



St. John's
LUTHERAN
Church & School

Weekly News

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8:30 a.m. – The Well

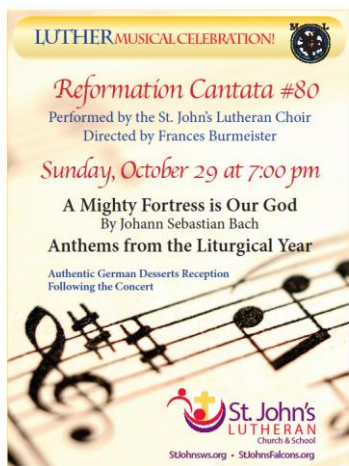
(Contemporary Service)

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

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Service

Sunday, October 29, 2017 – Reformation Day

Sunday, October 29 – Reformation Sunday – Today, following the 10:30 service join us for a German Lunch!



Tonight! – St. John's Lutheran Church Choir and chamber orchestra (strings and trumpets) will perform the great Reformation work "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" by Johann Sebastian Bach and anthems celebrating the Liturgical Year.

Join us for German Desserts following the concert.

Reformation Altar Inspiration – by Karl Hastings –

How wonderful it is that we have constant access to the Word of God in the Bible! My favorite Bible was given to me over 30 years ago by a former employer and contains four different versions side by side in parallel columns. When I read a passage that makes me pause and reflect, I will often glance across the page and read the other versions looking for clarification. The binder is now held together by duct tape, but I can't imagine being without it. God made this possible for me (and all of us) through the work of the reformers and the invention of the printing press.

As we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the posting of the 95 theses on the door of the church in Wittenberg we have the amazing discovery that Martin Luther found in the Word alone (over tradition)-that we are saved by grace alone (over merit) through faith alone (over works of the law) in Christ alone!

From- "In the beginning"...(Gen. 1:1) to " In the beginning..." (Gospel of John 1:1) to " The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen "(Rev. 22:21) we learn that it is truly- "ALL ABOUT JESUS" and what He has done for us. Even the "Solos" are all about Jesus- **sola gratia** (grace earned for us by Jesus and given to

us freely), **sola fide** (by faith alone), in Jesus alone (**solo Christo**) who is the Word made flesh- **sola scriptura** (see Romans 3:21-26).

The altar arrangement –"We are covered by the blood of Jesus": The flowers represent the blood of Jesus covering us, clothing us in His righteousness. The green wire and foliage represent the Holy Spirit binding us together as the body of Christ, working in us, around us, and through us to advance the Word and produce fruit in us through training, encouragement, and correction. The wood represents us with all our strengths and weaknesses (whom God uses to help spread the Word). The wood also represents the raw material for the construction of the first printing presses and the paper to print on..... also used to speed His Word.

I pray that this offering of thanksgiving and praise to our great Triune God will in some way encourage you in your journey with Him. To God be the glory for all the great things He has done and continues to do for us! AMEN!

Mission Quilts – Today we bless two quilts that are being sent to Africa through Lutheran World Relief. We pray for the families that receive the quilts. We pray they shield them against the cold and rain, and for warm bedding. A big thank you to Jeanne Highfield who was the longarm for our project and to the ladies of St. John's who helped piece the quilts together.

Thank You! – Eve Storoshenko, Marlene Ochs, Kathleen Sawicki, and everyone who helped contribute to this meal. Thank you also to Kathy Schwabe and Martha Musser for organizing tonight's dessert reception.

Call Committee Members: Tim Nelson, Judy Meisinger, Stephanie Guelzow, Ben Montgomery, Laura Nelson, Kerstin Walker, Claudia Essbach, Gregg Vogelsmeyer; Rose Crafton, and Karl Hastings. Please pray and encourage one another as our congregation searches for a shepherd.

Change the World: One Life at a Time – Worship Service, Sunday, November 5th – 12:30pm at the Dorton Arena, North Carolina State Fairgrounds. Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

St. John's Pig Pickin' & Hayride – Please join us on **Saturday, November 18**, for our St. John's Church and School Pig Pickin and Hayride from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm at 356 Ketter Rd., Lewisville, NC 27023. We will have games and music from the Well Band also! A sign-up sheet is online at <http://signup.com/go/LuwxTBq> and one will be passed around during Sunday School. Please join us for a wonderful fellowship event!

We thank Don Davidson and Wes Walker for agreeing to prep the pig!! The pig will be roasted at St. John's Church kitchen on Friday evening starting at 8:00pm. Wes and Don would love to have some help! Bring your lounge chair, blankets, warm clothing, and snacks if you like. Meet in the back of the church parking lot. Please consider helping with this fun event also! In case of heavy rain, the entire event will be moved to the church.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

New Cancer Support Group

We are in the early stages of establishing a "Team" to plan and serve in this critical ministry. We are praying to find ways to bless and serve all who are in this war with cancer. Members, neighbors, extended families, friends and loved ones, and their care givers.

