



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, August 13, 2017 – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost & Back-to-School Sunday

Participation August 6, 2017

8:30 a.m. "The Well"	70
10:45 a.m. Traditional	66
Nursery	6

Bible Class & Sunday School will not meet this morning because of the Back-to-School Sunday breakfast social. Come join in! Sunday School will resume next Sunday, and the Adult Bible Class will have an informational session about the School.

Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study is continuing to meet through the summer, **back to gathering in Room #101 this week.** Beginning at 10:00 a.m. with coffee, there is a different study each week. We invite all ladies to join in the study of God's Word. Call Dot Cleary at (336) 767-4116 with any questions. The regular year sessions will resume the study of the Women of the Bible in two weeks, on August 22.

The Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study will begin on August 24 at 10:00 a.m. in Room #101. All are welcome to join as they begin 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 Kerstin Walker at Kerstin@tdarx.com or by phone at 336-414-7667.

Crisis Control Item for August: Jelly. The collection basket is in the Narthex.

The Congregational Meeting is set for Sunday, September 10, following the second service.

Altar Flowers Today are given to the Glory of God by Beth & Mark Meier in honor of John Fordham in belated celebration of his birthday.

Informational Meeting about the School. The Board of Directors will hold an informational meeting with the congregation during the adult Bible class time next Sunday, August 20.



Today, 8/13 – Back to School Sunday

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

9:45 a.m. – Breakfast Social to celebrate Back-to-School Sunday

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship

4:00 p.m. – Well Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. – Senior Youth

Monday, 8/14

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Preschool Open House

Tuesday, 8/15

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

6:30 p.m. – Elders' Prayer & Praise

4:00 – 6:30 p.m. – 1st-8th Grade Open House – **Note change in time**

Wednesday, 8/16

First Day of School – Half Day

8:30 a.m. – Chapel

Noon – Bulletin & Weekly News Deadline

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Parent Orientation

Thursday, 8/17

9:30 a.m. – Intercessory Prayer Warriors

Friday, 8/18 – Saturday, 8/19

LWML District Retreat at Camp Linn Haven

Next Sunday, 8/20

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

9:30 a.m. – Informational Meeting about the School

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

2:00 p.m. – Prayer Shawl Ministry at Katie Goad's home

4:00 p.m. – Well Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. – Senior Youth

Fall Sunday School for ages 2 years to High School will resume on September 10. There will be no Sunday School on Labor Day Weekend, September 3, for ages 2 years through Middle School.

Holy Communion will not be celebrated today at the 10:45 service because of Back-to-School Sunday. It will be celebrated at both services next Sunday, and every service beginning in September. It will not be celebrated at either service on August 27 because Pastor Clocker will be away.

Turner-Hayes Scholarship Fund – Twice a year, in January and in August, the Board of Elders accepts applications for scholarship awards for the Turner-Hayes Scholarship Fund. Confirmed members of St. John's Lutheran Church, who are enrolled and attending college, are encouraged to apply. The Scholarship award is for \$500.00 and is available twice a year. Applications are available now and should be turned in to the Elders for processing. Applications will be accepted until August 29, 2017. Checks will be distributed as soon as possible in September 2017.

Back to School Sunday – Today – Our congregation is celebrating the beginning of the 2017-18 school year. We have invited our St. John's Lutheran School parents and students to worship with us in either of our services. During the worship services, Pastor Clocker will have a special blessing for our St. John's faculty, parents, and students, as well as the parents and students of our members who will be attending Forsyth County Schools and also any college students. The church/school support team will be **hosting a breakfast** between services for our members and guests. It will be a great opportunity to meet our school parents and students. We will also kick off our Forsyth County Back Pack program during the breakfast. Please come and join us for this special event!

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.

The current sermon series, resuming next week, asks Jesus Himself, "Who Are You?" The answers will come from Jesus' seven "I Am" statements in the Gospel of John. It is important that we are clear on who Jesus is for our own faith, and to be able to share Him with others. Please attend as many of these as you can. If you miss a Sunday, all the sermons will be on line through our website.

