



St. John's
LUTHERAN
Church & School

Weekly News

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Winston-Salem, NC 27103

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8:30 a.m. – The Well
(Contemporary Service)

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Service

Sunday, September 1, 2019 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Celebration of Baptism!

Today during Early Service we will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. **Laura Lee Andrews** was born on July 20, 2019 to Angelica Andrews.

Congratulations to Nick Kottlowski and Rachael Boyd!

Nick Kottlowski (Nathan & Tina Kottlowski's son) and Rachael Boyd were married Saturday, August 31 at 5 pm in Nokesville, VA at the family home. We wish them God's blessings on their new future together!

Voters Meeting – Postponed

The voter's meeting will be **Sunday, September 15, 2019** following late service.

Come join us for the New Prayer Warriors

Spend an hour in **PRAYER** for St. Johns. We are still meeting on **Thursday mornings (9:30-10:30) in the sanctuary**. We only pray...no interruptions and everyone can choose to participate! We are following a new format!! We have a focus for our time together which comes from a Bible verse. Next, we read aloud Jesus' connection and/or Christian authors' quotes about our focus for the day. That's followed by definitions of our focus. Now we start our Intercession by preparing our hearts for prayer. We read aloud "putting on the armor of God" from Ephesians 6:10-18. Our second step here is to confess our sins silently and receive forgiveness. (We've learned that to pray with unforgiven sins is to prevent God's answer. The Bible makes this clear: "If I had cherished sin in my heart, the LORD would not have listened." Psalm 66:18). Our forgiveness of sins comes from various Bible verses like I John: 8-9. During our time of Intercession, we pray for on-going weekly requests and specific requests that we have received from others. As Christians, we believe that prayer is very important to our faith walk as we grow closer to Him, our Savior, and for the church's service to our Lord Jesus Christ.

PLEASE COME AND HELP US LIFT OUR ADORATION, THANKSGIVING, AND REQUESTS TO OUR THRONE OF HIS GRACE!

New Members Sunday

On Reformation Sunday (October 27th), we will recognize all our new members who have begun attending in the last year or so.

If you need to get a transfer from your previous congregation please e-mail the church office so Kerstin can process that for you.

If you have never belonged to a Lutheran congregation please let Pastor Tom know so we can arrange membership classes for you. revclocker@gmail.com

Church & School BBQ – Save the Date! **Saturday, October 19th – more info coming!**

A Taste of Kenya

Save the date, the next Taste of Kenya Dinner will be **Saturday, September 28, 5-7pm**. Experience the Kenyan culture and a delicious Kenyan meal prepared by Sister Purity Ruchugo, the founder of Sister2Sister International Outreach Ministry. All proceeds from the dinner go to building the school in Kenya.

Music Notes

Actively looking for new members for the Adult Choir. Ability to read music is not required but a willingness work hard is. **Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:00 starting September 4**. The Sunday morning schedule is a bit complicated. Group I meets at 9:00 for warmup and touchup. These singers then go to Bible Study. Group II meets at 10:00 and has the same warmup and touchup. These are the non-Bible Study singers. At 10:25 the two groups meet in the Chancel and run the anthem.

At our first rehearsal we will share a potluck supper at 6:00 at the church and then rehearse at 7:00. Try it out – join us! I'm looking forward to an exciting year! - Frances

Cancer Prayer Service – next Sunday

September is here and let's turn to fitness in our journey. Jimmy Johnson from the Jerry Long YMCA will be the speaker. He is the Associate Engagement Director - Wellness at the YMCA who dose the Livestrong class. The Livestrong class is designed is a 12 week small group program for adult cancer survivors who are post treatment up to five years. This program is designed to help in physically and emotional strength to return to their normal life o their New normal life. The weekly 90 minute sessions are adjusted to the individual's ability level. Always know you are all invited to attend and learn what our community has to offer those in the journey.

Spotlight on Mites

One of the 21 projects chosen by Delegates at the LWML 38th Biennial convention in Mobile, AL this past June was the “**Water and the Word**” for rural schools in Kenya, \$80,000!!! Your mites that you bring forward today – and every 1st Sunday of the month, will be used to help pay for this and the other 20 mission grants of our \$2.1 million goal.

In 2008, a man from Nebraska traveling in East Africa saw the need for clean water and sought a way to help. In 2016 a team from Nebraska took over management of the project. They have installed rain gutters and tanks for storage.

Handwashing stations and clean water “buckets” are placed in every classroom. Personal hygiene, handwashing and drinking only clean water has been taught. This grant will expand the Lutheran Church in Kenya to extend the clean water project in their schools and orphanages.

Women’s Mountain Retreat – November 1-3, 2019

Hello, Girlfriends!

Wishing you could sneak away for a relaxing time in the mountains? We’ve got the perfect plan!

