

# ***ST. JAMES LUTHERAN MESSENGER***

Dear Members of St. James,

The Annual Meeting was held this past Sunday after we enjoyed the wonderful sweet delights of a Santa Lucia breakfast. At the meeting we elected 4 new council members – Jeff Hibbs, Kevin Simmons, Luke Roland and Myra Weeks. We thank them for their willingness to serve and we thank those whose time on council has ended – Mary Browder and Ben Freeman. We also thank Chris Huber and Dick Kyzer for their willingness to serve on the Mission Endowment Committee and John Harmon who completes his service on that committee.

The meeting then turned to the budget and how we move into the New Year with confidence. We don't; we move into the New Year with faith. The budget is bare bones. The South Carolina Synod will receive benevolence dollars from us if we can meet our bills. It is a chance for us to come together to make things happen and trust that God has a plan for us. The congregation also voted to sell the property at 1336 South Lake Drive (former Mack house). The decision was taken to think of better instruments for investing proceeds from the sale to preserve it for capital improvements, program or emergency funds moving forward.

Finally, a constitutional amendment received its first reading (constitutional changes take two readings at successive congregational meetings) to change the number of years a council member's term of service is from 3 to 2.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the meeting! We are always better together.

Remember that the Christmas Eve service is at 7pm! Christ is the reason for the season.

Yours in Christ,  
*Pastor Kevin*

# FOR OUR PRAYERS

## Friends & Relatives of Church Members

Erica Hollis– Niece of Margaret & Allen Hollis  
Reba Hollis– Sister-in-Law of Margaret & Allen Hollis

Mildred Gunter - Cousin of Anna Ree Roland  
Anthony Dyckes- Nephew of Anna Ree Roland  
Jeanette Craft and Husband– Family of Anna Ree Roland

Mason James– Grandson of Virginia Hall  
Bob Chasse– Best Friend of Virginia Hall  
Maverick James– Grandson of Virginia Hall  
Don Chasse– Nephew of Virginia Hall

Gene Crumpton– Uncle of Janet Taylor & Mike Crumpton  
Billy Crumpton– Father of Janet Taylor & Mike Crumpton  
Sandy Martin - Friend of Janet & Russell Taylor

Lee Hamilton - Grandson of Norma Moore  
Terri Moore Hamilton - Daughter of Norma Moore  
Tim Moore-Son of Norma Moore

Gracey Goodman - Great Niece of Henry Poplin  
Susan Russell - Friend of Brenda Poplin

Jim Sipe - Uncle of Mary Hines  
Friend of Mary Hines, for comfort  
Barbara Eckard– Cousin of Mary Hines

Allie Snider- Granddaughter of the Freeman's  
Colton Snider– Grandson of the Freeman's

Emma Snelgrove– Mother of Cheryl Austin  
Glen Deese– Brother in law of Danny & Cheryl Austin  
Bobby Zeigler– Friend of the Austin's

John Hotaling—Brother of Mary Browder  
Jimmy Mack– Friend of Mary Browder  
Emma Henderson– Great Granddaughter of Leon & Mary Browder

Chrissa Lahman—Best Friend of Jennifer Lee  
Yvonne Woods– Coworker of Tim Lee

Clarence Davis - Father of Jason Davis  
Mickey Steele – Friend of the Austin Family.  
Colene Hook– Mother of Kristie Joyner  
Judy Cabaniss- Friend of Tim & Lunette Davis  
Lanell Hicks - Mother of Miranda West  
Roger Lindler - Brother of Mendel Lindler  
Samantha Molnar - Sister of Carolyn Steele  
Priscilla Shealy - Sister of Alice Raffa  
Lois Watson - Mother of Debbie Areheart  
Gloria Watson– Sister of Debbie Areheart  
Dr. Albert P Thomas– Friend of Tom & Glenda Boozer  
Elaine Smith-Friend of Myra Weeks  
Sunshine Schlosky-Niece of Hazel Bachman  
Gene Bachman-Brother of Dwight Bachman  
Mike Claypole– Friend of Janet & Russell Taylor  
Ayden Webster– St. James Cub Scout Diagnosed with  
Encephalitis

Sherry Derrick– Friend of Dwight & Hazel Bachman  
Woodrow (Woody) Davis– Father of Tim Davis  
Erskin Adams– Friend of Wayne Areheart  
Marie McGuinness– Friend of Gail Long



