Sawicki & his family, on the passing of his father, Al Sawicki, on January 22.

Wes Walker & his family, on the passing of his grandmother, Joan Williford, on January 19.

Persecution Prayer:
China's Communist Party is threatened by the "uncontrolled growth" of Christianity in the country - estimated by some to reach 247 million by 2030, making it the world's largest congregation.
The Party has forced many "sanctioned churches" to both install surveillance cameras and to hire preachers selected by the government. Thus the government will be able to monitor religious activities. However, most Chinese Christians meet in "underground" churches, instead of the state sanctioned churches. Recently the government sharpened its religious regulations in a move to tighten its control on Christians in an effort to adapt religion to a socialist society. Pray for our Chinese brothers and sisters in faith, that they find freedom and peace in our Lord and Savior.

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

Elder Assignments

Member/families

Bob Burke -----Adamick – Braun (A-Bra)
Steve Anderson-----Bredenberg – Deranamie (Bre-Der)
Rich Essbach -----Dongre – Gartley (Do-Ga)
Rich Essbach -----Genevie – Henderson (Ge-Hen)
Larry Bowman-----Hepner –Kinsman (Hep-Kin)
Dave Lundmark -----Koontz – Lorenz (Ko-Lor)
Mark Meier -----Lovejoy – Orsborn (Lov-O)
Mark Meier -----Pennucci – Rullman (P-R)
Dale Mierisch -----Sagehorn – Strahm (S)
Rob Schwabe-----Tegeler – ZumMallen (T-Z)

Participation January 21, 2018

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| 8:30 | 66 |
| 10:45am | 92 |
| Nursery | 3 |

A Great Place to Grow in Christ

As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8th 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.
ChurchSecretary@stjohnsww.org