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Let's connect faith and life *together*

## Holy Week and Easter Worship at St. John's

*The 40-day season of Lent comes to a conclusion on Easter as the church around the world gathers to celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death. Experience the fullness of the story by joining in worship throughout Holy Week. Together we'll walk from the gates of Jerusalem to the Upper Room, from the cross to the tomb.*

### Palm Sunday

**April 14**

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

9:27 am — Faith Center

11 am — Sanctuary

*\*note: no 8:30 am worship*

### Maundy Thursday

**April 18**

A service that remembers "the night on which he was betrayed." Maundy means "command," which draws upon Jesus' final command to his disciples to "love one another." Both services include Holy Communion. The 7 pm service includes the stripping of the altar.

3:30 pm — Trinity Oaks

7 pm — Sanctuary

### Good Friday

**April 19**

A dramatic Tenebrae service of darkness, when we remember the power of God's love and the sacrifice of Christ on a cross.

Noon — Chapel

7 pm — Sanctuary

### Saturday of Holy Week

**April 20**

9 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 21**

A festival service of Holy Communion

8:30 and 11 am — Sanctuary

9:27 am — Faith Center

### Easter Breakfast

**April 21**

8:30-11 am, Fellowship Hall

A delicious, catered breakfast of Cheesy Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Seasoned Potatoes, Seasonal Fruit, Biscuits. There is no charge and reservations are not required. A free-will offering will be accepted.

# Pastor's Letter

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*Pastor Rhodes, 1986*

I enjoyed growing up in the 1980s.

This funky little decade gave rise to some of the best (and cheesiest) music, the most iconic movie themes and images (think “ET, phone home”), styles that made you laugh (leg warmers? Parachute pants?), and moments in history that made you stand and shout (“Mr. Gorbachev, bring down that wall!”).

I know everyone thinks “their” era was the best, but, well, the ‘80s was pretty darn cool.

For me it started by playing PacMan endlessly at the local Put Put Golf Course.

It wasn’t long before I was sneaking into my first R rated movie (Caddyshack), convincing my mom that midnight movies were safe, wholesome places (I’m not sure I mentioned anything about “The Rocky Horror Picture Show”), and watching Michael Jordan sink the game-winning shot to win a national championship.

I remember thinking MASH was edgy until MTV introduced me/us to a whole new world of temptation and overexposure (think “Like a Virgin” by Madonna). I remember driving to Charleston with Allison singing Huey Lewis’s “The Heart of Rock and Roll” and searching through Brad’s vinyl collection for anything by REM or Police (sing with me, “Every breath you take ...”).

The Olympic hockey team made us cheer while Mary Lou Retton brought us to tears. The ‘80s make me think of the Reagan Ranch, the Challenger, fall of the Berlin Wall, and the first PC. I think of the Wall Street Crash, Iran-Contra, and the Cold War.

I sing along to Queen, Footloose, “We Are the World,” and the song of my youth, “I still haven’t found what I’m looking for.”

I also think of Michael Jackson. And, well, that’s where it gets a little touchy.

Last week, I watched part 1 of the new documentary that uncovers the sordid story of Michael Jackson’s obsession with children. It’s hard to watch, in large part because this performer had such a defining role in my growing up years. Billy Jean, Thriller, Beat It. Even if you didn’t like his music, you knew all the words to his songs, and you knew how heroic and iconic he had become around the world. He was everywhere.

But I’m having a hard time listening to his music these days. Suddenly it feels like a lie, that it represents something entirely different from what I remember about his music and the ‘80s. It represents an underside that was always present — there’s always an underside, right? — but that I chose not to accept.

I don’t mean to cast stones before everything is known about Jackson and the men who are now sharing their brutal stories. But I am reminded of how careful we have to be in choosing heroes.

I’m also reminded of a Gospel that sets aside heroes for the sake of servants, ego for the sake of humility. I’m reminded that truth is not always connected to perception, but is found in faithful living. And, yes, I’m reminded that in spite of the sordidness of sin, there is always the promise of new life.

The season of Lent walks us from that place of sordidness, sin, and death to a place of truth, light, and resurrection. While Mary Magdalen walked to the tomb assuming death, she walked away that Easter morn filled with life.

The lesson: Hope wins. Love wins. Light shatters the darkness. Good stands in the way of evil. Why? Because God is always about the business of restoring the Garden until all the world might know the beauty and power of his love.

“What’s love got to do with it?” you might ask. Everything, as it turns out. So, my fellow ‘80s friends, “Don’t stop believin’.”

Please, don’t stop believin.’

+Pastor Rhodes

# Julie Carr Releases Faith-Based Memoir

*Book-signing April 26, 6-7:30 pm in Peeler Hall*

By Susan Shinn Turner

Julie Carr has written a faith-based memoir about her nearly three-year journey with Stage 4 lung cancer. “Let Your Light So Shine: Reflections of God’s goodness in the storms of life” will be published next month by Diversified Graphics. Julie will host a book signing in Peeler Hall on Friday, April 26, from 6 to 7:30 pm, and light refreshments will be served.

Julie had been thinking about writing a book since early 2017.

“I had been posting a lot on social media and had gotten encouragement from a lot of different people,” Julie says, “but I pushed the idea to the back of my mind.”

In August 2018, Julie contacted me about editing a memoir.

“We have known each other for years,” Julie says, “and we finally had the same idea at the same time.”

To tell Julie’s story, we decided to publish the book with the help of Diane Goodnight, another St. John’s member and owner of Diversified Graphics. With a grant from the St. John’s Benevolent Foundation and gifts from other friends, funding for the project quickly came together. We brought in Sarah Michalec, the marketing manager for the Rowan County Convention and Visitors Bureau, who’s lightning fast, we learned, in layout and design.

“Bringing in Sarah was a godsend,” Julie says. “She is awesome.”

Julie marvels at the fact that everyone involved in the project is a St. John’s member. “I think it is the way it was supposed to be,” she says.

Proceeds from the book will be donated to lung cancer research, the church, and to a college fund for Julie and David’s son, Dawson.

This was Sarah’s first book project, and she wanted the design to be delicate and feminine, she says. “Even though I know Julie and I know her story, it made me feel special to be a part of it, and to use my skills to make her vision come to life.”

Although they knew each other through St. John’s, Sarah and

Julie became more intimately connected when Sarah asked for Julie’s help on a graduate research project about the patient experience in cancer treatment. Sarah’s father, Steve, had metastatic prostate cancer and died on October 19, 2013.

Sarah adds, “There are so many people we know who have cancer. They are real people who have real lives, and want to continue living their lives every day. When my research was published at Christmas, Julie was so excited for me, but I was excited for her. It’s going out into the world, and it’s going to inform research. I think that’s special.”

In being part of Julie’s book, she says, “I would have done anything for Julie.”

Julie started writing in the fall, mostly during the mornings when Dawson was at school.

“I wrote the story in chronological order,” she says. “As I thought about important points, I’d jot them down. It really was a fluid process. I didn’t get stuck. The words came easily. I just wrote from my heart. I’m really excited to leave this legacy for my son in the form of a book he’ll have forever — regardless of the outcome.”

