

Let's connect faith and life *together*

Trinity Living at St. John's Kicks Off Aug. 13

By Susan Shinn Turner

Trinity Living at St. John's — the county's first church-based respite care program — kicks off Aug. 13. A collaboration between Trinity Living Center and St. John's, the program will be housed in The Pit, in the lower level of the Faith Center.

Respite care is open to people ages 60 and up with cognitive impairment but who can still perform the activities of daily living (eating, toileting, medications, etc.).

The ministry offers caregivers a much-needed break from the constant care of a loved one at home. This is a social program, so there is no medical staff onsite. The patient-to-volunteer ratio will be 6:1, and the program manager will schedule care in advance to ensure enough volunteers are present each day.

Christina Joyce, executive director of Trinity Living Center, says that both participants and volunteers have signed up for the program. More space is available for both participants and volunteers. Joyce adds that the agency has hired Cynthia Hubbard as the onsite program manager.



Hours are 9 am-1 pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The cost is \$30 per day and includes a breakfast bar and a hot lunch. Activities will include art, music, games, and intergenerational programs.



Interested?

All volunteers must undergo a background check, reference process, and training. If you'd like to volunteer or are the caregiver of a family member who would benefit from this program, please call Trinity Living Center at 704.637.3940.

Pastor's Letter



My bees didn't make it this year. Call it bad weather, bad luck, bad beekeeping, or maybe the vicious assault of neighboring mustached bees that were remarkably coordinated in their attack.

Bottom line: We won't have honey this year.

Which is a bummer. To be honest, I didn't get off to a good start. Well, let me back up. I bought the right materials, shadowed Nathan Hough and his uber-beekeeper grandmother, found the perfect spot on the St. John's roof, right next to the solar panels. Everything seemed perfectly in place ... except that, for whatever reason, they didn't make enough honey. And, as I later found out, I didn't do enough to keep them interested.

When we inspected the bees a few weeks ago, it didn't look pretty. Robber bees had taken over. The queen and her worker bees were long gone. All that remained was some beeswax and a vacancy sign.

Lesson learned: Sometimes things don't turn out as planned.

Or sometimes it just takes a little while for things to get started.

I've run across kids who I thought might not make it out of high school .. only to become outstanding students and professionals in their careers.

I once worked with a musician in Virginia who, so it seemed, had very few skills in church music .. only to later discover a new passion in jazz music. It just took him a while to get things right.

I'm thinking of Mary Magdalene, whom the world had dismissed as a crazy, demon-possessed woman. But Jesus saw something else in her. He gave her the time and nurturing that she needed and watched her grow into the first witness of the resurrection.

For a few days, I was ready to give up on beekeeping. But perhaps I'm being invited into a place of patience and endurance. After all, what has been sown, God says in Isaiah 43, *will grow*. "For as the rain and snow fall down from heaven and nourish the earth ... so shall be my word. It will flourish."

So I guess I'll give these bees another chance. Which means that next year this time, get ready for some yummy honey, friends. You can count on it!

Peace+
Pastor Rhodes

Phase 1 of the St. John's Tent Village is Completed!

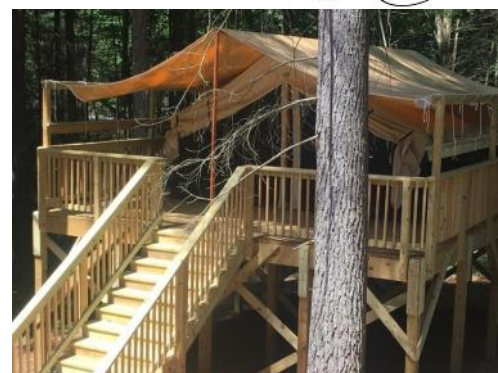
"They've quickly become the most popular cabins on camp," says Pastor Tim Caniff-Kuhn, co-program director at Lutheridge.

He's referring to the new St. John's Tent Village, completed in May, just in time for this summer's camping season. High schoolers use the elevated tents as their home base while participating in the Outdoor Adventure Program.

St. John's members generously contributed \$54,000 to the project. Two of the four elevated tents/platforms have been completed. Lutheridge hope to complete two additional platforms this winter. A restroom/shower project will follow, depending on funds.

Many thanks for your contributions to this worthwhile project!

Thank you



Preview Financial Peace University on Sept. 13

By Susan Shinn Turner

Some 64 percent of Americans cannot cover a \$1,000 emergency.

Imagine if you did not have car payments. Imagine if your kids never knew debt. Imagine if you and your spouse did not fight about money.

Debt is normal. Be weird!

Dozens of St. John's members have benefitted from Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University. A second installment of the program is set for 6:30-8:30 pm Thursdays, Sept. 20 - Nov. 15. A preview class will take place at 6:30 pm Sept. 13.

Topics include Super Saving, Relating With Money, Cash Flow Planning, Dumping Debt, Buyer Beware, The Role of Insurance, Retirement and College Planning, Real Estate and Mortgages, and The Great Misunderstanding.

These sessions are co-sponsored by St. John's and Christ United Methodist Church. Class facilitators are Wayne and Jill Nelson of St. John's and Wayne Smith of Christ.

Nelson heard a lot about stewardship when he served on the Synod staff, and he and his wife took a course sponsored by Mount Hermon Lutheran Church.



Wayne and Jill Nelson

"It was an affirmation for us that we have been doing things right," he says.

They saw others get excited about the program, and decided to offer it at St. John's.

"We had an extremely balanced class," he says. "We had young singles, and women who were widows. We encouraged families with kids to participate."

In all, 40 people participated in the class last year — the Nelsons were hoping for six couples. Members of that class will be serving as small group leaders this fall.

"I really enjoyed the class," says Kristin May, who is single. "It

forced me to really look at where my money was going and, I'm not going to lie, it was a little shocking. I had gotten in the habit of putting expenses on the credit card and paying it off. I love the envelope system because I know exactly where I stand and how much money I have left on food or entertainment, to name a few categories.

"I have paid off a lot of my debt, saved money in an emergency fund, and know that whatever life throws at me, financially, I can tackle it!"

Doug and Donna Groce, who married six years ago, took the class together.

"This class came highly recommended," she says. "Wayne and Jill are terrific facilitators and lead by example. The instruction and tips from the course book and video, and the lively and insightful group discussions have really made our spending and saving habits more intentional."

"I'm very much on my own," says Debbie Martin, whose husband, David, died four years ago. "This is a different time in my life. Financially, David was my cushion. I never worried about money, because he always provided well. Once he was gone, it felt like the world was a different place. I had to learn there were going to be new dreams, and I wanted to get ready."

Martin had worked as a branch office assistant with Edward Jones.

"I have seen the habits of people with large amounts of money and how they operate," she says. "But this class was a down-to-earth perspective of managing money. I learned more about the day-to-day habits of spending. It was helpful and realistic. Everybody in the class found something that applied to them."

You can register online for Financial Peace University through stjohns-salisbury.org. Cost is \$99 for course materials. Childcare is provided.

To learn more, you may contact the facilitators, Wayne and Jill Nelson at wnelson7@fibrant.com, or Wayne Smith at ncsmithhome@yahoo.com.



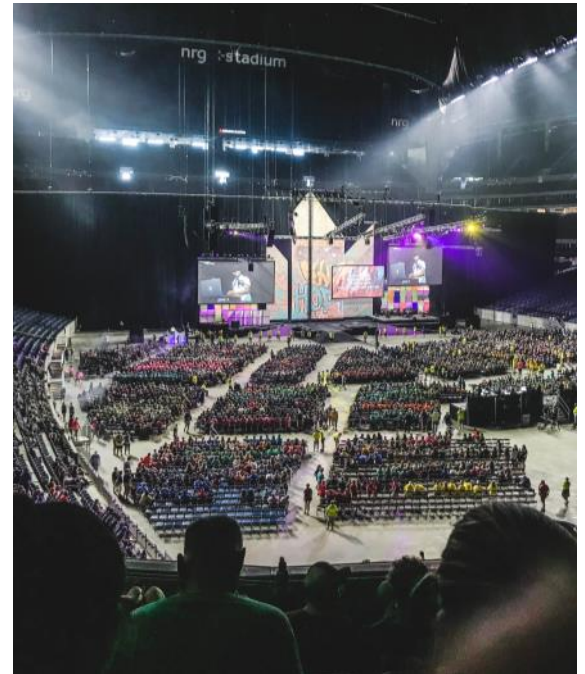
Our Middle School Youth participated in the Win Our World (WOW) mission in Knoxville. Mission projects included tending to a farm that provides food to the homeless and hungry, delivering food, sorting clothes at KARM Thrift Store, visiting nursing homes, yard work, cleaning a shelter, and more. Read more about the mission trip from the youth themselves on the St. John's Blog.



