



**St. John's**  
LUTHERAN  
Church & School

# Weekly News

2415 Silas Creek Parkway  
Winston-Salem, NC 27103

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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 18, 2018 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

### Bach's Birthday Celebration II

The greatest composer in the Lutheran church was Johann Sebastian Bach. In the spirit of outreach and a second celebration of his birthday, Frances Burmeister will present works by Bach transcribed for treble voices and two major works for harpsichord – the Italian Concerto and selections from the Goldberg Variations. **The free concert will be at St. John's on Wednesday, March 21, at 7:00 P.M.**

Bach never wrote music for a treble choir. But many composers have rearranged things a bit and the results are quite beautiful even if somewhat different from what you might expect.

There are thirty Goldberg Variations. Legend has it that Count Goldberg had difficulty falling asleep at night so he commissioned Bach to write something for his personal musician to play. Not that these works are dull! Far from it! Thirty variations is a LOT of music. So, I'll be playing the first ten or so.

The concert is free, however donations to the church's music program will be cheerfully accepted.

### One Showing Only

Monday, March 19 at 7:00pm. "The Riot and the Dance" at the Grand 18. A feature film about how God has revealed Himself through the wonders of the Animal Kingdom. National Geographic meets Genesis! Only one night, only one area theater, only one showing. Mark your calendar!

### Thrivent Choice Dollars

Please designate your 2017 Thrivent Choice Dollars they go away at the end of March. For many it is just easier to call 800-847-4836 and say Thrivent Choice. Please say "St. John Lutheran Church", using no's'. The name was listed incorrectly when first set up.

You may also take care of this online:

**[Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://Thrivent.com/thriventchoice)**.

### Easter Lily Sign-Up:

Easter Lily sign-up sheets are on the board in the fellowship hall. \$11.95 plus tax and **FLORIST WILL BILL YOU!** Also, there are Sundays in April that need flowers. Thank you.



### Aladdin Spring Musical

What would you do if you were granted three wishes? Come see our middle school kids perform Disney's Aladdin Jr. at 7:00 on Friday,

March 23 and Saturday, March 24 and 3:00 on Sunday, March 25. Tickets will be \$6 and can be purchased from Melissa Edmiston beginning March 10 or at the door. Come fly with us on a magic carpet ride!

### Pine Needle Sales – Date changes

**Due to supply issues, we will be starting on March 24<sup>th</sup> and sell pine needles for the next 2 Saturday's.**

**From 8:00am-3:00pm.** 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.

### Cancer Small Group

Join us – Monday 3/19 at 10:30am. It is our next small group gathering for those with cancer, caregivers, and anyone affected by terminal illness. – St. John's Cancer Companions Ministry

### Afternoon Preschool Teacher needed

Afternoon Preschool teaching position available in Christian childcare center. Hours 3pm-6:00pm, with option to work additional substitute hours.

We are looking for a nurturing and energetic individual with experience planning developmentally appropriate activities.

Person must be working on or already obtained their NC Early Childhood Credentials. Also, all staff must have or willing to get their Qualified Letter from Raleigh to work in

child care. CPR and First aid preferred but not required for hire.

Great position for college students . Need to fill immediately. Please contact Sonia Davidson (336)725-1651 ext. 402.



### **Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study**

The Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study will begin a new study, "**Living a Chocolate Life**". As women living a chocolate life, we get to savor something so much greater than all the other things in life: We savor the gift of God's Sweet Grace!

Meet us at 10:00am in the Music Room for coffee (and maybe some chocolate!) Don't forget we have bag lunch and games after class on the last Tuesday of the month.

Call Dot Cleary for any questions. #336-767-4116.

### **Thursday Evening Bible Study**

We are suspending our Bible Study (The Truth Project) during Lent and Easter Week. We will resume meeting on Thursday April 5, 2018. Contact Bill Thorpe at [wthorpe@triad.rr.com](mailto:wthorpe@triad.rr.com) or Rich Essbach at [rhcessbach@triad.rr.com](mailto:rhcessbach@triad.rr.com) with any questions.

### **Inclement Weather Policy:**

When it is necessary to announce delays or closings for worship or church activities due to bad weather, St. John's Lutheran Church will post the revised schedule or cancellation on the TV WXII Channel 12 scroll and website. Also, there will be a radio announcement on WSJS Radio – 600 AM. Members will be alerted as well via email and the phone tree.

### **The Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study**

We meet 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](mailto:@kb-promotions.net) or #336-744-5733.

**Crisis Control for March:** Boxed Instant Potatoes & Flakes. The collection basket is in the Narthex.

**Altar Flowers Today** are given to the Glory of God by Matt & Courtney Jones in honor of Carrick's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday.

