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Are You Ready? St. John's Lutheran Disaster Preparedness Event March 22 Emphasizes Proactive Emergency Preparation

WINSTON-SALEM, NC – The quality of life cherished by western North Carolina residents is subject to hurricanes, flooding, tornadoes, wildfires and winter storms that can threaten lives and property. Proactively safeguarding your family from potential natural disasters involves advanced preparation, which is the theme of the upcoming Disaster Preparedness event hosted by St. John's Lutheran Church & School at its Family Life Center Saturday, March 22 from 8:30 to 12 noon.

The focus of the free emergency preparation event is family safety and protection — from natural disasters to chemical, EMP (electromagnetic pulse) and nuclear catastrophes. It will feature both adult and children's programs, kicking off with morning complimentary coffee and doughnuts followed by adult presentations and youth activities centered on games, crafts and videos. The day caps off at noon with free hot dogs for attendees.

"This event is really a family-oriented means to inform, entertain and empower folks to plan for and survive a disaster," said event coordinator Kathy Najdek. "We're truly fortunate to have knowledgeable specialists who will detail how you can prepare for, function during and ultimately survive a range of calamities."

Highlighting the presentations will be disaster preparation from Emergency Management Coordinator Leigha Cordell with the City of Winston-Salem, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Instructor KC Lacoma will discuss disaster survival basics, and there will be examinations of communication challenges and preparing your mind as you prioritize your disaster plan. Fire safety will be covered by Engine 13 from the City of Winston-Salem Fire Department.

Although the event is free of charge, advance online registration is requested for adequate preparation. Simply log on to stjohnsWS.com/disaster-preparedness/ so you and your family can participate.

About St. John's Lutheran Church & School

A steadfast Christian community, Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) member St. John's Lutheran Church has a proud tradition of outreach impacting countless lives with a mission to enthusiastically spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In 2025, St. John's will celebrate its 100th anniversary in a testament to God's faithfulness. St. John's School features a grounded Christian education covering preschool plus kindergarten to the fifth grade.

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