High School Youth

National Youth Gathering in Houston

40 of our high school youth and advisors attended the ELCA Youth Gathering in late June. They served the community and participated on-stage during the event's closing worship on Sunday morning. Thank you to our adult volunteers who helped make this trip possible!



GIFTS AT THE GATHERING...

437 hair donations
to Children with Hair Loss



1,248 units of blood
donated from 987 donors

40,000 books
donated at Blast Off for Books



200 grace bags
and 100 kindness project rocks
made by tAble participants

700 individuals attended
MYLE and visited 13 service sites.



\$260,000 + raised for
ELCA's Global Farm Challenge

Thanks to **31,242**
registered Gathering participants!

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Children's Ministry

Agape Day Camp and Hands and Feet Camp

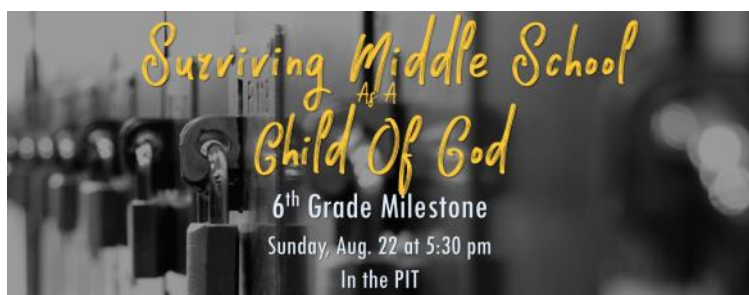
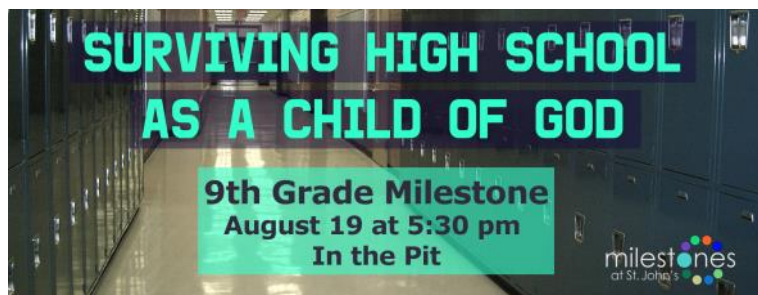
On June 9, children from St. John's and our community participated in a free day camp, provided by Agape Camp, a Lutheran camp and retreat center outside of Raleigh.



July 16-19, 20 of our 3rd-5th graders served our community during Hands and Feet Camp lead by our high school youth.

Youth and Children's Ministry

Upcoming Milestones



Youth Group Summer Fun Not Over Yet!

Youth Lake Day is August 4

Summer Fun isn't over yet!

Middle and high schoolers are invited to a

Youth Lake Day, Saturday, Aug. 4.

*Then a special event for our 11th-12th graders: their own **RAK Attack** on Wednesday, Aug. 15 at 1:30 pm.*

Please contact Kai at kai@stjohns-salisbury.org for more details about either event!



The Well: Confirmation

Aug. 10 — Confirmation Faith Statement Retreat

Saturday, Aug. 25 — The Well: Confirmation Banquet at 6 pm

Sunday, Aug. 26 — The Well: Confirmation Sunday at 11 am

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 6:30 pm — Confirmation orientation

A Peak into the Fall

Kingdom Kids and EPIC begin Sept. 12, 4:30 pm

Wednesday Meals return Sept. 12, 5:45 pm

Confirmation Parent Orientation, Sept. 12, 6:30 pm

Youth Group Kick-Off, Sept. 16, 5:30 pm

GIFT Women's Ministry

"Pray for Our Schools" is set for Aug. 20

By Susan Shinn Turner

Our annual "Pray for Our Schools" event is set for 6:30 pm Monday, Aug. 20, in the Faith Center. All students, parents, educators, and anyone with a child or grandchild going back to school are invited.

"This is a time and space to pray for our students and teachers, for a new school year, and for our school system as a whole," says Pastor Laura Henrik.

The event will include prayers and music. Special guests will include speakers from the school system.

"Pray for Our Schools is not just for teachers and students," Henrik says. "It's for all of our families who are preparing for the hustle and bustle of a new school year."

Sharon Agee is part of the GIFT team, which includes Lauren Stephenson, Carol Brown, Scott Rhodes and Sally Taylor.

"We want to offer prayers for a successful school year," says Agee, a retired educator. "We have four principals who are St. John's members: Luke Brown at Salisbury High School, Meredith Williams at North Rowan, Maria Lowder at North Hills Christian School, and Tonya Brinegar German at East Rowan. We are sending personal invitations to all of our



educators. We will also have a small, take-home gift for our educators' remembrance of the occasion."

The prayer service will take place the week before school starts on Aug. 27.

Two other prayer services hosted by GIFT Ministry will include a prayer service in November for those who have experienced loss and a prayer service in March for those affected by cancer.

Let's Connect Faith and Life in the Classroom

According to rssed.org, each year, Rowan County-Salisbury Schools impact the lives of 19,000 students and 3,000 teachers, and students spend an average of 1260 hours at school in one year, not counting extra curricular activities, time riding the bus, or before and after school lets out.

Teachers put in countless hours to help our children succeed in learning and developing, purchase most of the items in their classroom out of their own pockets, and help keep our children safe and healthy while at school. For some students in our own community, the only food, attention, and healthcare they receive is provided at school.

Each day, our children and teens' lives are touched by teachers, administrators, lunch aides, maintenance staff, counselors, coaches, and volunteers. No doubt their lives are touched by the students as well. The fact of the matter is during school hours may be the only chance to experience the love of Jesus for students and staff alike.

A sign behind the desk of Melissa Rhyne, St. John's member and kindergarten teacher at North Rowan Elementary School, puts it this way, "God doesn't have to be in my curriculum to be in my classroom. After all if He is in me, He is in everything I do... and I never have to say His name."

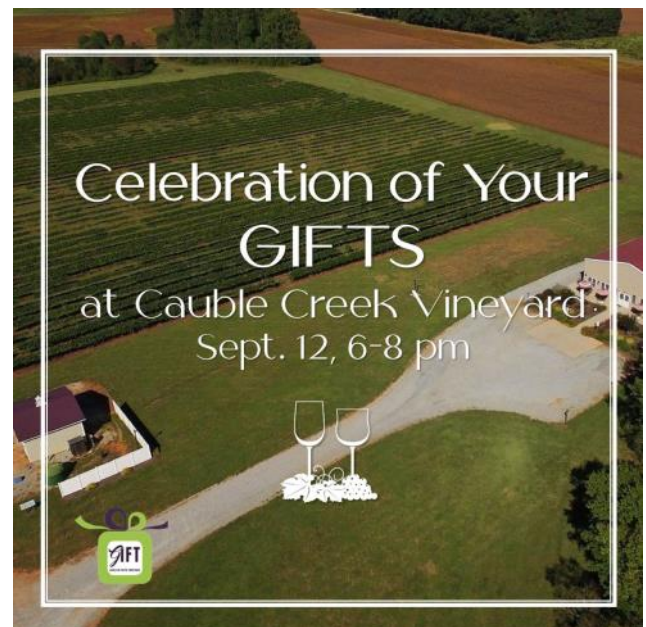
GIFT Women's Ministry



GIFT Wild Women Social in June



Mark Your Calendar: September GIFT Events



Teller Teams We Count On

By Susan Shinn Turner

For years, the “Tellers Team” has been a key component of giving at St. John’s.

