



St. John's  
LUTHERAN  
Church & School

# Weekly News

2415 Silas Creek Parkway  
Winston-Salem, NC 27103  
[www.stjohnswns.com](http://www.stjohnswns.com)

8:30 a.m. – The Well  
(Contemporary Service)  
9:45 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Bible Class  
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Service

## Sunday, February 7, 2016 – Transfiguration of Our Lord/Entry & Dedication Sunday

### FROM THE PASTOR

**SEE JESUS SHINE!** As we enter a transformed sanctuary with new lighter décor. Our focus is drawn to the cross and the light of Christ emanating before us. The dark carpet and background of the cross remind us we are people of the Passion. Yet surrounded by the light of Christ we are empowered to love one another and carry His love and joy beyond our walls. This Transfiguration Sunday, we truly have a mountain top experience with Jesus. The Father discloses Jesus' identity as His divine Son in a wondrous revelation. This is the fitting lead-in to the Lenten season, where Jesus shows us another glory in His suffering and death on the cross. Moses and Elijah are there to point to Jesus, but the focus is uniquely on Christ. The Father calls us to listen to His Son, through whom we are made co-heirs with the King in His glory. We rejoice with praise to God for all He has done.

Pastor Schoolcraft

**Nursery** is available in the Preschool Room 106 during the 10:45am Worship Service for children ages 3 and under.

**Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Steve Covington in memory of Reesa Covington.

### Altar Flowers- HURRY DON'T MISS OUT!!

The 2016 flower chart is in the narthex with lots of dates available. Flowers are still needed for the following dates in February and March: **Feb. 28th, March 13th, and March 20th (Palm Sunday)**. Consider signing up for a date in 2016 to put flowers on the altar and then take home to enjoy. Just sign your name and indicate what colors you would like or if you would like the florist to choose the colors for you. The florist will bill you. This is a great opportunity to remember or honor someone or to celebrate a special occasion. Thank you all in advance!



### LIVING LENT as People of the Resurrection

Each service will focus on a particular word that will Help us live Lent as Easter people. As we look at the Passion narratives of Christ, we will see the significant meaning for us as we see them through the lens of the empty tomb. See the many ways we are always alive in Christ, who died and was raised.

**Lent begins Ash Wednesday, February 10.** Our theme word: **PONDER**. Lent is a time to ponder our relationship with God and with one another, to reflect on our unworthiness and discover the love of God seen in the cross and empty tomb. Service will include the receiving of ashes and Holy Communion. Join us each Wednesday at 5:30 pm for supper and plan to worship with us at 7:00 p.m. The Elders will be serving Sloppy Joes, Chips & Sides on Ash Wednesday. Desserts will be provided by members.

### Get involved in a Bible Study!

Bible Study and Sunday School happens every Sunday from 9:45-10:30. Jump in, and **grow** in community and in the Word!

- In the Fellowship Hall with Pastor Schoolcraft. We will begin study of "The Doctrine of the Call" so we may understand the Process with Biblical Perspective.
- The Truth Seekers Bible Class will continue its study of Philemon in Room 101. Why did Paul send Onesimus back to Philemon? Was Paul siding with the Babylonian Code of Hammurabi against the Mosaic Old Testament Law given in Deuteronomy? You are welcome to come join our discussion.

**Senior Women's Bible Class** meets every Tuesday at 10am in Room 101. We are studying "**Coffee with the Savior.**" The purpose of this study is to help you see Jesus as your best friend. You also will learn about Moses, his life relationship to God in responding to the gifts of God. The bag lunch and game day will continue every 4th Tuesday of each month after Bible class. Any questions, please contact Dot Cleary at 336-767-4116.

**Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study** All women are welcome to join us for fellowship and fun! We meet every Thursday in Room 101 during the school year. We are studying Priscilla Shirer's "**Jonah: Navigating a Life Interrupted.**" Please contact Kerstin Walker at 336-414-7667 for any questions.

**Thursday Evening Bible Study** meets every Thursday evening from 7-8pm in the Fellowship Hall. We are studying Galatians using Martin Luther's Commentary on Galatians. Please bring your Bible and join us. Contact Bill Thorpe at [wthorpe@triad.rr.com](mailto:wthorpe@triad.rr.com) (336-766-1727) with any questions.

