



St. John's
LUTHERAN
Church & School

Weekly News

415 Silas Creek Parkway
Winston-Salem, NC 27103
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8:30 a.m. – The Well
(Contemporary Service)
9:45 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Service

Sunday, July 17, 2016 – The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

From the Pastor

KEEP FOCUSED ON THE LORD! As we look into Martha's home, we can see two different kinds of service. Mary's service of conversation listening to Jesus in the living room. The busyness as Martha prepares a Sabbath dinner in the kitchen for Martha. Martha becomes distracted and seeks to distract Mary whose focus is Jesus. During the past 29 months one of the major focuses of the Intentional Interim Ministry was to refocus St. John's on the Cross and the Word of our Lord. It has spilled over into service as St. John's remarketed the School and restructured her governance and operations for Mission and Ministry. As I conclude my ministry among you, may I encourage you with the words of our Lord for today, **"one thing is necessary..."** The one thing is focus on the Word. Avoid being anxious and troubled by remaining focused on our Lord Jesus and His Word. Secondly, be busy in prayer that the Lord may guide you forward in your Mission for the future. Deb and I thank you for your prayer ministry for us and that God would work through us at St. Johns. Continue to praise the Lord for many answered prayers as you press forward to accomplish God's will in your midst. Blessings in Christ,

Pastor & Deb Schoolcraft

NEXT SUNDAY – Our guest Pastor for July 24th will be Rev. Dr. James Stoltenberg.

IN TWO WEEKS - At both morning services, we will have Youth Sunday led by the participants now attending the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this week. They will share the highlights and enthusiasm of the Gathering that is themed: **In Christ Alone**. Since this is a lay service Holy Communion will not be offered.

Pastor Schoolcraft

God Speed Pastor Schoolcraft

We have been blessed to find a "new" permanent Pastor to serve us at St. John's. Unfortunately that means we will say good bye to our "present" Pastor, Roger Schoolcraft. That is by design, but does not make it any

less "bitter-sweet". Today is his last Sunday! Join us before today's service, in saying thank you to Pastor and Deb for sharing and caring with us at St. John's the last 2-1/2 years.

New Pastor

Also know that Pastor Less and family are making arrangements to relocate to Winston Salem. Pastor Less' last Sunday at Trinity Lutheran in Chestertown, MD, will be July 24th. We are making arrangements for an **"Installation Service"** to take place here, Sunday, July 31st, at 4:00PM. There will be a supper to follow the service. Details will follow. Pastor Keith Less' first day in the office will be Monday, August 1st.

St. John's is having a **POUDING SHOWER** for Pastor Less and his family. We will be collecting **HOUSEHOLD GOODS** (cleaning supplies, laundry detergents, etc), **KITCHEN/PANTRY ITEMS** (flour, sugar, canned goods, paper products, etc) and **GIFT CARDS** (grocery stores, restaurants, etc) now through July 24. We would love to fill up their pantry with lots of donations! Please place your donation in the donation box in the church office or put your gift card in Pam Rosenberger's mail box in the church office. Please contact Pam if you have any questions.

Nursery is available in the Preschool Room 106 during the 10:45am Worship Service for children ages 3 and under.

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Ardel & Judy Meisinger.

Last week, they were given by Kathy, John & Emily Schwabe in honor of Robert Schwabe's birthday. Also, in memory of Julia Moore on her birthday by Steve Covington.

Pew Pads Please remember to sign the pew pads. Thank you.

Get involved in a Bible Study! Bible Study and Sunday School happens every Sunday from 9:45- community 10:30. Jump in, and **grow** in and in the Word!

- Next Sunday in the Fellowship Hall with Pastor Staltenberg.

Truth Seekers Bible Class Muslims claim that the Bible has been corrupted. Next Sunday, we will discuss the origins of the Bible and the Qur'an. Join the Truth Seekers Bible Class in Room 101 for this discussion.

If you have questions, give Dot Anderson a call. 336-682-1924.

Get Your St. John's Cookbook Today! Support St. John's and enjoy a GREAT resource by buying the anniversary cookbook today! It includes a free digital download version of all 335 recipes! Visit the church office Monday thru Thursday from 9am-3pm or purchase one between services on Sunday mornings. Books are \$15. Funds will help purchase a new stage and new church banners. These make wonderful gifts! Contact Lydia.k.ingram@gmail.com for more information.