She adds, “We want to acknowledge all the hope and love we’ve received in this process. Of course, St. John’s has been fabulous, and some of my former colleagues have done fundraisers for me, which was really sweet. And with the donors to the book — the next thing you know, we had everything we needed. People are so good and have been so supportive. We’ve been overwhelmed.”

She continues, “My goal was to tell my story. I hope it will inspire others to put their faith in God during difficult times, and always glorify God. I see Him every step of the way. God has consistently been showing up. For those who are not believers, I want to plant a seed to choose Jesus.”

After her book signing, Julie will be available to speak to local civic groups, church groups and other organizations. If you’d like for Julie to speak to your group, please contact her at [juliedawnblair@yahoo.com](mailto:juliedawnblair@yahoo.com).

“Let Your Light So Shine” costs \$20, and will be available in Seasons Gifts.





## Wednesdays! with Kingdom Kids

Kingdom Kids is divided into two groups,

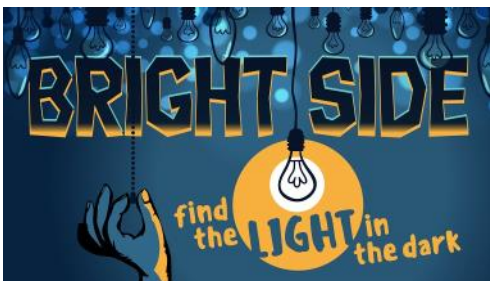
First Look and 252 Kids. Each month, both groups explore new themes in bible stories and song.

**April 3 and April 10 at 6 pm**



### **First Look:** 3 and 4 year olds

Who is your friend? Jesus is my friend. This month our 3 and 4 year olds will “pack a picnic” and learn about the best friend they will ever have, Jesus.



### **252 Kids:** K-5th Grade

When we're stumbling in the shadows, it can be hard to find light in the dark. We find hope when we believe that good can come out of something bad. This month our 252 kids will learn that Jesus is our source of light and hope.

### **Parents —**

Follow along with what your children are learning.

The Parent Cue App is designed to help every parent do something each week to help their child move toward a deeper faith and better future.



## Kingdom Kids at a Glance

We have lots of exciting things happening for our Kingdom Kids, including milestones, Wednesdays!, and Sundays.

**Wednesdays!**— Preschoolers (6-6:45 pm); K-5th Grade (6-7 pm) in the ARK  
**Sunday School** — Age 3 through 5th grade, beginning at 9:45 in the ARK.

Note: Kids at the 9:27 service are dismissed from the Faith Center at 9:45.

**Children's Church** — Dismissed prior to the sermon during the 11 am Worship service.

**Milestones** — We celebrate a milestone during each year of a child's life.

## Kingdom Kids Serve in February

February's theme was “Always Open: Service with a Smile.”

Throughout the month, the kids really enjoyed “Serving Others,” especially during Wednesday Night Meals.

“Thank you for letting them be part of such a wonderful ministry. They are already asking when they can help again!”

— Stacey





## First Communion Milestone, March 10

11 students received their first communion on March 10. This significant milestone followed a month of home-based instruction and a Saturday morning "Family Day" that was highlighted by a trip to Pottery 101 to paint their own communion chalices. Thanks, Cheryl!



### Coming Up in Sunday School

April 7 Science  
April 14 Bible Skills & Games  
April 21, EASTER DAY — NO SUNDAY SCHOOL  
April 28 Easter Alive!

HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME  
ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN, GIVE US  
OUR TRESPASSES, AS WE FORGIVE  
THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US  
AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION  
BUT DELIVER US FROM THE EVIL ONE  
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## The Lord's Prayer



**FIRST GRADE MILESTONE**  
**APRIL 16, 5:30 PM, IN THE PIT**



# Coming this Summer

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## VBS Summer 2019, June 17– 21

*Volunteer Meeting May 22*



Get ready for an epic African adventure during this summer's VBS! At "ROAR!", our herd of kids will explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life.

Interested in helping out? There will be a Volunteer meeting on Wednesday, May 22 at 6 pm in the Pit.

If anyone has the front of a jeep we could use for a photo backdrop, please email [stacey@stjohns-salisbury.org](mailto:stacey@stjohns-salisbury.org)

## All Things Bright and Beautiful

*Music Camp, July 29– Aug 2, 9 am –12 pm*



This free Music Camp is for rising Kindergarten through 5th Grade.

In next month's Eagles View, we'll take a closer look at what's sure to be an exciting experience in singing, ringing, and movement.

But why wait until next month's Eagle's View? Registration and information will be available *online* beginning April 8. Just visit [stjohns-salisbury.org](http://stjohns-salisbury.org).

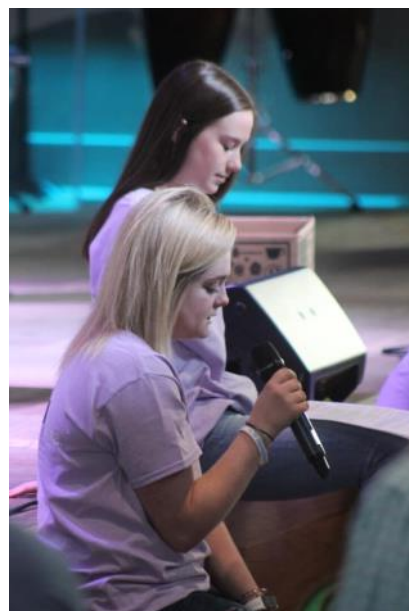


*Space is limited. Register today.*



*Pick up your Summer Camp Booklets in the tract racks around campus. Camp opportunities are available for all ages!*

# Student Ministry



**Youth Sunday 2019**— Our high school youth led worship on March 17. They chose the theme, “God’s plan. Our Voice” and shared how using our God-given gifts is part of God’s plan for us.

## Coming Up this April

### Middle School

Wednesday, April 3, 6:30 pm— Midweek Lenten Worship\*\*  
Sunday, April 7, 5:30 pm— Middle School Movie Night  
Wednesday, April 10, 6:30 pm— Midweek Lenten Worship  
April 12-14— Middle School Beach Retreat  
Sunday, April 28, 5:30 pm— Youth Group

### High School

Wednesday, April 3, 6:30 pm— Midweek Lenten Worship  
April 5-7 — High School Beach Retreat  
Wednesday, April 10, 6:30 pm— Midweek Lenten Worship  
Sunday, April 14, 5:30 pm— Youth Group  
Sunday, April 28, 5:30 pm— Youth Group

\*\*Midweek Lenten Worship led by Confirmation Students



## Pastor Laura Takes Greater Role at CDC

By Susan Shinn Turner

Believe it or not, the St. John's Child Development Center turns 20 this year.

"It's an exciting time to look at what the center is doing and to give extra encouragement to the administrative staff," says Pastor Laura Henrik.

To that end, Pastor Laura is spending each Tuesday afternoon at the CDC, four hours a week, between now and March 1, 2020.

Her primary charge is to train the CDC staff in a new faith-based curriculum and to guide a new initiative in healthy lifestyles and eating. Pastor Laura and her husband, Davin, have two children who both attend the CDC, and she's always loved kids, she says.

