

This Week

Campus Maps available at the Information Ctr.
 WC: Worship Center BR: Bride's Room
 KC: Kidz Connection OC: Off Campus
 LCR: Large Conference Rm in Admin. Office
 SCR: Small Conference Rm in Admin. Office
 WCL: Worship Center Lobby
 ECCR: Event Center Conference Room
 EC: Event Center-North or South

Sunday, March 8

5:00 a.m. Zoom Prayer Meeting—
 (Details, contact Pastor
 Marvin, (661) 364-4960
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
 (In-Person & Livestream)
 Sanctuary
 Children's Ministry Sunday
 School—KC
 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study—ECCR
 Bob Schneider
 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship
 (In-Person & Livestream)
 WC
 Children's Ministry Sunday
 School—KC
 6:00 p.m. SJ Students High School Night—
 The Garage

Monday, March 9

3:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study—OC
 Jan Lundy

Tuesday, March 10

11:45 a.m. Widow to Widow Bible Study &
 Luncheon—LCR
 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study—ECCR
 Judie Fanucchi

Wednesday, March 11

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR
 Nate Smidt
 8:45 a.m. Women's Wednesday Morning
 Bible Study—WC Lobby
 11:15 a.m. Level 1 Yoga—Music Room
 5:00 p.m. Lenten Soup & Salad Supper—
 EC
 6:00 p.m. AWANA—KC
 First Communion—SJLS
 Room 104
 Confirmation—LCR
 SJ Students Jr. High Night—
 The Garage
 6:15 p.m. Lenten Service—Sanctuary
 7:20 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal—
 Music Room

Thursday, March 12

8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study—SCR
 Dean Nulton
 9:00 a.m. SJCC Morning Chapel—WC
 11:00 a.m. Golden Eagles—LCR
 6:00 p.m. Bells of Praise Rehearsal—
 Music Room
 6:30 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study—
 ECCR—Becky Wilson

Friday, March 13

8:30 a.m. SJLS Morning Chapel—WC
 6:00 p.m. Kidz 56—KC Late Night

Saturday, March 14

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR
 Lynn Wheeler
 9:00 a.m. New Members Class—ECCR
 6:30 p.m. Bakersfield Master Chorale
 Concert—Sanctuary

Prayers

We invite you to submit your prayer petitions using a Prayer Request card or by contacting Hailey Smidt, 665-7815, or by going online through the website or the SJLC App

PRAYER GUIDE

Health Concerns & Illnesses

*Hospitalized or Skilled Nursing/Rehab
 Jacki Black, Lois Brehmer, Nancy Green, Lance Hall, Julie Martin, Tony Shackelford

Guidance & Strength in Transitions, Travel & Faith

John Andrew

Continued Concerns

Bob Brandt, Michelle Braughton, Frank Fanucchi, Judy Fritch, Annis Gerner, Jeff Goossen, Laura Hanssen, Edie Heideman, Bill Kirby, Sheila Long, Steve & Cheryl McConaughy, Michael Pennington, Bob & Marcia Perry, JoAnn Pettijohn, Hardie Smith, Dorothy Sundberg, Lisa Vorhees

- Our Veterans & active serving military men & women, those with financial and employment needs, our community, A God fearing nation & world, our nation's leaders, local and all nations, our military and their families, Law Enforcement, Emergency Services and their families, LIFEGroups, persecuted Christians, St. John's church body, all staff, Children's Center, School, Angaza Schools, families, teachers, pastors, leaders, spiritual & kingdom growth

Amount Needed to Meet Fiscal Year 2025-2026:
 Budget—\$2,044,300
 Last Week's Giving—\$24,548.00
 Budget to Date—\$1,414,451
 Year to Date—\$1,380,642.03
 Year to Date Variance—\$(33,809)



Thank you for worshipping with us!
 Come again soon.



PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

John 16:31-17:17 (1 Kings 8:22-30; Hebrews 7:23-28)

March 8, 2026 – Pastor Eric Van Scharrel

Today starts with an _____.

A few points about prayer:

1. Prayer is not empty _____; it is about _____.

- Prayer is not a _____; it is a _____.

2. Prayer _____ us.

- Our _____ are reshaped into _____;

- Our _____ is reshaped into _____; and

- Our _____ is reshaped into _____.

God hears every _____, sees every _____, knows our every _____, and even perceives the condition of our _____.

3. Prayer _____ the Father's _____.

4. Prayer _____ things:

- _____;

- _____; and

- _____.

