



# ST. JAMES

LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Journal

November 2024

## November Worship Services

**All Saints Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am**

Remembrance of the Saints with a bell toll for each member of our congregation that has passed away since last year's All Saints Sunday  
*(Daylight Saving Time ends. Remember to set your clocks back one hour on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.)*

**Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Worship at 11:00 am**

**Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am.**

**Annual Called Congregational Meeting**

The meeting will open prior to worship with nominations for election to church council and the first ballot and will conclude after worship with additional ballots as needed and the adoption of our 2025 budget.

**Christ the King Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am**

***Sunday Mornings***

***Coffee & Conversation***

***9:15- 9:45 am***

***Sunday School at 9:45 am***







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Remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on the evening of November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**St. James Ringers will rehearse on Sunday, November 3, at 10:20 am.**

**Church Council will meet on Sunday, November 10, following worship.**

**Tie Blankets will meet on Monday, November 11, at 1:00 pm.**

**The Annual Called Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**WELCA/LMM will meet on Monday, November 18, at 1:00 pm for lunch followed by the meetings. All women and men are invited to attend.**

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Noah Ash Willis,  
son of Matthew & Allison Willis,  
was born on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.  
Congratulations to  
Matthew & Allison  
and  
the proud grandparents,  
Mike & Sharon Willis.

## Something New Is Coming this November

Join Bob and Beth Barkhau for an engaging book study focusing on life, death, and resurrection. *Near The Exit, Travels with the Not-So Grim Reaper* is the title of a new Sunday morning study at St. James beginning on November 3 at 9:45 am in the Ed Johnson, Sr. classroom.

Blending memoir, spirituality, and travel, *Near the Exit* examines how cultures confront and have confronted death. Traveling from Egypt's Valley of the Kings and Mayan temples to a Colorado cremation pyre and Day of the Dead celebrations, to Māori settlements and tourist destination graveyards, Erickson leads readers to reflect on mortality. Her writings assist readers to celebrate the saints of their lives, look at ways people avoid discussing mortality, the ways we cope with death, and the ways life is made more precious by accepting it. Throughout her personal journey and her travels, Erickson helps us readers see that one of the most life-affirming things we can do is to invite death along for the ride.

Copies of *Near the Exit* are located in the Church Office. Stop by to pick up your copy and dive into this engaging and delightful read. Participants are asked to have read the Introduction, Prologue, and Chapter 1 so as to have an engaged learning time on November 3. Questions? Reach out to Bob or Beth at [bbarkhau@gmail.com](mailto:bbarkhau@gmail.com).



### *Thank you*

to everyone who donated sheets, blankets, and sleeping bags for those in need in North Carolina due to the devastating damage caused by Hurricane Helene.



Blankets made by the ladies in our Tie Blankets group and quilts made by the quilting team at St Paul's Lutheran Church in Aiken were also donated. Pastor Fred delivered the donations to Newberry so they could be transported with all of the other donations to Creston, NC.





On Reformation Sunday, LMM & WELCA hosted an Oktoberfest lunch for the congregation with bratwursts and hot dogs grilled by our Lutheran Men and many delicious German side dishes and desserts prepared by the ladies of WELCA.

A free-will offering was collected for Hurricane Relief in the Carolinas.

*If you missed the Oktoberfest lunch and would like to make a donation, it's not too late! Please make checks payable to St. James and earmark for Hurricane Relief and drop in the offering plate.*



### **Please remember in your thoughts and prayers:**

Ben Sharpe, Robert Coleman, Dottie Iritz (Sister of Gloria Sloan), Bruce Ashby (Brother of Karmen Spletzer), Kathleen McCarvell (Friend of Katherine Sundstrom), Carol Sievers (Friend of Libby Scott), John Allen Eidson (Cousin of Cathie Valentine and Mike Willis), Kensley Napier (Daughter of Philip Napier), Benny Hydrick (Friend of Tony Carroll), Libby Scott **Anchor:** Mary Ellen Johnson **Trinity:** Bobby Reece **Silver Bluff Grove:** Vicki Bolton **May the Lord bless them with His healing presence and keep them in true faith. Amen.** Please review the prayer list and contact the church office with updates.



**Offering Option** [www.stjamesgraniteville.com/giving/](http://www.stjamesgraniteville.com/giving/)

You can now give online on our website! You can give a one-time offering or set up a recurring offering. In the description box, please note where your offering should be directed. (for example, Current and Benevolence, Backpack, etc.)



# Trunk or Treat

Special thanks to all who participated in the Gregg Park Civic Center's Trunk or Treat.

Special thanks to Thrivent and the congregation for the monetary donations to purchase the candy.

We all had a great time and we gave candy out to over 400 kids.



The 80's Theme



Halloween Theme



SCUBA Theme



Bank Robbers Theme





Despicable Me Theme



Farm Theme

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Camping Theme



Harry Potter Theme



Inside Out Theme

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Trunk  
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# November Volunteer List



## Lay Readers & Lay Assistants

**November 3:** Patti Cutshall (Lay Reader & Lay Assistant)

**November 10:** Carol Horsley (Lay Reader)

**November 17:** Carol Horsley (Lay Reader & Lay Assistant)

**November 24:** Beth Barkhau (Lay Reader & Lay Assistant)

## Worship Team

**November 3:** (A) Dominic Price (C) Zoe Ford

**November 10:** (A) Brayden Weed (C) Spencer Johnson

**November 17:** (A) Brayden Joiner (C) Justin Joiner

**November 24:** (A) Spencer Johnson (C) Dominic Price

**Altar Guild:** Patti Cutshall & Cindy Hatcher

**Ushers:** Mike Cutshall & Kenneth Johnson

## Altar Flowers

**November 3:** Linda Pritchard in memory of Butch Pritchard and their parents, Emory & Lorene Johnson and E.J. & Lilly Pritchard - \$ Backpack

**November 10:** Phil & Doris Ann Homan in honor of veterans and our Lord Jesus Christ

**November 17:** Open Date

**November 24:** Jim & Barbara Cobb in honor of their wedding anniversary - \$ Capital Fund

## Sound Technicians

**November 3:** Andy Cone

**November 10:** Lane Rogers

**November 17:** Andy Cone

**November 24:** Robbie Franklin

**Greeter:** Karmen Spletzer



# November

## *Happy Birthday*

Rhett Johnson	3
Donna Abreo	4
Sara Rutland	7
Eric Johnson	8
Vicki Bolton	9
Phil Homan	12
Sandra Johnson	13
Lane Rogers	17
Austin DeRemegio	17
Robbie Franklin	23
Gene Moyer	26
Linda Pritchard	26
Libby Scott	28

## *Happy Anniversary*

Barry & Debbie Antley  
November 20th

Jim and Barbara Cobb  
November 25th

Ralph & Donna Abreo  
November 30th







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