

Let's connect faith and life *together*

New Women's Ministry Launch is this Saturday

By Susan Shinn Turner

Because women crave to connect with other women, St. John's is launching a new women's ministry program.

Girls in Faith Together (GIFT) kicks off this Saturday, April 1, from 7 to 9 pm in the Faith Center. The evening will feature speaker and author Anna Rendell, worship, opportunities for rich conversation — and even a chocolate fountain!

"St. John's has a rich history with Women of the ELCA and women's circles," says Pastor Danielle. "We knew we needed a new season for women's ministry."

Rendell, who lives in Minnesota with her husband and three children, is a contributor to the recent book, "Craving Connection: 30 Challenges for Real-Life Engagement." She also writes the GirlWith-Blog.com and is social media coordinator at *incourage by Dayspring*, a division of Hallmark. Through her blog and books, Rendell seeks to provide encouragement to women and mothers.



Pastor Danielle has been at retreats with Rendell, who is also Lutheran, and invited her to St. John's.

The GIFT ministry has been a year and a half in the making and has been a labor of love for the women's discipleship team: Sharon Agee, Carol Brown, Cathy Eller, Pat Epting, Scott Rhodes and Sally Taylor.

"The awesome part of this is that we received a significant Michael Peeler grant from the North Carolina Synod to kick off the ministry," Pastor Danielle adds.

Thanks to the grant, GIFT will host the April 1 event, along with a women's retreat April 27-29, 2018, at Bonclarken Conference Center in Flat Rock; summer circles; a fall concert featuring a female Christian singer/songwriter; and service opportunities.

The GIFT ministry has three goals: welcome, leadership, and community. All events will be open to women in the community.

A brainstorming event in April 2016, attended by women in the congregation of all ages, helped clarify the vision for women's ministry at St. John's. Priorities that emerged included small groups, a retreat, service projects, welcoming new people and supporting college women. During the kick-off, postcards will be written to all freshmen women at Catawba College, offering support and prayer as they prepare for final exams.

Please RSVP for the GIFT event at stjohns-salisbury.org or by calling the church office at 704.636.3431.

The GIFT page on the St. John's Web site will be updated regularly. Watch the Web site and *FaithLife* for information on upcoming events.

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From the pastor



Dear friends,

As noted in last month's Eagle's View, Mike Connor will be leaving in early April for a three month stint as an Ecumenical Accompanier (EA) in

Palestine. Mike leads the partnership with Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem, pastored by our friend, the Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb.

Mike has visited Mitri twice, once with a group he led from St. John's. He knows the challenges of peace in that most vulnerable region of the world. He's a passionate advocate for the Palestinian Christian community because of its unique voice in building bridges rather than walls between Jews, Christians, and Muslims.

But this is an entirely different opportunity for Mike. As an EA, Mike will walk the streets of Palestine, offer protective presence to vulnerable communities, while monitoring and reporting human rights abuses.

In other words, he'll get his hands dirty in what has become the very messy work of peace-making.

Talk about walking the talk.

The Ecumenical Accompaniment program is the work of the World Council of Churches. Mike will join 30 other

volunteers chosen from around the world who serve for three months before returning to their church communities.

EAs come from all age groups, each of whom is committed to joining Palestinians and Israelis who work in nonviolent ways for peace. During the three months, Mike and the other EAs will interact with a myriad of international, Israeli and Palestinian partners.

Mike is a recently retired PhD working as a biostatistician for healthcare companies. His passions include discipleship, small group ministry, and global engagement. But his biggest passion is his family, especially his wife, B.J., and grandkids, two of whom are active members of St. John's. Oh, and we can't leave out his daughter and son-in-law, Nichole and Erron Towns. This is truly a special family.

They'll miss him these next twelve weeks. We will too, no doubt. But you can keep up with his adventure by adding your name to Mike's email list. He's been asked not to maintain a blog or post to social media, so he'll rely on email to tell the story. Old school, huh?

Blessings to you, Mike, in your walk with Christ and your fellow man. We promise to pray for you and the people you are sure to touch.

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Pastor Rhodes
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The Season of Lent

Sundays of Lent. Throughout the 40 day season of Lent, our sermons will continue to unpack the gospel of Luke, asking the question, "Who is Jesus?" On Sunday mornings, each of our three worship services will explore some of Jesus' most familiar and time-honored parables and stories — stories that give us a glimpse into the heart of Jesus:

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| March 5: | Parable of the Good Samaritan |
| March 12: | Parable of the fig tree |
| March 19: | Parables of the lost sheep and coin |
| March 26: | Parable of the rich man and Lazarus |
| April 2: | Meeting Zacchaeus |

Wednesdays of Lent. On Wednesday evenings we gather for a meal and worship. The meal begins at 5:45, with worship following at 6:30 in the sanctuary.

Our 30 minute worship services incorporate the beautiful Holden Evening Prayer and gives particular attention to a different hymn of faith each week. A wide variety of instrumentation and musical arrangements will bring the hymns to life in a new and refreshing way. "What a beautiful ending to the day," says Rosemary Kinard.

Solar Panels will generate 30 percent of the congregation's energy needs

By Susan Shinn Turner

There's an old song from the '80s that includes the lyrics, "The future's so bright, I gotta wear shades."

Mark Ritchie just might be donning sunglasses these days. His family recently purchased 199 solar panels, which have been installed on the roof of the educational building. When they go operational soon, the panels are expected to generate 30 percent of the church's energy needs.

The new system uses a net meter arrangement, so the church is billed on the difference of how much electricity it buys, minus what it generates, Ritchie says. "I'm glad to get it this close to being live."

The panels were purchased at the end of 2015, but the roof needed to be repaired, thus delaying the installation process of the panels.

Even with the delay, he says, it's a win-win situation. "This is environmentally the right thing to do, and it protects God's resources. Solar power is always available. It's a waste not to use it."

Ritchie's family will recoup parts of the project through solar tax credits and leasing equipment. The panels, visible from parts of Council Street, have a 25-year life span, after which the church can choose to replace them, as the technology will be improved and they'll likely generate even more power, Ritchie says.

"It's a real benefit to the church," says Mike Agee, who oversaw construction of the new building, which was constructed to be energy efficient.

The church is doing other things to be a good environmental steward, Agee says, including recycling, and the transition to paper products from Styrofoam. The new building uses LED lighting — which uses one-third the energy of fluorescent lights — with plans to purchase more throughout campus.

"Mark has been a driver throughout this process," Agee notes. "It's no doubt a big savings to the church, but it also just feels good. I couldn't be more pleased."



An aerial view of the 199 solar panels installed on the roof of the educational building. The panels already have generated a lot of conversation in the community, which was one of the goals of the project. "We hope to encourage broader interest in the many different forms of environmental stewardship available to us," says Pastor Rhodes. "There are a lot of flat roofs in Salisbury .. and way too many church dinners served on Styrofoam plates. Imagine the potential!"