"But it's more than that. We have 186 kids here every single day. This is the biggest ministry our congregation has. There's an incredible opportunity to impact the community with the work we do here."

The congregation also tagged the CDC renovation and new playground as a high priority for the G2G Phase 2 campaign, slated to begin in early 2020. (Read more about G2G on p. 10.)

Pastor Laura is working directly with Courtney Bost, the CDC's executive director.



*Pastor Laura and Courtney Bost, the CDC's Executive Director, visit with children in Ms Pam's "Mini Blessings" classroom.*



*Pastor Laura also gets the chance to interact with children at the CDC, but her main task is supporting the administrative staff.*

"It was Pastor Rhodes' vision to bring in Pastor Laura to provide extra support during our transition and to bridge the connection between St. John's and the CDC," Courtney says. "It's been very helpful."

"This is absolutely a step in the right direction in helping us grow as a facility and organization," Courtney says.

"We want the CDC to have a more visible role in the life of the congregation," Pastor Laura says. "I'm so excited to be a part of it all."

Pastor Rhodes adds, "As we step into the next 20 years, we know that we have to rethink the way we do early education. We are uniquely positioned to do that, but it will take effort and creative thinking.

"For 20 years, the community has looked to the CDC as a leading voice in early childhood education. The community needs us to set the tone. Our kids need us to make this investment. Imagine the impact we'll have on their lives and, by extension, the life of this community."





## A New CDC Playground: *The Outdoor Learning Center will be one-of-a-kind*

By Angel Owens

When the St. John's Child Development Center (CDC) Advisory Committee met to discuss goals for the year, the spiritual, mental, and physical health of the CDC remained at the top of the list. A new approach to outdoor play fit right in.

In March, St. John's entered into a collaborative partnership with the NC State School of Design and the Catawba College Center for the Environment. Together, they'll design a naturalized outdoor learning environment that will be one-of-a-kind.

That's right. The plans are not for just for a new playground with new equipment; instead the team is working on a design that provides our children with a more naturalized outdoor learning environment that encourages creative play.

The project will include outdoor classrooms, natural sensory play, and sand and water play, and more. Children will have the opportunity to grow fruits and vegetables, discover animal habitats, and explore nature via timber decks, pathways, and shade trees.

The NLI says outdoor learning environments are "designed to promote health by increasing physical activity, healthy eating, and positive social interactions. Exposure to nature has many beneficial effects, including boosting young immune systems and protecting children from onset of allergies."

The benefits do not stop there. NLI notes improvements in creativity, problem-solving skills, academics, reduced attention deficit disorder symptoms, and reduced stress.

As part of the project, Courtney Bost, CDC Director, has enrolled in NC State's Early Childhood Outdoor Learning Environments Certificate Program.

All St. John's CDC families and staff members will begin sharing their ideas for effective design and development by completing a staff and parent survey.

The project has been in the works for over a year. Amy Ritchie, CDC Playground Chair, states "After spending a year researching playgrounds, talking with experts in the field, and visiting other childcare centers, we're so excited to begin designing our new Outdoor Play and Learning Environment."

Would you like to get involved?

**Contribute.** A fundraising campaign has begun to complete the project. Work will not begin until funding is in place. A precise budget will not be known until a design is approved, hopefully by the beginning of summer. Indicate "CDC Playground" on your contribution.

**Feedback.** St. John's members are invited and encouraged to participate in a brief survey. Your thoughts are very important to the process. Please visit the following link before April 10: <https://tinyurl.com/CDCplayground>

# G2G Phase 2 is Underway!

*Behind-the-scenes as we begin renovating the sanctuary building*

By Susan Shinn Turner

The second phase of the Generation to Generation campaign has begun, titled G2G Phase 2.

The G2G Steering Committee has been meeting once a month since February, says Mark Lewis, chair, while an executive committee has been at work since last spring.

Members of the committee include: Amy Ritchie, Ben Goodman, Bill Safrit, Carolyn Byrd, Cheryl Sjoblom, Chuck Moll, Dennis Rogers, Donna Beilfuss, Franco Goodman, Mark Lewis, Mike Agee and Stan Jordan. Ex-officio members are Bill Johnson, Raymond Coltrain, Pastor Rhodes, and Ruth Ann Diehl.

Phase 1 of G2G kicked off in 2013, and in just six weeks raised \$3.1 million to build the building that now houses the Faith Center, Peeler Hall, and the youth space on the lower level. Phase 1 also included a renovation of the education building and office space. Groundbreaking Sunday was Feb. 16, 2014, and the new building was dedicated in Sept. 12, 2015.

Phase 2 will include renovation of the kitchen, fellowship hall, and the installation of handicapped restrooms, all on the lower level of the original church building. It will also include the addition of handicap accessible restrooms on the sanctuary level, and the renovation of the CDC building.

Additional projects may include new carpet and sound system for the sanctuary, and a renovation of the music wing. Although not fully known, Phase 2 is expected to be a \$3 million project, according to Lewis. None of the work will begin until cash and pledges are in hand.

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**Work already completed.** Several projects were targeted as Phase 2 projects but were completed because of need. For example, thanks to a generous gift from the late Addie Ketner, renovation of the front steps was completed in 2015. The lower level youth room was converted to a nursery in 2016, and work on the narthex and bell tower have almost been completed.

Lewis anticipates that a 6-week fundraising campaign will be held at the end of 2019, with Pledge Sunday in January or February of 2020.

Watch the Eagle's View for updates and more specific details.

More information on G2G2 will be shared during the State of the Church meeting, likely set for this fall.



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## Coming Up this Spring at the CDC

**Spring Fling** – The St. John's small group, the Rainbow Makers, will visit the CDC in April bringing a Spring Fling with them. The children will enjoy stories, face paintings, games, prizes, and more.

**Egg Hunts** – The CDC kids will be searching high and low for eggs during their outside playtime.

**Resurrection Eggs** – Lonna Richardson, CDC administrator, is planning to create Resurrection Eggs for the children as they all prepare for Easter.

**Happy Roots** – Ashley Honbarrier of Happy Roots created raised beds and donated plants for our CDC last spring. Our children will be getting their hands dirty while planting again this year. If you would like to donate seeds or plants, please bring them by and our children and their teachers will explore their happy roots while gardening.





# Around the Church and Community

## Mean Mug: New Location and Partnership with S.O.A.R.



*Evelyn Medina gets a hug from her daughter, Sascha, who has grown up in the business.*

By Susan Shinn Turner

Mean Mug has moved!

On March 8, Evelyn Medina opened her new digs at 110 N. Main St. on the Square. Things have calmed down a bit from a huge opening week that drew guests from the N.C. Main Street Conference, but Evelyn says that evenings are still busy and daytime hours are steady. Mean Mug is open 6:30 am-9 pm Monday-Thursday; 7 am-11 pm Friday; 8 am-9 pm Saturday; and 10 am-8 pm Sunday.

Not only is Evelyn in a new location, she has a new business model, too. Students in the S.O.A.R. program at Rowan-Cabarrus Community College are serving as interns at Mean Mug. After graduation, Evelyn will determine which of the graduates can move on to full-time employment there.

