



# 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, March 17, 2019 – Second Sunday in Lent

### Lenten Services

**Lenten Services March 20, 27, April 3, 10 – 7:00pm**

Dinner on Wednesday's at 5:30pm prior to service –  
**March 20** – LWML – Sloppy Joes & Salad, **March 27** –  
Teacher's – Olive Garden Soup & Salad, **April 3** –  
Cancer Ministry Team – Chili, **April 10** – Wes & Kerstin  
Walker – Spaghetti with Salad

### Congregational Meeting

**Sunday, March 31, 2019** following late service. There are no voting issues. This is a 6-month ministry update.

### Pine Needle Sales

**Saturday March 23 and 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 – 2:00pm.** We are in need of volunteers to help in these areas: point of sale/orders, lunch and refreshments, bale pullers in the trailer, truck drivers, and helpers for deliveries and spreading. A sign-up sheet is on the Social Hall bulletin board for those specific needs on each Saturday. If you have a truck to volunteer for a Saturday, that also is needed. Please prayerfully consider how you might help us raise money in this event for our ministries. We hope to give some support from this to our Hispanic ministry, our cancer ministry, our prayer shawl ministry, our youth ministry, and our school ministry. Contact me, Nathan, for any questions or additional assistance. cell/text: 336-816-0896 email: [misterkaye43@aol.com](mailto:misterkaye43@aol.com). Thank you.

Order Pine Needles: <http://stjohnsws.com/pine-needle-fundraiser/>

### Bach Birthday Concert

**Thursday, March 21 at 7:30pm** at St. John's Lutheran Church. Featured Works – **Concerto for Four Harpsichords** with Susan Bates, Dreama Lovitt, Frances Burmeister, and William Snedden. **Contata #4 – Christ Lay in the Bonds of Death** – St. John's Choir in collaboration with Musica Anima of Greensboro.

### Thrivent Choice Dollars

Reminder to Thrivent Members that you need to donate your 2018 Choice \$'s to the school or church by the end of March or it goes away.

### Lion King Jr Musical

Save the Dates – March 29-31, 2019

### Wee Care! Cereal Drive

St. John's is delighted to participate in the **Wee Care!** cereal drive that is taking place March 4-29. This is a great opportunity to encourage our children to help fight against hunger by giving box of cereal to Crisis Control's food pantries. Children represent almost half of those helped by the Crisis Control food pantries. A collection bin will be located in the school lobby for your donations. For more information and resources, please visit [www.crisiscontrol.org/weecare/](http://www.crisiscontrol.org/weecare/) Thank you for your support!

### Coffee Makers

Thank you to those who have been coming in to set up coffee for Sunday morning. If you would like to be added to the rotation for making coffee please speak with Clarice or Kerstin.

### Next Scrip Order – Today!

**March 17, 2019** – Forms are in the back of the church. Please see Rachel Orsborn if you have any questions.

### Jesus: His Life

Four consecutive Monday nights from 8-10pm on the History Channel, **beginning on March 25<sup>th</sup>** (also April 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup>). The additional Mondays are not reruns. The story, is continued each week. It's a dramatized version of the events in Jesus' life. The trailer looks good. Caveat One: It's a drama so much is added conversation etc. beyond the details from Scripture. Caveat two: It's produced by the History Channel which, at times, takes a skeptical view about Christ and Scripture.

### Last Chance!

**"The Moses Controversy"** Tuesday night at 6:30pm at both the AMC 12 and Grand 18. Excellent exploration of the events of Moses from a bible-believing perspective.

### Faith Comes by Hearing

Faith Comes by Hearing, the organization that sponsors Bible on a Stick, which St John's so generously supports, has started a new program. It will donate a Bible on a Stick to every veteran in churches that support their programs. So, please notify Don Adamick if you are a veteran and he will ensure we receive the necessary number of bibles. Either call Don or send him an email.

### **Welcome and Thank You to Pat Hall**

Pat has agreed to serve on the BoD to complete the term of a director who needed to step down. Pat is a gifted lady. She and her husband Alan have been members over five years after transferring in from Fountain of Life Lutheran. They both sing in the choir and attend Bible Study every week. We know Pat will be a blessing to our Board and our church. We pray that she will be blessed in her serving.

