



**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, April 15, 2018 – Third Sunday of Easter

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### Dinner & Movie Night

The Dinner/Movie night has been rescheduled for **Saturday, April 21, 2018**. The spaghetti dinner will begin at **5:30 pm** and the movie, **Fury Vengeance**, will be shown starting at 6:30 pm. A gluten-free spaghetti dish will also be offered. Please join us for a great night of fun and fellowship with our church and school families! The food will be great and the movie is hilarious!

### Celebrating God's Grace at SJLS

God is good! Our total enrollment at the school is up over 20% since school started! We began the year with 141 (K-8:115, Pre-K: 26). We currently have 170 enrolled! (K-8:124, Pre-K: 46). God is good! Special shout out to Tom Baldwin (K-8) and Sonia Davidson (Pre-K) for touring, interviewing, and encouraging these new families to join our family.

### Blessing Bags

SJLC would like to be a blessing to others this Mother's Day. Please bring your nice, clean, gently used, unwanted purses and cosmetic bags to church during the month of April thru May 6, 2018. We are also in need of donations of your unwanted small soaps, shampoos, and other unused toiletries. The Outreach Ministry Team is collecting these items in order to make Mother's Day gifts for the battered woman's shelter and elderly women who would not otherwise receive any recognition on this special day. Please help us make this a memorable day for these ladies. Place the items in the box by the church office door. We will have lunch and fill the bags with blessings and prayers on **Sunday May 6, 2018** after late service. Thank you for your help with this project.

### Memorial Service for David Lundmark

The memorial service for David Lundmark will be **Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00pm**. After a long battle with cancer the Lord called Dave to rest on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. Dave was very active in God's work at St. John's. He served as an elder right up unto his death. Please pray for his wife Jan, his daughters and grandchildren. Join us to celebrate the God whom Dave loved and served.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be given in Dave's name to St. John's Lutheran Church. Gifts will be designated to the Cancer Ministry and Children's Ministry.

### God Speed

To Rod and Vicky Gorham who have moved to Charleston, SC. They worshiped with us the last 18 months driving 75 minutes one way. Rod said they would have driven farther! "I appreciate the Christ-centered worship focusing upon Christ giving us His gifts compared to – how sanctified can I get by getting on Christ's good side (by what I do). Not being a Lutheran all my life I have come to fully see the richness of its doctrines and beliefs. Most congregations have turned into businesses striving to appease the world with razzle-dazzle and gimmicks."

### Baby Bottle Campaign

Beginning this Sunday through Mother's Day, our church and school will participate in an outreach project for the Salem Pregnancy Center. Salem Pregnancy is the only FREE Medical Clinic in Winston Salem serving women facing unplanned pregnancy. All donations will provide the funds to continue providing practical support for mothers in need from diapers and clothes to counseling and parenting classes. **Salem Pregnancy Care Center** serves our community by offering loving counsel and support to those who find themselves in a crisis pregnancy. Last year, our church and school donated \$658.62 toward this important ministry. Please pick up your baby bottle in the back of the church and fill it with loose change, bills, or a check (made out to Salem Pregnancy Center). **Please return filled bottles to the basket in the back of the church by Sunday, May 13.** We will dedicate our offerings on Mother's Day. If you have any questions, please contact Martha Burke.

### To St. John's Family/Prayer Warriors

We are so blest to have so many "Prayer Warriors" – We appreciate all the prayers, calls, cards, visits, and food. Thanks again for all the prayers. – Much love, Glenda & Arden.

### Pine Needles

We still have pine needles left to sell. If anyone is interested in purchasing some please stop by the church office and drop a check off with Kerstin or Don. You may pick them up during the week.

### Women in Mission

We will be supplying lunch for the Kate B Reynolds Hospice House on Monday April 16th. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. We

would appreciate help from both men and women of the congregation. Thank you.