"St. John's Prayer and Care Notes", is distributed each Saturday. If you would like to receive this document and be listed on the email distribution, please send a request to:

- Dale Mierisch Email- wb9szl@triad.rr.com and include "St. Johns Prayer and Care Notes" *Subscription in the subject line of your email.*

Participation last week, July 10, 2016

8:30 a.m. "The Well": 80

10:45 a.m. Traditional: 83

Nursery: 3

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 friend, family member, co-worker, 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.** Amazing saints at St. John's have donated yarn which can be used to make shawls and lap-afghans. There are several easy (and fast) patterns for knitters and crocheters if you'd like to try your hand at making one (or more). Many of the shawls can be started and finished in a couple of weekends, during your lunch break or while watching TV. For those of you who **ScrapBook**, the Shawl Ministry would like to enlist your help to make and donate tags to go with the shawls. Your creative genius and time are the two primary requirements. If you have some scrap booking materials you could donate to make the tags, it would be greatly appreciated! 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), Dot Cleary (336-767-4116) or Katie Goad (336-924-6977)

ATTENTION KNITERS AND CROCHETERS interested in the Prayer Shawl Ministry:

Ann Carney will host a get together of the group on Sunday afternoon July 24 from 2 - 4 pm at her home in Clemmons. Please come renew friendships and see the completed shawls that fill two bins and the two bins of donated yarn!

While the Postal Service gave a Winston address, we are firmly in Clemmons just east of Kinnamon Road and Blue Bonnet. The address is 5920 Greenhaven Drive, W-S 27103.

There is plenty of parking up on the street and plenty of comfortable seating inside. Katie Goad will be there and the parking down slope in the drive will be reserved for her and Jeff.

Please call 336-602-1232 to let Ann know if you are coming so seating is available for all.

Ushers for July:

John Williams, Bob Sparks, Lisa Little & Larry Bowman

Alter Guild for July:

Gayle Barcio, Sue and Ted Frake

Crisis Control Items Needed for July

Peanut Butter

Lock-ups for July

Don Adamick, Nathan Kottlowski

& Carl Schlotzhauer



Falcon Newsletter

We will be sending out a one page update with important dates and lunch menu weekly and a larger newsletter with more content at the end of each month. If you would like to receive a copy, please contact the church office to be sure we have your correct email.

Women in Mission

"HI GALS! DON'T MISS OUT on the fun and inspiration for women of all ages at Camp Linn Haven, Linville, NC on August 19-21, 2016.

DEADLINE for registration is August 5th - \$5.00. Camp fees are \$95.00 payable by cash upon arrival. There will be a 'Gifts from the Heart' - monetary donations for Crossnore School. More details and registration form are on the bulletin board in the Cafeteria/fellowship hall."



Dates: Begins Tomorrow!

Times: Meal- 5pm in the Fellowship Hall
 VBS-6pm to 8:30pm in the Family Life Center

Who: Children ages 3 through 5th grade

**Signup for Vacation Bible School is available on the church website:
<http://stjohnsww.com/ministries/family-ministry/vacation-bible-school/>

If you have questions please contact Meg Lorenz 336-624-0061. We really need volunteers and helpers for VBS sessions.

We would like:

- People to help make meals for about 50-75 people kids and adults.
- Team Leaders to walk with the kids from site to site for crafts, bible story, bible challenge, games or to be with the preschoolers.
- Volunteers to help decorate the FLC.
- We also need the following items

V B S CRAFTS WISH LIST

- Nail polish any color/kind
- Pool noodles
- Buttons any color /size
- Tissue paper full sheets/bright colors preferred
- Leftover house paint-mostly white-can use some other colors
- Corks Wood skewers Paint stir sticks Yard sticks Pipe cleaners
- Poster boards white
- Heavy duty twine
- White paper plates large Yellow (sunflower color)
- Regular or spray paint Contractor paper (large roll from Lowes or Home Depot)
- Old sheets tie dye or rit dyes (see Barbara Patterson for colors)

DECORATION PROPS to be loaned

- Hay bales
- Straw hats
- Red wagons
- Large wagon wheel
- Old lanterns

- Stuffed farm animals (pigs cows, chickens, goats, horses etc.)
- Wheelbarrow Picnic Table without benches attached

Thank you in advance for your support of this important Ministry.