“We used to count the money ourselves,” says a former church office worker who’s now a team member, “but we were robbed at gunpoint many years ago. And Pastor Carl Sachtleben thought it would be a good idea for the staff not to count the money, because of confidentiality concerns.”

That’s where the teller team had its beginnings.

Ruth Ann Diehl, business manager, said that when she started at St. John’s in 2000, two members, Grace Millar and Cullen Lentz, had been doing it for years — and it had gotten to be overwhelming.

Four teams of two-person tellers were formed. The teams rotate through fifth Sunday duties. Each week, a team gathers in a secure location to count cash and checks. Most have backgrounds in either banking or business.

The work they do is timesaving for the staff, Diehl says. And it’s an opportunity to serve and stay active, physically and mentally, she says. It’s also a time of fellowship among team members and with the church staff.

Lentz trained another longtime member of the teller team, and he in turn has trained a number of volunteers.

This teller was a regional manager for 23 stores in three states.

“In my job, I would check cash registers to make sure the correct money was in there, as well as the safe,” he says, “so this kind of work was part of my professional life. I enjoy it as a service to the church.”

Another team member had 22 years of banking experience before going into sales for a national company.

“When I was asked to serve, it just fell right in line with what I did in my career,” he says. He’s now been on the team for five years.

Another retired banker has a similar story. “I have a heart to give. Paul Carter was getting ready to retire from the team, and he trained me. As I get older, I’m limited in how I can volunteer. This is something I can do. I’ve had the same partner for four years, and we always call and remind each other when it’s our turn to serve.”

Want to help? Contact Ruth Ann Diehl, ruthann@stjohns-salisbury.org.

Introducing New Ways to Give at St. John’s

“Text Giving” joins online and regular giving options

This summer, St. John’s introduced a new way to give. In addition to using offering envelopes and our website, you can now give by texting.

With less and less people carrying cash and checks, this is another option to make giving more convenient, and you don’t need internet access to give once you register. This can also be a good way to teach teens with their first jobs about tithing, in a way that is convenient and makes sense to them.

Just text the amount you wish to give to 704.802.1349. The first time you give, you will be prompted to set up your payment method. After that’s been set up, you can just text the amount to 704.802.1349. You will receive a confirmation text each time. You also have the option to set up automatic recurring gifts.

Text giving allows you to give to specific funds, as well. Just type *funds* to receive a list of funds. If you know how to text, you will find it to be user friendly and intuitive. Once you text

the number, you are prompted with any instructions you may need. The texting option includes other keywords that will offer assistance, allow you to edit your payment, refund your gift, etc. You can probably guess most of the keywords. For instance, for instructions, type *assist* and to edit, type *edit*.

You can find more detailed instructions in our Ways to Give brochure in the tract racks or online, at stjohns-salisbury.org/giving. The brochure also provides helpful refreshers on other ways to give, including tips that help the teller volunteers with their jobs tremendously.

Do you still have questions about the new way to give? Contact Ruth Ann Diehl, business manager at ruthann@stjohns-salisbury.org.



Thank you for your faithful stewardship!



Fall Academy Kicks Off Sept. 18!



Join us Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2018 for this year's kick-off of our annual Senior Seasons Academy. We will begin the day with a light breakfast beginning at 9:15 am. Following breakfast, we will make our way in to the Faith Center to hear from WBTV's David Whisenant.

David grew up watching WBTV and it was the only TV station he ever wanted to work for. His biggest

David Whisenant, WBTV stories include the Pillowtex/NC Research Campus developments over the years, the tragic fire at Salisbury Millworks, the funeral of President Ronald Reagan, NASCAR-related stories and coverage, and follow ups on Hurricane Katrina and the local connections to that disaster and recovery.

Fall Season

The fall season officially begins Sept. 25 at 9:30 am and continues every Tuesday through Oct. 30. We will begin each week with coffee, fellowship and prayer in Peeler Hall. You may decide to stick around all day or choose to participate in only morning or afternoon classes.

Classes offered this season include:

- **Moses: A Model for Community Leadership**, taught by Pastors Rhodes and Laura
- **Memories to Memoirs Writing Class**, with Gene Hayden
- **Local Folklore Series**, with Rev. John Tucker, Pastor of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church; Susan Waller, Historian; Aaron Kepley, Rowan Museum Director; and Cyndii Osterhus
- **Bonus Course: Stretch, Balance & Breathe**, with Judy Childress

More information and registration will be provided in the Senior Academy Brochure, which will be available this month.

Upcoming Senior Seasons Trips

Senior Seasons Trolley Sculpture Tour

Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2018

Our annual Trolley Sculpture Tour of Salisbury is slated for Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2018, from 10 am – 12 noon. Please meet at St. John's at 9:30 am. We will travel by trolley to view the newest sculpture pieces in the Salisbury/Rowan community. Jenn Selby, Fine & Applied Arts Chair at Rowan-Cabarrus Community College will be our tour guide. Cost per person is \$10.



RSVP with Diane Poole at diane@stjohns-salisbury.org or 704-636-3431 ext.220.

Isle of Palms Senior Seasons Getaway

Nov. 28– Dec. 1, 2018

Plan a break from the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. Enjoy a weekend getaway of fellowship, relaxation, and fun at the Lutheran Retreat Center in SC! More details to come in the Fall Senior Seasons Brochure!



If you have suggestions or would like to serve on the planning committee, contact Diane at 704-636-3431 x 220 or diane@stjohns-salisbury.org.

Register now for the St. John's Churchwide Retreat!

Join us for the Churchwide Retreat
October 5-7 at Lutheridge in Arden,
NC!

This year's theme is *LIGHT*. Our
desire is to fill each of you with the
Light of Christ, so you might be the
Light of the world. We look forward
to seeing you on the mountain!

Registration begins Aug. 1, 2018.

To register, complete the form on
the opposite page, or register
online at stjohns-salisbury.org. You
may also print the form from the

website, complete and turn in. Remember, the sooner you
register, the more likely you will receive the housing request
of your choice.



middle/high school, \$25 for children Pre-K to 5th grade; and
Free for children 3 and under. Registration includes the
program, housing, and five meals.

We are committed to a low cost event so that everyone can
attend. With that in mind, cost is only \$75 for adults, \$50 for

*Here's a quick look at the schedule. Start getting ready for
some fellowship, worship, and lots of fun!*

Friday, 10/5	Location	Activity	Saturday, 10/6	Location	Activity
5-7 pm	Efird Hall	Check-In	2:30 pm	Faith Center	Snacks
7:00-8:30 pm	Faith Center	Glocal Ministry Fair	4:30 pm	Faith Center	Tour of St.John's Tent Village
8:30-9:30 pm	Faith Center	Welcome/Vespers	5:30 pm	Dining Hall	Dinner
10:30 pm	Beam Cabin	Youth Devotions	6:30 pm	Faith Center	Entertainment
11 pm – 8 am	Quiet Time	Sleep, sleep, sleep	8-9:00 pm	Faith Center	Vespers
			9:00 pm	Efird, Cabins	Campfire, songs, board games
Saturday, 10-6			10:30 pm	Beam Cabin	Youth Devotions
8:30-9:30 am	Dining Hall	Breakfast	11 pm -8 am	Quiet Time	Sleep, Sleep
9:30-Noon	Faith Center	Adult Bible Study			
Noon	Dining Hall	Lunch	Sunday, 10/7		
1-5:30 pm	See Below	Free Time	8-9:00 am	Dining Hall	Cont. Breakfast
			9:30 am	Faith Center	Worship
FREE TIME	ACTIVITIES		11 am-Noon	Dining Hall	Lunch
1-4:30 pm	Faith Center	Rock Painting Project	Check out & Depart	Faith Center	Leave Keys & Evaluation Forms
1:30-3:30 pm	Lakeside	Canoeing			
1-5:00 pm	Off Site	Tourism Opportunities*			

***Possible Tourism Opportunities for Saturday, October 6th, 1-5 pm**

Asheville Art in the Park at Pack Square; **Oktoberfest Beer Festival**, Asheville; **Asheville Outlets Shopping Center** (Food
Truck & Craft Beer Festival will be going on at this location too); **Justus Apple Orchard** in Hendersonville; **Vaso DeVino Wine
Market**; Bullington Gardens; Asheville Museum of Science.

