

Let's connect faith and life. *Together.*

Annual Campaign Begins October 17 *Consecration Sunday is November 14*

By Pastor Rhodes Woolly

I had lunch last week with Adam Ryerson, our new Troops 443 scoutmaster. Adam and his family are members of St. John's, and he's so eager to fully connect the scout's program/ministry with the wider ministry of the church.

Over the next two days, I had a lunch meeting at Lenoir-Rhyne about their approach to training youth ministers, and then a shrimp boil the next night at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia — an event we co-sponsored to welcome back the seminary's students and faculty.

On my drive back, it occurred to me that a lot of folks are investing a lot of time and energy in the future of the church and our community. What a blessing they are to us.

About that time, I listened to a report about how Walmart and Target have emerged stronger during the pandemic. Their philosophy during the crisis was to invest heavily during these uncertain times, fully aware that some of their investments would be utter failures. They spent an enormous amount of time and resources testing new ideas, rolling out courageous plans, and training leaders in new ways. It paid off.

A good investment. Stewardship campaigns are all about investments. As we kick off this year's Annual Campaign on October 17, we'll be boldly asking you to invest in your church so that we can continue to impact this community in

*For the sake of the church.
For the sake of the community.
For the sake of the world.*

significant ways.

So that we can "Build a better community. *Together.*"

As difficult as Covid has been, it's given us a chance to re-think our approach to children's and youth ministry, engage with community leaders about a more effective partnership with our schools, totally redesign our online presence, and make a firm commitment to forming faithful leaders for the community, our congregation, and the wider church.

All are significant investments in the future of St. John's and our community.

As we kick off this year's Annual Campaign, I hope you'll join us in making an investment in the ministry of St. John's. Now is not the time to take steps backwards, but to courageously step forward in faith, fully aware that God is eager to make us vessels for his glory and purpose in a post-pandemic world.

In advance, thank you for your partnership and commitment. Work in God's garden hasn't been easy these last 19 months, but it sure has been nice to work alongside you and this wonderful congregation. As we step into

the future, let's do so with bold enthusiasm and thank-filled praise.

Our very best to you. And thank you.



Pastor's Letter



Pastor Rhodes, Carter, and Moose along the Rocky Broad River

Dear friends,

A common question I'm getting these days is about the Call process for our next pastor. Well, I'm glad you've asked! Here are a few details you might find interesting.

First, a Call process requires an excellent Call Committee with an

equally impressive chair. Carole Parrott is our chair, and let me say that we are very lucky to have her leadership. Carole is organized, intuitive, and very careful to reflect the broad range of our congregation's members. She joins a team that is equally impressive, representative of the congregation's wonderful diversity of thoughts and interests.

Task 1 for the Call Committee was to complete a 13 page Ministry Site Profile (MSP) that offers potential candidates a deep-dive into the life, history, and purpose of St. John's. The MSP was approved by Council on September 21.

At the same time, a job description is being finalized, based on priorities outlined in the MSP.

Task 2 is to complete six hours of Call Committee training, spread over 3 different Zoom calls. They've completed part 1, with part 2-3 scheduled for the first week in October. The training gives committee members a chance to conduct a "mock interview" with one of our Synod's pastors. Based on feedback, the committee will form a list of questions and outline a good approach to our interview process.

At that point, the Synod shares with us 4-5 candidates who they think match our MSP. The Committee also begins reviewing names of other pastors who have been recommended for the position. Each candidate will share a 10 -page Rostered Leader Profile (RSP) that gives us a glimpse into who they are and their unique gifts for ministry.

After reviewing all of the RSPs, the Committee will prioritize those candidates they'd like to interview. Those interviews can be in-person via Zoom, depending on the candidate's availability and the committee's recommendation.

After the first round of interviews, the Committee will narrow the list to 2-3 candidates and/or ask the Synod for a new list of names. Interviews continue until the committee is ready to name a "primary candidate." If the primary candidate agrees, then the committee and candidate agree not to interview other candidates. At that point, another site visit is scheduled to meet with other ministry leaders, staff members and, sometimes, the congregation. If all goes well, the committee makes a recommendation to Council extend a call to the candidate. If approved, the Council refers the candidate to the congregation, which will meet in a called meeting to vote on the recommendation.

THEN we can make plans to welcome the new pastor!

How much time are we talking? That all depends on how quickly the "right" candidate emerges and on their particular time-schedule. Sometimes the ideal candidate needs to delay the call by a few months in order to honor a particular obligation or life circumstance. I've been part of call processes that last a few months to over a year. Let's hope and pray for the former!

"How do we call a new pastor?"

In the meantime, we're so blessed with a solid group of leaders and staff members who are stepping up during the interim. It's a little tricky

this go-round since we're also searching for a youth minister and, well, we're trying to emerge from Covid, but we're confident that the Holy Spirit is preparing to introduce us to two new, outstanding, and well-prepared staff members. Thank you for your patience.

As you know, Covid has presented us with challenges we've never before experienced, and re-emerging has been slower than expected. But there are bright lights on the horizon, including the introduction of a new pastor and youth director. They'll no doubt bring new energy, new ideas, and a renewed commitment to ministry at St. John's and in this community.

I'm excited about that, and I hope you are, too. Along the way, please pray for our Call Committee ... pray for the candidates the Spirit is preparing for us ... and pray that our congregation will emerge from the pandemic with a renewed commitment to ministry and an even deeper love for the God we are so blessed to serve.

Our very best to you.

+Pastor Rhodes

An Unexpected Hero

By Susan Shinn Turner

This spring, Steven Page was contacted about being a potential match for a peripheral blood stem cell donation. He'd had a cheek swab as part of signing up for *Be The Match* register.

He was asked to get another cheek swab, but didn't hear anything back until this summer, when he was asked to be on standby.

Then he got another call.

"Can we talk?"

A conversation took place, and Steven was asked to do a donation shortly after.

(Dates and details about the recipient are kept vague to protect both Steven and the recipient.)

Steven, 28, had a physical and had blood drawn to make sure he was in general good health. He was. After that, he had to take a series of five filgrastim shots to increase the number of blood stem cells in his bloodstream. Steven says he had some back pain from the injections but says it wasn't awful.

The day before the donation, he and his fiancé, Julie Woodward, drove to the donation site three hours away. The National Marrow Donor Center paid for his mileage, meals, and hotel expenses.

"They put us up at a Marriott," Steven says. "I felt fancy."

The donation itself was fairly simple. Blood was withdrawn from Steven's right arm and sent into a centrifuge machine to remove the stem cells. Then the blood was returned to his left hand through a plastic catheter.