Sun 7/19 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
 8:30 a.m. Well Service w/ Communion
 9:45 a.m. Pastor's Farewell
 Children's Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship
 4:00 p.m. Well Rehearsal

Mon 7/18-Fri 7/22
 5:00 p.m. Dinner
 6:00 p.m. VBS- Barnyard

Wed 7/20
 12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline

Sun 7/24 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
 8:30 a.m. Well Service
 9:45 a.m. Sunday school / Adult Bible Study
 10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship w/ Communion
 4:00 p.m. Well Rehearsal



Happy Birthday to:

7/18 Tim Istock
 7/18 Bob Kretzschmar
 7/18 Zoe Mingus
 7/19 Anne Amos
 7/19 Larry Bowman
 7/19 Beth Musser
 7/20 Jade Gray
 7/21 Katie Baronowski
 7/21 Stephanie Guelzow
 7/23 John Fordham
 7/23 Brittany Kottowski
 7/24 Aaron Plott

Happy Anniversary to:

7/17 Ardel & Judy Meisinger
 7/19 Larry & Kay Bowman
 7/22 Jim & Julie Douma
 7/22 Norman & Sam Drouillard Jr.
 7/22 Dennis & Sandy Stewart
 7/23 Steven & Amanda Reese



St. John's Prayer Needs

We pray for St. John's congregation and school

Pastor Schoolcraft & Deb

Principal Mark Edmiston

Director of Admissions Tom Baldwin

Our called workers and staff

Transitional Task Force

Board of Directors

Board of Elders

Hispanic Tutoring

Our Call Committee: Steve Golden, Don Henderson, Jenelle Lanham, Bruce Sawicki, Sarah Strahm, Bill Thorpe, Alice Mierisch – Pastor David Tessmann, our circuit visitor, who is a non-voting member are on the committee.

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: Steve Golden, Chairman, Bill Thorpe, Vice Chairman, Nathan Kottlowski, Secretary, Judy Meisinger, Dot Anderson

Please pray for our 18 youth and adult chaperones who will be attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering in New Orleans July 14-20:

Adults: Brooke and Kris Gartley, John Covington, and Mike Pennucci

Youth: Abby, Hannah and Maddie Kiel, Adam Swaim, Addison Gartley, Allison and Sarah Webb, Amanda Pennucci, Amber Scott, Andrew Rosenberger, Annabella Schmidt, Chase Hardin, Dylan McArthur Reed, and Ethan Evans

We remember those who are homebound:

Harry Armstrong Frances Chambers

Millie Tetzlaff Irene Whitener

Chris Johnston Marty Loper

Dorothy Zick

We remember family and friends who are no longer with us, and we ask for your comfort. We pray especially for: The family of Robert Johnson

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Becky Baker David Penno

Bill Lonnecker Bambi Braun

Steve Miller Joel Christiansen

Deb Schoolcraft

Mike Timms

Arline Urban

JoAnn Klein

(Kathy Schwabe's cousin)

Jack Fordham

Bob Hoisington

Eva Hammaker

(Don Gronewoller's mother)

For those recovering from surgery or dealing with health issues:

Rose Crafton

Marty Loper

Nathan Kottlowski

Mary Lee

Arlene Sawicki

(Bruce Sawicki's mom)

Christine Mann

Katie Goad

Fred Neise

Nancy Roberts

Bill Roth

Millie Tetzlaff

Glenda Lackey

Bill and Karen Cole

For those serving in our armed forces; for continued safety and extra comfort if serving away from home:

Dallas Darcy

Loren Jacobi

Branden Lackey

Andrew Nelson

Tegan Owen

Allie Petty

Brad Rullman

Jon Tessmann

Kevin Wilson

For Those in Persecution

A 24 year old girl from Ankara, Turkey, found the Lord through an online program. After she accepted Jesus, her family has denounced her. She doesn't know any Christians in Ankara that can help her. Pray that she holds firm to her new found faith and that she receives support and encouragement so that she can grow in that faith. Pray for those who broadcast the online programs, getting the Gospel message out.

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.

**Rev. Roger P. Schoolcraft,
Intentional Interim Pastor**

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**Mark Edmiston, Principal
Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and
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Sonia Davidson, Director of Preschool

**Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for
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**Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for Traditional
Worship**