Registration Form

Register by completing this form or completing a similar form online at stjohns-salisbury.org

Register early — only 200 spots available! Deadline is Sunday, September 9.

Registration includes lodging, meals and programming — a fun filled family weekend! Want a closer look? Take a tour of Lutheridge by visiting lutheridge.com. Lodging is appropriate for people and families of all ages, including hotel-style accommodations in Kohnjoy Inn and Thornburg Hall. Family and small group accommodations are available in Lakeside cabins, the Bacot Center, H&H Cottage, and Carla Cottage. Our high school youth will be staying in the Beam Youth. All lodging includes linens except Beam.

You will receive your room assignment at check-in. Questions? Contact Carol Everhart.

I / My Family will be attending:

☐ Adult Couple ☐ Adult Single Name(s): _____

☐ Children's name and ages/grade: _____

I will need childcare during Saturday morning programming and Sunday Worship:

_____ # of children requiring care, 3 and under

_____ # of children Pre-K to 5th grade

☐ My high school child prefers to stay with other youth in Beam cottage (with chaperone). Name(s): _____

Mailing address: _____

Preferred phone number: _____ Email: _____

Cost	# of individuals	Total Cost
Adults: \$75	_____	_____
Middle/High School: \$50	_____	_____
Children — Pre-K - 5th Grade: \$25	_____	_____
Children — 3 and under: Free	_____	_____
Please note: This year middle school children will stay with their families.	TOTAL DUE:	_____

To secure your spot, please return a registration form and non-refundable \$50 deposit as early as possible. Make checks payable to St. John's Lutheran Church and mark "Retreat 2018." Please mail or bring form and check to the church office.

☐ I have special needs for lodging: _____

☐ I have special dietary needs/allergies: _____

☐ I have special needs for mobility around Lutheridge. *Golf carts with drivers will be available.*

☐ I am asking for financial assistance. I am able to pay: \$ _____

☐ I would like to include a donation to assist others in need of financial assistance: \$ _____

☐ I will need help with transportation to Lutheridge.

Our Lutheran Institutions

NC Synod Unveils New Mission Priorities



The North Carolina Synod has developed new vision and mission priorities as a Synod. Bishop Tim Smith outlines the original three thoughts behind the vision statement, which include what if we truly walked together, which is the definition of synod; the need for an updated statement to reflect the contemporary challenges and structures; and “discerning if, why, and how best the synodical expression of our church can help facilitate the Gospel ministry of Jesus in a Lutheran tradition here in NC in 2018 and the years to come.” The vision is as follows:

- Cultivate and Celebrate Vital Congregations
 - Identify, Equip and Nurture Whole and Healthy Leaders
 - Embrace and Engage in Collaboration
 - Proclaim the Promise of the Resurrection with a Prophetic Voice
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LSC Provides Foster Care for Unaccompanied Children



One of the many ministries of Lutheran Services Carolinas includes Transitional Foster Care for Unaccompanied Children, in Columbia. Unaccompanied children are minors who are not in care of a parent or guardian and lack immigration status. Many of these children end up in detention centers and shelter-like facilities. Programs like LSC offer safe and loving homes for these children during a time of fear and uncertainty.

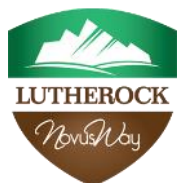
In early June, LSC provided transitional foster care homes for five children separated from their families at the US border. It is the goal of the ministry to help the children stay connected with their family and eventually reunite them. Around the same time, LSC was able to reunite a Guatemalan boy with family in the New England area.

Interested in ways to help? Find more information and donation wish lists at LSCarolinas.net.

Fall Events at Lutheridge and Lutherock



50Forward Living Well Retreat, Oct. 19-21 at Lutheridge: Gather with others 50+ to find inspiration and information for Living Well in the late career/early retirement years. Engaging speakers, informative workshops, optional outings, and activities explore this year's theme: LIVING SIMPLY. How much is enough? How do we live more with less? Find out more by visiting lutheridge.org.



Quilting Bee, Nov. 1-4 at Lutheridge. Women are invited to join renowned teacher Holly Anderson for a weekend of stitching fun. Bring your own project or create a wall-hanging of Holly's design. The retreat will include daily devotions, a Trunk Show, Show & Tell, and a field trip to the Folk Art Center.

Awakening Soul retreat, Nov. 8-11 at Lutheridge. Visit awakeningsoulpresents.org for more information about this very popular event.

Mountaintop Family Advent Retreat, Nov. 30-Dec. 2 at Lutherock. Visit lutherock.org for more information.



August Sale at Seasons Gifts

By Gerrie Blackwelder

There is going to be a sale. A SALE! At Seasons Gift Shop. Run, get there as quickly as you can. It begins Aug. 1 and goes throughout the month. This is big... very, very big!

One of the most popular items, and especially great for the back-to-school college kids and high school girls is the vegetable thermal lunch bag. It comes in a tomato, carrot, and radish design and each feature a crisp white bag with black handles. There are also matching ceramic serving pieces that are the best! And for taking care of leftovers, think of the coordinating silicone lid by Charles Viancin.

To tag along with the lunch bags, and in the same design, the ladies who manage and operate our shop have brought in more of the kitchen soap in pump bottles with the tomato, eggplant and other vegetables inside, floating in the clear liquid soap. Be sure to think of these as you plan shower and hostess gift items. They are perfect for kitchens, picnics, college apartments or dorm rooms. <https://nclutheran.org/>

And, an adorable new kerchief is in town, all dressed and ready to take home. The lovely handkerchief is folded as a dress on a drawn model and has a lovely invitation to use the hanky "to cover a sneeze." Victorian in style, you can hold it close to heart as the new season of Victoria returns to PBS this fall!

There are lovely shawls and necklaces, bags and baubles for the ladies to peruse, as well as, a host of manly things for the guys. An especially wonderful set of jewelry has been designed for



our church family. The pieces are from Windsor Gallery Jewelers and are silver cast likenesses of our church and the St. Johns' cross. There is a Luther Rose cast as well. For our guys, there are ties, bill clips, shoeshine gear, paperweights and books, as well as, beer openers in creative masculine shapes.

For home décor, look for the heart cross wall hanging. It is stunning as a modern expression of an ancient expression of love and sacrifice. Another decorative, but useful item is the Fair Trade hand basket woven in village co-ops in Ghana, West Africa. They are colorful, useful, and attractive for display.

And finally, for the family beasts, don't forget the WONDERDUL doggie bags that have ear handles! It's the cutest thing to gather attention on a walk with your companion.

Get ready to shop! The sale runs the whole month of August, Tuesdays– Thursdays, 10:30 am— 1:30 pm and Sundays, 9-11 am.



Worship and the Arts

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RINGING IN THE SEASON!

Our Adult Hand Bell ministry, under the direction of Kim Lentz, offers two outstanding hand bell ensembles for you to be part of and we cordially invite you to consider being a part of one (or two!) of these, and hope that our current ringers will return.

The **LUTHER RINGERS** meet each Monday at 7 pm in the Bell Loft in the main church sanctuary. Rehearsals begin Monday, Sept. 10.

The **CLASSIC RINGERS** meet each Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Bell Loft in the main church sanctuary. Rehearsal begins Wednesday, Sept. 5.

The **CLASSIC Ringers** are in need of ringers, high school to adult ages. You do not have to read music to play, so it's easy for new ringers to join even without prior music experience. If you're hesitant to get involved in ringing, you'll find that joining a hand bell ensemble is an exciting and easy way to participate in music ministry! Our hand bell ensembles reflect

1 Corinthians 12:12: "For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ". Each member of a hand bell ensemble contributes specific notes to the musical line - without even one of those notes the entire line would be lost. Playing hand bells can be an ideal place to experience the value of contribution to the church while reinforcing this important Bible teaching!