S.O.A.R. stands for Skills, Opportunity, Awareness, Readiness, and it's a community college program specifically designed for adults with intellectual disabilities. When Evelyn was thinking about moving her business downtown from South Fulton Street, architect Pete Bogle, who owns the building where Mean Mug is now, asked if she'd be interested in employing members of the S.O.A.R. program.

Evelyn had to chuckle when Pete wanted to tell her all about S.O.A.R.

"I'm quite familiar with the S.O.A.R. program," she told Pete. That's because Evelyn's brother, Harold, also a member of St. John's, is a part of that program, too.

"The partnership with S.O.A.R. is wonderful on so many levels," Evelyn says. "We're determining the students' cognitive abilities and where they function best. When they graduate, they'll take the next level of gainful employment."

About 10 students are doing internships at Mean Mug, rotating through on different days and times of day. Meanwhile, Evelyn has hired three new employees and brought two with her from her original location.

She absolutely loves the new location, she says, and she loves the new sign Pete put up for her.

"When he came to the other store and looked at my sign, he said, 'Can I have a shot at that?'" Evelyn recalls. "I had no idea how much it was gonna blow me away. It's magnificent. It stands out. It says 'Progress' and 'We're here.' It looks like a place I'd want to go inside and see what's there."

The new location has about the same depth of the original location, but is narrower. On the other hand, Evelyn says, she has a basement with plenty of storage.

"And there's a lot of good energy in the building," she says. "That's one of the things I'm enjoying most — a new beginning."



*Mean Mug Coffee Co. opened at its new location, 110 N. Main St. on March 8.*

# Around the Church and Community

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## **“The Picture Man,” is coming April 9 at 9:30 am**

*A Conversation with Children’s Book Author, Julia Taylor Ebel  
about Keeping Our Stories in Words and Pictures*

By Tonia Black-Gold

You have heard the old saying “great minds think alike.” St. John’s has begun a collaboration with Catawba College to provide interesting speakers on a variety of continuing education topics in some of St. John’s very desirable venues. This collaboration promises to offer members of St. John’s and members of the Rowan-Salisbury community greater access and opportunities to attend to these programs.

The first program in the collaboration is a Community Forum entitled “The Picture Man and a Conversation about the Ways We Keep Our Stories,” scheduled for 10 am on Tuesday, April 9 in the Faith Center.

Author Julia Ebel, a Catawba College alumna, Class of 1972, will talk about her book, *The Picture Man*.

During the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, these traveling photographers moved through rural areas and small towns in North Carolina sometimes with a cadre of props, taking pictures of children, families and individuals. Their work helped preserve each family’s history and in effect, each family’s stories.

“I write to call out stories that bridge us to our roots, to memories of times past and persons who have nurtured us and shaped our lives,” Ebel says.

She draws readers of all ages into an appreciation of history, heritage, and nature through her stories, biographies, and poems. The stories she keeps begin with the people, the culture, and the landscape of her native North Carolina.

Ebel shares that she has “honed” her writing skills for over 30 years and has nine books to her credit that “invite sharing between generations,” each “about keeping our stories—not just mine, but yours too.”



*Julia Taylor Ebel, Author*

She also writes poetry, some of which appears as free verse in historical fiction and in her biography of Max Woody, a North Carolina traditional chair maker.

Ebel conducts poetry and writing workshops in schools and libraries and is often tapped to present programs on keeping stories. When she is not writing, she tutors and has taught children’s literature and language classes at Guilford Technical Community College. Although she makes her home in Jamestown with her husband, son, and beloved golden retriever, she notes that part of her heart is in the North Carolina Mountains where she finds inspiration for much of her writing.

St. John’s will provide coffee and water in Peeler Hall at 9:30 am before the 10 am program. Ebel, who has developed a study guide for “The Picture Man,” will share the importance of preserving a family’s history and some ways to do that through fun, collaborative, multi-generational activities such as making a pinhole camera from a shoebox. She will also have copies of her books for sale and will be available to sign them following her presentation.

All attending are encouraged to bring along an old photograph or two. As discussion explores the importance of our own photographs, recent ones to older ones of those before us, these photographs might provide some inspiration for your own thought and personal exploration.

A pen and notepad might come in handy too.

As always, this April 9 Community Forum is free and also open to members of the Rowan-Salisbury community, so be sure to invite friends to attend.



## Senior Academy Winter 2019



Senior Academy ended its winter season with a tour of the Transportation Museum, including the Gratitude Train and the Tuskegee Airmen Exhibit, IMAX movie. Both exhibits featured aspects of the World War II era and the good of mankind.



## Upcoming in Senior Seasons



**April 9, 9:30 am to 12 pm**— The Picture Man, featuring author, Julia Ebel, and sponsored by Catawba College and St. John's. More information on page 12.



**April 9, 12 pm to 2 pm** – Spring Gathering, after the free "Picture Man" Forum. Enjoy an \$8 lunch in the Fellowship Hall at Noon and be entertained by our surprise entertainment. Register by Friday, April 5.



**May 21, 12 pm to 1pm**—Lunch & Learn: The "Growing Rowan Taskforce" (Paula Dibley, Executive Director of Marketing and Enrollment Management at RCCC; Mike Miller, Owner of Miller Davis Advertising Agency; and Greg Edds, Rowan County Commission Chairman), will present important updates for our community about marketing efforts to promote our community's underutilized assets. Sign up by May 17. Bring your lunch or call Diane Poole for a box lunch.

**To register, call 704/6336-3431 x 220, email [diane@stjohns-salisbury.org](mailto:diane@stjohns-salisbury.org), or go online to St. John's website.**

# Worship and the Arts

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## Join Us in Singing *Lent, Holy Week, and Easter Celebration*

The Women's Ensemble will be singing for 11 am worship on Sunday, April 7. The Women's Ensemble rehearses the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 5 pm in the Youth Music Room and welcomes female voices from Middle and High School – Adult and learns a broad repertoire of Sacred music for mixed female voices. (The Women's Ensemble will not rehearse on Sunday, April 28.)

The Chancel Choir continues to rehearse each Wednesday following our Midweek Lenten Worship. Meeting in the choir room, the choir is preparing for the music of Holy Week, with anthems that embrace the Passion of our Lord (Palm Sunday), Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the glory of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. With the return of "allelujahs" on Easter, the Chancel Choir will acclaim our risen Savior with Beethoven's powerful Hallelujah (From Christ on the Mount of Olives), and Handel's magnificent Hallelujah Chorus. Each worship opportunity from Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter will include instrumentation, percussion, hand bells, choral and solo leadership. Salisbury Brass will join us to lead our Easter Sunday 11 am worship.

### CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE IN APRIL:

Wednesday, April 3, 7:15 pm  
Wednesday, April 10, 7:15 pm—Rehearsal in the sanctuary for Palm Sunday  
Wednesday, April 17, 7 pm—Rehearsal for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and with brass for Easter Sunday.  
Maundy Thursday, April 18, 6:30 pm— Gather in the Choir Room to prepare for worship each evening at 7 pm.  
Good Friday, April 19, 6:30 pm—Gather in the Choir Room to prepare for worship each evening at 7 pm.  
Easter Sunday, April 21— 8:30 am worship gathering time — TBA; 11 am worship gathering time – 10:15 am in the Choir Room  
Sunday, April 28, 10:30 am— Gathering in Choir Room

\*Note: No rehearsal on Wednesday, April 24.