### **Camp Linn Haven Weekend**

Save the date! We have a long weekend this year!  
**Friday, May 24 – Monday, May 27.** See Martha Burke if you have any questions.

### **Senior Youth PDQ Fundraiser**

We had great success with our sub fundraiser and the Youth is doing another fundraiser to help the kids get to Minneapolis for the National Youth Gathering. We are selling gift cards for PDQ. They cost \$8 and have a value of \$10. We currently have 50 cards and can get more if we sell out. See Rachel Schmidt, Meg Lorenz or Sarah Strahm if you would like to purchase a card.

### **Holy Communion**

We are now offering non-alcoholic grape juice for communion. This flows from the desire to minister, in a gracious way, to all those who receive Holy Communion. Some prefer (or need) to avoid alcohol.

**Important note: The INNER CIRCLE of individual cups will always be non-alcoholic.**

### **Cancer Ministry Team**

The Cancer and Chronic Illness Ministry Team group meeting will take place on **Monday, March 18 at 10:30 am.** in the Conference Room. Please join us for a lively discussion about things that concern you. If you are on a medical journey or a caregiver to someone who is, come!

### **Adult Sunday Bible Study**

All are welcome to Pastor Tom's Adult Class on Sunday mornings from 9:45 – 10:30am. In the Fellowship Hall. You do not need to attend every Sunday (for "keep up"). Stop in whenever and as often as possible!

### **Fruit of the Spirit notecards**

Get your St. John's Lutheran Banner notecards. Cards are only \$10 and they make great gifts. Please see Kerstin in the church office or during bible study to purchase a box. All proceeds go to St. John's Lutheran Church and School.

### **LWML KayWos Cloth Sale**

KayWos Cloth Sale! "Cleans anything from stoves, windows, cars, stainless, and removes bugs, grease, fingerprints and dust" Never use a window cleaner again. The cost of the cloth is \$5. This is sponsored by the LWML. See display in the Fellowship Hall or call Dot Cleary #336-767-4116 for an order.

### **Bible Study Opportunities at St. John's Sunday's**

- 9:45am – Pastor Tom's Class (Social Hall)
- 9:45am – Dot Anderson's Class (Teacher Workroom)  
Please Join Pastor's class today.

### **Tuesday's**

- 10:00am – Senior Women's (Library)

### **Thursday's**

- 7:00pm – Adult Evening Bible Study (Suspended until after Easter – Thursday, April 25)



### **NLSA Accreditation update**

This week the NLSA Steering Committee pored over the results of the recent Teacher and Student Surveys. The feedback and constructive critiques given will help us build our School Improvement Plan. While there were many great suggestions for how we can improve, the results were largely positive. Here is some encouraging feedback from the Lower Grades Student Surveys. More than 95% of students in grades 1-3 replied "Yes" to the following questions: "I learn about Jesus at my school," "My school cares about all boys and girls," "My teachers want to help everyone," and "My teacher helps me learn." And here's a quote from one of the faculty surveys. When asked about the purpose of the school, many teachers replied with statements similar to this one: "The purpose of our school is to teach students (and their families by extension) about God and His love for them while providing an excellent education. We care deeply about providing for the academic and spiritual needs of our students because we want to prepare them for life and for the plans God has for them."

### **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 March:** Toilet Tissue, you may drop off your items in the basket in the narthex. Thank you for your February donations of #44lbs.

**Altar Flowers Today** – to the Glory of God by Matt & Courtney Jones in honor of Carrick's 6<sup>th</sup> birthday.



**Sunday, 3/17**

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

**Monday, 3/18**

10:30 a.m. – Cancer Group Session

**Tuesday, 3/19**

10:30 a.m. – Senior Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. - Elders

**Wednesday, 3/20**

8:30 a.m. - Chapel  
Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline  
5:30 p.m. – Lenten Meal – LWML – Sloppy Joes  
6:00 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Tutoring  
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Service

**Thursday, 3/21**

7:00 p.m. – Bach Birthday Concert

**Sunday, 3/24**

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  
3:00 p.m. – Painting with Mrs. P

**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:**

**Spirit Nights:**

**Scrip gift cards.** If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Orsborn at 402.960.2721 or [scrip@stjohnsws.org](mailto:scrip@stjohnsws.org).