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to Kim Lentz, Director of Hand bells at lentzke@carolina.rr.com, or Rob Durocher, Minister of Music at rob@stjohn-salisbury.org.



SINGING IN THE SEASON!

And We'll Have a Little Fun While We're At It!



St. John's Chancel Choir extends an enthusiastic invitation to any High School –Adult singer to join them for a Choir Party Fellowship on Wednesday, Aug. 15, at 6:30 pm, at the Hidden Creek Clubhouse, 815 Court Side Drive, Salisbury, NC for a time of hors d'oeuvres, beverages, fun and singing! This is a great opportunity for us to get to know each other, new singers and even those of us who might be considered "old

time choir members, and to celebrate by making a joyful noise to the Lord!

The Chancel Choir rehearses each Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Choir Room, located in the main church sanctuary building. The Chancel choir prepares liturgy, songs, hymns and anthems to lead our 11 am service.

Chancel Choirs will have the opportunity to participate in some exciting musical events, including:

- Confirmation Sunday, Aug. 26
- Reformation Sunday, Oct. 28
- All Saints Sunday, Nov. 4
- Thanksgiving Sunday, Nov. 18
- The Moravian Love Feast, Nov. 18
- A Service of Lessons and Carols, Dec. 16
- Christmas Eve, Dec. 24

Worship and the Arts

ST. JOHN'S FLUTE ENSEMBLE rehearsals resume in the fall. The St. John's Flute Ensemble still has room for more members. If you are interested in joining the group, or if you have questions, please contact Rosemary Kinard at rosemary@stjohns-salisbury.org.

TRINITY SINGERS AND RINGERS will present a program for the residents of Trinity Oaks on Thursday, Aug. 23, 2018 at 10:30 am. The Trinity Singers and Ringers invite anyone age 60 or older to join them! Trinity Singers rehearse on Thursday mornings at 10:15 am in the Special Events Room at Trinity Oaks. Trinity Ringers rehearse each Thursday morning at 11 am.

THE ST. JOHN'S CHILDREN'S CHOIRS resume rehearsals on Wednesday, Sept. 12, as a part of the afternoon activities of EPIC and Kingdom Kids. All children from Kindergarten through Fifth grade are encouraged to join us. For more information, please contact Rosemary Kinard, Director, or Rob Durocher, Minister of Music and accompanist.

THE ARTS AT ST. JOHN'S *A Look Ahead!*

The Ensemble Nobiles, a male vocal quintet from Leipzig Germany, are set to return to St. John's to help 11 am Worship on Reformation Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018 and to offer a concert (date TBA).

Moravian Love Feast is set for the evening of Sunday, Nov. 18 in the Faith Center.

St. John's Men's Chorus Christmas Concert will be held Sunday, Dec. 9, 2018 at 4 on in the main Sanctuary.

A Service of Lessons and Carols is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 16, 2018 at the 11 am service.

The St. John's Museum *Exhibit Coming This Fall*

By Dr. Gary Freeze

To continue the commemoration of the 250th Reformation in Rowan, St. John's will launch its heritage museum in 2018 by celebrating the act of benevolence that established our congregation in Salisbury.

The John Lewis Beard deed of 1768 provided land for the location of a church - the first to be built in Salisbury - in the eastern square of the new county seat. The site was in a grove on the edge of the village where he had recently buried a beloved daughter. (Today this is the area we call the Lutheran Cemetery, where many of Salisbury's early settlers were buried, including some of the founders of our congregation.)

The exhibit will interpret:

- The background of the German settlement of the area

that began about 1747 (the traditionalized origin date we use in our history).

- Salisbury's role as the "orderly" capital of the North Carolina backcountry (hence it being named after England's oldest city).
- The cultural traits and habits of the nearby "Dutch Side" neighborhoods like that around Organ Church (particularly the influence of the polymath Stirewalt family).
- The political context of the North Carolina Regulation, a taxpayer revolt that roiled the backcountry (which prompted official British support for an "orderly" German church in Salisbury).
- The service provided to the Salisbury Church (which was never called St. John's in that period) by its first established Lutheran pastors during the American Revolution.

Around the Congregation

Children's Minister Position Available

St. John's is looking for a Children's Minister to help complete our wonderful staff! If you or someone you know may be interested, please share the link below.
stjohns-salisbury.org/staff/childrens-minister/



Baby Shower For Kai & Lauren Thurow

Sunday, August 19 in Peeler Hall, 2- 4 pm.
Hosted by the St. John's Youth

The Thurows are registered at myregistry.com. Type in Lauren and Kai Thurow. Please RSVP to Stacey Shafer at stacey823usa@yahoo.com

Carter Woolly leaves for Rwanda Aug 14

Carter will be spending a year in Rwanda through the ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM). Follow his journeys via his personal blog: carterwoollyrwanda.wordpress.com. Carter will make a special presentation during the adult Sunday School classes on Sunday, Aug. 5 and during all three services. To learn more about the YAGM program, Google ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission.



It takes a lot of hands to care for a campus like St. John's. Now's your chance to lend *your* hands for our Volunteer Day on Saturday, August 4 from 8am-12. Come for an hour or the whole morning. If you have special skills, great! If you have very few skills, great! We'll put you to work.

Although not required, contacting Jon in advance will make sure he has the right tools and equipment ready to go. Jon is our facilities manager and can be reached via email at jon@stjohns-salisbury.org.

Double the Love at Escuela Integrada

By Autumn Jones

Did you know that the kids at Escuela Integrada are in school in June and July? Their academic year runs from January to October, with graduation following in November. Unfortunately, donations are not as strong during the summer months, and the students of Escuela Integrada need your support.

“After learning about what the school is providing for the children, I just had to help,” said Nancy Shirley, who first became involved in 2014 after her daughter and son-in-law returned from a mission trip to Guatemala with the St. John’s youth. “We are making a true difference in the lives of the children and are providing them with the basis to overcome their poverty and have a very productive life.”

Nancy visited Escuela Integrada in 2017 as a chaperone for the St. John’s high school mission trip and again this year as a trip leader for the adult mission trip. She and her family sponsor 5-year-old Dalinda, who is in kindergarten. With our women’s ministry, Nancy is also involved in the sponsorship of 9-year-old Norma, who is in 3rd grade this year.

“Visiting the country, the families and the school changes your life,” Nancy said. “The families are happy and so grateful



Nancy Shirley and her family sponsor, five-year-old Dalinda, who is in kindergarten this year.

for anything we can give. They don’t expect it, but they do appreciate it.”

Join Nancy and Double the Love! for Escuela Integrada this summer. A generous donor pledged to match donations in June and July up to \$10,000. We currently have just under \$6,000. Go to www.wearegraces.org/donate to give today.

And save the date for the annual Quetzal Gala, Sept. 22, 2018. More information is available at wearegraces.org.

An Update from South Sudan



From a recent *Mothering Across Continents* Email Update about St. John’s friend Ngor Kur Mayol and his nephew. Ngor, now of Atlanta, co-inspired the Raising South Sudan project, which started at St. John’s in 2009. Ngor has attended at least two of our congregational retreats and a number of our worship services. Now, Ngor’s nephew is teaching 8th grade Math at Gumriak primary school.

“Ngor’s nephew is paying it forward by teaching with Mothering Across Continents because he benefited from a scholarship to complete secondary school in Uganda. He’s a math whiz, and his presence is doubly exciting because 60+ students from Ngor’s home village of Aliap attend Gumriak.” Learn more about Ngor, his cousin, and the schools we have helped to fund by visiting motheringacrosscontinents.org.

Wednesday Meals Return Sept. 12

The time for Wednesday Meals is here! Make plans to join in fellowship around the dinner table, talking with old friends and meeting new ones. Wednesday Meals will begin Sept. 12, after Kingdom Kids and EPIC, and continue each Wednesday at 5:45 in the Fellowship Hall. Upcoming menus are tried and true favorites.