Children's and Youth Ministry

Kingdom Kids & EPIC

3 years old—5th grade youth group calendar

April 5 and 12

4:30-5:45 pm — Kingdom Kids & EPIC

**Please note no Kingdom Kids or EPIC after April 12 until the Fall.*

The Well

6th-8th grade youth group calendar

April 2: Youth Group, 5:30 pm

April 9: Confirmation, 5:30 pm

April 16: Easter Sunday (no evening activities)

April 22: Registration Deadline for MS Beach Retreat

April 23: Youth Group, 5:30 pm

April 28-30: MS Beach Retreat

FUEL

9th-12th grade youth group Calendar

March 31-April 2: HS Beach Retreat

April 9: Youth Group, 5:30 pm

April 16: Easter Sunday (no evening activities)

April 23: Youth Group, 5:30 pm

First Communion Begins

First Communion began last month for all fifth grade students. We started with an introductory class called “The Feast” in which students explored holy communion as a feast of great abundance. Participants were then given a four-week home-based curriculum that encourages student and parent interaction and provides a special opportunity for students and parents to learn about the sacrament and its central role in a Christian’s life.



The final part of our First Communion instruction is the Family Day, which will be held this year on Saturday morning, April 29, 10 am to 12:30 pm. On Family Day the students review what they’ve learned, unpack the Words of Institution, and make their own chalice out of pottery. Many thanks to Cheryl Goins of Pottery 101 for leading that part of our class.

First Communion Sunday is May 7 at the 11 am worship service. Please join us in praying for our students as they prepare and learn about this important milestone/sacrament.

VBS Registration Now Open!



July 31 to August 4

9 am—12:30 pm

Ages 3 years old to 5th grade

To register, visit stjohns-salisbury.org and click on the VBS home slider

At Maker Fun Factory VBS, kids become hands-on inventors who discover they’re lovingly crafted by God! Kids will have the opportunity to experience God – the ultimate Maker – in new and wildly creative ways! Sciency-Fun Gizmos™, games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. (Since everything is hands-on, kids might get a little

messy. Be sure to send them in play clothes and safe shoes.) Plus, we’ll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings.

For more information or questions, please contact Lauren Thurow at lauren@stjohns-salisbury.org

Donation Request: We are in need of packing materials for a VBS activity that will fill lots of GUTSY Bears. Packing peanuts, shredded paper, etc, will go a long way! Donations can be dropped off at the church.

1st Grade Milestone is April 6

Students explore The Lord's Prayer

We invite our first graders and their families to a special milestone at St John's, *Exploring the Lord's Prayer*. Milestones are special events that teach our children and their parents some of our core faith practices in fun and memorable ways. The event will be Thursday, April 6, at 5:30 pm in the Pit.

As first graders, we will be looking at the Lord's Prayer and learning it together. This special milestone will include kids learning about where the Lord's Prayer is in the bible, why we say it, and how they can learn it. We use the hexagon shape to teach the prayer, so every child will get their own Lord's Prayer "hexagon" to use at home.

At least one adult is to be present with your child at the milestone event. We encourage siblings and other significant adults to come, as well. What a great way to equip all of God's people to live into our calling as children of God.

Please RSVP for this event by Monday, April 3, by emailing Lauren Thurow, at lauren@stjohns-salisbury.org.



Join us for Sunday School and Centers

We invite all children, ages 3 years old to 5th grade to join us for Sunday School and Centers on Sunday mornings at 10:00am. The age groups are divided up into different classrooms to unpack Bible stories on their level. All of these rooms are located in the downstairs "children's wing" of the Faith Center.

3 and 4 year olds

Our little ones have a wonderful time learning about Bible stories with the help of Judy Childress and her volunteers. This classroom follows the Spark Lectionary Curriculum as they unpack bible stories with hands on activities. This group meets in Classroom 121 (the boat room).

Kindergarten- 2nd grades

This age group meets in the ARK for Centers. Children get to choose how they want to unpack the bible story of the day. With the Spark Rotational Curriculum, children have

the option of doing Science with Dave Roof or Art with Robin Cohen.

3rd-5th graders

Our EPIC kids have been digging deeply into the Old Testament. This age group meets in the EPIC Room with Mitch Siegel. Join them to learn things like how to spell your name in Hebrew and to uncover some of the mysteries of the OT stories.

If you want to learn more about the Spark Curriculum, visit their website: wearesparkhouse.org.

If you would like more information about our children's ministry program, please contact Lauren Thurow, Children's Minister, at lauren@stjohns-salisbury.org.

A Reformation Primer

In honor of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, we will offer a special feature entitled "A Reformation Primer."

In the monthly article we'll take a look at some of the intriguing stories and personalities of the Reformation. Articles include:

February: A Reformation time-line

March: Little known stories of Martin Luther

April: Katie Luther, the nun who became Luther's wife

May: The Luther family. Who were Martin and Katie Luther's children?

June: Luther's latter years — conflict and agony

July: The Reformation in context — Why is it considered one of the five most significant events of the millennia?

August: Philip Melancthon — Luther's indispensable side-kick

September: The little town of Wittenberg — How an other-wise unknown town became the center of the Reformation

October: Luther's year in exile — Luther's year of hiding in Wartburg Castle changed the course of history.

November: "What makes a Lutheran a Lutheran?"

December: Luther's Christmas traditions

A Brief History of Katie Luther

If ever there were a power behind the throne, none was stronger than Katharina von Bora, or "Dear Kate," as Luther described his beloved wife. Her story is full of drama: Born of a noble but poor family, Katharina was only three when she was sent away to school and eventually took vows to become a nun. In April 1523, with the Reformation well under way, Katharina and 11 of her fellow nuns hid in a wagon and escaped from their Cistercian convent. Once the wagon arrived in Wittenberg, she was taken in by the family of Lucas Cranach, the Elder.

Although Katharina was courted by two men, she married neither. In the end, she said that she would only marry Martin Luther.

Philipp Melancthon, one of Luther's closest friends, was shocked at the idea of Luther marrying; he believed a wedding would cause a scandal that could severely damage the Reformation and its cause. On the other hand, Luther's father supported his son, as did Cranach. After pondering the matter for some time, Luther decided that "his marriage would please his father, rile the pope, cause the angels to laugh, and the devils to weep." The result was the joining of a 42-year-old former monk and a 26-year-old former nun in holy matrimony on June 13, 1525.

By all accounts, it was a happy and affectionate marriage. Luther wrote that he loved waking up to see pigtails on the pillow next to him. He also admired Katharina's intellect,

calling her "Doctora Lutherin." She bore six children, ran the household, and organized the family finances. Their home was in Wittenberg's Black Monastery, the former Augustinian monastery where Luther had lived before the Reformation began.