"I watched a movie and read some," he says. "Actually, the procedure wasn't bad at all."

It took about 5 1/2 hours from start to finish. Steven and Julie drove home afterward. He says now he wished he would have stayed another night. It's common to feel "tired, sore, and achy," he said.

"I laid there and complained on the way home," he admits.



Steven Page peripheral blood stem cell donation procedure

But he got some good sleep the next few nights and was able to go back to work that Monday. He is an engineer at the Norfolk Naval Shipyards.

"It was a cool thing to do to help someone out," he says.

At one year after the procedure, parties can exchange contact information if they wish to meet.

"If I had to do it again, I definitely would," albeit it after the couple's wedding on October 2.

Steven is the son of Tommy and Mary Willis Page. He graduated from Salisbury High School in 2011 before heading to UNC-Chapel Hill for college.

"We remain very proud of the selfless young man he has become," says Mary Willis, herself a cancer survivor. "He is acting as Jesus instructed us to act. What a hero!"

Learn more about stem cell donations at bethematch.org.

Meet Our New Nursery Workers: *Kaley and Emily Almond*

By Susan Shinn Turner

Sisters Kaley and Emily Almond are new nursery workers for the 9:27 and 11 am services.

After attending St. John's for some time, Emily and Kaley joined St. John's in August. Kaley has just started graduate school at Pfeiffer University, studying for a master's in occupational therapy. Emily is a senior at Carson High School and is applying to four-year universities. She plans to major in nursing and become a nurse practitioner.

Emily saw a sign at church about the need for nursery workers.

"I thought, oh, I could totally do that," she says. "I'd helped with VBS this summer, and then I got Kaley on board."

Kaley graduated from ECU and is now back in the area for graduate school. She grew up in Apex, where she was known as the "town babysitter," she says.

"I love to see kids laugh and smile when they warm up to you," Emily says.



"We recently had a new little boy who was really nervous because it was his first time in the nursery," Kaley says. "But he was really comfortable by the end. Parents feel comfortable leaving their children, and they get a break to go to church. I love kids, too."

Both girls say the experience is rewarding and makes you feel good, and it's a good way to give back to the church.

Stacey Shafer, children's minister comments that faith formation doesn't have to take a back seat when you take a leadership role during worship, "Nursery volunteers and workers have the opportunity to learn about Jesus's love for his children through the eyes of children. "

"It's a good way to spend your Sunday morning," Kaley says.

Typically, the girls arrive between 9 and 9:15 am. If they are not needed for the 11 am service, they can leave by 11:15. Otherwise, they're done by 12:30 pm after they've finished cleaning up.



Emily



Kaley

Continued ...

Kingdom Kids

Away from school and church, the girls both enjoy hanging out with friends and family, shopping, and trying new coffee shops.

Kaley also enjoys walking her dog.

“I like to stay busy,” Kaley says. “I do not like to sit around.”

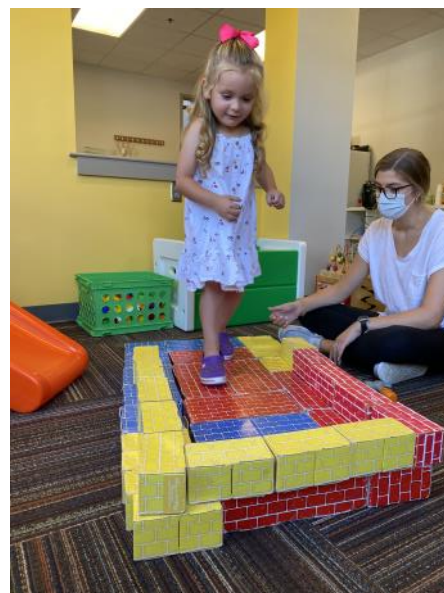
Emily also works as a server at Trinity Oaks Retirement Community. She’s studying to be a certified nursing assistant.

The girls are the daughters of George and Amy Almond and the granddaughters of Rachel Safrit.

Stacey says that Kaley and Emily’s passion and gifts have been a blessing to St. John’s, and that she is always looking for more volunteers like them to add to the team, “During nursery time, children are taught how God made them, God

loves them, and Jesus wants to be their friend forever. If sharing Jesus’ love with children brings you joy, then this is the place for you!”

If you’d like to serve in children’s ministry or as a nursery worker/volunteer, please contact Stacey Shafer, children’s minister, in the church office.



Sunday School Kicks off October 3!

Kingdom Kids is our Children’s Ministry. **First Look** is for our Kingdom Kids birth to 4 years old. **252 Kids** is our K-5th graders program, and our **Milestones Ministry** invites children to learn and celebrate annual milestones that we claim as part of a child’s faith journey. Every milestone includes hands-on teaching, a parent component, and a tool/gift that will help the child carry that faith milestone into their daily life.

Kingdom Kids Sunday School Kick-Off
Sunday, Oct. 3 at 9:45am

We postponed from Sept. 12 and moved Sunday School to Facebook Live in the meantime, but on Oct. 3, Sunday School is now back! Kids will come to the Ark at 9:45 am. Families are invited to join us after worship for family crafts and games to kick off a new season in Children’s Ministry!

My Pot of Gold: 2nd Grade Milestone
Oct. 24 at 3 pm in the Ark

Come learn about saving, spending and being the kind of givers God calls us to be. Take home a sectioned “piggy bank” and some coins.



*4th Grade Milestone:
Baptismal Partners*

Boundless: 2022 ELCA National Youth Gathering

High Schoolers (Current 8th-11th Graders) Are Invited to Sign Up!

Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA National Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.



modern-day, that share the awe and wonder of just how vast our God is? What does it mean, what does it look and feel like to live a life "filled with all that God is"? How can young people find themselves within the boundlessness of Christ's love?

Next summer's Gathering is July 24-28. Want to join us?

Why "Boundless?" We are bound. Bound by our sin, by the expectations of others, by poverty, by -isms that try to divide us, and by so much more. In a life that often feels as if it has young people in a suffocating grip, we want them to imagine the boundlessness of God: boundless love, boundless creation, boundless forgiveness, boundless invitation, boundless promise. All offered from a gracious and loving God who knows and adores them. All so abundant and endless it cannot be measured.

What are the stories of God's people, both in Scripture and

We also are excited by the connections this theme offers to our host city of Minneapolis and the surrounding area. Known as the "City by Nature," Minneapolis is an earth-minded city in many ways. The Minneapolis Area Synod also names advocacy around care for creation as a top priority, which would allow us to learn from and support the local expression of the church.

Current 8th-11th graders are invited to sign up for the 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering.

