

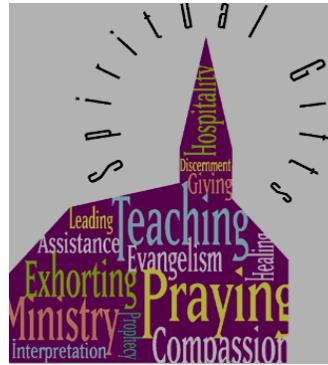
# The Bell Tower

All Saints  
Sunday

November 5, 2017

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Today we celebrate the Festival of All Saints. The liturgy will conclude in the Saint John's Cemetery as we remember church members who've died in the last year. (Thanks to Barbara Wilson, bell toller.)



## SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES...

*Say YES and be involved.*

ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR will be held on Saturday, November 18th. Tables to sell your craft items are currently being rented for \$25 each. To reserve a table, mail your check made payable to St. John's Lutheran Church, to: Frieda Cobb, 131 Sloan Road, Walhalla, SC 29691. If you have questions, you may call Frieda at 864-903-1021. Applications available at the Spiritual Ops table.

### Reminder...

**Knitters-Crocheters meet Nov 8th.\***

Come enjoy the fellowship and click your needles. Plan to stay for lunch, too....



**Wednesday Lunch Nov. 8th \***

We gather for lunch at 11:30 am.

Sign up today or speak with Libby McLean at 638-7070 or Cathie Nowell at 638-3284

*\*Please note there is only one gathering this month for Knitters and Wednesday lunch due to Thanksgiving.*

## THANKSGIVING BUTTERBRAID PASTRIES

are for sale. Sign-up to reserve yours at the Spiritual Opportunities table. Butterbraids are \$14 each; half of the proceeds go to Hospice of the Foothills.



## Youth News

November will be Jackets for Jesus month. We'll take any and all items that fall under this category—gently used or new. The youth will have a table set up by the collection plates for you to put them on.



Check the calendar on the St. John's Website for other Youth activities and Bible Study times.

Remember: Preschool Sunday will be celebrated on February 4, 2018. Mark your calendar to come honor our children, their parents and the teachers of our Preschool.

Pastor Rachel will be looking for rental housing as she begins her ministry at St. John's. If you know of any homes available, please contact the Church Office.



CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING

**November 12, 2017**

## **Annual Congregational Meeting**

Our Annual Meeting (budget, council election, updates) gets underway next Sunday (Nov 12) immediately after the worship service.

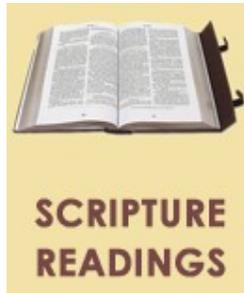
Please make plans to attend!

A 12-part series on the life and thought of Martin Luther is available in the sacristy. This series was reproduced with permission of Living Lutheran Magazine and was provided to us by Pastor Gary Safrit.



**We Pray for...**

- John Miller, hospitalized (Son-in-Law to Dwight and Janine Baldus)
- Julia Ballenger, upon the death of her sister Caroline Brown Williams
- Steven Addis, broken back
- Brenda Yost, recovering from shingles
- Sandra Marcengill, diagnosed with cancer
- Bill and Julie Corbett at the death of their son, Adrian  
Julie had surgery
- Mark Steele, friend of Gary Cabbage, chemotherapy
- Brenda and Paul Cantrell, health issues
- Carolyn Brandt, recovering from hip replacement
- Edith Lambert, Grace Schmeelcke's sister, heart valve replacement
- Kathy Gross, recovering from surgery
- Joan Whitsel, recovering from a stroke
- Joyce Shirey
- Al Pittman, recovering from shingles
- Dolly Johnson, recovering from ankle surgery
- Bob Smith, medical tests
- Marie Palmatier, healing
- Diane Harper, diagnosed with cancer
- Jean Pittman, under Hospice care at Park Place
- Betty Wallace
- Horace Barrett, health issues
- Lauren, friend of Jan Long
- Ann Sloan
- Susan Watt, resuming chemo treatments
- Carol Ewald (Jeanne Welch's sister), continuing prayers
- Paul Maw, friend of Ann Brackett, cancer diagnosis
- Johnny Hester, Ann Brackett's cousin's husband, cancer
- Dan Fogel, son of Dean and Anne, continued prayers
- Carter Gale, 4 yr. old great-nephew of Tina Stephens
- Lauren Hartman, (daughter of the Bowman's) ongoing battle with lyme disease
- Joanne Garland, friend of Betty Sosebee
- Margaret Penington, Lila Doyle
- Bonnie Stebing, (Anne Fogel's cousin) continued improvement and recovery
- Marj Bouse (sister of Betty Mantell) various health issues
- Alison Williams (Cathy Plowden's sister), receiving treatments for pancreatic cancer
- Gina Daly, daughter of Bob Johnson, undergoing chemo
- Lily Sander, granddaughter of Bob and Dolly Johnson
- Our elected leaders, for wisdom and discernment
- All deployed military personnel.



