



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)

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Bible Class

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Service

Sunday, March 5, 2017 – First Sunday in Lent

Participation last week, February 26, 2017

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| 8:30 a.m. "The Well" | 62 |
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Get involved in a Bible Study! Bible Study is every Sunday from 9:45 - 10:30. Jump in, and **grow** in the Word!

- Adult class in the Fellowship Hall

Children's Sunday School also meets from 9:45 – 10:30.

Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study meets at 10:00 a.m. in the After School Room, #101. The study "Great Women of the Bible," includes Eve, Sarah, Rebekah, Leah and Rachel. We will continue having 4th Tuesday sack lunch and board games after the Bible study. We invite all ladies to join us as we study God's Word. Call Dot Cleary at (336) 767-4116 with any questions.

Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study meets at 10:00 a.m. in the After School Room, #101. All women of St. John's and their friends are invited to join us for our weekly gathering of fellowship and study. We meet weekly through the school year. This year we are studying Priscilla Shirer's "The Armor of God". If anyone has any questions please contact Kerstin Walker at (336) 414-7667.

Thursday Evening Bible Study will resume after Easter.

To celebrate Lutheran Schools Week, the students of St. John's Lutheran School made bookmarks for our congregation, as a small token of appreciation for our support of the school ministry. Each family is encouraged to take a bookmark! They are available in the back of the church.



Today, 3/5

8:30 a.m. – "The Well" with Holy Communion

9:45 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship Service

Noon – Voters' Meeting & Potluck

2:30 p.m. – Well Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. – Senior Youth

Monday, 3/6

Women in Mission taking meal to Hospice

Tuesday, 3/7

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

6:30 p.m. – Elders' Meeting

Wednesday, 3/8

Noon – Bulletin & Announcement Deadline

5:30 p.m. – Lenten Supper

5:55 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. – Hispanic Tutoring

7:00 p.m. – Lenten Worship

8:05 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 3/9

9:30 a.m. – Intercessory Prayer Warriors

10:00 a.m. – Women's Bible Study

6 p.m. – PTO Meeting

7 p.m. – Kantorei Lenten Service at Greensboro

Friday, 3/10

School Grandparents' Day

8:30 a.m. – Chapel Service

Saturday, 3/11

7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. – Pine Needle Sale

10 a.m. – Noon – WIM Baby Shower for Salem

Pregnancy Center

Next Sunday, 3/12

Daylight Savings Time Begins – Turn clocks ahead
8:30 a.m. – “The Well” Worship Service
9:45 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
2:30 p.m. – Well Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. – Senior Youth

Did you know that March 21 is the birthday of the world’s greatest composer – Johann Sebastian Bach – and that he was Lutheran and worked in Lutheran churches? To celebrate this event, the Choir and other guests will be performing a free concert of some of his works on March 21 at 7:00 p.m. Since we are the hosts, our Choir will go first and will sing some highlights from “The Passion According to St. Matthew”. This work is quite intense, so bring along a couple of handkerchiefs. Other performers will share happier music, so the concert will end on a lighter note. I relate to Bach because he did whatever it took to make the music work with the liturgy. Once, his boy choir was not quite ready to sing Sunday’s music, so he had his wife sneak into the choir loft and she hid on the floor and sang with the kids. He was fired because, at that time, women were not allowed in the Chancel area. You would think...! But he did it again a few years later at another church. This time he did not get caught! Join us Tuesday, March 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary!
Frances

The Kantorei men’s choir from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, will present its annual Lenten Evening Prayer Service at Ebenezer Lutheran Church, 310 S. Tremont Dr, Greensboro, on Thursday, March 9, at 7 p.m.

Choir Rehearsals during Lent will be at 5:55 p.m. and again at 8:05 p.m.

It’s pine needle time! We need volunteers to help with the sale and people to buy the pine needles! We have a new supplier this year and we are selling long leaf pine needles. Go to the church website for details and to place your orders! The sale will be from 7:30 – 3:00 on March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1. Anyone can help! We need truck drivers, cash box keepers, order takers, people to help deliver and spread the pine needles and people to donate snacks/water. This is a huge fundraiser for the church and we need all hands on deck to make this happen. Please contact Brooke Gartley at bdgartley@wsfcs.k12.nc.us or 336-817-3117.

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), Dot Cleary (336-767-4116) or Katie Goad (336-924-6977).

Thank you so much to the many people who contributed to the 2017 Daddy Daughter Dance. We were blessed with about 80 dads and daughters who enjoyed a wonderful evening. If you set up, cooked, cleaned, served or just came and participated – THANK YOU for making the night a success! Thanks to our sponsors for their generous donations: Harris Teeter, Pepsi Bottling Ventures, Adventure Landing, Burke Street Pizza, Village Tavern, Becky’s Massage Therapy, Golden Corral and Allison’s Salon. Please remember them with your patronage. A special thank you to Verne Hill from WBFJ for providing us with dancing music, to the lovely ladies and gentlemen who helped with decorating and set-up, to the middle school and Chase & Worth Hardin & Jarod Walker for hauling the tables to and from the gym, and to the many families for donating time and food and for filling in all the other blanks! You are a blessing!