Cozy Mountain Lodge is a relaxing mountain lodge themed retreat the women of our church are doing together. It includes worship, Bible study, and time for laughter as well as time for quiet reflection.

We’ll begin at 7:30 pm on **Friday November 1** (dinner on your own beforehand) and will finish by 11 a.m. on Sunday November 3. Our retreat will be held at the **YMCA Blue Ridge Retreat Center in Black Mountain, NC**, and the cost is \$170 per person, which covers 2-nights’ lodging in our own lodge, 4 meals, a T-shirt, & other goodies. Financial assistance is available—we don’t want the expense to keep interested women from joining us! We’ll supply some refreshments but please bring any snacks/beverages you’d like to share.

Contact Kathleen Sawicki (Kathleen@kb-promotions.net) or Beth Meier (beth.fordhammeier@gmail.com) for more information. **A \$50 deposit is needed by August 31.**

Take time to relax, to make new friends, to worship, and to draw closer to God. We hope you’ll join us at Cozy Mountain Lodge.

Tuesday Morning Senior Women’s Bible Study

We will be starting the “New Fall Season” by studying the Books of 1 & 2 Timothy & Titus!!! Join us for coffee as we study how these words will show us how to protect and pass on the true Gospel of Jesus Christ! We will continue to have “sack lunch & games” on the 4th Tuesday of every month after class.

You are all invited to join us! Any questions contact Dot Cleary - #336-767-4116.

Please be sure doors are locked!

Lately several exterior doors have been left unlocked. Please be sure when you leave to check the doors and pull them shut. The safety of the children in our care could depend on this simple action.

Sunday Mornings 9:45 in Fellowship Hall

Please join Pastor Tom and others for some time in God’s Word. We are currently finishing up the Lord’s Prayer. Lessons are fairly “self-contained” so you don’t have to make it every week to keep up sooo....Drop in any Sunday!

Welcome Back from Summer Vacation(s)

We pray you had some time to be with your loved ones, to refresh, and to be blessed by the Lord! Please remember to “catch-up” the offerings you may have missed in June-August. The bills don’t take summer vacation. LOL

Name Tags

Number One: Please wear your name tags! It is a simple thing to do that greatly helps our newer members know and learn our names.

Number Two: If you need a name tag, **Please make a note on the attendance pads.** We will order new ones in a couple of weeks.

Speaking of Name Tags

Don’t forget our **Five Minute Rule.** For the first five minutes after service introduce yourself and speak to someone, you do not already know. Especially try to speak to visitors. Then, greet your friends.

Email Address updates:

We would be most appreciative if you can send your updated email address to Kerstin or notate on the pew pads. churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org Thanks in advance for your help. This will help us keep our St John’s email address list “current” and assure that we will be able to forward important messages to you when necessary.

Altar Flower spots open

Please check our flower book in the Narthex. We have some openings in September and October. This is a great opportunity to remember or honor someone, or to celebrate a special occasion.

Fruit of the Spirit notecards

Get your St. John’s Lutheran Banner notecards. Cards are only \$10 and they make great gifts. Please see Kerstin in the church office or during bible study to purchase a box. All proceeds go to St. John’s Lutheran Church and School.

Sunday Small Group Bible Class

The Sunday Small Group Bible Study session will continue our discussion about witnessing in our everyday lives. We invite you to join us as we meet in the Teachers Workroom at 9:45.

Bible Study Opportunities at St. John's

Sunday's

- 9:45am – Pastor Tom's Class (Social Hall)
- 9:45am – Dot Anderson's Class (Teachers Workroom)

Tuesday's

- 10:00am – Senior Women's (Library)

Thursday's

- 7:00pm – **Adult Bible Study (Library – begins Sept 5)**

Crisis Control for September: Rice (1lb. bags)

Altar Flowers Today – Are given to the Glory of God by Kathy Hayes in memory of my dad, Charles "Buckey" Foote's birthday.



Sunday, 9/1 – Mite Sunday

8:30 a.m. – Baptism of Laura Lee Andrews

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

9:30 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School

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

~~Veterans Meeting~~ – Moved to Sunday, Sept. 15

Monday, 9/2

Labor Day – School & Church closed

Tuesday, 9/3

10:00 a.m. – Senior Bible Study

6:30 p.m. – Elders

Wednesday, 9/4

Announcements due 12 noon

8:30 a.m. – Chapel

6:00 p.m. – Choir Dinner

Thursday, 9/5

9:30 a.m. – Prayer Warriors

7:00 p.m. – Adult Bible Study (first class)

Sunday, 9/8

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

9:30 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School

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

2:00 p.m. – 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

Reminder: Please re-link your cards for the new school year!