### Member Prayer

Charlene Crumpton  
Hilda West  
Harold Roland  
Holly Kyzer  
Von Goff  
Chuck Backman

### Member Shut-ins

Jackie Metz  
Dollie Pounds  
Anna Ree Roland  
Kathleen Smith  
Alice Raffa  
Retha Slice  
Virginia Hall

## Military

**Dwight Barrs**–  
Grandson of Eunice Backman  
**Joseph Brown**–  
Grandson of Kathryn Kyzer  
**Ryan Caulder**–  
Son of Mot Caulder  
**Aaron Frazier**–  
Grandson of Jean Frazier  
**Daniel Herb**–  
Son in law of Mot Caulder  
**Jeremy Jolly**–  
Grandson of Hazel Bachman  
**Wayne Watkins**–  
Nephew of S. Jeffords  
**David Supowit**–  
Son in Law of Kathleen McLean  
**Levi Dane Kyzer**—  
Grandson of Holly Kyzer

*Continue to remember those who have illnesses  
or needs in their lives.*

## WORSHIP LEADERS

### **DECEMBER 22**

**Presiding Minister**  
Pastor Kevin Ogilvie

**Altar Guild**  
Lynette Steele

**Lector**

**Communion**  
Myra Weeks

**Ushers**  
Tom Boozer, John Harmon,  
Olin Slice

**Children's Church  
Leaders**  
Alyssa Long  
Ben & Gwen Freeman

**FLOWERS-**  
Kathryn Kyzer

### **DECEMBER 24**

**Presiding Minister**  
Pastor Kevin Ogilvie

**Altar Guild**  
Lynette Steele

**Lector**  
Mary Browder

**Communion**  
Mary Browder

**Ushers**  
Tom Boozer, John Harmon,  
Olin Slice

**FLOWERS-**  
Lisa Tyson

### **DECEMBER 29**

**Presiding Minister**  
Pastor Kevin Ogilvie

**Altar Guild**  
Lynette Steele

**Lector**

**Communion**  
Myra Weeks

**Ushers**  
Tom Boozer, John Harmon,  
Olin Slice

**Children's Church  
Leaders**  
Alyssa Long  
Rebecca Koch  
Mary Browder

**FLOWERS-**

## Coming up at St. James

**Monday, December 16**  
Gift Cards Due for the Foster kids  
Donations for the food drive due  
2-7PM Blood Drive  
7:00PM Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, December 17**  
10-11AM Food Pantry  
6:30PM Girl Scouts F.H.

**Wednesday, December 18**  
\$ Poinsettia Orders Due  
6:30PM Choir Practice  
7:30PM Bells Practice

**Thursday, December 19**  
12/6:30PM Bible Study  
7:00PM AA  
6-9PM Boy Scouts

**Sunday, December 22**  
Fourth Sunday of Advent  
9:15AM Sunday school  
10:30AM Holy Communion

**Monday, December 23**  
7:00PM Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, December 24**  
7PM Christmas Eve Service

**Wednesday, December 25**  
Merry Christmas

**Thursday, December 26**  
7:00PM AA  
6-9PM Boy Scouts

**Sunday, December 29**  
First Sunday After Christmas  
9:15AM Sunday school  
10:30AM Holy Communion



<b>12/02</b> Nolan Huber Taylor Boone	<b>12/15</b> Dollie Pounds
<b>12/05</b> Tammy O'Quinn	<b>12/16</b> Kristie Joyner
<b>12/06</b> Faith Wright	<b>12/17</b> Sammie Metts
<b>12/07</b> Anthony Hutto	<b>12/23</b> Callie Poplin
<b>12/08</b> Jeanette Harmon	<b>12/25</b> Katrina Shealy Monica Schmitz
<b>12/9</b> Marshall Hibbs	<b>12/27</b> Mary Browder Marshall O'Quinn Brad Boone
<b>12/10</b> Vicki Johnson	<b>12/29</b> Jennifer Lee
<b>12/13</b> Baylee Backman	
<b>12/14</b> Guy West Laura Hibbs	