**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. Thank you from the PTO!



**Happy Birthday to:**

3/19 James Covington  
3/19 Rose Crafton  
3/19 Martha Musser  
3/20 Pat Hall  
3/22 Rachel Webb  
3/22 Amber Scott  
3/23 Sonia Davidson  
3/23 Brooke Gartley  
3/23 Donna Gronewoller  
3/23 Madelyn Orsborn

**Happy Anniversary to:**

3/21 Don & Sonia Davidson (32 years)

**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](mailto: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, Steve Lorenz, Jeff Goad, Pat Hall

We remember those who are shut in:

Chris Johnston, Marty Loper, **Kay Moose**, Mary Riggs, Marilyn Sagehorn, MillieTetzlaff, Arline Urban

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Ann (grandmother of Greta Smith in our preschool) has ovarian cancer, Joel Christiansen, Val Chumney, (daughter of Dave & Jean Rudolph former members), Mary Deakle, (friend of Sheryl Thorpe), Jeanette Dyson, Terry France (Stephanie Andrews' father), **Clarice George**, Katie Goad, Jan Guelzow, Isaiah Hall – 2 yrs old, battling Leukemia, (son of a friend of Pastor Tom) Melody Hawkins, (Nancy Livengood' s cousin), **Bob Hoisington**, Bob Jordan, (Jamie Deal's uncle), Jay Keller, Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Bill Lonnecker (friend of the Essbachs), Rebecca Perry, (Stacey Perry-school secretary's, mother-in-law), Tara Phillips (niece of Arden & Glenda Lackey), Gene Rapiet, Deb Schoolcraft, Mike Timms (Rich Essbach's nephew), Arline Urban, Frank Williams (Sarah Williams' husband).

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

Travis Bane (Cyndi Bane's son), **Isabelle Baldwin, (Tom Baldwin's mother)**, Danny Collins, (friend of Nicole Shannon), Rose Crafton, **Gwen Clocker**, Elizabeth, (Charla Adams' niece), Teddy Deranamie, Chris Gwaltney, (Debbie Baronowski's son), Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), Christine Karim, (friend of Rich Essbach), Sandy Lyles (Gwen Clocker's friend), Don Marzke, (Bruce Sawicki's Brother-in-Law) Peter Morlock, (friend of Essbach's), Uncle Steve Morrison & family (Pastor Clocker's son-in-law's uncle), Jean Nelson (Tim Nelson's mom), Martin Ossenber, (Kerstin Walker's father) Florence Renken (John Renken's wife), Butch Roberts, **Jacki Rullman**, Ron Semple, (Beth Meier's stepfather), David Sablich, (friend of Rich Essbach), **Carl Schlotzhauer, (In Hospice)**, Millie Tetzlaff, Donald Walnes, (cousin of Nancy Brake), Zelda Wilson, (toddler friend of Meg Lorenz), Evelyn Zeoli, Gail Zeoli, Lauren Zick, (grand-niece of Rob & Kathy Schwabe).

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 & Chris Nisch., Brad Rullman, Jon Tessmann, Steven Thorpe, Kevin Wilson, Steve Young

Persecution Prayer:

China has set up reporting boxes in villages, phone lines and websites, as authorities take steps in rural areas to crackdown on Christian gatherings (house churches). China has returned to a practice used during China's Cultural Revolution under Mao, mobilizing the masses to fight each other. These new practices have already restricted religious events, gatherings, evangelism and have placed believers in danger of being arrested at any time. One indigenous ministry partner asked for these

specific prayers for the church. 1. FORTITUDE-to withstand the pressure and violent acts 2.

EMPOWERMENT-by God to reach the next generation

3. WISDOM-that leaders know what to do 4. WORKERS FOR THE HARVEST-to plant and nurture seeds of faith

5. PROTECTION-for God's people in China 6.

SUPERNATURAL INTERVENTION IN THE HEARTS OF LEADERS-that Xi Jinping and other leaders will turn to Jesus 7. COURAGE FOR BELIEVERS-that believers will

have wisdom and courage in this persecution.

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 March 10, 2019

8:30	62	<b>3/13 Lent Midweek 1 - 59</b>
10:45	85	
Nursery	1	

**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.

**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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