Please join us for our annual St. John's Family Weekend at Camp Linn Haven, Linville, NC, the weekend of September 29 – October 1. This is a great weekend to just relax, eat great food, enjoy the beautiful mountain scenery and generally unplug from everyday life! Teirsa Lane and her staff will see that you have great service and wonderful food. Plan on bringing a book and

sitting out on the porch swing and relax. However, if you would like to play golf, go horseback riding, or hiking – that can be arranged, too. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time not only with your family but your St. John's family. Our weekend will be led by Nathan Kottlowski. Pastor Clocker and Gwen will be enjoying a trip that was given to them by their daughter that weekend and will not be able to join us. Weather permitting, we will have devotions on the top of Flat Rock on Saturday evening. Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us for this special time. The information sheets that include a reservation form, costs, and directions are located on the table at the back of the church. If you have any questions, please call Martha Burke at 336-766-0575(H) or 336-416-2748(C). Register by September 24.

Stewardship: If you miss a Sunday or two while at the beach or on vacation, please make sure to still give your weekly tithe (offering). Your offerings are a gift of **thanksgiving – to God** – for all He has given you in Christ – and in your life. While your offerings are part of your worship of God, they are also important to God's work through St. John's – especially in the summer!
Pastor Tom

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). This month's meeting will be at 2:00 next Sunday, August 20, at Katie Goad's home, 3960 Talcott Ave, Winston-Salem.

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.

Ways to support the school:

School Spirit Night at Jason's Deli, 1005 Hanes Mall Blvd, on Thursday, August 31, from 5 – 10 p.m.

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:

8/15 – Dave Lundmark
8/16 – Teresa Witner
8/17 – Michaela Montgomery
8/18 – Stephanie Andrews
8/18 – Joan Happel
8/19 – Renee Henderson
8/20 – Tom Baldwin
8/20 – Linda Pennucci

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

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 shut in:

Harry Armstrong, Frances Chambers, Jim Johnson, Chris Johnston, Marty Loper, Kay Moose, Marilyn Sagehorn, Millie Tetzlaff, Susan Thorpe

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Deedee Bement (Brendyn Gronewoller's mother-in-law), Joel Christiansen, Kristy Dunn (school mom with two children), Jack Fordham, Katie Goad, Eva Hammacker (Donna Gronewoller's mother), 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), Steve Miller (Beth Hardin's brother), Gene Rapier, Deb Schoolcraft, Mike Timms (Rich Essbach's nephew), Arline Urban

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

Tom Baldwin, Duke Bledsoe (Jane Davidson's brother), John Bredenberg, Van Dubbs (friend of Dale & Alice Mierisch), Rich Essbach, Stef Hamilton, Andrea Hamling (friend of the Essbachs), Elsie Mae Kimmler (Jan Lundmark's sister), Polly McKenzie (Keith's mother), Jacki Rullman, Bob Sparks, Katie Stevens (Debbie Baronowski's daughter), Ron (friend of Holly Wilson)

For those who mourn: Rich Zuffante (Dale Mierisch's brother-in-law) and his family, on the death of Rich's brother, John Zuffante

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

Persecution Prayer:

In January 2013, Maryam Naghash Zargaram, a convert from Islam, was arrested along with Saeed Abedini (who was released in January 2016 due to international outrage) in connection with their work at an orphanage. She was sentenced to four years' imprisonment for "spreading Christianity in Iran in order to pervert Iranian society from Islam." On August 1 Maryam was released from Tehran's Evin Prison. Praise God for her release. Pray that her health will be restored, as she was repeatedly denied medical treatment for long-standing health conditions. Also, pray for the dozen Christians who have recently received lengthy prison terms of ten years or more, indicating Iran's lack of respect for religious freedom.

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,
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,
8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.