**If your name was left off this month's list, please call or email the church office so we may add it to the list.**



<b>1/05</b> Lunette Davis	<b>1/16</b> Robby Bouknight Jr
<b>1/7</b> Linda Bailey Brandy Crumpton	<b>1/19</b> Janet Taylor
<b>1/8</b> Mandy Jenkins Gabriel Harmon Jann Boyd	<b>1/20</b> Clay Harmon Nikki Grogan
<b>1/9</b> Carolyn Steele Jonah Harmon	<b>1/22</b> Mackey Monts
<b>1/11</b> Tommy Tyson Shelby Duke Pastor Kevin	<b>1/24</b> Hazel Bachman
<b>1/13</b> Robert Sharpe	<b>1/25</b> Eric West
<b>1/14</b> Elizabeth Peeples	<b>1/26</b> Anna Ree Roland
<b>1/15</b> Miranda West Zachary Kyzer	<b>1/27</b> Michael Bouknight Mike Crumpton
	<b>1/29</b> Linda Taylor



## Advent Study: The Redemption of Scrooge



This will be the last opportunity to gather together for a simple soup lunch and a conversation about the beloved Charles Dickens' classic story, *A Christmas Carol*. Come reflect on the Christian values found in the story and the Biblical themes it reflects. **Lunch at 12.**

The family of  
Richard M. Kutzer, Sr.

acknowledges with deep  
appreciation your kind expression  
of sympathy

St. James Family

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, calls, food and flowers that you provided our family during this difficult time. Your support meant so much to us. It is a blessing to have such special people in our lives. Your generosity was most appreciated and your kindness will always be remembered.

In Christian love, Richard M. Kutzer, Sr. Family

## Guardian Angel Prayer Group

The Guardian Angel Prayer Group was formed in the spring of 2011 by a small number of members who were interested in gathering for prayer and fellowship. Initially the group met two times a month on Sunday afternoons. Membership was approximately 12 persons. The Group sponsored the first 24 hour Prayer Vigil held at St. James and encouraged others to form prayer groups as well. Prayer Warriors was founded at that time and met on Thursday mornings at the church.

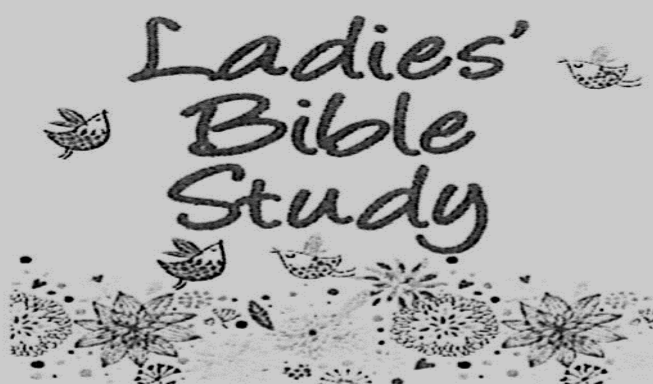
As time passed both groups dwindled in size and eventually became inactive. In early 2018 there was interest in reforming the Guardian Angels. On July 15 a meeting was held at the home of Jean and Bobby Frazier and the group has met at that location ever since. Attendance is usually 10-15 persons.

We encourage others to form prayer groups and experience the deepening of faith and fellowship. For assistance and suggestions in forming a group, contact Jean Frazier at 760-3267 or any other member of the group.

*The St. James Lutheran Saturday Sisters is a group of women who gather together for coffee, fellowship, Bible study and some occasional "field trips". We typically meet on the first Saturday of each month*

*- September through May - at 9 am in the N E Age room. The meeting date/location may occasionally need to be changed so please check the bulletin for meeting updates. All women are invited to participate.*

*Our Bible study is taken from a variety of sources - current events, monthly devotionals or books. Our next meeting will be Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> and we will be starting a new series - Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World by Max Lucado. Participants will only need to have the Anxious for Nothing Study Guide for the meetings. We will be utilizing a DVD, along with the study guide, for our meetings.*





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Scouts Den Meeting Cub Scouts 7PM	3 Girl Scouts 6:30PM	4 Choir 6:30PM Handbells 7:30PM	5 Boy Scouts 7PM AA 7PM	6	7 An Old Time Christmas 5PM
8 Choir Rehearsal Pack Meeting @ 3PM	9 Scouts Den Meeting Cub Scouts 7PM	10 Girl Scouts 6:30PM	11 Choir 6:30PM Handbells 7:30PM	12 Boy Scouts 7PM AA 7PM	13 LMM Tom's Den 7PM	14
15 Annual Meeting Council Meeting 4PM	16 Blood Drive 2-PM Cub Scouts	17 10-11AM Food Pantry Girl Scouts 6:30PM	18 Choir 6:30PM Handbells 7:30PM	19 Owl's 12Pm Creekside Boy Scouts 7PM AA 7PM	20	21
22	23 Cub Scouts 7PM	24 Christmas Eve Service 7PM	25	26	27	28
29	30 Cub Scouts 7PM	31				

