

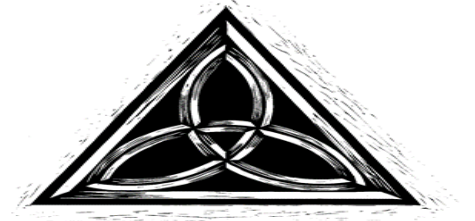
THE WEEKLY MESSENGER



1358 South Lake Drive Lexington, SC 29073

Week of June 4, 2017

The Holy Trinity



This Sunday we celebrate the doctrine that God is Three-in-One and One-in-Three. It is the only festival in the church year that celebrates a doctrine rather than a person or an event in the life of Christ. That God is Three-in-One is a mystery. We have only one God but God has chosen to reveal himself to us in three “persons.” When we say the Apostles’ Creed or the Nicene Creed we confess that we understand God to be a Trinity. The church, even today, struggles with what this means. Some groups, like the Jehovah’s Witnesses and the Unitarians, cannot conceive of God as a Trinity. So they make Jesus, for example, less than God. Some cannot grasp that God can be all three at once and so they say that God is one of the three at different times – a shape-shifter of sorts – the Jesus-only Pentecostals are an example. We cannot, in the end, explain it. Mysteries we cannot explain, we celebrate. Come celebrate this Sunday!



**St. James will be offering
MEGA SPORTS VBS the week of June 11th - June 15th!**

Classes for age groups 2 years old thru 7th grade! If you are a youth and interested in volunteering for MEGA Sports Camp please let us know.

At MEGA Sports Camp we will learn how we can Conquer the Day!

Please see sign up sheet in the **Narthex** or Contact Lara Backman or Amanda Huber to sign up.

Catechism Corner

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

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What is baptism?

Baptism is not simply plain water. Instead, it is water used according to God's command and connected with God's word.

What then is this word of God?

Where our Lord Christ says in Matthew 28, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Luther helped us understand what constitutes a Sacrament. We need a command from Christ which he describes in the "What then is this word of God?" answer. We need a physical element – for Baptism, that is water. And we need promise from God. God claims us with his Name and makes us his. Just as you and I might write our names on our cherished possessions, so God puts his Name on us. We are his. Years ago I took some confirmands to Niagara Falls to talk about Baptism. We saw Love Canal – the infamous place of pollution – we saw the power authority, the aquarium and the Falls themselves. One student wrote a little essay for me about the experience. She said, "Water is very powerful. God's Word with water must be the most powerful."

Thoughts to consider as we think of Baptism.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

Would you like to remember a loved one or honor someone special? Please consider a donation of flowers for our altar area on Sunday morning! A sign up sheet is in the Narthex. You are asked to speak directly with the florist or to bring the arrangement yourself. Speak with Pastor Kevin for details.

WORSHIP LEADERS IN JUNE/JULY

Sunday, June 11

Presiding Minister
Pastor Kevin Ogilvie

Assisting Minister

Acolyte

Communion Assistants
Cora Nevitt
Cheryl Austin

Altar Guild
Laney Strickland

Greeters
John Harmon
Jeanette Harmon

Lector
Tammy O'Quinn

Ushers
Olin Slice

Sunday, June 18

Presiding Minister
Pastor Kevin Ogilvie

Assisting Minister

Acolyte

Communion Assistants
Cheryl Austin
Cora Nevitt

Altar Guild
Laney Strickland

Greeters
John Harmon
Jeanette Harman

Lector

Ushers
Bill Hogan

Sunday, June 25

Presiding Minister
Pastor Kevin Ogilvie

Assisting Minister

Acolyte

Communion Assistants
Mary Browder

Altar Guild
Laney Strickland

Greeters
John Harmon
Jeanette Harmon

Lector
Mary Browder

Ushers

Sunday, July 2

Presiding Minister
Pastor Kevin Ogilvie

Assisting Minister

Acolyte

Communion Assistants
Cheryl Austin
Cora Nevitt

Altar Guild
Lynnette Steele

Greeters
Tom Boozer
Glenda Boozer

Lector

Ushers



WORSHIP LEADERS NEEDED



St. Peter writes: ⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 2:)

You are that royal priesthood and all Christians are invited to help in leading worship. We have many opportunities from reading lessons, assisting with communion, serving as an acolyte or in the choir. Please be sure to sign up in the Narthex on Sunday mornings or speak with Pastor Kevin! He is happy to give you instruction in how to do the service you choose.

