

Sunday, October 28, 2018 – 23rd Reformation Sunday

A Call was extended to Pastor Tom!

St Johns voted to extend a Call to Pastor Tom on October 21, 2018. The call documents are currently being created. The originals will be sent to him this week, and he will begin his prayerful consideration. Pray unceasingly for Pastor Tom and Gwen, as well as St. John's.

Celebration of Life Service for Jerry Linder

Jerry's service will be on Saturday, November 17, 2018 at 2:30pm.

Hayride and BBQ

Please join us for our annual St. John's Church and School Hayride and BBQ on **Saturday, November 10, 2018 from 5-8 pm**. It will be held at the farm of Randy Fearington, 356 Ketner Rd., Lewisville, NC. Wes Walker is in charge of cooking the BBQ (hope that some can help) and Terry Johnson will be providing the tractor and trailer for hay rides! In case of heavy rain, the BBQ will be held in the social hall at St. John's. Please join us for a wonderful Fall night of great food, fellowship, and fun! If you are able to donate something for this event and to RSVP, please visit:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0849ACA723A3F94-stjohns> or see sign-up sheet in Social Hall.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

I'm going to try a **new study plan** to keep things "fresh" with some variety.

First Week of Month: OT Lesson (Exodus)

Second Week of Month: NT Lesson (Philippians)

Third, Fourth, (Fifth) Week of Month: Gospel Lesson (Matthew)

Please join us. It's a large class so you won't be called on, don't have to read out loud, etc. Just be blessed by the Word! (and good fellowship)

Small Group Sunday Bible Class

The Small Group Bible Study Class will meet in the Teachers Workroom with Dot Cleary as facilitator. All are welcome to join in the lively discussions that take place during this hour of Bible study.

Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study

Please join us at 10:00am each Tuesday for THE WORD from Acts (and coffee!). We will meet in the School Library.

On the 4th 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

Beginning Thursday evening October 25th, the Thursday Evening Bible Study will study Luke's gospel. We will use John MacArthur's Bible Study on Luke, The Savior of the World. We will augment this with some of Luther's sermons on Luke as well as inputs from Tim Keller. Our study time will be from 7:00 to 8:00 PM each Thursday augmented by some at home reading. The study guide costs about \$10. We continue to meet downstairs in the 8th Grade/Science classroom. You may enter from the front parking lot through the 7th Grade/Math classroom. As Concordia's Commentary on Luke states "Luke's Gospel is a narrative of Jesus' journey from heaven to earth and back to heaven." Please join us. For more information, please contact Bill Thorpe (wthorpe@triad.rr.com) or Rich Essbach (rncessbach@triad.rr.com).

St. John's Fall Carnival

Plan to join us for our annual Fall Carnival next **Friday, November 2 from 5:30 – 8:00pm**.

ENJOY GAMES, INFLATABLES, SAND ART, FOOD, and a SILENT AUCTION!

Pre-Sale Wristband Order Forms will come home this week.

Tickets and Wristbands will also be sold at the door.

Shuttle service and overflow parking available at Twin City Baptist on Ebert St.

Accepting Silent Auction donations through October 31st.

See the link below for volunteer opportunities.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4AAFA92EA4F94-fall1>

Forsyth Backpack Program

There are many ways to donate to this event. A check can be written to St. John's designated for the Forsyth Backpack Program or money can be put into the Forsyth Backpack Program box that is located in the school foyer. Also on the **third Sundays** of the month until the end of the year, a **free will offering** will be taken after church services for this outreach program. Please check the poster in the social hall for our progress. Any extra monies will be used to sponsor another packing event in

the future. Thank you so much for your support for the children in our community!

Altar Flower Donations needed

There are a few open Sunday's in November and December. Please see sign up book in the narthex for available dates. This is a great opportunity to remember or honor someone or to celebrate a special occasion.

Calling All Singers!

This one is for you if you like to sing but cannot make the Sunday morning choir commitment! Join us in a **Christmas concert** to be held on **Friday, November 30, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** The concert is called "Carols from Around the World" and features both old and new carols. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 8:00 – 9:00 starting October 3. Park at the rear of the church, go to the center entrance, and ring the doorbell.

Are you a Thrivent member?

