

LU⁺HERAN LINES

The Newsletter of St. John's Lutheran Church | June 2026

As we enter the month of June, we are reminded of God's faithfulness through every season of life. The warmth of summer brings opportunities for rest, family gatherings, vacations, and outdoor activities. Yet, amid the busyness and excitement, it is important that we continue to nurture our relationship with the Lord.

The Psalmist declares, "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). Each day is a gift from God, filled with new opportunities to serve Him, encourage others, and grow in our faith. Whether we are at home, at work, traveling, or spending time with loved ones, we can be a reflection of Christ's love and grace.

As we celebrate Father's Day this month, we give thanks for the fathers, grandfathers, and father figures who have faithfully guided and supported their families. May God continue to strengthen them as they lead with wisdom, integrity, and love.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness, prayers, and support of our church family and also for me and Robin. Thank you for the cards and the good thoughts and Prayers as Robin recuperates and gets stronger every day. The beginning of June has been a very busy time. Together, let us seek God's direction and trust Him to do great things in our midst. May His peace and blessings be upon you throughout this month.

Yours in Christ
Pastor Scott

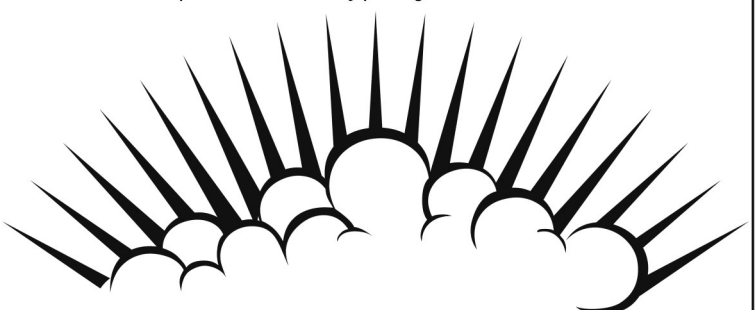




Our heavenly Father

Father's Day is the perfect time to remember God, our heavenly Father. What does the psalmist say about him?

Directions: Complete Psalm 89:26 by placing the correct vowels in the blanks.



"H_ w_ll c_ll _ _t t_ m_,
'Y_ _ _r_ m_ F_th_r, m_
G_d, th_ R_ck m_ S_v_ _r.'"

Ps_lm 89:26, N_V

Answer: "He will call out to me, 'You are my Father, my God, the Rock my Savior.'" Psalm 89:26, NIV



St. John's

Lutheran Church

Called + Forgiven + Nourished.+ Sent.

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Members of St. John's: Ann Harrelson, Glenn Clark, Gail Canipe, Stephen Crane, Eddie Heavner, Jonathan Simpson, Susan Heavner, Robin Homesley, Linda Chaney, Lois Hullander, Cheryl Leu, Kim Harris, Carolyn Summer, Jimmy Harrelson, Sam Lockridge, Dr. Jack Weller, Heather Mauney, Faye Boyles, Dollie George, Lois Dechent, Stuart Beam, Anita Wright.

Friends beyond St. John's: Brody Ray, Phyllis Keever, Jennifer Parker, Leanne Huffman, Donna Colleti, Judah Dula, Sandra Chinn, Georgeanna Wilson, Carol and Jeremy Murphy, Logan Anthony, Candy Walker, Connie Jones, Louise Newton, Bradley Brown, Larry Beam, Chad Lowe, Nancy Koontz, John Templet, Mary Ellen Stroupe, Mary Maldono, Gail Sneed, Mason Anthony, Mary Ann Oakley, Makaila Simmons, Emily Beenes, Shirley Standridge, Troy Beaver, Michael White, Danny Eaker, Nevaeh Quintero, Margie Wong, Bobby Rainwater, Richard Boston and Family, Timothy Fallon, Dylan Sherman, Chris Kiser, Ashley Shannon, Roger and Brenda Poplin, Laurean Sellers, The Venable Family, Chuck Walter, Reid Rudisill, Floyd Gapas, Tracey Kelley, Jeff Borowy, Johnny and Brenda Stroupe, Roseboro and Louise Lomick, Michael Rizzo, Roger Howell, James Cogar, Michael and Sara Luda, Jim Krupa, Frank Parker, Chris Baucom, Jennifer Pruett, Brian Watts, Melissa Breese, Jack Weigand, Marc Sigmon, Jerry Moore, Mary Crocker, Patricia McSwain, Floyd Gapas, Juniper Eaker, Amanda Jenks, Greg Yount, Jennifer Dixon, Norris Howell, Felicia Bowman, Maria Gentile. *If you wish to be removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office.*

US Military

Will Allen - Navy Noah Allmond – Marines Cameron Wright- Air Force

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Shane Grigg upon his death and to the family of Linda Anness upon her death.