LWML Zone Rally will be here at St. John’s on Saturday, April 29, from 9:30 a.m. to about 1 p.m. Watch for additional information as the day approaches.

UPDATE Women In Mission calendar! We will prepare and deliver lunch to the Hospice tomorrow, March 6. Want to help? Call Kay Bowman and join in this service project.

WIM will host the Lenten meal on March 22. We will provide a Potato Bar, toppings and beverages. Volunteers can speak to Mary Rochester.

You are invited to a Baby Shower for the Salem Pregnancy Center on Saturday, **March 11**. Come anytime between 10 AM and Noon. Diapers and wipes are urgently needed. Also, we will have a contest for the cutest or most interesting baby bib donated. Women and girls, men and boys are invited to drop by and see the baby items donated.

JOY Event for women in the Carolinas District will be **March 25** in Norlina, NC. The Registration form is in the Carolinas Cross Connection newsletter on line and on the bulletin board. This form and hotel reservation deadline is March 13. Carpooling and room sharing can be done.

The national LWML Mite donations are running behind. Can you give an extra purple \$5 bill to get us to a successful completion of our goal?

Lenten Schedule: Lenten suppers will be at 5:30, and worship services at 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday through April 5.

WIM will provide the meal on March 22, but other groups are needed to provide the meals for the remaining weeks.

Holy Week Schedule will include:

Maundy Thursday worship with Holy Communion at 7 p.m. on April 13

Good Friday worship at 7 p.m. on April 14

Easter Sunday services will be at 8:00 a.m. (The Well, a half hour early) and 10:45 (Traditional), both with Holy Communion. Breakfast will be served between the services.

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 part of this service. You may also call with prayer requests.

Good News! There are still openings for flowers for the altar for most months of 2017. Please consider signing up for a Sunday or two in memory of someone or in celebration of something or to the glory of God. You then are welcome to take the flowers home with you after the 10:45 service on the Sunday you sign up for. The sign-up book is in the narthex. Thank you.

If anyone is not currently receiving emails for the Board of Directors' minutes and updates and would like to be included in the group email for this, then please send requests to Nathan Kottlowski, secretary to the Board of Directors, at misterkaye43@aol.com. Thanks. Otherwise, approved minutes and board announcements are posted on the church bulletin board.

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!

Ways to support the school:

Spirit Night –February 28 at Brixx Pizza.

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 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:

3/7 – David Hepner

3/8 – Alejandro Herrera

3/8 – Carl Schlotzhauer

3/12 – Travis Bane



St. John's Prayer Needs

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

Please be sure to extend your heartfelt thanks to these folks as you see them around the St John's campus. Praise God for the talented people that we have at St. John's.

Our Board of Directors: Bill Thorpe, Chairman; Nathan Kottlowski, Secretary; Dot Anderson; Judy Meisinger; Tim Nelson

We remember those who are homebound: Harry Armstrong, Frances Chambers, Chris Johnston, Marty Loper, Kay Moose, Gene Rapier, Carl Schlotzhauer, Millie Tetzlaff, Susan Thorpe, Irene Whitener

For those who mourn: the family of Bambi Braun. Lisa Little and her family on the death of her mother, Mary.

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Becky Baker (Martha Tegeler's daughter), Joel Christiansen, Jack Fordham, Katie Goad, Corinne Graham (friend of the Hoisingtons), R J Hamby (Joan Happel's son-in-law), Eva Hammacker (Donna Gronewoller's mother), Bob Hoisington, Rich Howe (friend of the Burkes), Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Jerry Linder, Bill Lonnecker (friend of the Essbachs), Dave Lundmark, Steve Miller, Tim Moss (friend of the Burkes), Mike Timms (Rich Essbach's nephew), Arline Urban

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

Beverly Atwell (Rose Crafton's daughter), Helen Bredenberg, John Bredenberg, Dean & Bobbi Hoegemeyer (friends of the Essbachs), Michael Hoisington (Bob & Anita's grandson), Christine Essbach-Karim (Rich's daughter), John Koehlinger, Nathan Kottlowski, Nina Patterson, Jacob Sealey (Bob & Cora Kretzschmar's son-in-law), Dhana Stewart & her premature daughter (preschool parent), Ryan Wilson

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

Dallas Darcy, Loren Jacobi, Branden Lackey, Andrew Nelson, Tegan Owen, Allie Petty, Brad Rullman, Jon Tessmann, Kevin Wilson, Steve Young

Persecution Prayer

North Korea is the most restricted nation on earth, and the need for sharing the Gospel and encouraging believers there is great. Pray for Kim Jong Un's salvation. Pray for the courage of Christians in the country. Pray that the Lord will open doors to share the Gospel. Pray that ministry efforts will remain unseen by government authorities. Pray for creative ways to get God's Word into North Korea.

For more information see the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

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
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