### **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**

Began meeting again on **Thursday April 5**. We had just begun Focus on the Family's "The Truth Project". If anyone who has not attended and wants to begin this study with us, we will be glad to make arrangements to show the section missed. Classes meet from **7PM - 8:30PM in the 8th Grade (science classroom)**. You may enter the classroom through the 7th Grade (Math classroom) from the lower section of the front parking lot. All you need to bring is your Bible. Contact Bill Thorpe at [wthorpe@triad.rr.com](mailto:wthorpe@triad.rr.com) or Rich Essbach at [rnessbach@triad.rr.com](mailto:rnessbach@triad.rr.com) with any questions.

### **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 April:** Canned Fruit (applesauce/peaches/etc.) The collection basket is in the Narthex.

**Altar Flowers Today** are given to the glory of God by Jane Davidson in memory of Debbie Davidson.

### **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, 4/15**

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**

2:00 pm. – Well Rehearsal

### **Monday, 4/16**

**10:30am – Cancer Group Session**

### **Tuesday, 4/17**

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

### **Wednesday, 4/18**

8:30am - Chapel  
**Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline**  
5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Meal  
**6:15pm – New Member Class**  
6:00 p.m. – Tutoring

### **Thursday, 4/19**

9:30am – Prayer Warriors  
10:00am – Women's Bible Study  
7:00pm – Evening Bible Study

### **Saturday, 4/21**

**1:00pm – Dave Lundmark Memorial Service**  
**5:30pm – Dinner & Movie w/School**

### **Sunday, 4/22**

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. – 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*



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:**

Wed. Apr 25 – Buffalo Wild Wings – 5pm-8pm

**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:**

4/18 Tim Gartley  
4/19 Glenda Lackey  
4/19 Sam Witner  
4/21 Fran Johnson

**Happy Anniversary to:**

4/18 Bob & Martha Burke (48 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, Millie Tetzlaff*

**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, 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:**

*Morris Crafton, Beth Davis, (Martha Musser's daughter), Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), David Henderson (Gary & Nancy Brake's nephew & Stephanie, Hannah, Maddie & Abby Kiel's cousin), Avery Johnson, Glenda Lackey, Jan Lundmark, Justin Riley (Carl Schlotzauer's grandson), Butch Roberts, Jacki Rullman, Ron Semple, (Beth Meier's stepfather), Millie Tetzlaff, Brandon Thebeaux (Don Henderson's, daughter-in-law's brother).*

**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*

**Pray for St. John's Call Committee**

*Tim Nelson, Laura Nelson, Judy Meisinger, Gregg Vogelsmeier, Karl Hastings, Claudia Essbach, Rose Crafton, Stephanie Guelzow, Ben Montgomery, Kerstin Walker*

Persecution Prayer:

Four trends have played a significant role in the persecution of Christians worldwide - the slow creep of Islamist revolutionary movement, the growing secularist movement, the rising of religious nationalism, and the increase of ethno-religious cleansing. This Sunday we look at this fourth trend. Ethnic cleansing based on religious affiliation is growing in a number of sub-Saharan African countries, mainly due to the agenda of political Islam. The result is the forced expulsion of those who differ in race, ethnicity or religion through murder, torture, extrajudicial executions, rape, attacks on civilians, and arbitrary arrest and detention. Pray for our brothers and sisters in faith who are at risk of ethnic cleansing and even genocide. Pray that they trust in our Lord and Savior for protection, comfort, and life.

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 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@stjohns.org](mailto:ChurchSecretary@stjohns.org)

**Elder Assignments**

**Member/families**

Bob Burke -----(A-Bra)  
Steve Anderson----- (Bre-Der)  
Rich Essbach -----(Do-Ga)  
Rich Essbach ----- (Ge-Hen)  
Larry Bowman----- (Hes-Kie)  
Vacant ----- (Ko-Lor)  
Mark Meier ----- (Lov-O)  
Mark Meier -----(P-R)  
Dale Mierisch -----(S)  
Rob Schwabe----- (T-Z)

**Participation April 8, 2018**

8:30 61  
10:45 104  
Nursery 3