Katharina grew much of what they ate in her own private garden, raised livestock, cooked, and — perhaps most famously — brewed her own beer. To boost their income, she made good use of the extra rooms in the former monastery, opening a medieval guest house and offering room and board to as many as 30 paying students and visitors at a time. Katharina was trusted in ways unheard of for women in those days. Luther allowed her to deal with his publishers and made her his sole heir. Although we know little of Katie's own views about her unusual life, we do know that she loved her husband deeply. After his death in 1546, she wrote: "He gave so much of himself in service not only to one town or to one country, but to the whole world. Yes, my sorrow is so deep that no words can express my heartbreak, and it is humanly impossible to understand what state of mind and spirit I am in . . . I can neither eat nor drink, not even sleep . . . God knows that when I think of having lost him, I can neither talk nor write in all my suffering."

While fleeing the plague in Wittenberg in 1552, Katie died in Torgau after a terrible accident with her wagon and horses. She was 53 years old.

Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday

April 9

The Passion Narrative is retold through dramatic music, drama, and art.

9:27 am — Faith Center

11 am — Sanctuary

**note: no 8:30 am service*

Maundy Thursday

April 13

A service of Holy Communion and the stripping of the altar

3:30 pm — Trinity Oaks

7 pm — Sanctuary

Good Friday

April 14

The service of darkness

Noon — Chapel

7 pm — Sanctuary

Saturday of Holy Week

April 15

9:00 am — Help transform our worship spaces from a season of Lent to the glory of Easter. We'll be decorating two flower crosses and filling our beautiful space with lilies and palms.

Easter Sunday

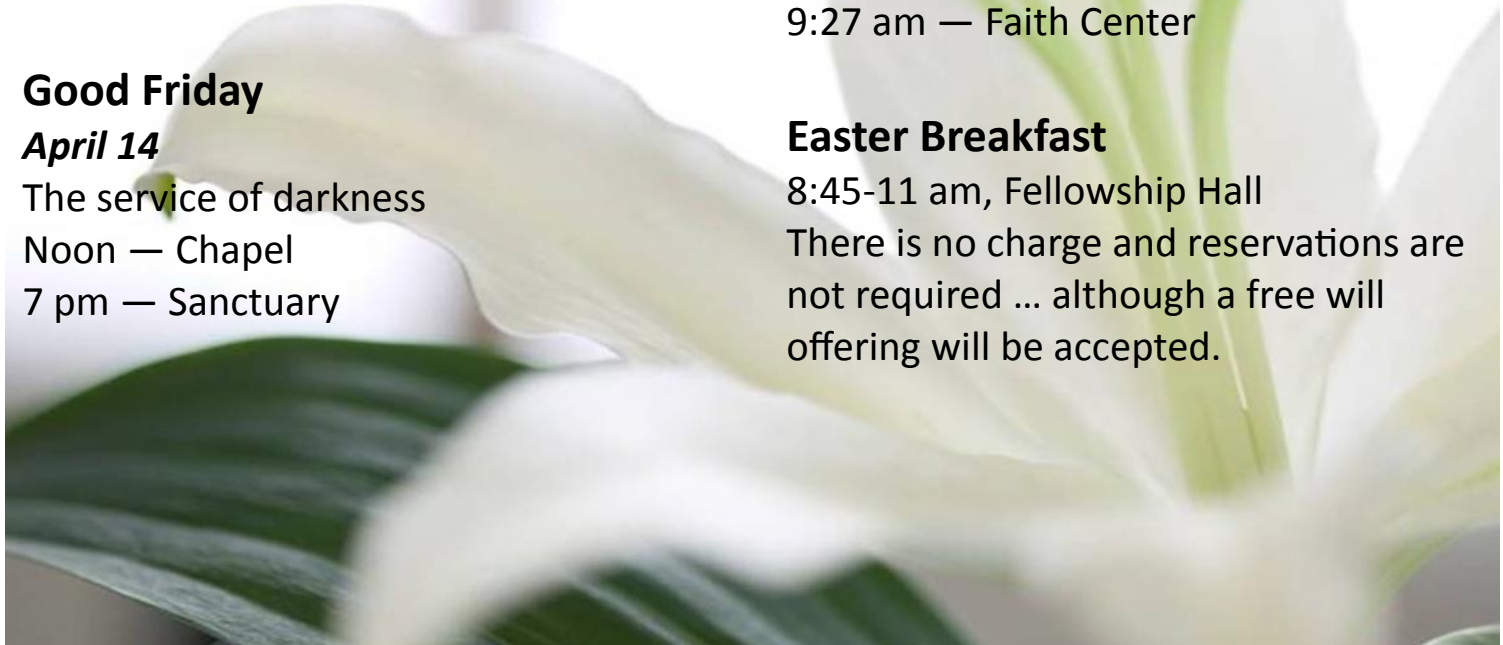
April 16

A festival service of Holy Communion
Worship at 8:30 and 11 am — Sanctuary
9:27 am — Faith Center

Easter Breakfast

8:45-11 am, Fellowship Hall

There is no charge and reservations are not required ... although a free will offering will be accepted.



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Chancel Choir

Rob Durocher

The Chancel Choir rehearsal schedule in April will be as follows:

- Wednesday, April 5, following the Wednesday Evening Prayer Service.
- Wednesday, April 12, at 7 pm in the sanctuary to rehearse the music with the brass for Holy Week and Easter Sunday.
- Maundy Thursday at 6:30 pm and immediately following the service in the choir room.
- Good Friday at 6:30 pm before the 7 pm Good Friday service.
- Easter Sunday morning schedule will be discussed in rehearsal.
- There will be no choir rehearsal on Wednesday, April 19 (Easter break!).
- Rehearsals will resume on April 19.

SJ Women's Ensemble

Rob Durocher

The Women's Ensemble will meet on Sunday, April 9, and Sunday, April 23, at 5 pm for rehearsals and will be scheduled to sing for the 11 am service after discussion of dates.

SJ Men's Chorus

Rosemary Kinard

The Men's Chorus Spring Concert will be on Sunday, May 21 at 4 pm in the Sanctuary. This 22nd Annual Spring Concert will mark the end of founder and director Rosemary Kinard's tenure as leader of the group. Please plan to come for a beautiful afternoon of music and best wishes for Rosemary. As is the tradition of the Men's Chorus, this concert will be a benefit for the Community Care Clinic.

Trinity Singers and Ringers

Rosemary Kinard

The Trinity Singers and Ringers are rehearsing special music for a Maundy Thursday service on April 13 at 3:30 pm at Trinity Health and Rehab (the Lutheran Home). Please also mark your calendars for the 9th Annual Joint Concert on June 11 at 3 pm at Trinity Oaks. The Trinity Singers and Ringers will again join with the Y-Wonders, directed by Kathy Norris, to present a gala concert of music for choirs and hand chimes.