Illustration: kids _____

Image: granny (prayer) _____

God is _____.

For this Wednesday, read Jonah 2:1-10.



Didn't get all the blanks filled? Sermon audio and notes online at St. John's website: sjlchurch.org/sermons. LIFEWork pages can be found at the Welcome Centers.

LOVE. LEARN. LEAD.

Welcome!

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US, WE ARE SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU!

*Reminder: Please silence devices during worship.



Sunday School & Nursery

Nursery (0-35 months) and Sunday School (3 years old to 6th Grade) are available for both services.

*Please check your child into Sunday School before the start of service at the kiosk in front of the Nursery.

Baptism



This week we celebrate the baptism of Robert Edward McEvoy. He will be baptized at the 9:00 a.m., service this morning. We give thanks as we welcome him into God's Kingdom.



News & Notes

EVERY WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18 - MARCH 25



Transformed
ASHES to BEAUTY

LIVE OR ONLINE
WATCH AT 6:15PM SJLCHURCH.ORG/LIVE



LÉNTEN SOUP
sign-up

FEBRUARY 18TH - MARCH 25TH
CHOOSE A WEDNESDAY TO BRING A SOUP OR DESSERT
COME JOIN US FOR DINNER AT 5PM!

Easter Sunday
SANCTUARY
6:30 AM & 8:30 AM
WORSHIP CENTER
9:30 AM & 11 AM

Graves into Gardens

April 5th
6:00-11:00 AM

Bakersfield Master Chorale invites you to an unforgettable evening of musical theater and opera favorites, *"Do You Hear the People Sing?"* on Saturday, March 14, at 6:30 p.m., at St. John's Lutheran Church. Come experience stirring, dramatic choral music. Tickets are available at: bakersfieldmasterchorale.org.

ST. JOHN'S Children's Center

St. John's Children's Center Summer Program
Registration has begun for our Summer Program 2026. This program is for children ages 1-5 years old and runs from June 1 to July 24. There will be fun and exciting themes each week. Enrollment forms and information can be found on our website: sjlchildrenscenter.org or visit us at the Children's Center. Questions, contact us at 664-9127.

The Portals of Prayer Devotionals for the months of April, May & June are available. Please stop by the Welcome Desks and pick up a free copy.

HOLY WEEK

MAR 29 PALM SUNDAY 9AM - 10:30AM	APR 2 MAUNDY THURSDAY 6:15PM	APR 3 GOOD FRIDAY 5PM - 6:30PM	APR 5 EASTER SUNDAY 6:30AM & 8:30AM 9:30AM & 11AM
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MARCH 29TH
9AM OR 10:30AM

PALM SUNDAY

SJLCHURCH.ORG/HOLYWEEK

GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 3

5PM - SANCTUARY
6:30PM - WORSHIP CENTER

SATURDAY MARCH 14, 2026

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

TIME: 9AM - 3PM
LUNCH AND SNACKS PROVIDED

LOCATION: EVENT CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM

SJLCHURCH.ORG/NEWMEMBER FOR MORE DETAILS

GO BEHIND THE WALLS

Bill Glass Behind the Walls Prison Ministry
Come, get ignited at Bill Glass' Prison Ministry, which is holding an Ignite Dinner and Training, Thursday, May 21, 5:30 p.m., at Laurelglen Bible Church, 2801 Ashe Road. On Friday, May 22, we will go to the Wasco Correctional Facility to share the Hope of Jesus. This is an opportunity to be trained and visit a local prison with no hotel cost. Please be praying about your involvement financially and/or physically going to visit the hopeless and let them know about God's Hope in their lives. Sign-ups will be at the Missions Kiosk today. Questions, go to: www.behindthewalls.com, for information or call the church office.

Prayer Requests
In February, we received a total of 90 prayer requests. Thank you for allowing us to pray for you.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

DAY: MONDAY
TIME: 3PM
LOCATION: OFF-CAMPUS

CONTACT JAN LUNDY FOR MORE DETAILS
661-665-7815

Women's BIBLE STUDY

Day: Tuesday
Time: 1:30pm
Location: ECCR (Event Center Conference Room)

CONTACT JUDIE FANUCCHI FOR MORE DETAILS
661-665-7815

Let's dive into the book of Genesis

MEN'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY

DAY: WEDNESDAY
TIME: 6:15AM

LOCATION: LCR (LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM)