- **Link your Harris Teeter** VIC card - #2929
- **Link your Lowes Foods card to our school.**
<https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/Account/SelectCard?mode=CartToClass> to sign up
- **Publix**
- **Box Tops – place tops in mailbox in lobby**
- **Coke Give – bottle caps, can case codes put in mailbox in lobby**
- **Shoparoo – app download – St. John's Day School – take pictures of your receipts, earn points.**

Upcoming Games /Meets (Volleyball/Cross Country)

Volleyball – SJS vs. Union Grove – Sept. 3 – 6:00pm

– SJS vs. Salem Baptist – Sept. 6 – 4:00pm

– SJS @ Burlington – Sept. 10 – 4:00pm

Cross Country – Salem Baptist – Sept. 9 – 4:00pm

Upcoming Scrip Deadlines

Sunday, September 15, 9pm – Delivery on Thurs. Sept 19th

Sunday, October 13, 9pm – Delivery on Thurs. Oct. 17

Sunday, November 17, 9pm – Delivery on Thur. Nov. 21

Spirit Nights

Sept 10th – Red Robin – Hanes Mall – 5-8pm

Sept 26th – Jason's Deli- Hanes Mall Blvd across from Home Depot – 5-8pm

Oct 8th – Hwy 55 (Burgers, Shakes, & Fries) -

386 E. Hanes Mill Rd – 4pm-7pm

Oct. 15th – Dairi-O – 1207 W. Clemmons Road

(off Peters Creek Parkway) – 5-8pm



Happy Birthday to:

9/3 Glenn Rullman

9/5 Cora Kretzschar

9/6 Nancy Roberts

Happy Anniversary to:

9/4 Steve & Meg Lorenz (15 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 Teachers
- Our Staff
- Frances Burmeister
- Michael Zeoli
- Board of Elders

Our Board of Directors: Adam Orsborn Chairman; Tim Nelson, Steve Lorenz, Jeff Goad, Pat Hall

We remember those who are shut in:

Chris Johnston, Kay Moose, Mary Riggs, Millie Tetzlaff,

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Mary Deakle, (friend of Sheryl Thorpe), Terry France (Stephanie Andrews' father), Clarice George, Katie Goad, Isaiah Hall – 2 yrs old, battling Leukemia, (son of a friend of Pastor Tom) Melody Hawkins, (Nancy Livengood' s cousin), Bob Jordan, (Jamie Deal's uncle) , Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Bill Lonnecker (friend of the Essbachs), **Steve Miller (Beth Hardin's brother)**, Rebecca Perry, (Stacey Perry- school secretary's, mother-in-law), Tara Phillips (niece of Arden & Glenda Lackey), Gene Rapiet, **Kim Taylor, (Pastor's daughter's Mother-in-Law)**, Frank Williams (Sarah Williams' husband), Cindy Woods (Cancer Prayer Service walk-in).

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

Travis Bane (Cyndi Bane's son), Isabelle Baldwin, (Tom Baldwin's mother), **Meredith Cantrell (Lin Johnson's daughter, pregnant with twins)**, Steve Covington, Teddy Deranamie, Jeanette Dyson, Dave Genevie, Chris Gwaltney, (Debbie Baronowski's son), Whitney Hall, (Anita Hoisington's granddaughter), Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), Christine Karim, (friend of Rich Essbach), Maddie Kiel, Peter Morlock, (friend of Essbach's), Uncle Steve Morrison & family (Pastor Clocker's son-in-law's uncle), Jean Nelson (Tim Nelson's mom), Florence Renken (John Renken's wife), Butch Roberts, Kiel Ross, (Jan Lundmark's granddaughter), Jean Rudolph, Jacki Rullman, David Sablich, (friend of Rich Essbach), **Lucas Shannon (upcoming eye**

surgery 9/27), Millie Tetzlaff, Frank Williams (Sara Williams husband, Steve Covington's brother-in-law), Zelda Wilson (3 year old friend of Meg Lorenz)

For those serving in our armed forces; for continued safety and extra comfort if serving away from home: Andrew Nelson, Steven Thorpe, Tegan Owen, Dallas Kay Darcy

(Please notify Kerstin in the office if you have any names for our prayer list.
churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org)

Persecution Prayer:

Many Christian couples today work together to tell the Gospel message in restricted nations and hostile areas around the world, knowing that their work comes with a price. Pastor Raymond Koh and his wife Susanna are such a couple, who have paid a price. Pastor Koh was abducted two years ago while driving down a road in Malaysia and has not been heard from since. To listen to an interview with Susanna Koh, go to VOMRadio.net/Koh. Pray for her family, that they can learn of his fate, that they find peace, that they are able to continue their ministry. Pray for his children, who have suffered physically, emotionally, and psychologically over the past two years.

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 August 25 , 2019

8:30	69
10:45	108
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.

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