Chapel Singers

Deanna Boksleitner

The Chapel Singers will gather at 7:50 am on Sunday, April 2, in the chapel to rehearse that Sunday's anthem for that morning's 8:30 am chapel service. The Chapel Singers sing on the first Sunday of each month.

Handbells

Kimberly Lentz

Two handbell choirs perform throughout the year at the 11 am worship services. For more information about either choir, contact our director, Kimberly Lentz.

9:27 Worship Team Rehearsals

9:27 worship musicians will meet on Monday, April 10, at 6 pm to prepare for the Easter 9:27 worship, instead of rehearsing on Maundy Thursday, April 13. Rehearsals will continue in the Faith Center on Thursdays at 6 pm throughout the rest of the year.



Interested in being a part of the team? Contact our 9:27 worship leader, Bradley Chestnut, at bradley@stjohns-salisbury.org.

Donate Easter palms, lilies, and flowers Deadline to order—April 5

Be a part of a beautiful tradition at St. Johns as we decorate our worship spaces for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. Give thanks for the blessings in your life or remember and honor loved ones with the purchase of a palm or lily.

Lilies may be purchased for \$15.00. Palms may be purchased for \$25.00.

We also will be collecting donations to go towards the Easter Cross and altar flowers in memory or honor of loved ones.

Money for lilies, palms and flowers may be mailed to or taken to the church office. You may also place money in the flower envelopes on the back of the church pews.

Lilies and palms will be delivered fresh to the church prior to Easter Sunday. They will be available to take home after the 11:00 Easter Worship Service.

A dedication insert will be included in the worship bulletin on Easter Sunday.



Upcoming: *Mark your calendars now!*

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| May 21, 4 pm | The St. John's Men's Chorus Spring Concert |
| September 23, 7 pm | The Salisbury Symphony and Chorus will present Mendelssohn's Reformation Symphony as part of the St. John's Reformation500 celebration. |
| October 18-24 | St. John's and the Piedmont Players present "In God's Own Country," a story of Henry Muhlenberg and the birth of the Lutheran church in America. The play is presented by a 20+ person professional theater company in Germany. |



The 78 member Salisbury Symphony will perform at St. John's on September 23 as part of our Reformation500 series.

Our Lutheran Institutions

LSC Selected to Manage Continued Relief Efforts from Hurricane Matthew

Lutheran Services Carolinas (LSC) has been selected by the N.C. Dept. of Public Safety/Emergency Management to provide disaster case management in 45 North Carolina counties affected by the flooding of October 2016 caused by Hurricane Matthew.

For a period of three years, LSC will be the sole contractor providing case management services to assist flood victims in eastern North Carolina, 67,000 of whom have registered with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Using funds of \$ 2.2 million per year, LSC will hire up to 33 staff members, including 24 case managers to work with individuals in the FEMA-designated counties. Case managers will serve as points of contact to assess client needs and develop recovery plans.

"Most of the country has forgotten about Hurricane Matthew," said LSC President Ted Goins. "There is no greater need in North Carolina than to serve the 67,000 North Carolinians suffering from loss and dislocation. Lutheran Services Carolinas is honored and humbled to have the opportunity to walk with hurricane victims back to wholeness."

Caregiving Conference April 25

The demands of caring for a loved one can be overwhelming. The Keys to Caregiving Conference is here to help. Hosted by the Rowan County senior services of Lutheran Services Carolinas, this event will address many of the concerns of family and professional caregivers.

This 2nd annual free conference is Tuesday, April 25, from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm at Trinity Oaks, 728 Klumac Road, Salisbury, NC 28144. Registration opens at 8:30 am, and lunch is provided. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions to a panel of experts on senior issues. Special guest Melanie Bunn will also speak. Trained by Teepa Snow, one of America's leading educators on dementia, Bunn has worked in a variety of settings caring for seniors. She travels across the country sharing caregiving knowledge with others.

To reserve your spot for this free event, RSVP to Brittany Rabon at 704-603-2776. Free adult day care is also available for your loved one during the conference time.

New Lenoir-Rhyne President Began Feb 1

The Board of Trustees at Lenoir-Rhyne University has announced that Dr. Fred Whitt has been named the 12th President of the University. LRU is one of 25 colleges and universities of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.



Dr. Whitt follows the successful presidency of Dr. Wayne B. Powell, who was one of the first to welcome Dr. Whitt to LR. "Fred has a long history of distinguished leadership in higher education. I am confident he is the right person at the right time to lead Lenoir-Rhyne to even greater heights in the next generation."

Dr. Whitt brings over 30 years of leadership experience in higher education to Lenoir-Rhyne. Most recently he was the Founding Dean of the Beaver College of Health Sciences (BCHS) at Appalachian State University, charged in 2010 to lead the first new college developed at Appalachian in over 40 years. The BCHS has doubled in enrollment over the first four years of existence and is now the second largest college at Appalachian with 3,400 students.

"I am incredibly excited about this extraordinary opportunity," says President Whitt. "The bedrock principles that are unique to Lenoir-Rhyne are values I enthusiastically embrace and support. I look forward to embracing and advocating for the core values that have and will continue to be unique to Lenoir-Rhyne."

Whitt grew up in Mt. Holly, NC. He and his wife Donna have been married for 38 years, and they are the proud parents of two adult married sons, one of whom serves as a Lutheran missionary in Nepal. Dr. Whitt earned his doctorate from the University of Tennessee and his MA and BS degrees from Appalachian State.

In his spare time, Dr. Whitt enjoys landscaping and yardwork, music, the arts, following college sports, and spending time with family.

5th Annual Men's Beach Retreat is May 5-7

By Gary Rhodes

Please make plans to join Pastor Woolly and the men of St. John's for the 2017 Men's Beach Retreat. This annual retreat will be held at Kure Beach, North Carolina beginning on Friday, May 5, 2017.

We will join together for a weekend of worship and fellowship. Activities include bicycling, beachcombing, surf and pier fishing, and golfing. Fort Fisher, Carolina Beach State Park, and the N.C. Aquarium are only a short distance from our retreat facility.

Our group will stay at a large and beautifully decorated home in Kure Beach across the street from the ocean, and about 5 blocks from the center of Kure Beach. We'll gather at a local restaurant on Friday evening (dinner at your expense), followed by an evening fellowship gathering. On Saturday, we have breakfast at our house followed by a morning Bible study. Saturday afternoons are free for leisure activities. On Saturday evening, we gather for a low country shrimp broil and a Saturday evening

fellowship/worship activity. After breakfast on Sunday, we will worship at Kure Beach Lutheran Church before departing for home.

The cost for the retreat is \$150 which includes accommodations, linens, and 4 meals. Golfing and fishing licenses are at a participant's expense. The house offers bicycles and there are walking areas along the shore. The house also has large decks and a variety of books and magazines. There are also opportunities for shared transportation.