Register on our website by Oct. 31!

WHAT'S NEW? Full COVID-19 vaccination or proof of negative test is now required to attend the 2022 Gathering, MYLE and the tAble.

Youth Group Schedule

Sunday, October 3 (3-4:30 pm) - RAK Attack! Meet in the Pit. No meal provided.

Sunday, October 10 (1:30-5 pm) - God's Work Our Hands Sunday. No regular youth group. Meet at Isenberg Elementary for an afternoon of service. Water/snacks provided.

Sunday, October 17 - RSSS Fall Break - NO YOUTH

Sunday, October 24 (5:30-7:30 pm) - Youth Group Game Night in the Pit! Meal provided.

Sunday, October 31 (5:30-7:30 pm) - Halloween/ Reformation Night in the Pit. Wear your costume! Meal provided.

Confirmation Continues

Confirmation this fall will be a combination of Zoom classes on Wednesday evenings (two 4-week units) and in-person youth group on Sunday evenings. The Zoom classes are divided into two 4-week units:

Unit 1 — "My Identity as a Christian"

Oct. 6, 6:30-7:15 pm – Unit 1 (ZOOM)

Unit 2 — "The Life of Jesus"

Nov 3, 6:30-7:15 pm (Zoom)

Nov 10, 6:30-7:15 pm (Zoom)

Nov 17, 6:30-7:15 pm (Zoom)

Dec 8, 6:30-7:15 pm (Zoom)



Senior Seasons Academy: *Delayed until October 26 to November 16* *Tuesdays, 10 am to 1:45 pm*

Pastor Rhodes Woolly will lead a bible study entitled "Questions for Jesus." Do you have a specific question you'd like addressed? Email Pastor Rhodes at Rhodes@stjohns-salisbury.org

The four afternoon sessions are from 12:30-2:00 pm, featuring Catawba College leaders and professors on a variety of topics.

- o **10/26 Dr. David Nelson, President of Catawba College**, speaking on the History and Mission of the College + News on promising developments for the future, including meaningful ways of engaging the community with the college.
- o **11/2 Dr. Scott Morton, Assistant Professor of Communications**, "The History of Broadcast Radio in the United States"
- o **11/9 Amanda Grieshaber, Coordinator of Therapeutic Recreation**, speaking on the benefits of her program, giving some demonstrations of techniques.
- o **11/16 Dr. Kenneth W. Clapp, Sr. Vice President and Chaplain**, speaking on "Why We Need Church-Related Colleges."



Lunch-N-Learn

October 19, 2021

Speaker Krista Woolly, Executive Director of the Community Care Clinic of Rowan County, NC. The topic will be decided, based on trending or pertinent health issues at the end of September.

Senior Seasons Day Trip to Seagrove Pottery

Postponed to Wednesday, Nov. 17

- o Leave at 8 am
- o Private Tours & demonstrations at three potters
- o Lunch at Westmoore Family Restaurant
- o Return home at 2:30 pm
- o Cost is \$5 transportation fee + cost of your lunch & purchases; Limited to 14, so sign up soon!



"Christmas in Williamsburg" Bus Tour: December 6-8



Deposits due NOW. Join the **23 people who have already signed up for this very special trip!** We need 7 more people to have a bus load, and there is more space available! All for the fantastic price of \$459.00 based on

double occupancy and including motorcoach transportation! The single occupancy price is \$498. A \$50 deposit (per person) due NOW. The balance is due by Friday, October 15.

YOUR COMPLETE 3-DAY/2-NIGHT PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 2 Nights lodging in Williamsburg & 2 Breakfasts
- 2 Dinners, including a Tavern dinner & Captain George's Smorgasbord
- Berkeley Plantation Tour, Day Pass to Colonial Williamsburg, Newport News - Celebration in Lights, Virginia Living Museum, & Star of Wonder Planetarium Show *(based on availability)*
- Souvenir gift
- Taxes and meal gratuities

Join a Small Group this Fall

Small groups play an important role in helping members of our congregation connect with each other. Small groups can be held online; they can meet here at the church; in member's homes or any other place the group is comfortable meeting. The focus of our small groups is to help people grow in their faith while developing meaningful relationships. Times and location can be flexible according to the groups availability to meet.

Leading a small group does not require you to teach the material though some leaders do serve in this capacity with their group. Most often, small group leaders facilitate discussion to help the group connect with the subject matter. Our current small group platform provides everything you need to lead a group with minimal preparation.

If you would like to participate and/or lead a small group this fall, please contact Danny Hines at danny@stjohns-salisbury.org or text Danny at 913-396-2145.

Join Our Fall Book Study

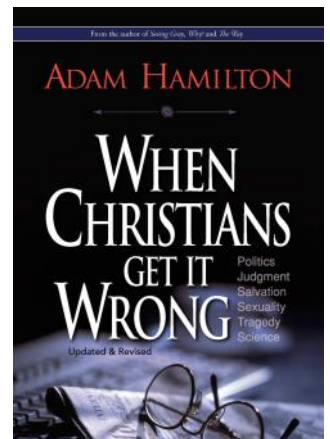
When Christians Get It Wrong by Adam Hamilton

When young adults talk about the problems they have with Christianity and the church, they often name certain attitudes and behaviors they believe are practiced too often by Christians: judging others, condemning people of other faiths, rejecting science, and injecting politics into faith. With his familiar style, Adam Hamilton tackles these issues and addresses the how's and why's of Christians getting it right when it comes to being Christ in the world.

Those who read *When Christians Get It Wrong* will gain a different way of understanding the issues that keep people away from Christianity and keep Christians from living a more compelling faith.

Join us for four Wednesday nights starting Oct. 6 at 6:30 pm in The Well. Books are available on Amazon, Christianbooks.com and many others book retailers.

If you have questions, please contact danny@stjohns-salisbury.org. You can sign up for the class using this link: stjohns-salisbury.org/event/when-Christians-get-it-wrong



Ongoing Discipleship Opportunities

Contact Deborah@stjohns-salisbury.org to sign up

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study

Zoom, 8-9 am

Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study

With Pastor Rhodes, 8-9 am

Independent Studies

Check out our independent study offerings at:

<https://stjohns-salisbury.org/discipleship/adults/independent-studies>

GIFT Women's Ministry Serves Our Community *Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Opportunities!*

Our GIFT Women's Ministry group met at Rowan Helping Ministries in September to pack food bags for children and families. The Women's Kick-Off may have been cancelled but this group joined together to serve our neighbors. Can you tell they are smiling under their masks? Mark your calendar for our next packing party and other upcoming events.