Adults \$4.00
Youth grades 6th-12th \$3.00
Elementary and younger \$1.00

Takeouts are available once all have been served.

2018-2019 SEASON PASS FOR WEDNESDAYS!

The above meal prices are unbelievably good, but you will receive two free meals with the season pass! Your pass allows your name to be checked off the list as you enter and proceed to enjoy a great meal. No hassles of carrying cash. Price includes all 23 meals offered for the 2018-2019 season.

Season Pass prices:
Adult \$84
Youth 6th-12th \$63
Elementary and younger \$21

Wednesday Meals

What's on the menu?

September 12

Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable medley, cucumbers and onions, roll and dessert

September 26

Lasagna, crunchy romaine salad, Texas toast and dessert

September 19

Chicken Tetrazzini, green beans, Caesar salad, Texas toast and dessert



Wednesday Meals Season Pass



Please purchase a season pass by Sept. 9 to ensure your name is on the list for our first meal.
Return this form to the church office with your payment.

Attached is \$_____ for season pass(es). #_____ adults ____ 6th-12th ____ elem./younger

Please place the following names on the season pass list:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Prayers and Thanksgiving

Members of St. John's,

Thank you for your hospitality in hosting our free Sample Day Camp experience at St. John's June 8 and 9. Sharing your space, meals, and children to participate will strengthen our tools in proclaiming God's love and grace with campers all summer.

-Randy and Agapé Staff

Dear Friends at St. John's,

Thank you for all your cards, visits, calls and most of all, your prayers following my accident on April 1 and subsequent surgery. All of this meant so much to Kathy and me. We are blessed to be members of such a caring congregation. May God bless you all.

In Christ's love,
Eric Norris

Norman "Wag" Wagoner lost his battle with cancer May 22. As his body weakened, his faith grew stronger and he was an inspiration to many. During his illness he was very appreciative of the prayers, cards, many by the children, calls and visits.

Thanks also to the members of St. John's who has so many caring people who have shown their support. Wag was a very special man who will be missed by all who knew him.

A friend gave us the following that has been comforting and we would like to share:

There is no such thing as unanswered prayers. The answer given may not be the answer we desired or expected, but even when it is in refusal, it is the answer of the love and wisdom of God.

Barbara and Family

Dear St. John's Family,

My sincere thanks for the many prayers, words of encouragement, and cards of wellbeing as I journeyed through my diagnosis, surgery, and recovery from colon cancer. By God's grace, I'm cancer free with no further treatment needed. I couldn't have made this journey alone and am grateful for the loving support of my St. John's family.

Blessings and peace,
Mark Ritchie

Congratulations

We celebrate with Josh and Lindsay Starrett Triplett on the birth of a son, Deacon Tyler Triplett, on Friday, June 15, 2018. Great-grandmother is Shirley Smith.

Rachel and Thomas Pope on the birth of a son, Ronan Gabriel Pope, on June 29, 2018. Grandmother is Gretchen Witt, and great-grandparents are Donna and Willi Beilfuss.

Will and Emily Stokes on the birth of a daughter, Ella Ruth Stokes, on April 18, 2018. Grandparents are Glenn and Amy Stokes. Great-grandparents are Alda Smith and the late Paul Smith.

Consolation

The family of Charles Bridgers who died June 5.

The family of Dr. Hilda Bailey who died July 5.

Marshall and Pattie Parker, family and friends, on the death of Marshall's mother, Ruby Parker, on July 7.

The family of Jim Nichols, who died July 30. Jim's daughter is Camille Butner.

The family of Karen Rawling, who died July 30.

Baptisms

Jose Carlos Medina was baptized at 9:27 am Worship on May, 27, 2018. Parents are Jose Miguel Morales Sanabria and Yanira Carolina Medina Ochoa.

Everett John Henrik was baptized at 11 am Worship, May 27, 2018. Parents are Davin and Laura Henrik.

Cullen Patrick Livesay was baptized at 11 am Worship, July 8, 2018. Parents are Keith and Melissa Livesay.

Juno Madison Wiles was at 11 am Worship, July 22, 2018. Parents are Jeremy and Anni Wiles.

Layton Everett Barber was baptized at 11 am Worship, July 22, 2018. Parents are Anni Wiles, and John and Ann Barber.

Deacon Triplett was baptized at 9:27 am Worship, July 29, 2018. Parents are Lindsey Starrett Triplett and Joshua Tyler Triplett.

Colton Lenwood Wright was baptized at 11 am Worship, July 29, 2018. Parents are Cristal and Marshall Wright.

Worship Leaders for August

*indicates 8:30 am worship service ^indicates front row

LAY ASSISTING MINISTERS

Aug 5 Gretchen Witt
Aug 12 Missy Hunter
Aug 19 Jonathan Williams
Aug 26 Dave Roof
Sept 2 Randy Overcash

READERS

Aug 5 *Mitch Siegel, Pat Nelson
Aug 12 *Judy Childress, John Henderlite
Aug 19 *Cynthia Fink, Scott Rhodes
Aug 26 Confirmants
Sept 2 *Acquawon Stallworth, Dave Foreman

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Aug 5 Donna Weinhold, ^Willi Beilfuss
Aug 12 *Beth Boger,
Aug 19 Marilyn Smith, ^Willi Beilfuss
Aug 26 Confirmants, ^Willi Beilfuss
Sept 2 Cheryl Sjoblom, ^Eleanor Sifford

ALTAR GUILD

Aug Toni Kenerly, captain; Bill Kenerly, Nancy Lippard,
Jane Rowland, Judy Moll, Judy Ann Deal

COMMUNION PREPARERS

Aug Roger and Linda Hull

GREETERS

Aug 5 Jay and Meg Dees, Pansy Peeler, Dottie Hoy
Aug 12 Harold and Judy Ann Deal, Ron and Marilyn Smith
Aug 19 Franco and Brenda Goodman, Stan and Rita
Honeycutt
Aug 26 Stan and Sandy Jordan, Penny and Aiden Moss
Sept 2 Raymond and Kay Coltrain, James Bradshaw

WELCOME PLACE GREETERS

Aug 5 Barbara Stauffer
Aug 12 Janice Raper
Aug 19 Linda Phillips
Aug 26 Hen Henderlite
Sept 2 Mimi Carlton

AFTER-SERVICE GREETERS

Aug 5 Karen Rogers, Bill Safrit, Larry Cesario
Aug 12 Cory Gebhardt, Gary Rhodes, Cindy Fink
Aug 19 Dennis Ingold, Wesley Rhyne
Aug 26 Bill Johnson, Karen Puckett, Sacha Witt

ACOLYTES

Aug 5 Olivia Kyles, David Holden
Aug 12 Victoria Plyler, Lillie Rusher
Aug 19 Elizabeth Ann Graeber, Grace Faller
Aug 26 Anna Everhart, Grace Shafer

ELEMENT BEARERS

Aug 5 Ryan Brady
Aug 19 Drew Rabon

CRUCIFERS

Aug 5 Kristen Brady
Aug 12 Bo Rusher
Aug 19 Luke Graeber
Aug 26 Abby Buechler

TORCH BEARERS

Aug 26 Ty Buechler, Grant Shafer

BANNER BEARERS

Aug 26 Spencer Everhart

NURSERY

Aug 5 Annette Brown, Sandra Jiles
Aug 12 Annette Brown, Gemma Brown
Aug 19 Natalee Taylor, Sandra Jiles
Aug 26 Natalee Taylor, Sandra Jiles

Eagle's View Deadline

The September Eagle's View will be published in August.
Please email stories and news to
angel@stjohns-salisbury.org by **August 10!**

Happy Birthday!

*Congratulations to our Octogenarians
celebrating*

August Birthdays:

Beck Auten, Elmina Grabowski,
Lloyd Hill, Bruce Ketner, Harold Mowery, Ermine Peeler,
Bob Rusher, Bill Safrit, Norman Sloop, Bee Soderberg,
Rich Soderberg

Prayer Shawl Ministry



If anyone is interested in
knitting prayer shawls, please
contact Diane Poole,
diane@stjohns-salisbury.org.