In addition to golfing, a group will bike from Kure Beach to Southport by way of the Fort Fisher Ferry. Bikes are available, but you may want to bring your own.

Registration forms may be picked up from the church office or from locations around the St. John's campus. Please fill out the form and return to the church office with your payment as soon as possible. For any questions, please feel free to call Gary Taylor at 704-639-9701 or Gary Rhodes at 704-279-4302.

Donate to the St. John's Tent Village at Lutheridge

St. John's has been asked to raise \$50,000 to fund a new platform tent village at Lutheridge. The church has already received \$20,000 towards the project.

Adding the four elevated tree-house style platform tents will serve the camp's High School Outdoor Adventure Program in several ways:

- The Outdoor Adventure Program at Lutheridge has grown during the past 15 years, outgrowing the four platform tents already in place. The new tent village will give the program more room to grow in the coming summers.
- Adding the tent village will free up cottages to increase Lutheridge's growing adult and family programming.

- The new elevated tent village will have a "wow" factor, much like the new pool, attracting campers and helping retain current campers. Any commitments over \$50,000 will go toward remodeling restrooms in Lakeside Lodge.

A group of six St. John's members is serving as the steering team for the project. They are Mike and Sharon Edwards, Harrison Parrott, Dave Roof, Cora Shinn, and Anna Grace Woolly. Although a more formal campaign will be held later this year, donations can be directed to the project even now.

For more information about Lutheridge, visit their website, www.lutheridge.com.



Around the church and community

Break the Silence

An ecumenical worship service

“Break the Silence” will be a service of word, song, and testimony to open up conversation around domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, and human trafficking. The service is being sponsored and led by downtown clergy.

Sunday April 30th

4:00PM

The Aymer Center at Hood Seminary
Salisbury, NC



Help Needed for South Sudan

Millions of people in South Sudan have been impacted by the ravages of civil war, drought, and government insecurity. More than fifty percent of the country's 11 million people need humanitarian assistance in what is being called the world's worst humanitarian crisis since WW2.

The ELCA is working with others to deliver immediate famine relief. In addition to these efforts, our church continues its long-term commitment to cultivating sustainable food security and sustained ministry with the people of South Sudan to build resilient and empowered communities.



Your support through Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) will help bring God's hope and healing to all those affected. Because the ELCA covers all administrative costs, every dollar that you give will go to direct relief assistance. Give through your offering to St. John's (mark "South Sudan Relief") or give directly to LDR by googling "Lutheran Disaster Response."

Around the congregation

Encounter: For those wanting to know more about St. John's

Our next Encounter class will be held on Sunday, April 30, 6 to 8 pm. The class is led by Pastors Rhodes and Danielle and explores the ins and outs of St. John's. It's a perfect introduction to our mission and purpose, especially suited for those interested in church membership.

Lutheranism 101: Basics of the Lutheran Church

Nearly fifty percent of our new members come from non-Lutheran backgrounds. Would you like to learn more about the basics of the Lutheran faith? Pastor Danielle leads this 3-week Lutheranism 101 course, beginning Wednesday, May 3.

Senior Seasons Spring Gathering

Our Senior Adult ministry will host a spring gathering on Tuesday, May 9, at 11 am in the fellowship hall. Join them for lunch and entertainment. Contact Carolyn Byrd for more information about our ministry with senior adults: carolyn@stjohns-salisbury.org.

State of the Church is May 17

Mark your calendars for our annual State of the Church dinner, which will be held on Wednesday, May 17 at 5:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Join us for a delicious meal prepared by Ott Pinkston and a follow-up presentation about our new St. John's Sustainability Plan.

"Thanks for not propping our doors."

A reminder not to prop open doors for special events or activities. When doors are propped open, our Access Control System cannot operate properly and the facility is left unsecured. Doors are automatically locked and unlocked according to the event leader's request. For more information, please contact our facilities manager, Jon Koppe, jon@stjohns-salisbury.org.

Youth Auction raises \$25,717!

Many thanks to the many folks who made our Youth Auction such a huge success. Over \$25,000 was raised to send 43 youth and adults on mission to Guatemala.

Special thanks to Mean Mug Coffee Shop for preparing the delicious Guatemalan meal, to our auctioneer Jake Parrott, and to Nancy Shirley who provided overall coordination. Thank you, thank you!



Students preparing for the Auction.

Handicapped Parking Spaces Available

A reminder that the parking area between the sanctuary and education building is reserved for elderly and handicapped parking on Sunday mornings and for all other congregation-wide activities (Lenten worship, meals, etc).

Help send one of our kids on mission

Help our Middle School Youth get to Knoxville, TN for their summer mission trip! All you need to do is pick up a bank after worship on April 1 and, throughout the month of April, fill it with any loose change you might have laying around the house. At the end of April, please return the bank and all the change that it has collected. It's as easy as that!

We have a group of 15 headed to Knoxville. It costs \$375 to send one child to Knoxville where our mission team will have a unique opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus to our neighbors. Contact Kai for more information, at kia@stjohns-salisbury.org.

Students Visit “Luther Land”

Rebecca Agner, Caroline Parrott, and Victor Pereira were among a group of 48 students and chaperones who traveled to Germany with the University of North Carolina’s Lutheran Campus Ministry program during spring break in March.

During a four-year cycle, students visit Germany, New Orleans, Costa Rica and Miami, explains Fred Black, a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Chapel Hill, and frequent trip chaperone.

“This year was the time to go to Germany,” he says, “so it was perfect.”

Here are the St. John’s students’ reflections from this memorable trip:

Germany was amazing! As a Lutheran, visiting the cities where Martin Luther was born, lived, and preached was a surreal experience. Since 2017 is the 500th year of the Reformation, there were even more Luther-related memorials and shops to visit than there normally would have been!

We brought a very large group of about fifty people, mostly UNC students, but three students from that “other blue school about 8 miles down the road.” Having a travel group this big posed many challenges, especially in the airports. However, we broke into smaller travel groups, which made the large size more manageable, and helped us become closer to the students in our travel groups.

One of my favorite experiences was exploring and living in the Mansfeld Castle for two days. Luther’s parents lived in Mansfeld, and he visited this castle often. There is speculation that the castle inspired the lyrics to the famous hymn “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,” since Luther would have seen the castle that overlooks the city of Mansfeld below. Assuming this speculation was true, our group sang the hymn about five different times while living in the castle, which was so much fun!

I am very blessed to have been able to explore Germany with such a wonderful group of UNC family. I am very thankful to my St. John’s family as well, since St. John’s was where I first learned about Luther and experienced the joys of Christian fellowship.

