



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 22, 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

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.

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.

LWML Spring Zone Rally

Saturday, May 5, 2018 is the date for this year's Rally. It will be at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Burlington from 9:00am – 2:00pm. "Living the Sweet Life", a retreat for women of all ages. Please call Mary Rochester or Cheryl Wulfert if you plan on attending. We can carpool. Check for details on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

Call Committee Update

Names have been received. The Call Committee met earlier this week and we are currently vetting the candidates. Please pray for God to give us direction in searching for our Shepherd

Altar Flowers Needed!

We have a few open Sundays in May and June. Please see sign up book in the narthex for available dates.

Hospice Lunch Thank You!

Thank you to everyone that contributed to the lunch that was served at the Hospice and Palliative Care house this past Monday. It was a great servant event.

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.

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 or Rich Essbach at rhcassbach@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 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 Dave & Gayle Barcio in honor of Arline Urban's 90th 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, 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

Tuesday, 4/24

10:00am – Senior Bible Study

Wednesday, 4/25

8:30am - Chapel
Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline
5:30 p.m. – NO HISPANIC MINISTRY
6:15pm – New Member Class

Thursday, 4/26

9:30am – Prayer Warriors
10:00am – Women's Bible Study
6:00 p.m. – PTO Meeting
7:00pm – Evening Bible Study

Friday, 4/27

6:30pm – Middle School Dance

Sunday, 4/29

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:

4/23 Harold Dyson
4/23 Kathy Schwabe
4/24 Doris Braun
4/24 Gene Rapier
4/26 Arline Urban
4/28 Will Hardin

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.

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, Bob Hoisington, Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Mason Lankford (22-month-old child known by Meg Lorenz), Jerry Linder, Bill Lonnecker (friend of the Essbachs), Laura McNeil (friend of Dale & Alice Mierisch), Stan Moeller, (Sam Drouillard’s cousin), Tara Phillips (niece of Arden & Glenda Lackey), Gene Rapiet, 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.

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 April 15, 2018

8:30	66
10:45	87
Nursery	3

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,
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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