Packing Party

Nov. 9 at 1 pm

Rowan Helping Ministries

Christmas Party

*Dec. 9, 6-8 pm**

Ann Brady's House

**A decision about meeting will be made closer to time, based on local public safety protocol.*

Spring Retreat

March 18-20, 2022

Bonclarken— Flat Rock, NC



Mom's Group Book Study

Wednesdays, Oct. 20- Dec. 8

Children's Minister, Stacey Shafer, will be leading the Mom's Group Bible Study again, following the Kathleen Edelman book, *I Said This, You Heard That*, two Wednesdays a month, Oct. 20– Dec.8, 7:30 –8:30 pm via zoom.

Meeting dates: 7:30-8:30pm on Zoom

Wednesday, October 20

Wednesday, October 27

Wednesday, November 10

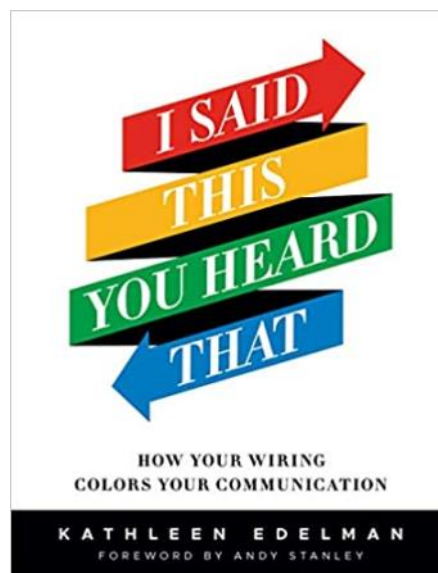
Wednesday, November 17

Wednesday, December 1

Wednesday, December 8

This group is open to all moms, from newborn motherhood to empty nesters! Questions? Contact stacey@stjohns-salisbury.org.

Sign up online!



Ryan Brady Completes His Eagle Scout Project

By Susan Shinn Turner

Congratulations to Ryan Brady, who will receive his Eagle Scout award in December at St. John's. Ryan is a member of Troop 443.

For his Eagle Scout project, Ryan built a shelter at Happy's Farm. Rhonda Roseman offers after-school tutoring there, but it's so much more. She has basically transformed the property into a mini Western town — with an educational theme.

"It's a hopping place," Ann says. "It's amazing what all she's done."

This is not Ryan's first time to collaborate with Rhonda. Two years ago, the two worked together to create a display about the Normandy Invasion. Ryan wrote a narrative for that project.

The new shelter is across from a miniature golf area that's being built. Rhonda is having a labyrinth put in behind the shelter, so it will get lots of use. Ryan also helped build a fire pit with granite from Happy's Lake.

"This young man has worked hard," Rhonda says. "It's led from one project to another. He has not only integrated himself but others to develop that pride. These projects keep me going."



Ryan Brady stands under a shelter at Happy's Farm he recently completed for his Eagle Scout project.

Rhonda says it's a diversion from losing her husband in January 2020 to pancreatic cancer.

The shelter, she says, is a shady spot for guests to sit and reminisce.

"I modeled the shelter off another one on-site," he says, "but I added a back wall and a concrete floor."

Six Adirondack chairs were repurposed from Happy's Lake, and each have a seal of the services.

On the wall is a list of donors. Quite a few are St. John's members.

"I sent out donation packets to everyone," Ryan says. "Everything over and above the project cost went to Happy's Farms. I didn't do everything, but I was in charge."

Ryan and his fellow Scouts worked on the project every Saturday beginning in November.

"To see it now, based on what it was, is a complete transformation," he says.

Ryan, 16, is a junior at East Rowan High School, where he is a member of the varsity tennis team. He is the son of Eric and Ann Brady and the grandson of Jim and Elizabeth Brady. His older sister, Kristen, will be 21 this month. She's a student at Western Carolina University.



Ryan also completed a fire pit next to the shelter using granite repurposed from Happy's Lake.

Adam Ryerson Named New Scoutmaster for Troop 443

By Susan Shinn Turner

Adam Ryerson is the new Scoutmaster for St. John's Scout Troop 443.

Ryerson is retired from the Air Force, where he spent four years on active duty and 16 years in the Guard. He's now Fire Marshal for the City of Concord.

Ryerson started with Troop 443 as a parent in the Lion Den with his son, Landen, now 12.

"As a parent, you move up with your boys," says Ryerson, who progressed through Lion, Bear, Webelos and Arrow of Light levels before reaching the Troop with Landen in 2020.



Adam with son, Landen Ryerson

When David Sides recently retired as Scoutmaster, he was asked to step into his new position.

Troop 443 now has 40 Scouts and nine assistant Scoutmasters on the roll. There are also a dozen other adults in leadership positions with the group.

The Cub Scouts take a break during the summer, but the troop meets year-round.

At 96 years old, the St. John's troop is the oldest continually chartered troop in Rowan County and the first Lutheran troop in the state of North Carolina.

"We started right after Scouting began," Ryerson says. "We're a very old, very established, very prestigious group."

Since 1929, there have been a total of 163 Scouts earn their Eagle awards through St. John's.

"We do produce a lot Eagles," Ryerson says. "Most of our boys who come through stay until the Eagle. We try to finish the Eagle before high school, because they get so busy with school, sports, and word."

Ryerson says he hopes Landen will attain the Eagle award.

The majority of the boys and girls come through the St. John's Cub Scout Pack 443, led by Dave Roof, although Ryerson adds that "we get a lot of boys from Sacred Heart's pack since they don't have their own Scout troop."

Church membership is not a requirement to belong to the troop.

As a fire marshal, education is a component of Ryerson's job.

"I enjoy educating younger people and showing them things they can carry on as an adult," he says. "I went through Scouting, although I didn't get my Eagle, and I regret it. But it's made a big impact on my life as a firefighter."

Like everything else, the troop has been affected by Covid. Ryerson says he doesn't plan to make any major changes until he sees how the troop operates normally.

Ryerson and his family are members of St. John's. He is married to Crystal, and they also have a daughter, Emma, 20, a junior at Lees-McRae College. He is the son of Cathy and Walt Ryerson, who has been a leader with Troop 443 for over 20 years.

Welcome aboard, Adam!

God's Work. Our Hands.

St. John's Serves Isenberg Elementary, Oct. 10, 1:30 pm



Each year, Lutherans from all around the country gather with their congregations for a day of service to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace.



This year, "God's work. Our hands." Sunday was scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021. Because of local COVID numbers, St. John's leadership decided to delay our service day until Sunday, Oct. 10, 2021. Many of our "Welcome Back" events have been cancelled or delayed due to the pandemic, but we still have the opportunity to gather together as a faith community to share the love of Jesus Christ as we serve our neighbors.

