



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, March 1, 2020 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent

#### Lenten Meals prior to Wednesday Service – 5:30pm

Join us Wednesday evenings before service!

March 4 – **Pastor & Gwen – Pizza and Salad**

March 11 – **Elders**

March 18 – **TBD**

March 25 – **Youth (fundraiser)**

April 1 – **TBD**

#### Updated 2020 Directory coming soon!

Please update your contact information by notating any changes on the attendance sheet or emailing Kerstin:

[churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org](mailto:churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org)

#### Praise the Lord!

So great to see so many gathering to give Christ the worship and praise of which He is so worthy! Last Sunday we had 209 in worship, 40 more than a typical Sunday. Ash Wednesday we had 116, that's 50% higher than the last five years average! God is honored, and we are blessed every time we worship the Lord!

#### My Apologies

To Alex and Caroline Campbell, to the extended family, and to the congregation. Last Sunday at the Baptism of Grayson Leith Davis, I neglected to introduce and include Alex and Caroline as Godparents during the service. I am so grieved and sorrowed that I did so, and seek the forgiveness of all. My deep apology, also, to Grayson's parents: Hunter and Beth Davis. I pray that the Spirit of God will fill and bless Grayson throughout his life.

#### What is Lent?

Lent is the 40 days leading up to Easter. In this ancient custom, the 40 days does not include Sundays because Sundays are always associated with the resurrection victory of Christ. 40 days was chosen because it is the amount of time our Lord spent fasting in the wilderness before His ministry began. It was a time of anguish and temptation. Often times believers "give up" something for Lent as a reminder of what Jesus gave up for us!

Traditionally, it was a somber time of preparation leading up to the great celebration of Easter. Believers use it as an opportunity to spend some extra time focusing on the last days of Jesus and deep personal reflection.

Today, Lent is still primarily a "penitential" season. In the scripture readings each Sunday we will walk with our

Savior through His agony to His death – always mindful that it happened because of our sins. While on the cross HE BECAME SIN – He soaked up all the sins of all people. The sins that were heaped upon Him were so concentrated that HE BECAME A CURSE FOR US. So abominable that even His own Father abandoned Him, causing Him to cry out, **"My God, My God...why have You forsaken ME?"**

During this season of Lent, may God give us all the grace to seek His forgiveness, and to share that merciful forgiveness with those around us. **CHRIST DIED FOR ALL.**

#### City of Dwellings – Thank You!



Thank you so much for your generous donations to City of Dwellings these past months. We took over 15 containers of Lysol Wipes, 10 cans of Lysol Spray and numerous pairs of sweat pants, underwear, toiletry items, medicine, etc. We also took 25 lunch bags filled with nutritious snacks, a personal Valentine from our St. John's School third graders, socks, and water. They were very appreciative of the items and the support that we have given St. Timothy's Women Shelter these past five years. We truly appreciate your donations and support of this outreach to our community.

#### Cancer Prayer Service

The speaker for **March 8** Prayer Service is Dr. Karen Winkfield, MD, PHD a practicing Radiation Oncologist at WFBH. In addition to her clinical practice, Dr. Karen (as she is known in the community) has a passion for outreach and education. She is the director of the Office of Cancer Health Equity at Wake Forrest Baptist. Through her current research and community outreach, she seeks to identify and overcome factors that contribute to disparities in cancer outcomes.

#### Mite Sunday

##### **Restoring Hope for Detroit Children - \$100,000**

Camp Restore Detroit, MI has founded a need within the community, where there is 57.3% of children living in poverty, to provide a safe, nurturing, and Christ-centered place for these children, families, and other adults. Here

they can come to learn about God's love, in art, theater, music lessons, and homework help while receiving assistance with basic educational development while parents can participate in classes, as parenting, finances, resume building and small groups. With much renovation, there is an opportunity to use previously abandoned houses to fulfill this need.

