



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, July 1, 2018 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor's Schedule this week

Pastor Tom will be out of the office from Tuesday, July 3 – Wednesday, July 4.

New Sermon Series

I've been preaching from the N.T. almost exclusively for many months and teaching Romans, as well. Working on last Sunday's message about the life of Joseph has led me to start to put together a handful of messages on the **main stories** in the **Book of Genesis**. We are starting this morning with The Fall in the Garden. Next week will be Cain and Abel. **(Read Genesis Chapter Four this week to prepare!)**

Cooler Clothing

While we are in the process of determining the condition of our A/C unit, you may want to consider wearing "cooler" clothing to worship.

Church E-mails

Please do take the time to read e-mails we send out, whether updates from Dale/Nathan, the weekly Saturday update or something from the church secretary, Board of Directors, or me (Pastor). If God's work at St. John's Lutheran Church is important to you, it only takes a few minutes to open and read, each one! Thanks, Pastor Tom.

Worship Update

June attendance was up from last year (159 vs. 152) around 4.5%. This has brought our six month average closer to even. The first six months of 2018 compared to 2017 is 163 vs. 166, or down just under 2%. Praise God for each person, each week, and for stabilizing our recent trend.

Coming – Soon Hispanic Ministry Summer Program

Wednesday Dates: July 18,25, August 1, 8 5:30-7:00 pm.

WILL YOU HELP US TO "LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR" ?

We need: **TUTORS/CRAFTERS/SEWERS**--fabric, \$ for school supplies.

We need: **COMMUNITY SERVANTS**--with willing hands to help our Hispanic kids learn to "Love Thy Neighbor" by creating useful objects for Seniors and for babies.

We need: **WILLING HEARTS** to serve with us to expand His community by assisting our Hispanic friends once or twice or at every opportunity possible.

Please join our Ministry-Sign-up sheets will be on the Bulletin Board or contact Kris Gartley kgartley@triad.rr.com; Kathleen Sawicki kathleen@kb-promotions.net or Cheryl Wulfert cwulfert50@hotmail.com

Call Committee

Pastor Alberts has declined the Call to St. John's. The next step for the Call Committee process is a new slate of candidates from the District office. This request was made to the SED the day Pastor Alberts declined our call. President Denninger responded to our BOD Chair Tim Nelson personally, and that list is being assembled. A timeline was not provided at the time of request, but we're certain the district will move as prudently and quickly as they can.

Please pray for the Call Committee as we go forward in finding a new shepherd for St. John's Lutheran Church.

Wonderful opportunity to update the Youth House

Our Youth House has been in need of attention for some time. Since there have been more pressing issues that have taken priority, the Youth House has been somewhat neglected. However, we have an opportunity to do some updating at a great price. One of Kris Gartley's contacts has offered us commercial grade flooring at a super low price. Since this is discontinued stock it is available for a limited time. For approximately \$600 (this includes the flooring and installation) we can replace the kitchen floor in the Youth House. However, there is no money in the budget for this item. If you are willing and able to contribute to this cause, please do so by writing "Youth House Floor" on the memo line on your check. Or place your contribution in an envelope marked "Youth House Floor." If we receive more than is needed for the floor, we will use it for additional repairs for the Youth House. Thank you so much for your contribution - any amount will be greatly appreciated.

Congratulations!

To Michael Zeoli, our 8:30am worship leader on his marriage Sunday, June 10th to Ms. Evelyn Trester. May God bless them with many happy and healthy years together.

Summer Camp needs a few items!

Summer Camp is in need of gently used or new items for the School Age/after care group. If you can help out it would be greatly appreciated!

- Playdough
- Matchbox Cars
- Car tracks
- Board games: especially Pictionary, Jenga, Checkers, & Chess
- Outside sports equipment: kickballs, basketballs, footballs, plastic bats & balls.

If you can help out with any of these items it would be greatly appreciated. Please leave items on the kitchen counter or find Rachel Reynolds.