On Sunday, Oct. 10, from 1:30-5 pm we will join together to serve Isenberg Elementary.

Most of the work will be outside, providing landscaping.

We will be trimming bushes, scattering new mulch, cleaning out flower beds, weed eating, and pressure washing the sidewalk.

Darrell Blackwelder will be on hand to form teams and assign work. Mike Shelton has volunteered commercial equipment, which should help us do some of the heavy duty work more quickly, but we still need all hands on deck.

In addition to volunteers, we need outdoor equipment: wheelbarrows, weed eaters, hedge trimmers (battery operated best), hand tools for pruning plants and repotting, shovels, rakes.

There will also be opportunities for those who prefer working inside. We will have supplies available inside to prepare gift bags and thank you cards for teachers. Bring your family and help make this a gift of time and talents for one of our partners in education. All ages and skill levels are encouraged to come as we serve our community while connecting with one another!

Thrivent grants will help with supplies, but donations are welcome. Water/snacks will also be available.

Please let us know you will be joining us and any equipment items you plan to bring. Sign up online.

Photos from God's Work. Our Hands day at Isenberg Elementary 2018.

Consider Donating New Thrivent Shirts

Projects, like our "God's Work. Our Hands" Day at Isenberg, that receive Thrivent grants are eligible to also receive t-shirts for the project. If you apply for a Thrivent grant and receive t-shirts, consider donating extra shirts to the Dwelling, shower ministry in Winston Salem. They provide homeless people with showers, shower kits, first aid kits, and hygiene kits. Recipients love the Thrivent t-shirts. The largest available sizes are the most needed (L, XL, XXL, etc.).

Join us for Reformation Sunday, Oct. 31! *Continued Reformation Fun to Follow Worship*

Join us for Reformation Sunday worship, Oct. 31, in person at 9:27 am or 11 am and online at 11 am.

Because Reformation Sunday falls on Halloween this year, we invite you to join in to some Reformation fun!

Come ready to enjoy “Luther’s 95 Reese’s,” a scavenger hunt, and a Reformation-themed pumpkin decorating contest!

Our scavenger hunt will guide your family through our Faith Center to learn about volunteer opportunities at St. John’s, where you will gather letters to spell out a special word. The first person to complete the scavenger hunt will win a prize. All other completed scavenger hunts will be entered into a drawing for an additional winner!

Gather your family or small group together the week leading up to Reformation to decorate your best Reformation, Lutheran, or bible-themed pumpkins! Drop them off before service. And vote after each service or online! Each pumpkin will be posted to our Facebook and Instagram where you can continue to vote for your favorite. Voting will close on Nov. 7 and be announced in FaithLife the following Wednesday.



Upcoming Congregational Meetings

Annual Meeting

Nov 14, 10:30 in the Faith Center

Elect Council members, vote on constitutional changes
return 2022 pledges

Annual Meeting 2

Dec 5, 10:30 in the Faith Center

Vote on the 2022 Budget

Bread Riot “Winter Harvest” Food Boxes Available *November– March; Sign up by Oct. 31*

Boxes of locally sourced fresh produce and food items will be available, by subscription, at St. John’s Community Ministry Center, thanks to the Bread Riot organization.

Each “Winter Harvest” box (\$35 value) will be available for pick up or delivery every other Wednesday, after work, from November through March. Each box contains a dozen eggs, a loaf of bread plus a revolving list of produce and foods items, depending on what is available. For example, you might find an assortment of lettuce, cucumbers, bok choy, spinach, kale, collards, potatoes, sweet potatoes, onions, apples, honey, jam,



mushrooms, corn meal, garlic, squash and/or herbs. All is local and very fresh. The cost is \$350.00 for 10 weeks – every other week (add \$50 for delivery) or \$175 for Half Share – once per month (add \$25 for delivery)

Go to www.breadriot.org to sign up. You may pay by check or Pay Pal. \$100 down payment is needed by October 31.

We’re proud to be the home of the Salisbury-Rowan County Bread Riot!

Questions can be sent to info@breadriot.org or call Dottie Hoy 704.603.8029.



A View from the Bell Tower

Thanks to Jon Koppe, Facilities Manager, for submitting this beautiful photo of the Bell Tower Green taken from the St. John’s Bell Tower during G2G Construction!

Mark your calendars!

The Congregational Picnic at the Park had been postponed until, May 1, 2022! We look forward to this exciting Congregational activity!

Thank you! *G2G Construction Continues*

Thank you for your continued support and patience as we move forward with G2G Construction.

In September, the power was cut to the sanctuary and offices, and construction began in the Sanctuary.

Take a look at the picture of the Sanctuary and you'll understand why we haven't been worshipping in the sanctuary! The scaffolding took several days to install and reaches 40 feet from ground to ceiling. It's in place to repair moisture damage, cracks and "blooms" in the plaster, repaint, and remove the old sound system.

You'll also notice one of the 4 HVAC units installed in the Sanctuary building.

We will continue worshipping in the Faith Center during both the 9:27 am Contemporary worship and 11 am Traditional worship, through October 10, and then again Oct. 31 through the end of November. What a blessing it is to have the space available! 11 am worship will continue to be streamed.

A special thanks to all who have helped with G2G planning and construction, as well as, our worship teams and volunteers for assisting in the transition of our worship space!



3rd Grade Reading Project *Volunteers Welcomed Back October 18*

After over a year, volunteers and tutors will be welcomed back to Isenberg Elementary School, when Gator Reading Club kicks off October 18!

Join Isenberg in a community effort to provide enhanced reading instruction to a wonderful group of third graders for the 2021-22 school year. This initiative is called the "Gator Reading Club." Volunteers are asked to commit to at least forty-five minutes a week with one child in a prescribed reading intervention session. (All students in the club receive tutoring twice a week. If a volunteer can only come one day per week, another volunteer will work with the same child on the second day.)

Tutoring sessions will take place on any weekday (Monday through Friday) the volunteer chooses from 1-1:45pm. Tutoring at Isenberg will begin after Oct. 18.



Gator Reading Club 2019

Interested volunteers contact the Rowan Literacy Council (RLC) at 704.216.8266 or youthprogram@rcliteracy.org. The RLC will train volunteers on reading instruction procedures and walk volunteers through the process of becoming a school volunteer.

If you have more questions about Isenberg, please contact

Isenberg's Communities in Schools Coordinator Bonnie Harrell at 704.639.3009 x 358274 or email at Bonnie.Harrell@rss.k12.nc.us.