USHERS: Head Ushers

Aug Dan Waggoner, Glenn Stokes

USHER TEAMS

Aug 5 Team 1E* Tom Childress, Jim Boger
Team 9 Cliff Ritchie, captain
Aug 12 Team 2E* Tom Smith, Jim Boger
Team 10 Larry Britt, captain
Aug 19 Team 3E* Bob Loeblein, Jeff Nelson
Team 1 Mark Derrick, captain
Aug 26 Team 4E* Bob Rusher, Bobby Rusher
Team 2 Scott Robinson, captain

9:27 COMMUNION PREPARERS

Aug Vernon Davis, Cheryl Sjoblom

9:27 COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Aug Cyndii Owen, Wendy Harris, Julie and David Carr,
Camille Butner

9:27 HOSPITALITY TEAM

Aug 5 Angel Barber, Cammie Yarborough, Wayne
Everhart, Irene Stewart, David and Julie Carr
Aug 12 Dean and Tammy Safrit, Judy Klusman, Deb Miller,
Lindsey Wineka
Aug 19 Debbie Carter, Doug Carter, Cheryl van der Poel,
Jack van der Poel, Chad van der Poel, Mike Jacobsen,
Cyndii Owen
Aug 26 Stacey Shafer, Grace Shafer, Jack and Jeanie Moore,
Adam and Crystal Ryerson

9:27 COFFEE VOLUNTEERS

Aug 5 David and Julie Carr
Aug 12 Mike and Sharon Agee
Aug 19 Dennis and Kathy Ingold, Cyndii Owen, Jill
Nothstine
Aug 26 Stan and Sandy Jordan

9:27 USHER TEAM

Aug Anthony Weaver, Missie Weaver, Steve
Butner, Camille Butner, David Carr

PA OPERATORS

Aug 5 Darrell Blackwelder
Aug 12 Roger Alexander
Aug 19 David Wilson
Aug 26 Mike Agee

Worship Attendance

June 3	473	July 1	502
June 10	424	July 8	506
June 17	431	July 15	437
June 24	462	July 22	453

St. John's Leadership

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

2018 President Gary Rhodes
Vice President Ben Goodman
Secretary David Phillips
Treasurer Tommy Page
President-elect ... Bill Johnson

Term Expires 2018

Ben Goodman
Jeanie Moore
Gary Rhodes
Bill Safrit
Mike Agee

Term Expires 2019

Cory Gebhardt
Dennis Ingold
Bill Johnson
Karen Puckett
Karen Rogers

Term Expires 2020

Larry Cesario
Cindy Fink
David Phillips
Wesley Rhyne
Aleksandr (Sacha) Witt

Youth Members

David Holden and Spencer Everhart

Benevolent Foundation Trustees

Tommy Page, Chair
Bobby Rusher
Nancy Shirley
John Henderlite
Chip Bridges

MINISTRY GROUP STAFF CONTACTS

Worship & The Arts – Rob Durocher
Discipleship – Pastor Laura Henrik
Mercy & Justice – Pastor Laura Henrik
Congregational Life – Diane Poole
Stewarding God's Resources – Ruth Ann Diehl

Buck-a-Meal Sunday

(1st Sunday of each month)

Sunday, August 5

Buck-A-Meal for June was \$478.00. Buck-A-Meal for July was \$440.00. Every dollar bill donated 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 during August.

St. John's Schools

Something Good at St. John's Child Development Center

By Barbara Corriher

Something good is happening just about every single second of every single day at St. John's CDC, so let's hear about some of that good stuff!

Pastor Laura Henrik comes to visit: Every other Tuesday, Pastor Laura comes to our CDC. While she is there, she shares a Bible Story with the toddlers, and then, she shares a Spark Bible story with the older children. No doubt this is a wonderful addition to each and every child's experience at St. John's CDC. We thank Pastor Laura for sharing God's word with our precious ones.

Steve Jarrett improves the toddler playground: Our playground experiences many small footprints, so there was a need in the toddler playground area for some mulch. When Steve and Celia Jarrett heard the toddler children were playing on red dirt, Steve quickly paid a visit to the playground and covered this area with mulch. Our church thanks Steve, and there's no doubt, these children's parents are grateful too!

Summer Camp, big time fun: During the summer months, the CDC operates an ongoing summer camp for rising first-graders to rising sixth-graders. What fun they have. Just look at this schedule. Wow! I know these parents are so pleased



that their children are actively involved each and every day at summer camp!

Monday – library day
Tuesday – Movie Day at Tinseltown or in the Pit
Wednesday – Field Trips to places like Dan Nicholas Park, Skateland USA, Zootastic, etc.
Thursday – Swimming at the Forest Dale Pool
Fun Friday – They may take a trip to Bounce City, tie dye a t-shirt, eat an ice



Every other Tuesday, Pastor Laura visits the CDC to share a Bible story with the children.

cream sundae and more.

A new playground committee has recently been formed: Just as a house eventually needs updating, a playground occasionally needs updating too; so St. John's has formed a new group that will focus on updating the CDC's playground. The playground size will be increased; it will be new and improved with splashes of creativity. How exciting! There will be more news to come about this adventure for our Child Development Center as the project plans progress.

Want to help make sure many good things continue happening at our CDC? Then keep reading to discover just how you can help. You may donate to St. John's Lutheran Church, writing CDC scholarship in the memo line. If you would rather make an impact by shopping for the CDC, here are some needed items: toddler board books, soft dolls, bubbles, sidewalk chalk, construction paper, and balls for the playground. You may want to directly impact the children's lives like Pastor Laura. In that case, let the administrative staff know you would like to read a story, share a song, create a craft... Their number is 704-636-6756. Get more involved in St. John's CDC, and there's no doubt good things will keep happening there.

August 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9a VBS	2 7:30a Men's Bible Study 9a VBS 10:15a Trinity Singers 11a Trinity Ringers 12p CDC Advisory Committee 5:30p Property Committee Meeting 6p 9:27 Worship Rehearsal 7:30p College Bible Study	3 9a VBS	4 8a Volunteer Day 10a Senior Season NarroWay Theatre Day Trip 1p Youth Lake Day
5 8:30a Chapel Worship 9:27a Contemporary Worship 9:45a Children's Worship 10a Adult Sunday School 11a Sanctuary Worship/HC 11:15a Children's Worship	6 10a Staff Meeting 1p Monday Rembrandts 1:45p Contemporary Worship Planning	7 8a Women's Bible Study 7p Worship and the Arts Meeting	8	9 7:30a Men's Bible Study 10:15a Trinity Singers 11a Trinity Ringers 6p 9:27 Worship Rehearsal	10 The Well: Confirmation Faith Statement Retreat EAGLE'S VIEW DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER ISSUE 12 PM	11 The Well: Confirmation Faith Statement Retreat
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19 8:30a Chapel Worship 9:27a Contemporary Worship 9:45a Children's Worship 10a Adult Sunday School 11a Sanctuary Worship 11:15a Children's Worship 2p Youth Group Baby Shower 5:30p 9th Grade Milestone	20 10a Staff Meeting 1p Monday Rembrandts 1:45p Contemporary Worship Planning Meeting	21 8a Women's Bible Study 12p Senior Seasons Sculpture Tour 7p Congregation Council Meeting	22 5:30p 6th Grade Milestone 7p Chancel Choir Rehearsal	23 7:30a Men's Bible Study 10:30a Trinity Singers and Ringers Program	24	25 6p Confirmation Banquet
26 Confirmation Sunday No 8:30 or 9:27 Worship 11a Sanctuary Worship	27 10a Staff Meeting 1p Monday Rembrandts 1:45p Contemporary Worship Planning 4p Leadership Development Task Force 4:15p Seasons Gifts Board Meeting	28 8a Women's Bible Study 2p Healthy Rowan Meeting 7p Troop 443 BSA District Meeting	29 7p Chancel Choir 7p Chapel Singers	30 7:30a Men's Bible Study 10:15a Trinity Singers 11a Trinity Ringers 6p Contemporary Worship Rehearsal	31	

Around the Community

Construction Begins on Bell Tower Green *Changes to Sunday Morning Parking Addressed*

The time has come. The parking lot across the street from St. John's is no longer available. Groundbreaking on the project officially began July 23.