## Mark Your Calendar

### *Men's Chorus Concert, May 5 at 3 pm*

St. John's Men's Chorus is diligently rehearsing each Sunday at 4 pm in the Choir Room. Under the direction of Jason Harwood and accompanied by Janie Rollins, the Men's Chorus is preparing for their Spring Concert, "Wonder, Love, and Praise" a collection of favorite and time-honored hymns. The concert will be on Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 3 pm in the Church Sanctuary. Please note that this concert will be one hour earlier than is usually offered.





## Chrismon Team Makes Angels for Meals on Wheels



*Every one of the 110 angels made for Meals on Wheels participants is different.*

By Susan Shinn Turner

Those crafty Chrismon ladies are at it again.

Although the Chrismon Team's main task is creating about 200 Chrismon ornaments for the children of the congregation each Christmastime, the 12 ladies like to tackle other tasks during the year as well, according to Carol Hair, who serves as their fearless leader.

"We always need a project," Carol says. "We like the fellowship."

The latest project are tiny angels made out of card stock to be used as tray favors for Meals on Wheels.

"No two are alike," Carol says, looking over several boxes of the completed angels. "We decorated them with whatever we had in our stash."

Some have a bit of tinsel. Others have pearls or lace. One is even a hula angel! All fit right into the palm of your hand.

The St. John's Meals on Wheels teams deliver to about 94 clients, so Carol and her crew made about 110, enough for every person St. John's members serve.

"The tray favors are delightful," says Cindy Fink, Meals on Wheels' executive director and a St. John's member. "Each angel is unique, and our participants will be very happy to get them."

"We just have fun doing it," Carol says of the team projects.

Next on the list are decorations for the congregation-wide Easter breakfast on April 21.

The Chrismon Team meets from 10 am to noon each Wednesday and invites new members any time. They're also always in need of ideas for new crafts, craft supplies, and donations to buy supplies.



*The Chrismon ladies named this one the Hula Angel!*

## Local Support for Education in South Sudan

### *Art Show, Walk-a-thon, Donation Opportunities*

The Raising South Sudan initiative provides uniforms, materials, meals, teachers' salaries and teacher training to benefit students in the two schools. It also provides some scholarships so that select students may be sent to other regions to attend secondary schools. Sudan Rowan, independently, provides secondary and collegiate level

scholarships for South Sudanese natives attending school in Kenya and Uganda.

This month, there are some unique ways to contribute to the needs of our global ministry partner. For more information, contact Karen Puckett at karenmcgeepuckett@gmail.com.

### New Well at the Nyarweng school

Nyarweng Primary School (K-8) currently serves 500 students in South Sudan. The well, built by another congregation, is now depleted. It had managed to provide water to students and the community for a number of years through repairs funded by individual St. John's members and others. The cost of digging a new borehole is between \$15,000-\$25,000. The St. John's Benevolent Foundation has provided a \$2,500 grant to this project. This spring's fundraising initiative hopes to help complete the funding of the well.

Raising South Sudan has been fortunate this year to link up with the Rowan-Salisbury Schools in a district-wide initiative, including an art show on April 5 and a Walk for Wisdom walk-a-thon on April 13.

#### ART SHOW

On April 5 from 6-8pm, the community is invited to "The Refugee's Journey" at South Main Book Company in

Salisbury. The exhibit includes a photography show using works by former Lost Boys of Sudan, as well as table displays by the Crosby Scholars, Isenberg Elementary Schools K-Kids, North Rowan Middle School's AIG students, and North Rowan High School theatre students who will be performing selections from their upcoming May musical, *The Lion King*. In early May, NRHS will donate funds from one of its performances to Walk for Wisdom. The event will also include an art contest for Rowan-Salisbury students with the theme of **refugees**. Prizes include a copy of the book *Refugee* by Alan Gratz and gift cards to South Main Book Company.

#### WALK-A-THON

On April 13 any Rowan-Salisbury schools who are interested may participate in a district-wide Walk for Wisdom at the Hurley YMCA. The walk includes informational refreshment stands and challenges for participants.

## Secondary and Collegiate Level Scholarship Program



*Angela Gabriel Nyangok Ngor is completing her second semester at Daystar University in Nairobi, Kenya.*

Education for young girls is rare, and, as females age, educational opportunities become scarcer. During 2018, the St. John's Endowment Fund and individual donors from St. John's provided funding to support secondary school scholarships to send select female students to the Loreto School.

In 2018, funds also provided a scholarship for Angela Gabriel Nyangok Ngor, who is receiving a communications degree from Daystar University in Nairobi. She has completed the first of 3 semesters and is currently in her 2nd semester. This year we have an opportunity to continue to contribute. She needs \$1,500 for tuition and

\$300 for spending money for her final semester. We also have the opportunity to continue to walk alongside David Mawut Deng and Monyitiok Akot Achuil, who attend high school in the Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya. Each need a small amount of funds for school costs, such as textbooks and technology.

Donations can be mailed to Sudan Rowan at 576 Adrian Road, Salisbury, NC 28146. Donations to any of St. John's International Ministry partners can be made directly to the church with the specific ministry (Bethlehem, Guatemala, or South Sudan) designation on the check memo.



## Adult Mission Trip to Guatemala

Do you have an interest in serving on a mission trip at Escuela Integrada, St. John's Mission partner in Guatemala?

Plan to meet us at Mean Mug Coffee, 110 N. Main Street (their new location), on April 15, at 5:30 pm.

We will be discussing the trip, what to know about Guatemala, mission and cultural activities, settle on a date and begin planning.

The adult trips to the school are wonderful opportunities to travel with your friends and spending time with fellow church members, so invite them to join you at this meeting (and the trip)!

For more information contact Paula Bohland,  
[Paula@wearegraces.org](mailto:Paula@wearegraces.org)



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## Youthful Decorating Committee Members Needed

by Ralph Waldo Emerson

*So nigh is grandeur to our dust,*

*So near is God to man,*

*When Duty whispers low, "Thou must,"*

*The youth replies, "I can."*

By Gerrie Blackwelder

Though it becomes easier and easier to forget the lessons of our youth as the years pass, you might remember this lovely poem from school days. It calls to mind the necessity of those who are young to begin the arduous task of taking over the duties of others.

At St. John's we are facing the necessity of elders requesting youthful aid in several areas. One is, importantly, the decorating committee. Sandy Jordan, Beth Boger, Jane Britt, Carol Hair, and others, make our church lovely at holy seasons, and are becoming less and less thrilled about climbing the 20-foot ladder to place Chrismons on the tree, or scale the balcony to hang wreaths.

Maybe you and a friend would like to pick up the mantle and make an impression on the many visitors, who attend our services. Behind the scenes of each festival service, poinsettias are arranged, Nativity Scenes are well presented, the tree is assembled, the Cross is beflowered, the windows

dressed, and beautiful contributions of the heart are made that set the tone and mood of a sweet spiritual connection to Our Lord for all of us who sit in the pews and bow our heads.