Isenberg's Media Specialist, Karen Puckett, a member of St. John's, also works with the Gator Reading Club. She can be contacted at 704.798.6834 or email karen.puckett@rss.k12.nc.us.

FLU CLINIC

Oct. 7, 3:30- 6 pm in the Pit*

All Major Insurances Accepted
Including Medicaid and Medicare

*Drive-Thru available for those unable to come inside.

St. John's Health Care Ministry Team is hosting a flu and Covid shot clinic, Oct. 7, 3:30-6:30 pm in the lower level of the Faith Center. Most major health insurances are accepted, including Medicaid and Medicare. Drive through options are available for those unable to come inside.

Flu shots – Please bring an insurance card. Starting Thursday, there will be a clipboard at the welcome desk with the Wal-Mart form to complete (if folks want to pick this up on Sunday

and have it completed to save time)

1st and 2nd doses of COVID vaccine – Moderna and Pfizer available (no insurance card needed and it is free)

Pfizer COVID boosters: You will need to bring a vaccine card, be at least 6 months out from the 2nd dose and be over 65 or have other chronic conditions (only for those with Pfizer).



Hen Henderlite and Shari Graham will again provide a meal and entertainment for members, including spouses, who are age 80+.

The meal will follow 11 am worship. Robert Jones, local storyteller and retired Librarian at Salisbury Rowan Public Library, helped start the Lee Street Theater, so get ready for a fantastic program. Watch for your invitation, as it's coming in the mail very soon!

RSVP with Diane Poole by October 18. Contact Diane Poole at diane@stjohns-salisbury.org or 704.636.3431.

**As we continue to monitor local COVID numbers, please check FaithLife, Senior Seasons email, or social media for updates. If you are unsure or don't use computers, feel free to call the church office, 704.636.3431*

Emails and Phone Calls

Staff Email. The staff email server was down for a couple of weeks in September. Many of us are still missing access to emails, calendars, and contacts. If your matter is time sensitive, please call the church.

Tried calling Pastor Rhodes? The Woolly's have discontinued their landline. If you need to reach them, please call the church or their mobile lines. They cannot access any message you leave on their old landline number.

Congregation Council Nominees



Jay Dees

Jay Dees is an attorney who joined St. John's in 2001. Jay has served St. John's in youth ministry, nursery, and the CDC advisory board. Jay has served as a Bylaw Review committee member and the stewardship committee chairperson.

Jay says, "I am honored to be considered for this position of trust within our church. Meg and I are so very thankful for the continuous spiritual nourishment St. John's has provided to us and our children, Archie and Maggie. While we may be empty nesters now, we remain filled by the love of St. John's. And I only hope to draw on that love and nourishment in service to you and our congregation."



Carol Everhart

Carol is a teacher and homemaker. She has been very active in the music program and children's ministry. Carol directed the children's choir and helped start a children's handbell choir before Covid. She sings in the Chancel Choir and played handbells in the Luther ringers. She has helped with VBS as the storyteller and with Children's Church during the 11 am service. She participates in a small group, helped with youth ministry, and attended the National Youth Gathering in Houston as a chaperone. I have helped plan Congregational Retreats at Lutheridge and participated in mission/volunteer events, such as the Dental Clinic and Congregational Service Days. She has served past congregation as a ministry group member, teacher, music programs, youth group volunteer, nursery, Sunday School, community service, and adult bible study.

Carol says, "I would like to serve on St. John's Congregational Council because I love my church! When I joined St. John's with my family in 2011, the congregation welcomed us with open arms. Our children got involved in Weekday Church School, and I began working with the Children's Choir and participating in the Chancel Choir and Handbells. I feel that I have a lot to offer my church in a leadership role, and I would love to be able to serve in this capacity."



Jenny Ryerson

Jenny is a Licensed Clinic Social Worker/ Mental Health Therapist and has been a member of St. John's since 2008. Jenny serves 9:27 worship as a communion assistant and greeter. Jenny has been very involved with Scouts at St. John's since 2017, as a Den Leader from 2019-2021, and Pack 443 Financial Treasurer from 2019– present.

Jenny says, "Over the years, I've grown in my faith and desire to serve the church. I possess attention to detail, organizational skills, and a passion to help others. I feel I would be an asset to Congregation Council and be of assistance to the church leaders and congregation."

Congregation Council Nominees



Marian Hough

A member of St. John's since 2002, Marian is a history teacher at the Rowan County Early College. Marian served as a council youth representative in high school. She participated in the strategies for growth team and Vision For Racial Healing writing team. She was an active member of St. John's youth, where she served in mission trips in St. Croix, New Orleans, and New York. She also regularly attended Sunday School throughout her childhood and youth. Marian also worked for the St. John's office during summer 2017.

Marian says, "As a young adult and teacher in Rowan County, I plan to spend my life at this congregation. The longevity of St. John's is very important to me. You can see Christ work through our Congregation in the many ways we help the local and global community. I want to be a part of the Council to help St. John's continue to thrive in the community and world as we prepare for the future."



David Phillips

David, a member of St. John's since 2011, is retired as Chief, Nutrition & Food Service, Salisbury, VAMC. David previously served on Congregation Council and on Executive Council as Council Secretary. He is a member of the Columbarium and Archives Committees. He is an usher and a member/teacher of the Miller Sunday School Class. He is active in Senior Seasons, small groups, and the Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study. David also volunteers with Meals on Wheels and the Heilig Resource Center at the NC Synod Office.

David says, "I have always enjoyed being involved in church related activities. My parents were always very active in church when I was growing up and this is just a natural progression to their training and influence. Working on various committees and projects in the church helps me to give back what God has given me, my time and talent."

Youth Nominees:

Millie Wymbbs & Kirstyn Mason

Benevolent Fund Trustee:

Brad Brady

St. John's Men's Chorus Begins Rehearsal in October

Rob Durocher to Serve as Director



Men's Chorus Christmas Concert 2019

We are very excited to announce that the St. John's Men's Chorus will be coming back this season with a first rehearsal on Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 4 pm meeting in the St. John's

Chapel! The chorus will continue to rehearse in the chapel each Sunday afternoon until further notice. We recognize that it will probably take some time to rebuild our Men's Chorus in light of the Covid pandemic that ground to a halt so many of our ministry offerings, but there is a growing enthusiasm in finally being able to re-ignite this much-loved chorus with almost 25 years of singing history in this community!

Rob Durocher will serve as director, and we are so happy to announce that Janie Rollins will serve as accompanist.