Sounds of Summer – Organ Recitals (free)

Dates and locations as follows:

Sunday, July 8, 7pm – Highland Presbyterian Church

***Monday, July 23, 5, 6, & 7pm – St. Anne's Episcopal Church**

Sunday, August 5, 7pm – Christ Moravian Church

Monday, August 20, 7pm – Reynolda Church

*Frances Burmeister presenting at 5pm

Please see bulletin board for more details or

<http://www.piedmontncago.org/sounds-of-the-summer-concert-series.html>

Music Notes

Cristy Lynn Brown, Professor of Voice at Salem College and reknown mezzo-soprano, is offering a class for singers on **Wednesdays July 15, 25, and August 1** right here in the St. John's choir room at 7:00. There is a fee of \$5 per person per session. The purpose of the class is to help us sing better using our unique gifts. A lot of the focus will be on breath control.

Women, this one is for you! I have a jazzy setting of the Spiritual *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel* that I would like to share with you and the congregation. Rehearsals will be Sundays, July 1 and 8 at about noon until 12:30. We will sing it at the July 15 service. All women and young women are invited to join in.

Men, I have one for you, too! Get loose and uninhibited with *A Place in the Choir* (remember Bill Staines and All God's Chil'run Got a Place in the Choir?). Okay, I get it that it's a stretch for the Frozen Chosen to be uninhibited, so how about relaxed instead? Rehearsals will piggyback the Cristy Brown voice class, July 18, 25, and August 1, from 8:15 until 8:45. We will sing it in church on August 5.

Let me know asap if would like to be a part of any of these events.

Happy singing!
Frances

Room 101 Sunday Bible Class

Social injustice has been around for thousands of years. We see it today. Amos saw it in 760 BC. What do we do about it? What did Amos do about it? To learn more, join us in Room 101 as we continue our study of the Book of Amos this Sunday at 9:45.

This class takes place the same time as Pastor's Adult Sunday School on Sunday mornings.

Do you have your name tag?

If you do not have a name tag, please contact Kerstin at the church office and she will order you one. We would like all members to have name tags and use them! Please indicate that you need one when you sign your name in the pew pad.

churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org

Yard Sale – NEW DATE! We need your stuff!

The tentative date for the 2018 St. John's Lutheran annual Yard Sale is **July 21, 2018**.

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!

Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study

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.

Meet us at 10:00am in **The Teacher's Workroom** for our summer session. On the 4th Tuesday of each month we will stay for sack lunch and games.

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

Crisis Control for June: Canned Meats (salmon, tuna, beef, ham, etc.). The collection basket is in the Narthex.

Altar Flowers Today are given to the glory of God by Kathy, John, & Emily Schwabe in honor of Rob's birthday.



Sunday, 7/1

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

Pastor out of office July 3-4

Tuesday, 7/3

10:00am – Senior Bible Study
Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline due to holiday.

Wednesday, 7/4

Office Closed

Thursday, 7/5

9:30am – Prayer Warriors

Sunday, 7/8

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
2:00pm – Cancer Prayer Service

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:

7/2 Sandra Linder
7/3 Dave Genevie
7/6 Alex Campbell
7/7 Rachel Reynolds
7/7 Jacob Wells

Happy Anniversary to:

7/7 Steven & Nicole Shannon (11 years)

Intercessory Prayer Warriors:

A group of people led by Rich Essbach 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, Jerry Linder, Bill Lonnecker (friend of the Essbachs), Laura McNeil (friend of Dale & Alice Mierisch), 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, Bill Chegwidden, (Sarah Strahm's stepfather), Joe Corby, (friend of the Adamick's), **Norm Drouillard**, Lillian Flichman, (Don & Clare Adamick's friend), Joan Happel, Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), **Mary Henderson**, (Don Henderson's mother), Avery Johnson, Karl Mount, (Dot Cleary's son-in-law), 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), Zelda Wilson, (Meg Lorenz's 1 year old friend).

Pray for Frank & Mary Longman on the death of their son, David Longman. Their granddaughter, Iselle was a former student at St. John's.

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

For those on the Call Committee:

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

Persecution Prayer:

Since Putin became Russia's president again in 2012, there has been a "staggering human rights clampdown" according to the Russia program director for Human Rights Watch, Tanya Lokshina. An "anti-missionary law" was introduced as an anti-terrorism measure. However, vague and problematic definitions of extremism give authorities wide latitude to interfere in peaceful religious observances and to persecute believers of all faiths. Pray for our brothers and sisters in faith in Russia, as they face the consequences of this recently pass legislation. For more information see the bulletin 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 Mierisch-----	(T-Z)

Participation June 24, 2018

8:30	72
10:45	94
Nursery	4

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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