

Sunday, May 13, 2018 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Pastor Tom will be available after worship today to answer questions and any discussion or comments concerning his decision to take his name off of our call list.

Call Committee Update

We have progressed to second interviews with a few of the candidates. Please pray for God to give us direction in searching for our Shepherd.

THANK YOU!

Last Sunday after church we had 20 people enjoy a lunch together and then we filled 56 purses with gifts for the battered women's shelter!

We filled the purses you so generously gave with your donations of cosmetics, toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotions, shampoos, conditioners, combs, nail kits, Band-Aids, and so much more! We included a written word of encouragement, and we prayed over each bag. Your gifts will be delivered this Saturday. Please continue to pray for the recipients of each gift - that they may know the security of God's love and thank you again for your generosity.

Another Reformation Celebration

Musica Anima, the Triad's premier early music vocal ensemble, is presenting its spring concert at West Market Street United Methodist Church, 302 West Market Street in downtown Greensboro. **The free concert will begin at 7:30 on Tuesday, May 15.**

The concert is called Lob, Preis, und Ehren (Praise, Prize, and Honor) and celebrates the earliest sacred music of the Reformation. Motets by Heinrich Schütz (1585 – 1672) and his musical descendants are featured. True to the "new" Lutheran reform, most of the compositions are in the language of the people, German, while a few are in Latin.

Artistic Director and Conductor William Snedden said, "Our concert starts with the music of Schütz, and each succeeding composition sounds like an arrow pointing toward the music of Johann Sebastian Bach, the pinnacle of the Baroque."

The concert is free and all are welcome. The church has on street parking as well as a well-lit lot. Handicap accessible. Please visit the group's homepage: <https://www.facebook.com/MusicaAnimaGSO/>

For more information contact: Frances Burmeister, fburmeister@hotmail.com 617 267-1520

New Bible Study

Have you ever been in dialogue with God, asking Him why he has tolerated "such and such" an evil condition? And then to your astonishment He answers with a response that appears to you so outlandish that you can't fathom it. Well, in 605 BC that is exactly where Habakkuk found himself. We will explore this unusual situation starting next **Sunday, May 20** in Room 101 at 9:45 AM. You are welcome to join us.

Yard Sale

The tentative date the 2018 St. John's Lutheran annual Yard Sale is **June 16, 2018**. We will be accepting donations starting 5/13/18.

There will be a collection bin in the front lobby or items can be put directly into the Youth House garage. Our annual sale is a great way to recycle the unwanted items in your home – clothing, tools, household goods. It is also an opportunity to invite our neighbors onto our campus and to raise funds for ministry teams. Proceeds from this year's event will be used to support Outreach and Children's ministry.

It is a very labor intensive event – we need people to sort & carry, cashiers, concessions, and clean up. It cannot happen without a lot of volunteers!

If there is not enough volunteers to help with the sale then all donations will be given to Rescue Mission. If you can help at all – please sign up in the fellowship hall, or email Kris Gartley – kgartley@triad.rr.com. If we have enough help then we will make it happen!

Graduation Announcements

Please email your child's name, the school they are graduating from (high school or college), and where they are attending or working in the fall. If they are graduating college please notate the degree. If anyone knows of former St. John's students who are graduating from high school or college please let me know their information.

Send to Kerstin churchsecretary@stjohnsww.org by May 30th.

Robotics Camp – help needed!

Are you interested? We need helpers to work with students (rising 5th-8th grade) at our Robotics Camp this summer. (June 18th-21st, 8:30am – 11:30am). We will build with Legos and program the robots. Contact Alex Sawicki at Alex@kb-promotions.net.

Altar Flowers Needed!

We have several open dates in July. Please see sign up book in the narthex for available dates.

Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study

The Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study will begin a new study, "**Relying on the Power of the Spirit**" from the book of Acts. This study is meant to show how to live the Christian life-by tapping into the Power of the Spirit in all you do!

Meet us at 10:00am in the Music Room for coffee and study. On the 4th Tuesday of each month we will stay for sack lunch and games.

We will be meeting through the summer months, so plan to join us for this new series, "Woman after God's Own Heart" by Elizabeth George, written to change hearts and change lives.

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

Thursday Evening Bible Study

We are doing a study called "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 rncssbach@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 May: Saltine and snack crackers. The collection basket is in the Narthex.

Altar Flowers Today are given to the glory of God by Don & Clare Adamick in memory of our mother and to honor all mothers.

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, 5/13 – Mother's Day

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, 5/15

10:00am – Senior Bible Study

7:00pm – Elders Prayer & Praise

Wednesday, 5/16

Preschool Spring Program Chapel

8:30am - Chapel

Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline

5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Meal

6:00pm - Tutoring

7:00pm – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 5/17

9:30am – Prayer Warriors

10:00am – Women's Bible Study

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Preschool Spring Program

7:00pm – Evening Bible Study

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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:

Begins again in the Fall!

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:

5/16 Sarah Webb
5/17 Jane Davidson
5/18 Ethan Evans
5/19 Alex Sawicki

Happy Anniversary to:

5/19 David & Jackie Wells (28 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.

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:

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 Lonacker (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 Rapier, Deb Schoolcraft, Mike Timms (Rich Essbach's nephew), Arline Urban

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

Morris Crafton, Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), David Henderson (Gary & Nancy Brake's nephew & Stephanie, Hannah, Maddie & Abby Kiel's cousin), Avery Johnson, Ben Mullins, (Gwen Clockers, son-in-law's 14 year old cousin, Butch Roberts, Jacki Rullman, Ron Semple, (Beth Meier's stepfather), Millie Tetzlaff, Brandon Thebeaux (Don Henderson's, daughter-in-law's brother), Zeldia Wilson, (Meg Lorenz's 1 year old friend).

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:

Pray that Turkey will release Pastor Andrew Brunson, an American who has lived in Turkey for 20+ years, where he is pastor to a small Presbyterian congregation. He was arrested in October 2016 and charged with membership in an armed terrorist organization, which the Turkish government accused of planning the failed July 2016 coup. Pastor Brunson, who has denied the allegations of three secret witnesses, has been held without due process and without adequate physical and psychological support. He faces up to 35 years in jail on bogus charges of terror and spying. At the end of his hearing on May 7, the court decided to keep him in jail until his next hearing on July 18, 2018. Pray that God will comfort and provide for Pastor Brunson. Pray that he can witness his faith to his fellow inmates. Pray that he will safely return to his family.

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)
Dale Mieriwch-----	(T-Z)

Participation April 29, 2018

8:30	74
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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