We warmly invite all former singers of the Men's Chorus to come back and sing with us – and certainly we welcome new voices!!! Our hope is to be able to present a concert for the Advent/

Christmas Season. If you have any questions or concerns please email Rob Durocher at: rob@stjohns-salisbury.org

Upcoming Rehearsal Schedules

CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS schedule will be as follows for the month of October: Wednesday, Sept. 29, 7 pm in the Chapel and Oct. 3, 2021 - 11 am worship in the Chapel.

Wednesdays Oct. 6, 13, 20 in the Choir Loft (Chancel) of the sanctuary at 7 pm with worship being held in the church sanctuary on Sundays, Oct. 10, 17, 24. (Choir will move back into the Faith Center for rehearsal on Wednesday, Oct. 27 with 11 am worship held once again in the Faith Center on Sunday, Oct. 31.

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S ENSEMBLE will meet the *2nd and 4th Sunday, beginning Sunday, Oct. 10 at 5:15 pm, Chapel*. The ensemble looks forward to singing together with female voices from Middle School through Adult. Contact Rob Durocher at rob@stjohns-salisbury.org

***Rehearsal Sites** may change out of necessity due to ongoing construction in the sanctuary building.

Thank you, Rosemary Kinard!

Rosemary Kinard's last day serving in worship before retirement was Sept. 19. On Sunday, Sept. 26, Rosemary was honored in worship and a reception.

Thank you, Rosemary, for your talents and leadership at St. John's for the over two decades!



Shop With A Mission. Shop Seasons Gifts.



By Diane Poole

Many new baby and children's toys, puzzles, and gift items are now on the gift shop shelves in time for Thanksgiving or Christmas. Bunnies by the Bay and Sigikid stuffed animals continue to be popular items, and we have more coming in the end of October.

Buyers Sherry Mason-Brown and Kim Lentz have also acquired interesting new custom made jewelry from Tagua and Sylca Design, as well as Christmas Bird Seed cookies and snowmen. We now have custom made crayons, interesting games, the ever popular and colorful Oventure Key Rings, Neem Soaps or Tub Tea and so much more!



The Tagua Jewelry is made by women in Ecuador. They harvest tagua nuts, which helps in the preservation of the Ecuadorian rainforest. The jewelry is made from these nuts and for some, it's their only income.

Darrell Blackwelder has made pens out of wood from Israel. He can make pens out of any kind of wood you might have that would be sentimental to you. He can customize the pen clips, such as the beautiful crosses seen here. They come with a certificate of authenticity, signed by Darrell, and gift boxes are available.

Seasons Gifts will also be featured in the holiday issue of **Salisbury Magazine**. The shop will also have a market hut at Spencer's Winterfest, which will be the first two weekends in December.

The shop is now open on Sundays from 9-11 am; however, we are working now to expand the hours. Getting set up for online sales has been a challenge, but we are making progress. If you would like to volunteer in the gift shop, please contact Barbara Jo Corriher or Diane Poole.





A People of Hope: Until All Are Fed *An online benefit for ELCA World Hunger*

When: Thursday, Oct. 14, 8:30 pm EST

Where: Zoom webinar

Register: [ELCA World Hunger Facebook Page](#)

Dear friend in Christ,

You're invited to join me and Rick Steves, guidebook author and travel TV host, as we celebrate World Food Day!

This online benefit for ELCA World Hunger will feature interviews hosted by my friend, Rick, with people on the ground who are doing the dynamic work of fighting hunger around the world. Special guests include the Rev. David Beckmann, who is being honored for his lifelong service to end hunger; the Rev. Rebel Hurd; Willie and Anne Langdji; and the Rev. Rafael Malpica Padilla. There will also be special performances by Rachel Kurtz, Peter Mayer and the St. Olaf Choir. As a vital supporter of the church, we would love for you to join us as we hear compelling stories, listen to wonderful music and gather in fellowship to invest in this life-giving work.

As a church, we remain focused on supporting our neighbors near and far as the pandemic continues disrupting and impacting lives. At this event, you will learn about the ways ELCA World Hunger is responding. No one is better positioned and more experienced than the church in addressing hunger — both immediate needs and root solutions. We are ready, able, effective and efficient.

Together, we are a people of hope.

I look forward to seeing you there!

In Christ,

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton
Presiding Bishop

Update From Guatemala

What a blessing to welcome Hannah Nadau Giron to St. John's on Sunday, September 19. Hannah is the executive director of GRACES, the organizational and fundraising arm of Escuela Integrada, our sister school in Antigua, Guatemala.

Pastor Rhodes interviewed Hannah during the sermon, where we heard about her own journey of faith and the impact Covid has had on the school's families.

We also learned that the school is more important now than ever before, as our students and parents navigate their way through remote learning. Learn more below:

Food Bags

GRACES has been providing food bags for the families in Guatemala for a year and a half! As a result of COVID-19, schools in Guatemala have not been allowed to physically meet since March of 2020 with no date indicated as to when they will be able to resume in person. The goal of the Meal Support Program is to provide necessary relief efforts for the families during this time. Many of them are still struggling economically from the effects of the pandemic.

Tablets

Through generous donations from our supporters, GRACES was able to purchase tablets for ALL of the students at Escuela Integrada. We are thrilled to be able to provide this necessary tool and benefit to the students.

Sponsorship Program: *Sponsor a Student!*

Sponsor Appreciation Week was held the beginning of September. GRACES' Sponsorship Program connects each child with a supportive "Padrino" or "Madrina" (Spanish for Godparent) who prays for them and financially supports their education and nutrition at Escuela Integrada. The children write letters and video chat with their sponsors throughout the year. In an effort to empower the students and families, GRACES is starting a new method for the Sponsorship Program. Instead of sponsors picking the student that they want, the students will pick their sponsors. If you are interested in sponsoring a child, contact Lucas at lucas@wearegraces.org so that you can be "handpicked"!



Updated COVID-19 Guidelines

As we continue to monitor effects of the Delta variant on our community, we offer the following guidelines.