As you contemplate joining this wonderful opportunity to place Christ's birth and resurrection in the forefront, know that this opportunity has been in the hands of women for centuries in the St. John's congregational history. But it no longer has to be. We would accept males as well.

This is not to say that the committee is in any way losing membership, but that the roles are shifting: from the top of the ladder, to the floor. The existing committee women remain in the know about where the tree is stored, have contacts to order the flowers, know when the tree can be graciously assembled by the Glover Construction team (thanks to Bob and Linda) and will probably still construct the Chrismons each month.

If you are willing to answer the call to duty and reply, "I can," please call Joy in the office, Beth Boger, or Sandy Jordan for more information.



*“Consider the Lilies and how they grow. They toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.” (Luke 12:27)*

## Easter Palms, Lilies and Flowers

Be a part of a beautiful tradition at St. John’s, 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 will also 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 a marked envelope, in the offering plate. Deadline for ordering will be April 17.

Lilies and palms will be delivered fresh to the church prior to Easter. They will be available for you to take home after 11 am Easter Worship. A dedication insert will be included in the worship bulletin on Easter Sunday.



## 2019 Easter Lilies, Palms and Flowers

**Given by** \_\_\_\_\_

Decoration	Price	In Memory of.....	In Honor of.....
Lilly	\$15.00 each		
Palm	\$25.00 each		
Flowers	Amount \$ _____		



## Benevolent Foundation Awards nearly \$24,000 in Grants

Each year, the St. John's Benevolent Foundation provides over \$100,000 in scholarships and grants to local and global partners. Grants are awarded twice each year, with the first grant cycle ending March 1.

The following grants were awarded to support ministry that is consistent with ministry at St. John's. A priority is given to those projects that address poverty in the Salisbury-Rowan County community.

**Knox Middle School "Saturday School"** for students needing extra academic support. \$1,200

**Meals on Wheels**, providing food support for elderly persons on a fixed income. \$3,750

**Iglesia Lutheran Nostro Salvador**. The grant will help this Lutheran Hispanic ministry to begin a radio broadcast in the upstate of SC. \$3,000

**Community Care Clinic** of Rowan County, to provide continuing education for staff. \$1,925

**Lily Pad Haven** of Salisbury. The grant will help construct a ramp at their home in Salisbury. Lily Pad provides transitional housing for women exiting the sex trafficking industry. \$2,500

**Sudan Rowan**. The grant provides funding to dig a new borehole for potable water for children to remain active participants in their learning community, at Nyarweng School in South Sudan. \$2,500

**Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary**. The grant helps to establish an endowed chair for Lutheran studies at the seminary in Columbia, SC. \$3,000

**Jazz Vespers** at St. John's. The grant funds the congregation's Jazz Vespers ministry, an outreach ministry that supports inclusivity in music and worship. \$1,600

**Lenoir-Rhyne** Costa Rica engagement. The grant funds a retreat between LR students and Lutheran church leaders in Costa Rica. \$1,515

**Fellowship of Christian Athletes**. The grant provides general funding support for FCA of Rowan County. FCA is housed rent-free at St. John's. \$3,000

Total \$23,990



### Salisbury Sculpture Show 2019

Be sure to check out the new sculpture at the corner of Fulton and West Innes.

# Our Lutheran Partners

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## Carriker joins NovusWay

NovusWay Ministries welcomes Chandler Carriker as VP of Program and Engagement. Chandler is a deacon in the the ELCA and an alumnus of NC State University and LTSS. He is married to Pastor Naomi Carriker (Morning Star, Matthews). As a young adult, Chandler worked eight summers on staff at Lutheridge and Lutherock including two summers as associate program director.



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## Youth Photography contest— *Winners get free week at Camp!*

The NC Synod is hosting a photography contest! Calling all youth of the synod: submit photos that represent an aspect of the synod's vision: Vital Congregations; Whole & Healthy Leaders; Collaboration; or Prophetic Voice. Deadline is **Monday, April 15**. Email your photograph and a brief description to Lauren Thurow, [lthurow@nclutheran.org](mailto:lthurow@nclutheran.org).

Winners will be awarded one fully-paid week of summer camp at NovusWay or Agape+Kure Beach Ministries *and* the winning photos will be displayed at the synod office!



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## Writers needed— *NC Synod “Summer of Psalms” Bible Study*

The NC Synod Engage The Bible Task Group is looking for writers from across the synod for this year's online summer Bible study. In the past, we have had some fun with the titles- *Lutherans Learning Luke*, *Reformers Reading Romans*, and *Remarkable Mark*.

This year is no different. Our summer 2019 study is called *Summer of Psalms*. (It sounds kind of alliterative until you look at it!) The Psalter has been the songbook/prayer book for the faithful for millennia. These ancient hymns still speak to us in corporate worship and personal devotion. For the Bible study we are looking for writers -both clergy and lay- to write

briefly about their assigned Psalm along with an appropriate prayer.

We will also ask for a picture and a chatty two sentence bio. If the Psalms speak to you and you would like to share your enthusiasm for them with the rest of the synod, contact **Catherine Fink** by **April 10**.



## It's Springtime at Seasons Gifts

By Gerrie Blackwelder

With the pending sunshine comes new items in Seasons Gifts to tantalize our outdoor life and tickle the imagination of children with bunny reminders of baskets of candy and goodies to enjoy. The new water-resistant beach/lake bags are in vibrant colors that inspire thoughts of boating and warm sandy beaches. Roomy enough for flip flops and beach towels, sunscreen and bottles of water, the bags are pretty enough to take on a shopping spree, a visit to a farmer's market, or a ballgame, as well.

And there are bunnies galore. Many are sparkled and colorful, while others nest together as kitchen buddies. They go nicely with the barnyard animals that are shaped as tiny cream pitchers for coffee moments. There is even a bunny book and a long-legged book shelf bunny that can dress up any little girl's dream room.



For the Easter basket, you may plan for a child or grandchild, there are books, puzzles, games, socks, Tooth Fairy buddies, and playing cards. And while there are gifts to entertain and to teach, the best thing is a brightly painted play table and matching chairs made of mammoth pencils just the size for preschoolers to enjoy those games and puzzles without scattering pieces throughout the entire house.

Two interesting stuffed toys include a tactile bear that teaches how to manage buttons, zippers, and ties as well as a spa travel lady, complete with facial mask, and a monkey so lifelike you think he may reach out to you!

For the older set, there are silver necklaces of hand carved miniatures from Windsor Gallery Jewelers of St. John's sanctuary building or our Anniversary Shield, as well as brass ornaments of our church buildings. For the guys, leather bracelets with biblical verses on metal tags are great to jump start a conversation. Or, a rusty nail cross might be the perfect addition to a manly room. We've got them!

Sarah Young's ***Jesus Calling*** is available, as is the Agner and Morehead copy of ***The Heritage and History of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church***, a detailed and highly accurate accounting of church life up to 1983. You may also find the treasure of The St. John's Choirs 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary service.