**WIM-** Ladies, we will be providing a light supper before the Feb. 17th service. Please sign up for soup or crackers or dessert. The sign-up sheet is located in the Fellowship Hall Bulletin Board. Thank you.

**February 14th** from noon to 2 p.m. "Let Me Call You Sweetheart Luncheon" The Junior Youth will be hosting a luncheon to celebrate the OWLs (Older Wiser Lutherans). We will have lunch and play board games. There will be a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall Bulletin Board. Lunch is being provided by a donation from Thrivent.

### **Progressive Dinner**

**Saturday, March 5 (Please note new date)**

The Fellowship Ministry Team is planning a Progressive Dinner on Saturday, March 5 beginning at 4:30pm. Everyone will meet at one house for appetizers. Travel to assigned homes for a salad course and then another house for an entrée course. The entire group will meet back at church in the Fellowship Hall for desserts around 9:00pm. If you would like to attend the Progressive Dinner, please sign up by **February 27**. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Fellowship Hall Bulletin Board soon. There will be a place on the sign-up sheet for you to designate which course you want to host or help with.

### **CONGRATULATIONS St John's!**

St. John's members earmarked and St. John's received \$10,688 Choice Dollars from Thrivent in 2015. **Let's keep it up.**

### **Inclement Weather Policy at St. John's**

When it is necessary to announce delays or closings due to bad weather, SJLC will post same on the WXII 12 website and over radio announcements on WSJS Radio 600AM, here in Winston-Salem. We will also reach out to our membership via email. This policy is for St. John's Lutheran Church only.



**Please join us for a night of food, photos, fun, and great memory making. Don't miss the chance to show her how special she is!**

To purchase tickets please complete the pre-order form and deposit it with payment in the box in the school office. Tickets can be picked up the night of the event. Exact change is helpful. If change is needed it will be returned with your tickets.

**This is not only a night of fun; it is a great opportunity for outreach into our community so invite your family and friends!**

Help is needed with preparation (decorating, mailings, music, planning, and food donations). Also, we need help the night of the event. We're using VolunteerSpot to organize our Sign-ups. Here's how it works:

- 1) Click this link to see our Sign-up on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/A3iyxX>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on VolunteerSpot.

Note: VolunteerSpot 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.

The **Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall Bulletin Board**. For more information please contact Kris Gartley, [kgartley@triad.rr.com](mailto:kgartley@triad.rr.com).

Saturday, February 20, 2016

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

**St. John's Family Life Center**



**Hispanic Tutoring** We are enjoying growth in the number of Hispanic students and are in need of additional tutors. Please prayerfully consider joining us on a Wednesday! Even one

Wednesday a month would be greatly appreciated. It can be very rewarding to be part of a "Hands & Feet" ministry and we provide dinner at 5:30pm to 6:00 pm and then help the children with their homework. **You do not need to speak Spanish to participate!!**

**Participation last week, January 31, 2016**

8:30 a.m. "The Well": 52  
10:45 a.m. Traditional: 89  
Nursery: 2

**Altar Guild for February:** Stephanie Guelzow & Renee Henderson

**Ushers for February:** Ryan Davidson, Bob Hoisington, Stephanie Kiel & Holly Richardson

**Crisis Control Items Needed for February**  
Beef Stew (Place in basket in back of Sanctuary.)

**Lock-ups for February** Brad Honeycutt, Nate Kottowski, Glenn Rullman & Carl Schlotzhauer



**Falcon Newsletter** Are you receiving the school's Falcon Newsletter? This is a bimonthly newsletter and if you would like to receive a copy, please contact the church office to be sure we have your correct email.

**At St. John's Lutheran School,** every child gets a chance to shine. And for decades, one of the ways kids have gotten their moment in the spotlight has been through St. John's spring musicals, talent shows, Christmas programs, and other stage shows. But the time has come to buy new staging, and we need your help in order to continue giving children opportunities to praise God with their theatrical talents. Will you help us? Our goal is to raise \$3500 between now until the opening of this spring's Middle School musical, with the dream of announcing on opening night (March 18) that in 2017, St. John's students will get to perform on a brand new stage! Please help us make this dream come true, strengthening the musical and dramatic arts programs at St. John's Lutheran school for years to come. Visit our [www.gofundme.com/falconstage](http://www.gofundme.com/falconstage) to donate online, or drop a check off in the office with "New Stage" in the memo. Thank you!