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All Saints Sunday

Revelation 7:9-17  
Psalm 34:1-10,22  
1 John 3:1-3  
Matthew 5:1-12

**Worship Assistant Schedule  
Sunday: November 5, 2017  
10:30 am Service**

Presiding Minister: Rev. John Yost III  
Lay Assistant: Brenda Safrit  
Ushers: John & Millie Hawbecker  
Greeter: Duane Carlson  
Communion Ushers: Dave & Joan Lewis  
Acolyte: Skyler Raab  
Nursery: Haileigh Chapman, Charlie Ward  
Altar Guild: Libby McLean  
Children's Sermon: Jan Long  
Offering Counters: McLean  
Kitchen Cleanup: Morning Circle

<b>SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES</b>	
<b>All Saints Sunday</b>	
Sunday School	9:00 AM
Ministry Announcements	10:25 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
<b>Monday</b>	
Men in Mission	6:00 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	
Bible Study	11:00 AM
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Knit/Crochet	10:00 PM
Lunch	11:30 PM
Handbell Choir	5:15 PM
Chancel Choir	6:15 PM
LCY Bible Study	7:00 PM
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>23rd Sunday after Pentecost</b>	
Sunday School	9:00 AM
Ministry Announcements	10:25 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Annual Meeting	11:30 AM

**Christ in Our Home**  
(Oct.-Dec. 2017) Large Print Edition  
and  
**Living Lutheran**, November edition  
available in the Sacristy

**SAVE THE DATE -**

November 5- All Saints Sunday  
November 18th- St. John's Craft Fair  
December 17- Advent Potluck after worship



**Bible Study meets weekly**  
11:00 am each Tuesday morning.  
We're now at Luke 23. Join us!

**Our tithes and offerings**

are an important part of our faith journey. Electronic offerings may be given through GIVELIFY. You may also go to our website: [www.stjohnswalhalla.org](http://www.stjohnswalhalla.org) and access the secure giving button.



Every day, Living Lutheran offers a prayer for the day from the ELCA resource Prayer Ventures, which can be downloaded at [scsynod.com](http://scsynod.com). These petitions are offered as a guide for your own prayer life as together we pray for the needs of the world and give thanks for the ministries of our church.

**Nov. 5:** Ask God for clarity in discerning which leaders, teachers and prophets to trust and listen to, for the wisdom to know whom to follow and emulate as humble, disciples of Christ and to know that we have one teacher who is unfailing and trustworthy in leading us in God's ways and truth - the Messiah, Jesus Christ.

The Morning Circle will meet on the second Tuesday (November 14<sup>th</sup>) instead of the third Tuesday because of the early date of Thanksgiving. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM. We will be preparing Christmas gifts for the DSS adults at the meeting and deciding on when and where to hold our Christmas Party in December. Sandy Yuda and Betty Mantell will be hostesses and Sandy will give the devotion. All women of the church are welcome to attend and join our Circle.

The Gloria Shealy Circle will meet in the Fellowship Hall at the church on November 14 at 6:00 PM for their monthly meeting. Each lady will bring a covered dish for the evening meal. Libby McLean will lead the devotions. The donation for the month will be a monetary gift to St. John's New Improvements Fund. We invite ladies in the church and friends to join us.

ATTENTION  
all Men

MEN IN MISSION DINNER MEETING  
MONDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 6, 6:00 pm

We will be discussing an article from a Christian magazine.

Commemorations:

**John Christian Frederick Heyer, died 1873; Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, died 1719; Ludwig Nommensen, died 1918; missionaries—Tuesday, November 7, 2017**

Heyer was the first missionary sent out by American Lutherans. After teaching at Gettysburg College and Seminary he was assigned to the Andhra region of India. A worker among the Tamil people on the southeast coast of India, Ziegenbalg was opposed both by local Hindus and by Danish authorities who favored a different missionary style. He was known for caring about the welfare of the whole person. Nommensen was born in northern Germany and was sent to Sumatra as a Lutheran missionary. Working among the Batak people, he translated the scriptures into their language, and honored their native culture.

**Martin, Bishop of Tours, died 397—Saturday, November 11, 2017**

Martin's pagan father enlisted him in the Roman army. Approached by a beggar, Martin cut his cloak in half and gave part to the man, whom he later understood as representing Christ. He asked to leave the army, but was jailed instead. After his release, he became a preacher, and later a bishop.

**Søren Aabye Kierkegaard, teacher, died 1855—Saturday, November 11, 2017**

Kierkegaard was a Danish theologian whose writings also gave rise to the modern philosophy of existentialism. He frequently attacked the complacency of the state church of his day, as well as its desire to be accepted by polite society rather than be a stumbling block.

Preschool is getting into the swing of things.

The children have walked to the library, we have music with Mrs. Marcia, reading with Ms. Dottie, Yoga with Ms. Christen and Computer Pals keeping us busy.

Chapel is being led by Mr. Mark and the kids are enjoying his stories. We have covered several alphabet letters and the Fire Truck has visited us for a Field Trip.

Special Thanks to Ms. Judy Roth, she purchased new CD Players for the Preschool. Thanks again Ms. Judy, the teachers and children are enjoying the music.

Thanks to all that have donated or contributed the Preschool we couldn't do it without your help!!

With Love, Mrs. Cindy and the Preschool Teachers

We are always accepting donations of Clorox Wipes, Baby Wipes, Kleenex, and Hand Sanitizer. And, with all of your contributions the Preschool teachers each received a debit card of \$100 to spend on their room and children.