### ***Also New in Season's Gifts:***

*First Communion, Baptism, and Confirmation picture frames and cross keepsakes.*



# Around the Church and Community



On behalf of our family, we want to thank you for your kind expression of sympathy and thoughtfulness after the loss of my brother, Bill Waggoner. It was very kind of you to think of us in this time of sadness and we appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Julius and Barbara Waggoner and Family

Thank you for your prayers, calls and other kindnesses during Jim's recent hospitalization, surgery and recovery. It was so comforting to know that we were not alone in praying for guidance and healing for Jim especially during the first days when we were not getting good news.

It is humbling to be able to reach out to our fellow church members for support. You did not fail us.

Jim and Beth Boger

## Happy Birthday!

*Congratulations to our Octogenarians  
celebrating*

### April Birthdays:

Rosalie Adams, Paul Boksleitner, Audrey Bradshaw, Betty Brown, Ellen Fink, LaNell Martin, Bob Melton, Dot Miller, Joanne Myers, James Ryser, Alda Smith, Ronald Smith, Barbara Waggoner, Julius Waggoner, Gerry Webster

### Congratulations

Jenna Wilson and Joshua Cool on the birth of a son, Dean, on March 1, 2019. Proud grandparents are David and Mary Wilson.

### Consolation

Family and friends of Joyce Wilson, who passed away Feb. 26, 2019.

Family and friends of Jewel Ziprick, who passed away March 5, 2019. Memorial service will be held at a later date.

Tim, Trisha and Cali Proper, family and friends, on the death of Tim's mother, Doris Proper, on March 1, 2019.

Family and friends of Romania Cline, who passed away on March 11, 2019.

Nancy Shirley, family and friends, on the death of her sister-in-law, Cindy Shirley Walbrown, on March 22, 2019.

## Wednesday Meals

### What's on the menu?

**April 3 - Chicken Supreme**, rice with mushrooms, peas & carrots, garden salad, roll and dessert

**April 10 - Pot Roast**, roasted vegetables, broccoli salad, roll and dessert

## FIBRANT EMAIL ADDRESSES—

If you have recently changed your email address, please contact the church office so we can update your contact information.

Please note: All fibrant emails will be discontinued May 15.

If you have any questions about changing email providers, feel free to email the church office.



# Around the Church and Community



"A beautiful time for stillness and reflection yesterday at Music and Meditation at St. John's Lutheran Church. Rob Durocher and Rosemary Kinard honored our awesome God, the giver of all things, with their spiritual gifts on piano and flute. I was glad for an opportunity to sit quietly and focus on God's goodness while gazing at the beautiful cross in the chapel. " - Ondria Witt



*On March 12, GIFT ministry hosted a prayer service for those affected by cancer. Rob Durocher and Ondria Witt led worship. Julie and David Carr shared about their journey and faith.*



# Worship Leaders for April

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

LAY ASSISTING MINISTERS	
April 7	Gretchen Witt
April 14	TBD
April 18	Dave Roof
April 21	TBD
April 28	Jonathan Williams
READERS	
April 7	*Bob Loeblein, Diane Goodnight
April 14	TBA
April 18	Bradley Chestnut
April 21	*Carol Beaver, Ann Bostian
April 28	*Acquawon Stalworth, Franco Goodman
May 5	*Gretchen Witt, Karen Rogers
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	
April 7	Toni Kenerly, ^Karen Rogers
April 18	Linda and Roger Hull
April 21	*Anne Hatchett, Barbara Corriher, Kathy Norris, ^Karen Rogers
April 28	*Beth Boger
May 5	Wesley Rhyne. ^Gretchen Witt
ALTAR GUILD	
April	Angela Graham, captain; Jane Jones, Betty Pinkston, Gray Graham
COMMUNION PREPARERS	
April	Melissa Ollen, Hannah Smith
GREETERS	
April 7	Harold and Judy Ann Deal, Franco and Brenda Goodman
April 14	Stan and Melanie Ferguson, Kent and Donna Winrich
April 21	Harold and Peggy Mowery, James Bradshaw, Dottie Hoy
April 28	Darrell and Gerrie Blackwelder, Kent and Carol Brown
May 5	Ron and Marilyn Smith, Howard and Diane Everhart
WELCOME PLACE GREETERS	
April 7	Barbara Waggoner
April 14	Barbara Stauffer
April 21	Carol Pomeroy
April 28	Linda Safrit
May 5	Janice Raper
AFTER-SERVICE GREETERS	
April 7	Cory Gebhardt, David Hord, Cindy Fink
April 14	Dennis Ingold, Larry Britt, Wesley Rhyne
April 21	Bill Johnson, Karen Puckett, Larry Britt
April 28	David Phillips, Mike Agee, Randy Overcash

ACOLYTES	
April 3	Confirmation Class
April 7	Carsyn Parrott, Ty Buechler
April 10	Ryan Brady
April 14	Alex Hedenskog, Anna Hedenskog
April 18	Anna Grace Woolly
April 19	Chad van der Poel
April 21	*Emma Myers, *Addie Myers, Brooklyn Albanese, Anna Everhart
April 28	Molly Wilson, Cali Proper

ELEMENT BEARERS	
April 7	Noah Brown
April 18	Joe Bohland
April 21	*Gabriel Shafer, Millie Wymbis

CRUCIFERS	
April 7	Abby Buechler
April 14	Ella Hedenskog
April 21	*Noah Hines, Anna Grace Woolly
April 28	Noah Hines

TORCH BEARERS	
April 14	Lilly Dangerfield, Lucy Heilig
April 21	*Grace Shafer, *Emma Myers, Carsyn Parrott, Drew Bitzer

BANNER BEARERS	
April 14	Grant Shafer, Grace Shafer
April 21	Noah Hines, David Holden

BIBLE BEARER	
April 21	*Grant Shafer, Harrison Parrott

CROSS BEARERS	
April 19	Jake Parrott, Harrison Parrott

NURSERY	
April 7	Annette Brown, Sandra Jiles
April 14	Annette Brown, Sandra Jiles
April 21	Annette Brown, Tangy Roseborough
April 28	Ruth Koppe, Gemma Brown

## Worship Attendance

March 3	540
March 10	485
March 17	554
March 24	442



## USHERS: Head Ushers

April Dan Waggoner, Stan Ferguson

### USHER TEAMS

April 7	Team 1E*	Tom Childress, Jim Boger
	Team 5	Steve Puckett, captain
April 14	Team 6	Troop 443
April 18	Team 7	Mickey Black, captain
April 19	Team 8	Glenn Ketner, captain
April 21	Team 3E*	Bob Loeblein, Jeff Nelson
	Team 9	Cliff Ritchie, captain
April 28	Team 4E*	Bob Rusher, Bobby Rusher
	Team 10	Larry Britt, captain

### 9:27 COMMUNION PREPARERS

April Vernon Davis, Cyndii Owen, Cheryl Sjoblom

### 9:27 COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

April 7	Richard and Delores Imblum, Michele Johnson, Bill Danny Hines
April 21	Rosalind Hines, Dennis and Kathy Ingold, Cyndii Owen, Karen Jones
May 5	Tiffany Kneip, Stacey Shafer, Aaron Shafer, Sandi Melton, Steve Butner