Member Prayer List

Pastor Bill Kyzer
Kathleen Smith
Sandra Chapman
Tom Boozer
Von Goff

Member Shut-ins

Bobby Frazier
Frank McLeod
Robertta Pound
Dollie Pounds
Anna Ree Roland
Kathleen Smith
Joan Leskoske
Norma Moore



Unfortunately at this time **Von Goff** cannot except visitors at Lexington Medical Center. However Please keep her in your prayers.

Friends & Relatives of Church Members

David Ball - Father of Rosemary Davis
Randy Baker - Friend of the Freeman's
Pam Crossland - Friend of Cheryl Austin
Family of Jessie Mae Owens Spires - Cousin of Margaret & Allen Hollis
Jacob Dooley-Uncle of Margaret and Allen Hollis
Clarence Davis - Father of Jason Davis
Barbara Eckard - Cousin of Mary Hines
Gracey Goodman - Great Niece of Henry Poplin
Mildred Gunter - Cousin of Anna Ree Roland
Lee Hamilton - Grandson of Norma Moore
Terri Moore Hamilton - Daughter of Norma Moore
Colene Hook - Mother of Kristie Joyner
Bob Florence - Father of Megan Joyner
Ann Addy—Friend of Katrina Shealy
Laurie Williams— Marshall O'Quinn Teacher
Calla Wood— Granddaughter of Adam and Carolyn Steele
Mickey Steele and Rita Cromer— Friends of the Austin Family.
Bill & Linda Dottery –Cousins & friends of Margaret Hollis

Lanell Hicks - Mother of Miranda West
Rick Kyzer - Son of Richard Kyzer
Roger Lindler - Brother of Mendel Lindler
Billy Long - Brother of Mike Long
Sandy Martin - Friend of Janet & Russell Taylor
Samantha Molnar - Sister of Carolyn Steele
Gerald Roof - Brother of Debbie Kyzer
Priscilla Shealy - Sister of Alice Raffa
Allie Snider- Granddaughter of the Freeman's
Johnny Starnes - Brother of Anna Ree Roland
Susan Russell - Friend of Brenda Poplin
Caleb Bratcher— Friend of Mary Hines
Sandra Voelker - Friend of Margaret Hollis
Lois Watson - Mother of Debbie Areheart
William Watson - Father of Debbie Areheart
Julia Shealy—Friend of Katrina Shealy
The Family of John Price — Cousin of Margaret & Allen Hollis
Mike and Janet Crumptions family
Gene Crumpton— Uncle

Military Workers

Michael Anderson - Friend of St. James
Dwight Barrs - Grandson Eunice Backman
Joseph Brown - Grandson of Bill & Kathryn Kyzer
Ryan Caulder - Son of Mot Caulder
Aaron Frazier— Grandson of Bobby and Jean Frazier

Daniel Herb - Son in Law of Mot Caulder
Jeremy Jolly - Grandson of Hazel Rawl
Wayne Watkins - Nephew of S. Jeffords
Keith Zeigler - Son of Tom Zeigler

This Week At St. James

Monday, June 5

6:30PM Yoga
7:00PM Cub Scouts

Tuesday, June 6

6:30PM Girl Scouts

Wednesday, June 7

6:30PM Choir Practice

Thursday, June 8

7:00PM Alcoholics Anonymous

Sunday, June 11

First Sunday after Pentecost

9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Holy Communion

Birthdays

6/11

Stan Hutto
Jonathan Dattilio
Connor Pullie

6/16

Robin Roland
Tim Davis

6/13

Hannah Frazier

6/17

Melissa Roland
Tabitha Summers

6/14

MJ Maurer
Kevin Roland

6/18

Dalton Freeman
Donna Zeigler

6/15

Mildred Hicks

Food Pantry - The food pantry is in need of dry beans, rice and spaghetti sauce. As always, any and all donations are welcome and appreciated.

Rides for Seniors Several of our church members are no longer able to drive, mostly for medical reasons. They would love to come to church but can't get there. If you would be willing to drive a member to church and back, please let Pastor Kevin know.

The Owls— will have their June lunch get together at Hudson's Barbecue on Highway 378, Lexington. It will be the third Thursday, June 15, on the left after the Target shopping center going toward Columbia. Gather in the front at the check in so we can be seated together by 12 noon. Hope to see you there.