Although the parking lot was never owned by St. John's, it has long been available for community use, including Sunday worship. The plans for the park include the elimination of the parking lot, but the addition of angled parking along Church, Fisher, and Jackson streets once the project is completed.

St. John's Parking Task force has identified 85 marked parking spots on the St. John's campus, not counting the old K-Town gravel lot, which can accommodate at least 15 cars for a total of 100 spaces on campus. There are 17 in the CMC lot, 29 in the CDC lot, 26 in the Sanctuary/Ed. Building lot, and 13 in the Peeler Hall lower level lot. An additional 230 public parking spaces were identified within one block of St. John's, for a total of 330 spaces available on Saturdays and Sundays.

Parking spaces are indicated on the map on the opposite page. Additionally, Mike Agee is working on an updated 3-D map to help with navigation and parking here at St. John's.

The Parking Task Force continues to look into possible parking solutions as we live into our new reality, particularly until the new spaces are provided, with as much hospitality as possible.

One way we can work together in hospitality and love is to make sure the spaces outside the education hall and



A new city park will surround the existing Bell Tower.

sanctuary are available for elderly and handicapped on Sunday mornings and all other congregation-wide activities, including events like Wednesday Meals beginning next month (page 24). We are also considering purchasing a multi-passenger golf cart.

Another way we can live out our hospitality is by welcoming the new city park, which will essentially be our new front yard. In addition to thinking about our own parking limitations, we can begin thinking about the opportunities for community partnership, engagement, and ministry that can come from having a beautiful community space situated right in front of our door steps.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or have interest in volunteering with a possible parking or golfcart ministry on Sunday mornings, please contact the church office.

Local Child Advocate Program Seeks Volunteers

The Guardian ad Litem (GAL) Program has been serving abused and neglected children in North Carolina for 35 years. They do this by recruiting, training and supporting community volunteers who advocate for abused and neglected children during their time in foster care. The GAL is a child's voice in Court. Our Rowan County office has seen a surge in the number of abused and neglected children and is in desperate need of community volunteers to be their voice. As of today there are 52 children who do not have a GAL Volunteer Child Advocate in Rowan County.

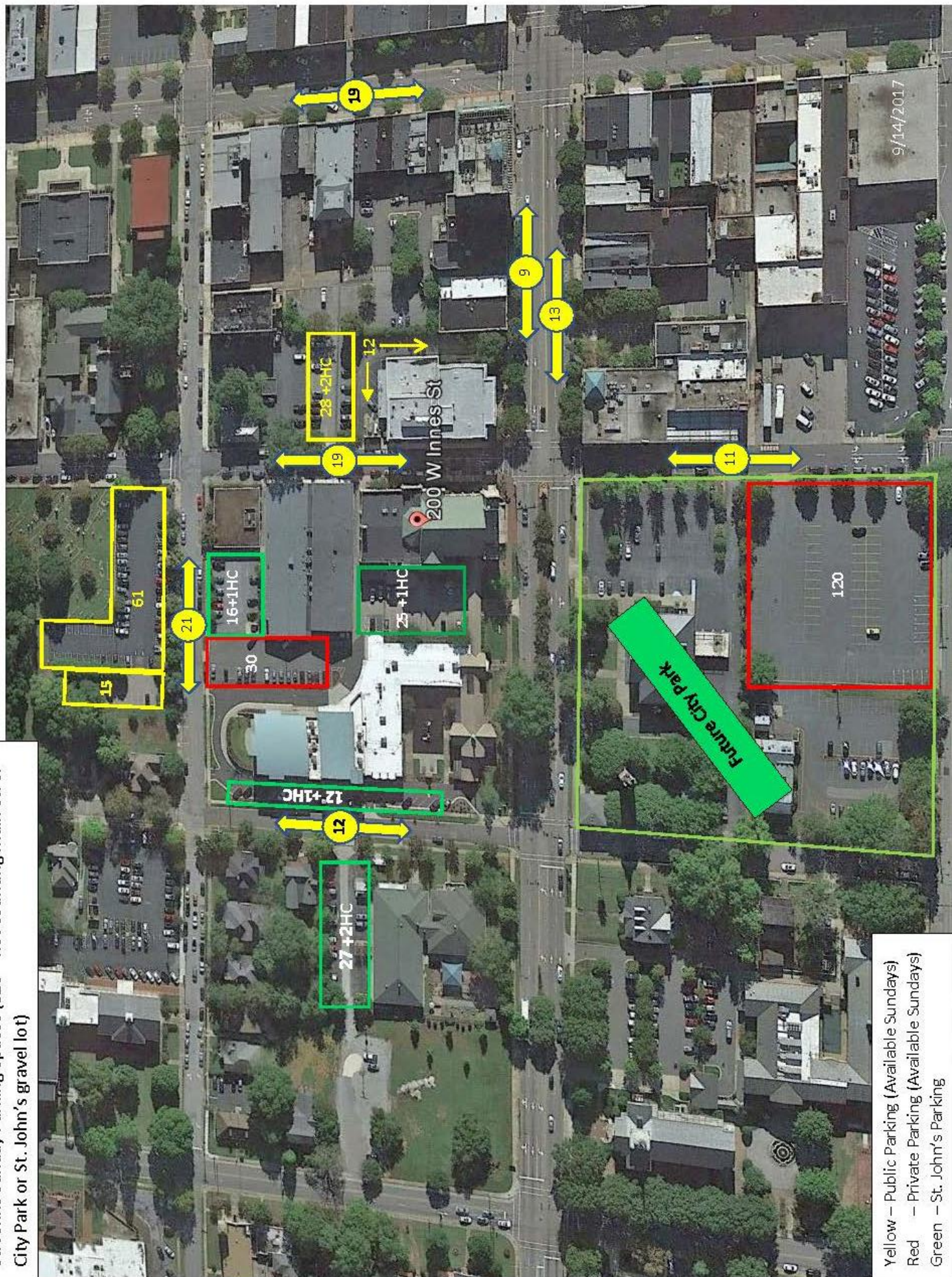
Be the voice for a child! Become a GAL Volunteer Child Advocate. Abused and neglected children in Rowan County need you.

The next training begins Sept. 4. Apply now at www.volunteerforgal.org.

Questions? Email Amanda.m.flores@nccourts.org



St. Johns Sunday Parking Spaces (318 – not counting Main St. or City Park or St. John's gravel lot)



Yellow – Public Parking (Available Sundays)
 Red – Private Parking (Available Sundays)
 Green – St. John's Parking

St. John's Ministry Staff

Pastoral Ministry

Senior PastorThe Rev. Rhodes Woolly
Pastor for Discipleship.....The Rev. Laura Henrik
Visitation.....Wade Rouzer

Worship and Music Ministry

Minister of Music.....Rob Durocher, Deacon
Associate Parish Musician.....Rosemary Kinard
Director of Music Emeritus.....Karl Kinard, Deacon
Director, St. John's Men's Chorus..... Jason Harwood
Assisting Organist.....Deanna Boksleitner
Bell Choirs.....Kimberly Lentz
Media Specialist.....Taylor Hutchins
Contemporary Worship Leader.....Bradley Chestnut

Program Ministry

Youth and Children.....Kai Thurow
Senior AdultsDiane Poole
St. John's Kindergarten (4 and 5 year olds)Teresa Stoner
Child Development Center (infant –age 4 and after school)....Courtney Bost

Administrative Team

Business ManagerRuth Ann Diehl
Office Manager.....Joy Chaffin
Accounting.....Brenda Munday
Office Assistant/Communications Specialist Angel Owens
WriterSusan Shinn Turner
Facilities Manager.....Jon Koppe
Maintenance.....David Ellenburg

The Rev. Dr. Timothy M Smith, bishop of the NC Synod
The Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the ELCA

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.

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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