By Rebecca Agner

I appreciate how God gives us signs in our life, such as the signs He gave me that I was meant to travel to Germany with an excellent group of fellow Christians this year. This semester, I have two classes based on medieval literature — highly centered around the Protestant Reformation — and we, Carolina Choir, are singing the Verdi Requiem, a piece sang by a group of imprisoned Jews in Tere-

zin. I perceive these events not as coincidences, but signs that God nudged me toward learning about Luther and heading to Germany.

Being in Germany during the 500th anniversary of the Reformation felt to me like an experience discerning efficacy. In other words: anybody in our time could be, like Martin Luther, an important laborer in God’s work that might affect how Christians worship centuries from today. 500 years ago, Martin Luther did God’s work to combat the corrupt system of indulgences and to conceive the notion of a personal relationship with God.

Presumably, he would not have known how significant his contribution to Christianity would be today, how much he would have influenced us to worship God with a true love that, arguably, might not exist today. We must learn from Luther’s life and focus on our faith-based efficacy.

Learning about Luther’s life was wonderful, but my favorite site was the Mansfeld Castle where our group stayed for two nights. It was in this place where I realized how traveling in such a large group would usually prove overwhelming, but not with LCM. When we arrived, we quickly packed our luggage in our rooms and explored the castle. It felt like everyone was in tune with one another on how extraordinary our experience was so far; I mean seriously, we were in a castle.

We had the open yards and ruins to ourselves to play Ultimate Frisbee, build a bonfire, and sit cliffside watching the sun set over rolling fields and 10 different church steeples. That mighty fortress overlooking the land of Germany, all to ourselves. But most importantly, it felt like God was there giving us His grace by providing such an irreplaceable experience with each other. I thank God greatly for having given us all such a beautiful place to stay, as well as excellent tour guides and castle keepers whom I consider royalty.

Lastly, traveling with a large group did prove difficult when flying between countries. It was especially difficult in London, the midpoint between our Germany and U.S. flights. Again, I strongly believe that this would have proved unbearable were it not for our LCM group that stuck together and fought through such a trying delay in our travels. Our first flight cancellation was difficult because we had to stay in London-Heathrow all day. However, the second time we were stuck in London-Heathrow, everything worked out for everybody; some of us went straight home, others stayed overnight in different U.S. cities, and a few of us stayed to explore London, an unforgettable city.

Each different situation had one thing in common: a group of people, led by God, that provided each other with a comforting pres-



Caroline Parrott, Rebecca Agner and Victor Pereira were part of a group of UNC students who spent spring break in Germany.

ence. As always, things are OK at the end.

I cannot express how blessed I feel to have been a part of this unforgettable experience. Not many people get the chance to make a trip like this in their lifetime. To travel and learn about Luther's life during the 500th anniversary of the Reformation is a solidification of my Lutheran faith through God. Yes, the Lutheran faith is centered on God, not Martin Luther, but to learn about a person that so loyally followed God's will is to learn about how we, as people of today, can advance the notion of a personal relationship with God.

Thank you to all who made this trip possible for us.

By Victor Pereira

Being in Germany during the 500th anniversary of the Reformation was an incredible experience that I will never forget. The most powerful moment for me was standing in the room where Luther translated the Bible and knowing that coming out of that room would be millions of followers and my faith practices.

My favorite moment was staying in Schloss Mansfeld, the castle on the hill in Martin Luther's hometown. Many people believe that "A Mighty Fortress" was written based on Wartburg Castle, but Martin Luther grew up seeing Schloss Mansfeld every day from his home in Mansfeld. It is feasible to believe that "A

Mighty Fortress" could have been inspired by the castle where we stayed. Naturally, our group chose to sing "A Mighty Fortress" in the fortress, which left me speechless.

Our travels did not go as planned, thanks to the strike at the airport in Berlin. Due to our large group, we crashed the computers in London, and it took seven hours to get new boarding passes to Hannover. We were all very stressed, irritable, and anxious, but we became pros at all of the card games you can imagine — after playing for 15 hours straight! When we thought we would have zero troubles coming home, our group crashed the computers again in Berlin, thus delaying our takeoff time to London. We missed our flight from London to Raleigh, so our group was divided into eight groups and flew into four different airports across the United States. I was selected to stay an extra night in London and fly to Raleigh the following day, which led to a spontaneous trip into the city and viewing as much as we could before heading to bed for our early flight. Even though I had no luggage or toiletries, that ended up being one of the highlights of my trip!

I look forward to going back and revisiting all of the beautiful cities that contributed to shaping my faith journey.

By Caroline Parrott

Worship Leaders for April

indicates 8:30 a.m. worship service ^indicates front row

LAY ASSISTING MINISTERS

Apr 2 Gretchen Witt
 Apr 9 Jonathan Williams—11 am
 Apr 13 Dave Roof—*Maundy Thursday* 7 pm
 Apr 16 Pastor Danielle K. DeNise
 Apr 23 Randy Overcash
 Apr 30 Andrew Poe
 May 7 Frank Goodnight

READERS

Apr 2 Mitch Siegel*, Gerrie Blackwelder
 Apr 9 Dave Foreman, Glenn Ketner, Jill Connery
 Apr 13 Susan Myers—*Maundy Thursday*
 Apr 16 Gretchen Witt*, Rachel Pope
 Apr 23 Anne Loeblein*, Luke Mesimer
 Apr 30 Charles Moll*, Sally Taylor
 May 7 Acquawon Stallworth*, David Hord

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Apr 2 Roger Hull, Dave Roof^
 Apr 9 *No 8:30 service*
 Apr 13 Kathy Norris, Dave Roof^ - *Maundy Thursday*
 Apr 16 Bob Loeblein*, Ann Hatchett*, Barbara Corriher, Wesley Rhyne, Linda Hull, Dave Roof^
 Apr 23 Stacey Shafer*
 Apr 30 *No communion*
 May 7 Donna Weinhold, Eleanor Sifford^

ALTAR GUILD

April Angela Graham, captain; Jane Jones, Betty Pinkston, Gary Graham

COMMUNION PREPARERS

April Melissa Oleen and Hannah Smith

GREETERS

Apr 2 Sonny and Nancy Lippard, Raymond and Kay Coltrain
 Apr 9 Bill and Toni Kenerly, Stan and Rita Honeycutt
 Apr 16 Jerry and Fran Lawson, Linda Phillips, Donna Weinhold
 Apr 23 Tom and Mimi Carlton, Ott and Julie Pinkston
 Apr 30 Ron and Janice Raper, Gary, Scott and Davey Rhodes
 May 7 Bradley and Laurie Stevens, Stan and Melanie Ferguson

WELCOME PLACE GREETERS

Apr 2 Carolyn Hood
 Apr 9 Mimi Carlton
 Apr 16 Linda Safrit
 Apr 23 Linda Phillips
 Apr 30 Barbara Waggoner
 May 7 Lorna Reasor