The PTO is requesting anyone who is a Thrivent member to please think about applying for an "action" team project for the Carnival. It is scheduled for Nov. 2 and will be here before we turn around. If the project is approved, Thrivent will send a \$250 gift card to assist with the project. As you know, this greatly cuts down on the carnival expenses and increases our profits.

Contact Nancy Daniels if you have any questions
nancy.daniels@volvo.com

Ushers Needed for 10:45am Service

We are in desperate need of a few more ushers for the Traditional Service. The duties are not difficult. Please contact Arden Lackey or Holly Wilson if you could be of service

Hispanic Ministry Tutoring

We will offer a light meal from 5:30 to 6:00 for students & tutors. Tutoring will follow from 6:00p.m. – 7:00p.m. 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 contact Kris Gartley, Kathleen Sawicki or Cheryl Wulfert with questions!

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 November: Cooking Oil

Altar Flowers Today are given to the glory of God by Steve & Meg Lorenz in honor of Hannah's Baptism Birthday.



Sunday, 10/28

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

Tuesday, 10/30

10:00a.m. – Senior Bible Study

Wednesday, 10/31

8:30 a.m. - Chapel
Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline
5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Meal
6:00 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Tutoring
7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 11/1

9:30 a.m. – Prayer Warriors
7:00 p.m. – Evening Bible Study

Friday, 11/2

5:00 p.m. – Fall Carnival

Sunday, 11/4

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

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:

Reminder: Please re-link your cards for the new school year!

Spirit Night – November 13 - Dairi-O's 1207 W. Clemmons Road

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:

11/1 Chuck Plott
11/3 Meredith Johnson Cantrell
11/3 Gavin Morris

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.

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, Bob Kretschmar, Steve Lorenz, Jeff Goad,

We remember those who are shut in:

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

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Joel Christiansen, Mary Deakle, (friend of Sheryl Thorpe), Jeanette Dyson, Laura Ference, (friend of Essbach's), Jack Fordham, Terry France (Stephanie Andrews' father), Katie Goad, Bob Hoisington, Shannon Honeycutt, (Brad Honeycutt's sister-in-law), Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Jerry Linder, 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

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

Luisa Burgos, Morris Crafton, Danny Collins, (friend of Nicole Shannon), Teddy Deranemie, Chris Gwaltney, (Debbie Baronowski's son), Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), Avery Johnson,, Sandy Lyles (Gwen Clocker's friend), Don Marzke, (Bruce Sawicki's Brother-in-Law) Peter Morlock, (friend of Essbach's), Karl Mount, (Dot Cleary's son-in-law), Mitch Reimer, (Renee Henderson's brother), Butch Roberts, Mary Riggs, (online prayer request from a Tracy Chavis), Jacki Rullman, Ron Semple, (Beth Meier's stepfather), David Sablich, (friend of Rich Essbach), Millie Tetzlaff, Kerstin Walker, Zeldia Wilson, (Meg Lorenz's 1 year old friend), Evelyn Zeoli.

For those who mourn

Sandra Linder, on the passing of her husband Jerry on Tuesday, October 23, 2018

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 on the Call Committee:

Tim Nelson, Laura Nelson, Judy Meisinger, Rose Crafton, Claudia Essbach, Karl Hastings, Stephanie Guelzow, Ben Montgomery, Gregg Vogelsmeier, and Kerstin Walker.

Persecution Prayer:

According to Open Doors' World Watch List, North Korea is the most difficult place for Christians to live. Yet Christianity and North Korea have a long relationship. Before the end of WWII, there were more Christians in North Korea than there were in South Korea. (The current estimate of Christians in North Korea is 300,000.) The grandparents of Kim Jong Un, current leader, were devout Christians. There are four "show churches" in Pyongyang, the capital, built to try to disguise the brutal treatment of Christians. Both Billy and Franklin Graham traveled to North Korea, as had Ruth Bell Graham. She attended some years of high school there, since her parents had been missionaries in the 1930s. There is a passion for Jesus among the Christians of North Korea. They are ready to evangelize North Korea, as soon as

the country opens. Pray that existing believers within North Korea would take courage to lead a new revival. And pray that truth will come to this dark nation.

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 October 21, 2018

8:30	62
10:45	99
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 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@stjohnsws.org