QUESTIONS?
CONTACT STACEY PERSONS
SPERSONS@SJLCHURCH.ORG

Women's Wednesday BIBLE STUDY

DAY: WEDNESDAY
TIME: 8:45AM
LOCATION: WORSHIP CENTER LOBBY

Study of Joseph

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE
CALL 665-7815

Widow to Widow

2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
11:45 AM
SJLCHURCH.ORG/WIDOWS

CONTACT STACEY PERSONS
SPERSONS@SJLCHURCH.ORG

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAY
TIME: 8:30AM
LOCATION: SCR (SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM)

CONTACT DEAN NULTON FOR DETAILS
661-665-7815

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAY,
TIME: 6:30PM
LOCATION: ECCR (EVENT CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM)

CONTACT BECKY WILSON: 665-7815 FOR MORE INFO

MEN'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY

DAY: SATURDAY
TIME: 7AM
LOCATION: LCR

CONTACT LYNN WHEELER
661-665-7815

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ST. JOHN'S Lutheran Church X **rightnow** MEDIA

Discover Bible studies, Kid's shows, and small group material, all in one place.

Text 'SJLBAKERSFIELD' to 49775 or scan the QR code

STUDENTS JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

WEEKLY STUDENT MEETINGS

JUNIOR HIGH NIGHT
WED • 6-7:30PM
MEETS IN THE GARAGE

DOORS & SNACK BAR OPEN AT 5:30!

HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT
SUN • 6-8PM
MEETS IN THE GARAGE

young adults group
every other Sunday night @ 8pm in the Garage!
follow us on instagram @sj.youngadults!
contact courtney for details: cjemerson@sjlchurch.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL
WAKE UP! WITH SJ STUDENTS

ON THE FOLLOWING SUNDAYS:
MAR 22 • MAY 3 • JUNE 28
DURING 10:30 SERVICE | ENDS AT 11:50

hume lake summer camp

MEADOW RANCH CURRENT 6TH & 7TH WAGON TRAIN CURRENT 3RD THRU 5TH

JUNE 7-13

REGISTER TODAY: SJLCHURCH.ORG/SUMMERCAMP

CURRENT 8TH, HIGH SCHOOL & YOUNG ADULTS

hawaii mission trip

JULY 19-26

ATTEND A MEETING TO SIGN UP:
FEB 11 (AFTER JH NIGHT) • FEB 15 (4:30PM)
FEB 22 (AFTER 10:30 SERVICE)

MORE INFO? CJIMERSON@SJLCHURCH.ORG
INSTAGRAM/TIK TOK: @SJSTUDENTS.BAKERSFIELD
YOUTUBE: SJ STUDENTS BAKERSFIELD

Wifi password: Welcome2SJLC

SJ KIDZ MINISTRY

We want to be part of an ongoing conversation with you and your children, talking about the LOVE of God, how to LEARN about God, and how to LEAD friends to know God.

WEDNESDAYS
September-April 6:00-7:30 P.M.

AWANA

4 years old-4th grade
Kids will take part in weekly dress up themes, Bible stories, memorizing and reciting scripture. Earning them fun prizes and awards.

Open registration @ www.sjlchurch.org/AWANA

KIDZ 56 LATE NIGHT

5th and 6th graders are invited to Kidz 56 Late Night!
Friday, March 13, 6:00-10:00 pm drop off at Kidz Connection. We will have dinner, games, large and small group activities. Bring friends!!!

1st time attending register @ www.sjlchurch.org/kidz56

Questions contact
Lorraine Davis 665-7815 | ldavis@sjlchurch.org

COME JOIN US FOR THE...

SUNDAY APRIL 5TH **EASTER EGG HUNT** 8:30AM - 9:30AM

AFTER EASTER SERVICES 11AM

MORE INFO AT SJLCHURCH.ORG/HOLYWEEK

St. John's SCRIP
Next Sunday, March 15, you can purchase SCRIP, between services, at the School Kiosk, only on Communion Sundays.

You can also purchase SCRIP at the school office during the week during the school year. SCRIP is face value gift cards you can purchase from local and national retailers and restaurants. Why use SCRIP? It is easy and a percentage of every purchase of SCRIP comes back to support our School and Children's Center. Questions, contact the school office, 664-8090.

SCAN HERE FOR MORE DETAILS

You're Invited!
GO TO THE 5TH ANNUAL

ST. JOHN'S CLASSIC
JUNE 1, 2026
8:30AM SHOTGUN START
STOCKDALE COUNTRY CLUB
BENEFITING THE STUDENTS OF ST. JOHN'S SCHOOLS

SAVE THE DATE