\$100,000 of our Mission Grant money, from our Mites will help fund Restoring Hope for Detroit Children & Families.

**Altar Flowers Today** – Are given to the Glory of God by Lisa Little, in memory of her parents & brother.



**Sunday, 3/1**

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

**Monday, 3/2 – Friday, 3/6**  
**Lutheran Schools Week**

**Monday, 3/2**  
**Favorite Sports Team Day, Class Dances**

**Tuesday, 3/3**  
**STEAM Day – Robotics Demo & Science Experiments**  
10:00 a.m. – Senior Bible Study

**Wednesday, 3/4**  
**PJ Day & Movie**  
**Announcements due 12 noon**  
5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Meal/Tutoring  
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Service

**Thursday, 3/5**  
**Favorite Book Character day**  
**Dodge Ball vs. Teachers**  
9:30 a.m. – Prayer Warriors  
7:00 p.m. – Adult Bible Study **suspended until 4/16**

**Friday, 3/6**  
**Grandparents Day**  
**Chapel at 9:15am & Bible Bee**

**Sunday, 3/8**  
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  
2:00 p.m. – Cancer Prayer Service

**Spirit Nights**  
PDQ Sunday afternoons from 12:00pm – 4:00pm:  
March 29  
April 26

**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 remember those who are shut in:  
*Chris Johnston, Kay Moose, Millie Tetzlaff, Thelma Wolf*

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:  
*Mary Deakle, (friend of Sheryl Thorpe), Terry France (Stephanie Andrews' father), Clarice George, Katie Goad, Isaiah Hall – 2 yrs old, battling Leukemia, (son of a friend of Pastor Tom) Melody Hawkins, (Nancy Livengood's cousin), Bob Jordan, (Jamie Deal's uncle), Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Steve Miller (Beth Hardin's brother), Rebecca Perry, (Stacey Perry- school secretary's, mother-in-law), Cheryl Peting, (former member), Tara Phillips (niece of Arden & Glenda Lackey), RuthAnn Sabon, (friend of Sheryl Thorpe), Jo Snyder, (friend of Gwen Clocker), Kim Taylor, (Pastor's daughter's Mother-in-Law), Nancy Tondo, (Pastor Tom's Aunt), Frank Williams (Sarah Williams' husband), Cindy Woods (Cancer Prayer Service walk-in).*

For those undergoing/recovering from surgery or dealing with health issues:  
*Travis Bane, (Cyndi Bane's son), Isabelle Baldwin, (Tom Baldwin's mother), Jeanne Blizard, Doris Braun, Steve Covington, (back surgery 12/20), Teddy Deranamie, Victoria Deranamie (eye surgery), Jeanette Dyson, Clarice George, (Knee Surgery), Shane Gwaltney, (Debbie Baronowski's son), Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), Donnie Henderson, (Don & Renee Henderson's son), Christine Karim, (daughter of Rich Essbach), Vicky Long, Peter Morlock, (friend of Essbach's), Uncle Steve Morrison & family (Pastor Clocker's son-in-law's uncle), Gary Murray, (friend of Rich Essbach), Fred Neise, Herbert Radda, (Rob Schwabe's cousin in Vienna), Florence Renken (John Renken's wife), Butch Roberts, Kiel Ross, (Jan Lundmark's granddaughter), Jean Rudolph, Jacki Rullman, Kathleen Sawicki, Jessica Shea, Randy Smith, (Gary Brake's cousin), Millie Tetzlaff, Becky Tomlin, (Rosa Lovejoy's Aunt), Frank Williams (Sara Williams husband, Steve Covington's brother-in-law)*

**Pray for Mike Burgos (Cat & Luisa's son)**  
**He will be living and working in Dubai.**

**(Please notify Kerstin in the office if you have any names for our prayer list.**  
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**Participation February 23, 2020**  
8:30am – 69, 10:45am – 140, Nursery – 0  
Feb. 26, 2020 – Ash Wednesday – 116