First, a reminder that the best way to prevent illness is to be vaccinated. Contact the Rowan County Health Department or Novant Health to schedule an appointment. If you still have questions, three of our members are eager to have conversation with you. They are:

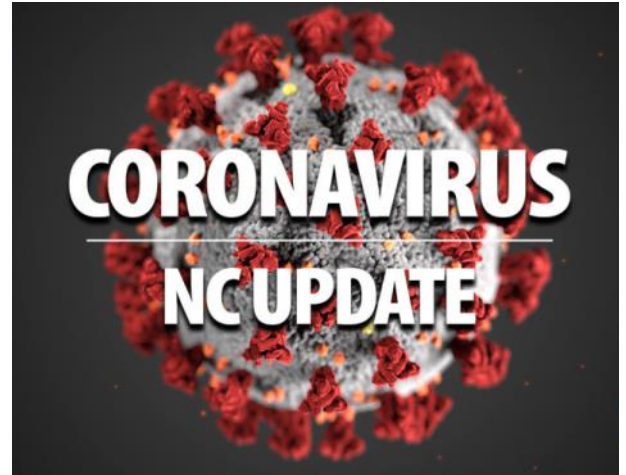
- Dr. Chris Agner, retired physician – 704.314.5306
- Alyssa Harris, director, Rowan County Public Health Department, alyssa.harris@rowancountync.gov or call the COVID direct line at 980.432.1800
- Krista Woolly, executive director, Community Care Clinic, 704.754.3832, kwoolly@communitycareofrowan.org

Current Guidelines for Worship During COVID:

Per the governor's August guidelines, mask wearing is encouraged indoors, especially among those who are unvaccinated, those who have suppressed immune systems, those who live and/or work in high risk environments, and those who feel safer wearing a mask.

Thank you for not entering campus if you have had any of the following symptoms within the last 7 days: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting.

Review our guidelines at stjohns-salisbury.org/covid



Weekly Worship at St. John's

(subject to change)

Sundays at 11am

In-person and online. To join us online, visit Facebook, stjohns-salisbury.org or our YouTube channel and search "SJLC."

Please note: Because of G2G renovations, 11 am Worship will be in the Faith Center through October 10 and again October 31 through the end of November.

Sundays at 9:27am

In-person worship in the Faith Center.

What happened to the 8:30 service? As you know, Covid significantly affected our "normal" worship schedule. Even now, we are experiencing less than 50 percent of our pre-Covid worship attendance. With that in mind — and as we continue in the search for a second pastor — we have been slow to resume the 8:30 Chapel service. If you have any suggestions or comments, please speak with Rob Durocher, rob@stjohns-salisbury.org.

Updates from the September Council Meeting

From Mike Edwards, Council president

- Devotions given by Mike Agee
- Staff report given by Pastor Rhodes -Rethinking Church is a work in process
- Personnel committee given by Carole Parrott and Pastor Rhodes- Committee is working on policies and Evaluation process
- G2G Phase 2 given by Mike Agee—Work is in full force and we might be one week behind expectations.
- Finance given by Ruth Ann —Finances are right on plan with some areas holding tight while some are in a slight decline
- Property given by Mike Agee—No projects at this time
- CDC updates given by the director, Paula Levianu—CDC is getting back to the norm; We have a new chef in the CDC.
- Stewardship and Stewardship Campaign given by Pastor Rhodes
- We have our five nominations for church council
- The majority of the meeting was devoted to the Congregation’s Ministry Site Profile by Carole Parrott. —The council approved the Profile.

Calendar Updates

You may have noticed the monthly calendar has not been included in the Eagle’s View for several months. Due to the necessity for schedule flexibility because of COVID precautions and G2G construction, please continue to check the Wednesday FaithLife, social media, and our website for the latest calendar updates.

You may also sign up for more detailed information from Youth Ministry, Children’s Ministry, and Senior Seasons via email.

Thank you for your continued patience regarding scheduling and promotion.

St. John’s Leadership

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Happy Birthday!

*Congratulations to our Octogenarians
Celebrating October birthdays:*

Mimi Carlton, Frances Hoke, Carolyn Hood, Glenn Ketner,
Karl Kinard, Sandy Melton, Genny Mozolak, Reggie
Munday, Luther Sowers

Buck-a-Meal Sunday

*(1st Sunday of each month)
October 3*

Every dollar bill donated the first Sunday of the month equals a meal at Rowan Helping Ministries. You may bring non-perishable foods on the first Sunday of the month, or to the office anytime.

In January through August, St. John's supported Rowan Helping Ministries with a Buck-A-Meal donation of \$4,332.

Thank you for your continued generosity to this ministry!

Individual Counseling Available

With Lauren Stephenson, M.S., LMHCA, NCC.
Available to the community. Contact the Church Office (704.636.3431) or sign up online at stjohns-counseling.youcanbook.me

Learn more at stjohns-salisbury.org/counseling

Condolences

Debbie Purpur and family, on the passing of Ralph Purpur on Aug 28.

Barbara Stauffer and family on the passing of her brother-in-law Gus Lambeck on Aug. 26.

Melonie, Bonnie, Oscho Rufty and family, on the passing of Barbara Rufty on Aug. 20.

Maribeth Holliman and family on the passing of her 9 month old grandson. Great grandmother is Lorraine Lee. Both are former members of St. John's who now live in Wilmington.

Dan Warlick and family, on the passing of Mildred Warlick on Sept. 19.

Carol McNeely and family, on the passing of Lois and Paul Carter.

Pat Epting and family, on the passing of her sister, Violet Gasso in Santa Fe, NM on Sept. 15.

Congratulations

Cosette Adelene Witt, daughter of Sascha and Ondria Witt, born this morning, Sept. 8, weighing 7 lbs., 2 oz and is 18 ¾" long. Grandparents are Rob and Leslie Durocher, and Gretchen Witt. Great grandparents are Donna and Willi Beilfuss.

Lindsay and Mark Wineka on the birth of a new grandson, Miles Bennett Wineka, born to Sam & Jenna Wineka in Nashville, TN on 8/25.

Chris and Dianne Agner who have a new grandson-Ryan Nicholas Agner, born Aug, 22 to their son, Joel and his wife, Samantha.

St. John's Ministry Staff

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Office hours

Monday-Thursday, 9 am-5 pm; Friday 9 am-12 pm.
Telephone 704.636.3431; Fax 704.636.4461

Worship Hours

Traditional Worship Sundays at 11 am in the Sanctuary
Contemporary Worship Sundays at 9:27 am in the Faith Center

Visit stjohns-salisbury.org and click "listen live,"
watch on Facebook Live, or search "SJLC" on YouTube

Listen to worship each Sunday morning at 11 am on
stjohns-salisbury.org, and click Listen Live. Listen to previous
week's service at 9 am Sunday on WSAT 1280 AM.

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Please email stories and news to
angel@stjohns-salisbury.org by October 8!

On Call List

If there is a pastoral emergency, please call **704.856.9751**
to reach the pastor on call.

Prayer Chain. Our Prayer Chain is updated daily on our
website. To add or subtract a name, please contact
Deborah Cross at deborah@stjohns-salisbury.org. Also let
Deborah know if you would like to receive the daily Prayer
Chain.



Let's connect faith and life. *Together.*