### 9:27 HOSPITALITY TEAM

April 7	Angel Barber, Cammie Yarborough, Wayne Everhart, Danny, Noah, and Rosalind Hines, David and Julie Carr
April 14	Dean Safrit, Tammy Safrit, Judi Downs, Henry Hopf, Barbara Brown, Lindsey Wineka
April 21	Debbie Carter, Doug Carter, Cheryl, Jack, and Chad van der Poel, Mike Jacobsen, Cyndii Owen
April 28	Stacey and Grace Shafer, Jack and Jeanie Moore, Adam and Crystal Ryerson

### 9:27 COFFEE VOLUNTEERS

April 7	David and Julie Carr
April 14	Mike and Sharon Agee
April 21	Dennis and Kathy Ingold, Cyndii Owen, Jill Nothstine
April 28	Stan and Sandy Jordan

### 9:27 USHER TEAM

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

### PA OPERATORS

April 7	Darrell Blackwelder
April 14	Mike Agee
April 21	David Wilson
April 28	Roger Alexander

## St. John's Leadership

### CONGREGATION COUNCIL

2019 President .... Bill Johnson  
Vice President .... Cory Gebhardt  
Secretary .... David Phillips  
Treasurer .... Tommy Page  
Financial Secretary...Brenda Munday

#### 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

#### Term Expires 2021

Randy Overcash  
David Hord  
Mike Agee  
Mary Wymba  
Larry Britt

#### Youth Members

Anna Grace Woolly and Archie Dees

#### Benevolent Foundation Trustees

Nancy Shirley, Chair  
John Henderlite  
Chip Bridges  
Chris Agner  
Margaret Kluttz

### 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, April 7

Buck-A-Meal for March was \$429. 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.

### Who can you identify from this Cradle Roll photo?

Times have changed with St. John's children's programs since this photo was taken in 1960s. (The photo is marked 1961 with a question mark.) This group of youngsters had just completed the Cradle Roll class in Sunday School and were being promoted to the Beginner's class. Can you name which of the 3 boys in this photo who is still an active member of our congregation?

You will recognize others who are still church members as well.

The Archives Committee has all names but one from the class roster. Please contact Doug Robinson if you can help name this last person.



**Front Row (LtoR):** Kim Peeler, Janice Glover, Cheryl Wansley, Raye Rufty, Martha Miller, Greg Epting

**Back Row (LtoR):** Charlie Smith, Mark Ritchie, Diane Peeler or Porter, UNKNOWN, Renee Harris, Robin Cohen

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### St. John's Representative for Sculpture Committee



Do you have an interest in public art? A love of the arts?

We are seeking a St. John's representative to the committee that locates sculpture around town as part of the annual Salisbury Sculpture Show.

The committee only meets once/year, but you'll enjoy working alongside like-minded advocates for public art and serve as our representative in helping connect faith and the arts.

Contact Pastor Rhodes for more information.



# April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 10a Staff Meeting 1p Monday Rembrandts 5:30 pm G2G Steering Committee Meeting 6:30p Cub Scouts Pack 443 Den Meeting 7p Luther Ringers Rehearsal	<b>2</b> 8a Women's Bible Study 7p BSA Troop 443 Order of the Arrow	<b>3</b> 7:15a High School Breakfast 10a Chrismon Meeting 5:30p Wednesday Night Meals 6p Kingdom Kids 6:30p Midweek Lenten Worship 7:30p Chancel Choir	<b>4</b> 7:30a Men's Bible Study 10:15a Trinity Singers 11a Trinity Ringers 12p CDC Advisory Committee 5:30p Property Committee 2:45p Barnabas Connection 6p 9:27 Worship Rehearsal 7p Cub Scout Leader	<b>5</b> High School Beach Retreat	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 8:30a Chapel Worship 9:27a Contemporary Worship/HC 9:45a Children's Sunday School 10a Adult Sunday School 11a Sanctuary Worship/HC 11:15a Children's Worship 4p Men's Chorus 5:30p Youth Group 6:30p Encounter	<b>8</b> 10a Staff Meeting 1p Monday Rembrandts 6:30p Cub Scouts Pack 443 Den Meeting 7p Luther Ringers Rehearsal	<b>9</b> 8a Women's Bible Study 10a The Picture Man: Senior Adults 12p Senior Seasons Spring Gathering 4:30p Finance Committee Meeting 6p Sapona District Round Table Meeting 7p Cub Scout Leader Roundtable	<b>10</b> 7:15a High School Breakfast 10a Chrismon Meeting 10a The Picture Man: Children 4p Benevolent Foundation Meeting 5:30p Wednesday Night Meals 6p Kingdom Kids 6:30p Midweek Lenten Worship 7:30p Chancel Choir	<b>11</b> 7:30a Men's Bible Study 10:15a Trinity Singers 11a Trinity Ringers 2:45p Barnabas Connection 4p Executive Committee Meeting 6p 9:27 Worship Rehearsal	<b>12</b> <b>EAGLE'S VIEW DEADLINE FOR MAY ISSUE 12 PM</b>	<b>13</b>
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<b>21</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b> 8:30-11a Brunch 8:30a Chapel Worship 9:27a Contemporary Worship/HC 11a Sanctuary Worship/HC	<b>22</b> 10a Staff Meeting 1p Monday Rembrandts 7p Luther Ringers Rehearsal	<b>23</b> 8a Women's Bible Study 6p 927 Team 7p Scouting Planning Ventures Meeting	<b>24</b> 7:15a High School Breakfast 10a Chrismon Meeting	<b>25</b> 7:30a Men's Bible Study 10:15a Trinity Singers 11a Trinity Ringers 2:45p Barnabas Connection 6p 9:27 Worship Rehearsal 6:15p CDC Staff Meeting	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 3p Lobster Pick-Up
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## St. John's Ministry Staff

### Pastoral Ministry

Senior Pastor .....The 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

Children.....Stacey Shafer  
Youth .....Kai Thurow  
Senior Adults .....Diane 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 Manager .....Ruth Ann Diehl  
Office Manager.....Joy Chaffin  
Accounting.....Brenda Munday  
Communications Specialist ..... Angel Owens  
Writer .....Susan 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](http://stjohns-salisbury.org), and click Listen Live. Listen to previous week's service at 9 am Sunday on WSAT 1280 AM.

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

### Extension # to leave message after hours:

Joy	200	Jon	207
Stacey	201	Rob	208
Brenda	202	Taylor	217
Ruth Ann	203	Rosemary	218
Kai	204	Angel	219
Pastor Henrik	205	Diane	220
Pastor Woolly	206	Bradley	222

Staff Email: [first name@stjohns-salisbury.org](mailto:first name@stjohns-salisbury.org)

Visit us on the web at [stjohns-salisbury.org](http://stjohns-salisbury.org)

Kindergarten 704.636.4404

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[angel@stjohns-salisbury.org](mailto:angel@stjohns-salisbury.org) by **April 12!**

## On Call List

The list of ministers "on call" is also printed in the Sunday bulletin and updated as needed.

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

**Prayer Chain.** Our Prayer Chain is updated daily and emailed to interested persons Monday through Friday. To add or subtract a name, please contact Joy Chaffin at [joy@stjohns-salisbury.org](mailto:joy@stjohns-salisbury.org). Also let Joy know if you would like to receive the daily Prayer Chain.

Let's connect faith and life *together*.