SERVICE

Battered Women Shelter

The Cathy Mabry Cloninger Center is a safe residence and resource center for survivors of domestic violence and their children. The Cathy Mabry Cloninger Center provides temporary, emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence who are in imminent danger. Each resident that comes to the shelter receives personalized services through our in-house therapist, case managers, and advocates in an attempt to empower survivors to take control of their lives and break free from abuse.

St John’s Lutheran Church volunteers a meal the first Sunday of each month. Thank you to Emily Thom for organizing the meals for the Shelter. All meals are secured for the year 2026.

June 7	Trudie Homesley
July 6	May Cogar
August 3	Alice Dellinger
September 7	Emily Thom
October 5	Kim Johnson
November 2	Cheryl Leu
December 7	Kim Eaker & Barbara McDaniel



BackPack Weekend Food Program: Although we just completed the school year, we are already busy preparing for the 2026-2027 school year for our sponsorship for Backpack Weekend Food Program.

The cost per middle school student had remained stable for the past two years, but for the upcoming school year it will be raised to \$5 per year per student to **\$420** to cover rising costs. We know we have 12 students remaining from last year and the rising 5th graders that will be moving into 6th grade will also be a factor. Depending on Gaston County School Board’s decision on closing of Beam Intermediate we could possibly have more. Please consider sponsoring a student this year. If you can’t do a whole sponsorship, any amount will be greatly appreciated.

Your efforts matter to these children and we thank you for caring.



ONE BODY ONE MISSION

COMMUNITY SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The new 2026 – 2027 school year will soon be upon us. Don’t forget to call and register your child(ren) for a back pack filled with school supplies to be prepared for a fresh new start.

To Register Call: St. John’s Lutheran Church, Cherryville
Phone: 704-435-9264 | Date: June 1st – August 1st

Come join us for a morning of giving dedicated to serving the children of the Cherryville community with school supplies.

Hotdogs & refreshments will be provided by St. John’s Lutheran Church “Table of Grace.”

**This year’s
“One Body One Mission”
Community School
Supply Drive
will be held at:**

Mt. Zion
Baptist Church
112 Mt. Zion Church Rd
Cherryville, NC
10am – 12pm
Saturday, August 8th



PARISH NEWS



First Presbyterian Church Vacation Bible School will be held June 22 thru June 26 from 5:30 pm til 7:30 pm. The theme is Snowball Mountain Challenge. Registration forms are located on the table at the Elm Street Side entrance.

Women of Faith Sunday School Class will meet on June 14 following Worship to have lunch together. We are going to 5 Spur Restaurant. If you plan to attend, please let Barbara know by June 11, we will be making reservations to secure a table. All women are welcome to join us. We will meet once a month till October.



Birthdays		Anniversaries	
Sadie Broome	June 2	Todd & Lonnia Beam	June 2
Mary Cox	June 2	John & Cyndi Dellinger	June 4
John Dellinger	June 3	Frank & Danna Henley	June 10
Sam Lockridge	June 5	Pastor Scott & Robin Homesley	June 14
Derek Thom	June 7	Russell & Amanda Harrelson	June 16
Andrew Simpson	June 8	Mary & David Ferguson	June 20
Eddie Heavner	June 9	Cole & Taylor Harrill	June 20
Emily Thom	June 13	Trudie & Kelly Homesley	June 21
Jean Champion	June 13	Robert & Kim Johnson	June 25
Kelly Hastings	June 16		
Victoria Lovell	June 19		
Alex Ferguson	June 20		
Sophia Hastings	June 20		
Anita Wright	June 21		
Olivia Jenkins	June 21		
Missy Jenkins	June 23		
George Beam	June 23		
Gloria Dellinger	June 28		
Mike Jones	June 28		

SERVICE



God's Work Our Hands Outreach Ministry will be held on July 2 from 8:30 am til 10:30 am. If you would like to volunteer to help, please meet at the church at 8:00 am. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. Saints Clothing Closet will be open to shop.

St John's God's Work Our Hands Outreach Ministry was held on June 4. We gave out 128 Bags of Food, 120 Gallons of Milk, 120 Snacks and Drinks, 22 Dozen Eggs, and 120 Boxes of Cereal (donated by First United Methodist Church).

The LORD your God
is in your midst...

He will rejoice over you
with joy,

He will be quiet
in His love.