# January

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <b>New Year's Day</b> <b>Office is Closed</b>	2 <b>Boy Scouts 7PM</b>  <b>AA 7PM</b>	3	4 <b>Saturday Sisters 9AM</b>
5 <b>Scouts 3-6PM</b>  <b>Pack Meeting @ 3PM</b>	6 <b>Scouts 7PM</b> <b>Scouts Den Meeting</b> <b>Cub Scouts 7PM</b>	7  <b>Girl Scouts 6:30PM</b>	8  <b>Choir 6:30PM</b> <b>Handbells 7:30PM</b>	9  <b>Boy Scouts 7PM</b>  <b>AA 7PM</b>	10	11
12  <b>Scouts Den Meeting</b> <b>Cub Scouts 7PM</b>	13  <b>Cub Scouts 7PM</b>	14  <b>Girl Scouts 6:30PM</b>	15  <b>Choir 6:30PM</b> <b>Handbells 7:30PM</b>	16 <b>Owl's 12Pm</b>  <b>Boy Scouts 7PM</b>  <b>AA 7PM</b>	17	18
19 <b>Scouts 5-6PM</b>  <b>Council Meeting 4PM</b>	20 <b>MLK Jr. Day</b>  <b>Cub Scouts 7PM</b>	21 <b>10-11AM Food Pantry</b>  <b>Girl Scouts 6:30PM</b>	22  <b>Choir 6:30PM</b> <b>Handbells 7:30PM</b>	23 <b>Boy Scouts 7PM</b>  <b>AA 7PM</b>	24	25
26	27 <b>Cub Scouts 7PM</b>	28 <b>Girl Scouts 6:30PM</b>	29  <b>Choir 6:30PM</b> <b>Handbells 7:30PM</b>	30  <b>Boy Scouts 7PM</b>  <b>AA 7PM</b>	31	

Choir 2PM



# Santa Lucia Breakfast on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent



Raiden (held by Alyssa), Regan and Nolan in their Lucia crowns of candles.

Saint Lucia was a 3<sup>rd</sup> century martyr who helped the poor in the catacombs of Rome before she died. So that she could have both hands free to serve, she wore candles on her head. Italians and Swedes celebrate her memory. In the Nordic countries the celebration is associated with Christmas and the coming of the light!



A huge THANK YOU to the **Cub Scouts** for their Amazing job at collecting donations for our food pantry during their winter banquet on Saturday the 14th.







**St. James  
collected around  
\$ 725 for the  
Lexington Foster  
Teens this year!**

**The Food Pantry is December 17  
10-11AM (Food Pantry)**

**Food Items Needed:**

*Individual cans of pasta, packs of raisins & 6pack of apple sauce (Backpack)  
Canned Corn, Canned Green Veggies and  
PB&J (Food Pantry)*

Speak with Cheryl

Austin or Mary Browder if you have any questions.

We encourage anyone who would like to help to join us.

*Please remember we can't give out open food, expired food or  
damaged food.*

**Thanks Food Lion for our Christmas boxes of food for Food Pantry!**





*Thanks to Sease's and Rawls farms for this months Food Pantry cabbage and collards!! Yummy*





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**Pastor Kevin has a new cell number. Please make sure you call 803-553-7800.**

***2019 St. James Council***

Mary Browder/President	Jim Tyner/Evangelism
Laney Strickland/VP	Kathleen Mclean/Social
Ben Freeman/Treasurer	Xavier Herriot-White/Youth
Amanda Huber/Secretary	Pastor Kevin Ogilvie
Bill Hogan/Property	Personnel- Ben F & Jeff H Scouts- Laney S

***Pastor***  
Kevin Ogilvie, PhD.

***Music Director***  
Sharon Witherell

***Secretary***  
Sharon Summers



***Service Schedule***

**Sunday**  
**Adult Sunday School**  
 9:15AM  
**Worship Service**  
 10:30AM

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