No children's Sunday School in June, July and August.

YOU TOOK MY PLACE

YOU TOOK MY PARKING SPACE AT CHURCH

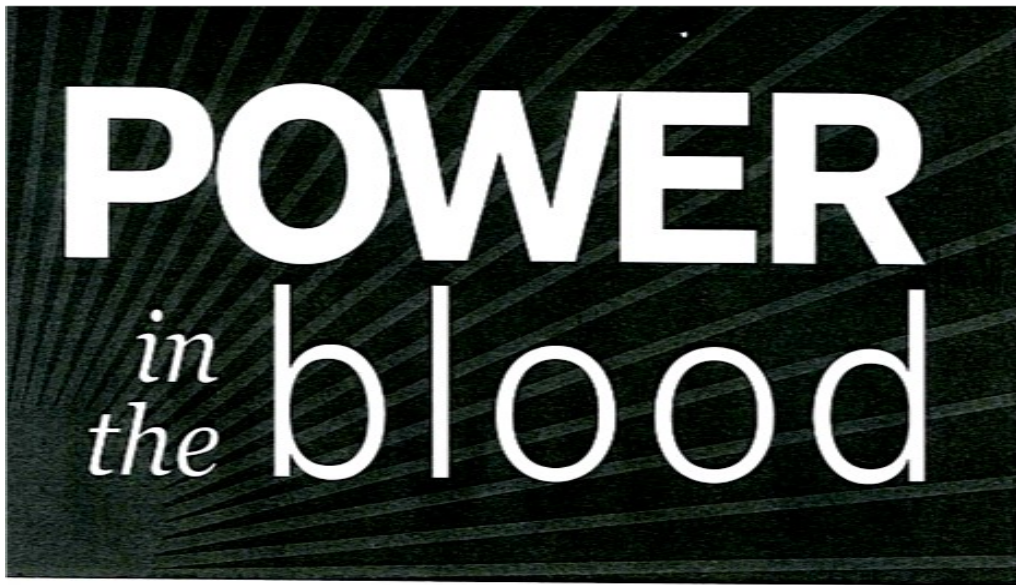
This should wake us up.

One day, a man went to visit a church; He got there early, parked his car and got out. Another car pulled up near the driver got out and said , “ I always park there!

You took my Place!” The visitor went inside for Sunday School, found an empty seat and sat down. A young lady from the church approached him and stated, “That’s my seat! You took my place!” The visitor was somewhat distressed by this rude welcome, but said nothing.

After Sunday school, the visitor went into the sanctuary and sat down. Another member walked up to him and said, “ That’s where I always sit! You took my place!” The visitor was even more troubled by this treatment, but still he said nothing.

Later as the congregation was praying for Christ to dwell among them, the visitor stood up, and his appearance began to change. Horrible scars became visible on his hands and on his sandaled feet. Someone from the congregation noticed him and called out, “ What happened to you?” The visitor replied, as his hat became a crown of thorns, and a tear fell from his eye, “ I took your place.”



**American
Red Cross**

You can put the power of faith into action and help save a life!

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Blood Drive

St. James Lutheran Church

Monday, June 12, 2017

2:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Location: FELLOWSHIP HALL

**Please call Cheryl at (803) 755-6592
to schedule your donation time.**

**SAVE TIME at the blood drive with Rapidpass!
Visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass**

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CHURCH STAFF

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Music Director

Martha Caulder

Secretary

Sharon Summers

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:15am Sunday School

10:30 Holy Communion

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

St. James Lutheran Council for 2017

Cheryl Austin,	<i>President</i>	Dick Kyzer	<i>Property</i>
Adam Steele,	<i>Vice-President/Cemetery</i>	Larry Kyzer	<i>Evangelism</i>
Kevin Turner,	<i>Secretary/Family Life</i>	Katrina Shealy	<i>Worship & Music</i>
Jeff Hibbs,	<i>Fin. Secretary/Personnel</i>	Pastor Kevin	<i>Ex Officio</i>
Ben Freeman	<i>Treasurer/Finance</i>		
Kim Backman,	<i>Christian Education</i>		
Mary Browder	<i>Social Ministry</i>		
John Harmon	<i>Stewardship</i>		
Mary Hines	<i>Youth</i>		