**Happy Birthday to:**

2/8 Reg Koontz  
2/10 Angelica Andrews  
2/10 Henry Black  
2/10 Caroline Musser Campbell  
2/11 Daniel Herrera  
2/11 Clara McKenzie  
2/13 Cecile Honeycutt

**Happy Anniversary to:**

2/11 Tim & Kris Gartley — 27 years



Sun 2/7 **Transfiguration of Our Lord /Dedication & Entry Sunday**  
8:30 a.m. Well Service w/Communion  
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
9:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class/  
Children's Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship w/Communion  
4:00 p.m. Well Rehearsal

Mon 2/8  
6:30 p.m. Adult Information Class

Tue 2/9  
10:00 a.m. Senior Women's Bible Class in Rm 101  
6:30 p.m. BOSL Meeting

Wed 2/10 **ASH Wednesday**  
8:30 a.m. School Chapel  
12:00 p.m. Bulletin & Announcement Deadline  
5:30 p.m. Lent Dinner  
6:00 p.m. Hispanic Ministry Tutoring  
7:00 p.m. Worship Service w/Communion  
8:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thurs 2/11  
10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Rm 101  
6:30 p.m. Jr Confirmation Class  
7:00 p.m. Adult Evening Bible Class

Fri 2/12 Pastor's Day off

Sat 2/13

Sun 2/14 **First Sunday in Lent**  
8:30 a.m. Well Service w/Communion  
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
9:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class/  
Children's Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship  
12:00 p.m. "Let Me Call You Sweetheart Luncheon"  
4:00 p.m. Well Rehearsal



## **St. John's Prayer Needs**

We pray for St. John's congregation and school

Pastor Schoolcraft & Deb

Principal Mark Edmiston

Director of Admissions Tom Baldwin

Our called workers and staff

Transitional Task Force

Board of Servant Leaders

Board of Elders

Hispanic Tutoring

Our Call Committee: Steve Golden, Don Henderson, Jenelle Lanham, Alice Mierisch, Bruce Sawicki, Sarah Strahm, Bill Thorpe & St. John's as we prepare to call a Pastor.

We pray for those working to further the Gospel around the world and alleviate hurt in the world:

The Shirk family

We remember those who are homebound:

Harry Armstrong

Nancy Roberts

Lorraine Buelow

Barbara Roggenkamp

Frances Chambers

Millie Tetzlaff

Chris Johnston

Irene Whitener

Marty Loper

Dorothy Zick

Doris Mueller

We remember family and friends who are no longer with us, and we ask for your comfort. We pray especially for:

The family of Stuart Anna Spicer

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Aaron Arder

Glenda Lackey

Becky Baker

Bill Lonnecker

Bambi Braun

David Penno

Joel Christiansen

Greg Winn

George Hill

Arline Urban

Bob Hoisington

For those recovering from surgery or dealing with health issues:

Paul Coverston

Gene Rapier Sr

Mallory Golden

Betty Richter

Margaret Haaland

Karen Scott

Syd Kellogg

Hayden Spicer

Hannah Lorenz

Rosie Thompson

Libby Martin

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

Dallas Darcy

Andrew Nelson

Loren Jacobi

Brad Rullman

Branden Lackey

Jon Tessmann

Tegan Owen

Kevin Wilson

For Those in Persecution

Pray for Christians in Northern Iraq. Those inside Erbil are afraid that IS plans an attack against Erbil. One source in the country says, "There are too many news items making its rounds, only giving more ground to people wanting to flee, Kurds as well as Christians." Pray for our fellow Christians, who are in harms way.

For more information see the Fellowship Hall Bulletin Board.

### **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.

### **Rev. Roger P. Schoolcraft, Intentional Interim Pastor**

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Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and  
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Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for  
Traditional Worship**