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AFTER-SERVICE GREETERS

Nancy Shirley, Karen Rogers, Bill Safrit
 Cory Gebhardt, Gary Rhodes, Donny Yost
 Dennis Ingold, Frank Goodnight, Ron Smith
 Bill Johnson, Karen Puckett, Norman Sloop
 Jeanie Moore, Ben Goodman, Karen South Jones

ACOLYTES

David Holden, Sam Wood
 Sydney Hlavacek, Piper Lasker
 Anna Grace Woolly, TBD—*Maundy Thursday*
 Anna Grace Woolly—*Good Friday*
 Grant Shafer*, Grace Shafer*
 Caylynn Westberg, Juliana Anderson
 Claire Allen, Maggie Dees
 TBD

CRUCIFERS

Mary Wood
 Devyn Lasker
 Abby Buechler*, Callie Kirchin
 Archie Dees
 TBD

ELEMENT BEARERS

Rachel Reavis
 Ty Buechler*, TBD

TORCH BEARERS

Princess Harris, Jessica Harris
 Sydney Sims, Haley Sims

BANNER BEARERS

Jared Hensley
 Maddie Eudy*, Bethanie Stauffer

BIBLE BEARERS

Olivia Kyles*, Anna Patel

USHERS: Head Ushers

Dan Waggoner, Stan Ferguson

USHER TEAMS

Team 1E*	Tom Childress, Mark Derrick
Team 8	Glenn Ketner, captain
Team 2E*	Tom Smith, Jeff Nelson
Team 9	Cliff Ritchie, captain
Team 10	Larry Britt, captain
Team 3E*	Bob Loeblein, Jeff Nelson
Team 1	Mark Derrick, captain
Team 4E*	Bob Rusher, Bobby Rusher
Team 2	Scott Robinson, captain
Team 5E*	Ronnie Smith
Team 3	Carole Parrott, captain

PA OPERATORS
 Apr 2 Darrell Blackwelder
 Apr 9 & 13 Mike Agee
 Apr 16 David Wilson
 Apr 23 Roger Alexander
 Apr 30 Taylor Hutchins

9:27 HOSPITALITY TEAM
 Apr 2 Angel Barber, Cammie Yarborough, Wayne Everhart, Irene Stewart, David and Julie Carr
 Apr 9 Dean and Tammy Safrit, Jenny Ryerson, Judy Klusman, Deb Miller, Lindsey Wineka
 Apr 16 Debbie Carter, Cheryl, Jack and Chad Van der Poel, Mike Jacobson, Cyndii Owen
 Apr 23 Rhonda and David Harrison, Jack and Jeanie Moore
 Apr 30 Doug and Donna Groce, Stacy and Grace Shafer, Kim Robinson, Ben and Eva White

9:27 USHER TEAM
 April Missy and Anthony Weaver, Steve and Camille Butner

NURSERY
 Apr 2 Annette Brown, Ebony Alexander
 Apr 9 Annette Brown, Natalee Taylor
 Apr 16 Natalee Taylor, Sandra Jiles
 Apr 23 Natalee Taylor, Annette Brown
 Apr 30 Sandra Jiles, Annette Brown

Join Us—Last Wednesday Night Meal of the Season

April 5 — pot roast, roasted vegetables, broccoli salad, roll and dessert

Happy Birthday!

Congratulations to our Octogenarians celebrating birthdays in April:

Dot Miller, Barbara Waggoner, Ron Smith, Rosalie Adams, Audrey Bradshaw, Joanne Myers, Gerry Webster, Betty Brown, Bob Melton, Robert Miller, LaNell Martin, Julius Waggoner, Alda Smith

Eagle's View deadline

The May Eagle's View will be published in April. Please email stories and news to joy@stjohns-salisbury.org by **April 14**.

St. John's Leadership

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

2017 President Karen South Jones
 Vice President Ben Goodman
 Secretary Jeanie Moore
 Treasurer Gary Rhodes

Term Expires 2017

Karen South Jones
 Norman Sloop
 Nancy Shirley
 Ronald Smith
 Donny Yost

Term Expires 2018

Ben Goodman
 Frank Goodnight
 Jeanie Moore
 Gary Rhodes
 Bill Safrit

Term Expires 2019

Cory Gebhardt
 Dennis Ingold
 Bill Johnson
 Karen Puckett
 Karen Rogers

Youth Members

Grace Faller and Victoria Plyler

MINISTRY GROUP CHAIRPERSONS

Worship Gretchen Witt and Randy Overcash
Outreach Geoffrey Hoy
Congregational Life
Discipleship, Adult David Hord
Discipleship, Youth Sandra Sullivan

Worship Attendance

Mar 5 500
 Mar 12 362
 Mar 19 415
 Mar 26 484

Buck-a-Meal Sunday

Sunday, April 2 (1st Sunday of each month)

Buck-A-Meal for March was \$622. Every dollar bill donated equals a meal at RHM.

You may bring non-perishable foods on the first Sunday of the month, or to the office anytime during April.

Announcements and Letters

Congratulations

Alex Mowery and Ammie Crocker, who were married on March 11, 2017 at Murrells Inlet, SC. Alex is the son of Christine Mowery and the grandson of Harold and Peggy Mowery.

Consolation

Jim Nichols, Camille and Steve Butner, Stephanie and Andy Payonk, family and friends on the death of Jim's wife, Daisy Nichols, whose funeral was held on Thursday, March 16, in the Faith Center.

Welcome New Members!

Bill and Shari Graham joined St. John's on March 12, 2017. Bill is a lawyer, and Shari is a homemaker and event coordinator. Their son, Perry, is attending the University of Toronto, and their daughter, Caroline, attends Catawba College.

W. A. and Joyce Cline joined St. John's on March 12, 2017. Both are retired from the Rowan-Salisbury school system, with W.A. known by many as the highly successful football coach at East Rowan High School.

Jim and Ellen Yeatts joined St. John's on March 19, 2017. Jim is a retired Lt. Col. in the Air Force, and Ellen was a nurse. In their retirement they like biking, exercise, and camping.

Pastoral Care and the Prayer Chain

A reminder to let us know if you will be in the hospital so that our pastoral care team and hospital visitors can join with you in presence and prayer. Also, names are added to the daily Prayer Chain by request and permission only. To honor your privacy, we only include those names that are shared with us and have been approved by the person added to the list.

Church Decorating Committee Seeks Members

The St. John's Decorating Committee is responsible for decorating our worship areas during the Christmas and Easter seasons. Our goal is to reflect the joy and celebration of each season while enriching the worship experience. We meet a few times a year for planning and gather each season to decorate. You do not have to have a talent for decorating.....just a desire to help.

We have three worship areas to decorate and would like to create teams for each area. If you are interested in serving, please contact Sandy Jordan at sjordan@fibrant.com or 704-202-9681.