Zephaniah 3:17, NASB

**Gifts to St. John's
In Memory Of**

Lauri Hastings—General Fund

Chris Wallace
Evelyn Carpenter
Anita Wright

**Lauri Hastings
Backpack Ministry Fund**

Ella Grigg

**Olin Bumgardner
General Fund**

M/M David Ferguson

**Scotty Rudisill
General Fund**

Nile & Connie Mitchell

**Helen Davis
General Fund**

Evelyn Carpenter

**Jewel Capel
General Fund**

Anita Wright

**Caroline Cunningham
General Fund**

Anita Wright

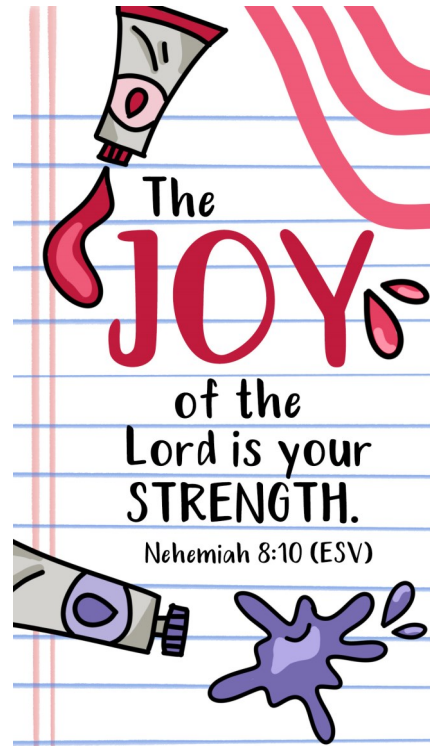
**Gifts to St. John's
In Honor Of**

**My Family
3rd Sunday Extra Giving Fund**

Lynn Holt

**Dewey and Brenda Fitch
3rd Sunday Extra Giving Fund**

Ella Grigg



PARISH NEWS

Stewardship Update as of 5-24-26

Receipts Year to Date (General Fund)	\$93,580.17
Expenses Year to Date (General Fund)	\$105,566.98



SAVE THE DATE

The St. John's Lutheran Church Crystal Lovingood Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, September 25 a Deer Brook Golf Course in Shelby.



Gaston County Meals on Wheels Volunteers are needed to help deliver meals to Cherryville residents. The meals are picked up at 11:00 am and delivered. For more information you can call 704-862-7540 to sign up or see the brochure on the bulletin board outside of the Church Office.

Meals on Wheels—If you know someone that would like to sign up for Meals on Wheels for Cherryville the brochure is posted on the bulletin board outside of the Church office.

During the Summer- Sunday Morning Breakfast will be donuts and danishes.

PARISH NEWS

WELCA Meeting will be held on Monday, June 1 at 11:00 am at Roma Italian Restaurant. All ladies are invited to join us.

St. John's Website is new website address is www.stjohnscherryville.org

Dear St. John's Congregation, Kim and Barbara:

Thank you for the lunch during Teacher Appreciation week and all your support this year. We really appreciate you!

Elishia Oliver—John Chavis Middle School

Thank you to Debbie George for leading a Thrivent Team to help feed the shut ins and those going through a difficult time. Thank you to Lutheran Men in Mission for cooking spaghetti and salad for them.

Thank you to Angie and Hoke Whitworth for leading a Thrivent event to help pay for stocking the pantry and proving milk for God's Work Our Hands. If you are a Thrivent member and would like to help with a community event please see Barbara or Kim Eaker for details.

During the month of May we collected to stock the food pantry. We collected **\$1,515.00** during May along with non-perishable food items. Donations are welcome at all times.

Please continue to keep Kim Harris and his family in your prayers. Kim had his court hearing last week and he is in the Catawba County Detention Facility for six months. If you would like to send a letter or card to Kim the address is listed below:

Catawba County Detention Facility
Kim Harris – 3394200000
Facility ID 5029
PO Box 18247
Greensboro, NC 27419




**THE CATHY MABRY
CLONINGER CENTER**
A Domestic Violence Shelter

JUNE

- Water Bottles
- Children's Bathing Suits (All Sizes)
- Women's Bathing Suits (All Sizes)
- Ladies' Shorts
- Gift Cards to Summer Activities (Regal Cinema, Chucky Cheese, Kate's Skating, etc.)

Available Meal Dates

June: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 12th, 13th, 15th, 21st, 23rd, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th

If you are interested in providing a meal for the shelter, please call the Crisis Line at 704-852-6000.