### **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.

### **Sunday, 3/18**

8:30 am – "The Well" \* with Holy Communion  
9:30 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:45 am – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion  
2:00 pm – Prayer Shawl Ministry  
4:00 pm. – Well Rehearsal

### **Monday, 3/19**

10:30am – Cancer Support Session

### **Tuesday, 3/20**

10:00am – Senior Bible Study  
7:00pm – Elder's Prayer & Praise

### **Wednesday, 3/21**

**Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline**  
**5:45pm – New Member Class**  
6:00 p.m. – Tutoring  
**6:15pm – Choir Practice**  
**7:00pm – Bach Celebration II**

### **Thursday, 3/22**

9:30am – Prayer Warriors  
10:00am – Women's Bible Study

### **Friday, 3/23**

**7:00pm – Aladdin Spring Musical**

### **Saturday, 3/24**

**7:00pm – Aladdin Spring Musical**  
**7:00am – 2:00pm – Pine Needles**

### **Sunday, 3/25 – Palm Sunday**

8:30 am – "The Well" \* with Holy Communion  
9:30 am – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:45 am – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion  
**3:00pm – Aladdin Spring Musical**  
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*

## FREE TUTORING

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

at St. John's Lutheran  
Church & School



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).

### Ways to support the school:

#### Upcoming Spirit Nights:

Wednesday, March 28 – 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:

3/19 James Covington  
3/19 Rose Crafton  
3/19 Martha Musser  
3/20 Pat Hall  
3/20 Keith McKenzie  
3/20 Rachel Webb

3/22 Amber Scott  
3/23 Sonia Davidson  
3/23 Brooke Gartley  
3/23 Donna Gronewoller  
3/23 Madelyn Orsborn  
3/24 Brittini Davidson  
3/24 Abby Kiel  
3/24 Hannah Kiel  
3/24 Maddie Kiel

### Happy Anniversary to:

3/21 Don & Sonia Davidson (31 years)

### 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](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: Tim Nelson Chairman; Adam Orsborn, Vice-Chair; Nathan Kottlowski, Secretary; Judy Meisinger, Education; Jeff Goad, Finances & Facilities*

We remember those who are shut in:

*Nancy Brake, Jeannette Dyson, John Fordham, Chris Johnston, Marty Loper, Kay Moose, Marilyn Sagehorn, MillieTetzlaff*

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

*Deedee Bement (Brendyn Gronewoller's mother-in-law), Marsha Braun (Doris Braun's daughter), Joel Christiansen, Laura Ference, (friend of Essbach's), Jack*

Fordham, Terry France (Stephanie Andrews' father) TJ Gilmore's Grandmother, (pre-school grandparent), Katie Goad, Geri Gorham, (Rod Gorham'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), Dave Lundmark, Laura McNeil (friend of Dale & Alice Mierisch), Stan Moeller, (Sam Drouillard's cousin), 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:

Jeanne Blizzard, Amanda Burch, (Holly Wilson's daughter), Frances Burmeister, Gwen Clocker, Morris Crafton, Claudia Essbach, Edna Ferguson, (Randall Ferguson's mother), RJ Hamby (Joan Happel's son-in-law), David Henderson (Gary & Nancy Brake's nephew & Stephanie, Hannah, Maddie & Abby Kiel's cousin), Brad Honeycutt, Nathan Kottlowski, Tina Kottlowski, Glenda Lackey, Mary Lee (Clarice George's mother), Jan Lundmark, Karl Mount, (Dot Cleary's son-in-law), Mike Nelson, (Tim Nelson's Dad), Justin Riley (Carl Schlotzauer's grandson), Judy Rowe, Jacki Rullman, Ron Semple, (Beth Meier's stepfather), Cheryl Wulfert

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:

There are four major trends influencing the persecution of Christians worldwide. We'll look at one factor today and consider the rest in the following weeks. Without a doubt the Islamic Revolutionary Movement is one the most widely recognized sources of persecution. The goal is to bring the world under Sharia law either through acts of terrorism (the "smash" factor) or through diplomatic and political actions and grassroots social efforts (the "squeeze" factor). The pressure from the squeeze factor often far outweighs the violence of the smash factor and is more difficult to endure. Pray for our brothers and sisters in faith, who many times face both the smash factor and the squeeze factor. Pray that the Islamic Revolutionary Movement is not successful in imposing Sharia law around the world.

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)  
 Dave Lundmark ----- (Ko-Lor)  
 Mark Meier ----- (Lov-O)  
 Mark Meier -----(P-R)  
 Dale Mierisch -----(S)  
 Rob Schwabe----- (T-Z)

**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.  
[ChurchSecretary@stjohnswws.org](mailto:ChurchSecretary@stjohnswws.org)