Volunteers Needed for Greeters

If you are interested in being a Greeter at the 11 am worship service, please contact Linda Phillips, at 704-637-7464. Singles and couples are welcome. This is a great way to meet the members of St. John's.

LR-LTSS Trip to the Holy Land

Join Dr. David Ratke (Dean of the LR College of Theology and LTSS) and Dr. Monte Luke (LTSS Old Testament professor) on a special LTSS Alums and Friends study tour in the Holy Land June 6-17, 2017. Information is available on the LTSS website, ltss.lr.edu.

Book of the Month:

Creating Moments of JOY by Jolene Brackey

Jolene Brackey has a vision. A vision that will soon look beyond the challenges of Alzheimer's disease and focus more of our energy on creating moments of joy. When a person has short-term memory loss, his life is made up of moments. But if you think about it, our memory is made up of moments, too. We are not able to create a perfectly wonderful day with someone who has dementia, but it is absolutely attainable to create a perfectly wonderful moment; a moment that puts a smile on their face, a twinkle in their eye, or triggers a memory. Five minutes later, they won't remember what you did or said, but the feeling you left them with will linger.



Be sure to visit our church library in the Faith Center. It's filled with new books and video resources for adults, youth, and children. Contact Catherine Soderberg for more info.

Dear St. John's Family,

We so much appreciate everyone's goodness during Daisy Nichols' recent illness and death. We are so thankful for such a loving church family. We thank everyone for the cards, phone calls, food, flowers, and especially the prayers and love.

With love,
The Family of Daisy Nichols

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 (April) All Day MS Beach Retreat/IRAK Attack 8:30a Chapel Worship 9:27a Contemporary Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Sanctuary Worship 4:45p Men's Chorus Rehearsal 5p Women's Ensemble 5p 9:27 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner 6p Encounter	<h1>April 2017</h1>					1 All Day HS Beach Retreat 7p GIFT Launch
2 All Day HS Beach Retreat 8:30a Chapel Worship 9:27a Contemporary Worship/HC 10a Sunday School 11a Sanctuary Worship/HC 4:45p Men's Chorus 5:30p Confirmation 6p Inner Voices 7p Egypt @ the Hull's	3 1p Monday Rembrandts 6p Cub Scout Den Mtg 6:30p David Hord Lifegroup 7p Luther Ringers	4 7:45a Women's Bible Study 10a Seasons Academy 5:30p Outreach Team 7p Worship Group	5 10a Staff meeting 4p Willi Beilfuss Lifegroup 4:30p EPIC & Kingdom Kids 5:30p Wed meal 5:30p Classic Ringers 6:30p Lenten Worship Chancel Choir following service	6 7:30a Joshua Group 10:15a Trinity Singers/Ringers 1:30p Weekly Contemporary Walk-Thru 5:30p 1st Grade Milestone 6p Contemporary Worship Rehearsal	7 5p Knox MS Band Mtg	8 All Day Women's Ministry Launch
9 PALM SUNDAY No 8:30 worship No Children's Sunday School/Centers 9:27a Contemporary Worship 9:45a Adult Sunday School/Gospel of Luke 11a Sanctuary Worship 4:45p Men's Chorus 5p Women's Ensemble 5:30p Confirmation/HS-FUEL 7p Mesopotamia @ the Hull's	10 1p Monday Rembrandts 5p Knox MS Band Mtg and rehearsal 6p Contemporary Worship Rehearsal 6p Cub Scout Den Mtg 7p Luther Ringers	11 7:45 Women's Bible Study 10a Seasons Academy 4:30p Finance Committee 5p Executive Committee 5:15p Health Care Ministry 6p GIFT @ Food for Thought Table 7p Cub Scout Leader Round	12 7:15a HS Breakfast/Panera 10a Staff meeting 4p Willi Beilfuss Lifegroup 4p Benevolent Foundation 4:30p EPIC & Kingdom Kids 5:30p Classic Ringers 6p Childrens Discipleship Team 6:30p RHM check-in/meal 7:30p Chancel Choir	13 MAUNDY THURSDAY 5:30a RHM/7:30a Joshua Gp 10:15a Trinity Singers/Ringers 1:30p Contemporary Walk-Thru 3p Junior Girl Scouts 3:30p Maundy Thurs Service @ Trinity Oaks 7p Maundy Thurs Service 8:15p Chancel Choir	14 GOOD FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED 12p Good Friday Service/Chapel 7p Good Friday Service/Sanctuary EAGLE'S VIEW DEADLINE FOR MAY ISSUE	15
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St. John's Ministry Staff

Pastoral Ministry

Senior Pastor.....The Rev. Rhodes Woolly
 Pastor for Discipleship.....The Rev. Danielle Kosanovich DeNise
 Visitation.....Wade Rouzer

Worship and Music Ministry

Minister of MusicRob Durocher
 Associate Parish Musician.....Rosemary Kinard
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 Assisting Organist.....Deanna Boksleitner
 Media Specialist.....Taylor Hutchins
 Contemporary Worship Leader.....Bradley Chestnut

Program Ministry

Youth.....Kai Thurow
 Children / Office Assistant.....Lauren Thurow
 Senior AdultsCarolyn Byrd
 St. John's Kindergarten (4 and 5 year olds)Teresa Stoner
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Administrative Team

Business ManagerRuth Ann Diehl
 Office Manager.....Joy Chaffin
 Bookkeeper.....Toni Peeler
 Facility Manager.....Jon Koppe
 Maintenance.....Austin Oliver
 CustodianSandra Knox

Sunday Worship Services

8:30 am — Chapel
 9:27 am — Contemporary
 11 am — Sanctuary

Holy Communion

Contemporary Worship: 1st Sunday of the month
 Chapel Worship: 2nd and 4th Sundays
 Sanctuary Worship: 1st and 3rd Sundays

Nursery provided for infants through age 5 during services.

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Pastor Danielle	205	Bradley	222
Pastor Rhodes	206	Lauren	204

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*Don't forget the launch of our new
 women's ministry, GIFT, this Saturday!*

On Call List

The list of ministers "on call" is also printed in the Sunday bulletin and updated as needed. Please refer to the bulletin if there is an emergency and you need pastoral assistance:

Pastor Rhodes Woolly	Cell 704.754.2250
Pastor Danielle K. DeNise	Cell 919.475.1391
Wade Rouzer	Cell 980.234.0699

Mar 31-Apr 2	Pastor Rhodes Woolly
Apr 7-9	Pastor Danielle K. DeNise
Apr 14-16	Wade Rouzer
Apr 21-23	Pastor Danielle K. DeNise
Apr 28-30	Pastor Rhodes Woolly

Prayer Chain. Our Prayer Chain is updated daily and emailed to interested persons Monday through Friday. To add or subtract a name, please contact Carolyn Byrd at carolyn@stjohns-salisbury.org. Also let Carolyn know if you would like to receive the daily Prayer Chain.