Pumpkin Patch at St. John's

(Proceeds go to the school Technology Fund)
Final Days of Pumpkin Patch

Hours of Pumpkin Patch:

Sunday, 1:00pm – 6:00pm
Monday –4:00pm – 6:00pm

St. John's Women's Retreat – It's not too late to join us for a weekend of fun and fellowship. **November 10-12, 2017 at the Blue Ridge Assembly in Black Mountain.** Cost is \$145. Please email Kathleen Sawicki if you're interested. Kathleen@kb-promotions.net

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 resumed on September 28 at 7 p.m. in the Science Classroom. The study will be

That the World May Know, by Ray Vander Laan, emphasizing the faith lessons on the Prophets and Kings of Israel. You may park at the lower end of the parking lot and enter through the outside door of the 7th grade classroom. Contact Bill Thorpe at wthorpe@triad.rr.com with any questions.

Crisis Control for October: Boxed Dinners (ex: Hamburger Helper). The collection basket is in the Narthex.

Altar Flowers Today are given to the Glory of God in honor of the Reformation and Hannah's baptism by Meg and Steve Lorenz.

Corks Needed! – Please save corks for Women's Retreat November 10-12, 2017. Place in conference room marked Women's Retreat.



Today, 10/29

10:30 a.m. Blended Worship with Holy Communion
1:00pm – 6:00pm Pumpkin Patch
4:00 p.m. Well Rehearsal
7:00 pm – Concert

Monday, 10/30

4:00pm – 6:00pm Pumpkin Patch

Tuesday, 10/31

10:00 a.m. – Senior Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, 11/1

8:30 am - Chapel
Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline
5:30pm – Hispanic Ministry Dinner
6:00pm – Hispanic Tutoring
7:15pm – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 11/2

9:30 a.m. – Intercessory Prayer Warriors
10:00 a.m. – Women's Bible Study
7:00pm – Evening Bible Study

Friday, 11/3

5:30pm – School Carnival

Next Sunday, 11/5

8:30 a.m. "The Well" with Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
4:00 p.m. 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*

John (Jack) Fordham – new address – Brookstone Terrace of Clemmons, [4430 Clinard Road, Clemmons NC 27012](https://www.google.com/maps/place/4430+Clinard+Road,+Clemmons,+NC+27012) #336-624-1529

FREE TUTORING

Wednesdays
6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

at St. John's Lutheran
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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).

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.

Ways to support the school:

Upcoming Spirit Nights:

Wednesday, November 29,
11am-11pm 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:

11/1 Chuck Plott
11/2 Scott Washburn
11/2 Meredith Johnson
11/3 Gavin Morris
11/4 Meghan George

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; Jeff Goad

We remember those who are shut in:

Harry Armstrong, Frances Chambers, Jim Johnson, 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),

Joel Christiansen, Jack Fordham, Katie Goad, 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), Laura McNeil (friend of Dale & Alice Mierisch), Gene Rapier, Deb Schoolcraft, Mike Timms (Rich Essbach's nephew), Arline Urban

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

Tom Baldwin, John Bredenberg, James Covington, David Henderson (Gary & Nancy Brake's nephew & Stephanie, Hannah, Maddie & Abby Kiel's cousin), Jeffrey Henderson (Don Henderson's brother), Elsie Mae Kimmier (Jan Lundmark's sister), Rusty & Rhonda Neise, Justin Riley (Carl Schlotzauer's grandson), Jacki Rullman, Katie Stevens (Debbie Baronowski's daughter), Whytonia (friend of the Shannon's), Natalie Zitzelsberger (Dale & Alice Mierisch's granddaughter)

For those who mourn: Gary Brake and family, on the death of his mother, Susan Thorpe.
The Carson and Lackey families, on the death of Stacey Carson (son-in-law of Arden and Glenda Lackey).

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:

Islamic terrorists continue to pursue their goal of driving Coptic Christians out of Egypt. On October 16 a group of about 15 terrorists clashed with police during a series of attacks in El-Arish, the largest city in the Sinai. Due to these persistent assaults roughly 70% of the 160 Coptic Christian families living in the city have left. A church spokesman stated the "the whole situation in El-Arish and North Sinai is under threat." Pray for our Coptic brothers and sisters as they suffer for their faith. Pray that they find comfort in knowing that Christians worldwide have not forgotten them.

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 – Patterson (Lov-Pa)
Mark Meier -----Pegram – Roggenkamp (Pe-Rog)
Dale Mierisch -----Rosenberger – Strahm (Ros-Str)
Rob Schwabe-----Swenson – ZumMallen (Sw-Z)

Board of Directors

Tim Nelson – Chair, Immediate primary focus will be Call Committee, empanel and startup. Secondly will be gathering archives from previous boards' minutes and to begin creating an SOP draft document.

Adam Orsborn – Vice-Chair, primary focus to enable and empower the 14 ministry teams to get jump started and operate efficiently with minimal overlap.

Nathan Kottlowski – Secretary and Board Champion for the Pastoral Care/Worship teams.

Judy Meisinger – Board Champion for the School/Church Education teams

Jeff Goad – Board Champion for the Finance/Facilities teams. Chair for the Board Finance Subcommittee.

Participation October 22, 2017 (Fall Break)

8:30 am	56
10:45 am	80
Nursery	0

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.

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