

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, April 19

- 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, April 20

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

Tuesday, April 21

- 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study—ECCR
Judie Fanucchi

Wednesday, April 22

- 6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR
Nate Smidt
- 8:45 a.m. Women's Wednesday Morning
Bible Study—WC Lobby
- 9:00 a.m. SJCC Morning Chapel—WC
- 11:15 a.m. Level 1 Yoga—Music Room
- 6:00 p.m. AWANA—KC
Confirmation Dinner & Testimony
Night—EC
SJ Students Jr. High Night—
The Garage
- 6:00 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal—
Music Room

Thursday, April 23

- 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study—SCR
Dean Nulton
- 9:00 a.m. MOMCo. Meet-up—ECCR
- 10:00 a.m. Widower Bible Study—SCR
- 11:00 a.m. Golden Eagles—LCR
- 6:00 p.m. SJLS Grades 5-8 Instrumental
Spring Concert—WC
Bells of Praise Rehearsal—
Music Room

Friday, April 24

- 8:30 a.m. SJLS Morning Chapel—WC

Saturday, April 25

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR
Lynn Wheeler
- 10:00 a.m. Altar Guild Meeting—LCR

Amount Needed to Meet Fiscal Year
2025-2026:

Budget—\$2,044,300
 Last Week's Giving—\$61,219.06
 Budget to Date—\$1,641,164
 Year to Date—\$1,626,375.17
 Year to Date Variance—\$(14,789)

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
 Alan Burzlaff, George Demos,
 Dr. Miguel Gambetta, Rosemary
 Geier, Lance Hall, Bob Schneider

Praise & Thanksgiving

For the birth of Maggie Mae Wind,
 born April 13 to parents, Ben &
 Jen Wind. Proud grandparents are
 Jeff & Sally Goossen

Guidance & Strength in Transitions, Travel & Faith

John Andrew, Alex Montgomery

Continued Concerns

Bob Brandt, Michelle Braughton,
 Judy Fritch, Annis Gerner, Jeff
 Goossen, Nancy Green, Laura
 Hanssen, Edie Heideman, Bill Kirby,
 Shiela Long, Michael Pennington,
 Bob & Marcia Perry, JoAnn Pettijohn,
 Tony Shackelford, Hardie Smith,
 Dorothy Sundberg, Liam Terry,
 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



St. John's SCRIP

TODAY, 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.

Wifi password:
Welcome2SJLC



A GOOD WALK

Luke 24:13-35; Isaiah 53:3-10; Hebrews 12:1-3

April 19, 2026 – Pastor Ben Schrank

“ _____ Doesn't Let the Story End” - Tanner Olson

The tomb wasn't just empty.... the grave was _____.

1. Jesus draws _____ the hopeless.
2. Jesus draws _____ the hopeless.
3. Jesus _____ the hopeless.

“But he was _____ for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his _____ we are healed.” - Isaiah 53:5

4. When we _____ Jesus...we find hope.
5. Jesus _____ the hope-filled.

“Great companion on our journey, Still surprise us with Your grace! Make each day a _____; On our hearts Your image trace.” - Herman G. Stuempfle

“ Show me the right path, O Lord; point out the road for me to _____ . Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my _____ in you.” Psalm 25:4-5

“And let us _____ with perseverance the race marked out for us” Hebrews 12:1

For next Sunday, read Romans 10:8-17 .



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 Falon Thomas Smith, son of Jeromy & Lauren Smith. He will be baptized this morning at the 10:00 a.m., service.

We give thanks as we welcome him into God's Kingdom.



Thank you for worshiping with us! Come again soon!

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Events

FOR ALL EVENTS, SCAN HERE



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

COME CELEBRATE THE NEXT GENERATION OF DISCIPLES

APRIL 26TH @ 10:30AM SERVICE
CELEBRATE THE CONFIRMANDS



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH MEN'S CONFERENCE APRIL 24TH 6-9PM


AFTER

GOD'S OWN HEART

FOOD, CAMPFIRE, AX THROWING AND SPENDING TIME WITH JESUS



REGISTER HERE



Men's Fishing Trip to June Lake is June 11-14. Sign-ups will be available mid-May at each Welcome Center. Call Michael Spickler, (661) 205-8300, for information. Don't miss out on this 3-day weekend of fun and fellowship!




COMMUNION SUNDAY




St. John's Lutheran School Spring Instrumental Concert

Join us as the 5th through 8th grade St. John's students, including strings and band, perform an instrumental concert to showcase their hard work and what they have learned over this past semester, on Thursday, April 23, 6:00 p.m., in the Worship Center. Everyone is welcome!



Prayer Requests

In March, we received a total of 125 prayer requests. Thank you for allowing us to pray for you.



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: sjchildrenscenter.org or visit us at the Children's Center. Questions, contact us at 664-9127.



MOTHER & SON BASH
SATURDAY, MAY 2 6-8 PM

TICKETS ARE ALMOST GONE!

360 PHOTOBOOTH

OBSTACLE COURSE

AXE THROWING!

SUPERHERO SMASH

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!

ONLINE ONLY




Visiting Angels

Opportunity to bring Jesus' love and joy to St. John's members and others living at home, Magnolia House, Rosewood Care, possibly Hospice and other facilities. Informational meeting to be announced after sign-ups are completed. Visit the Missions Kiosk **this morning** and next Sunday, April 26, to sign-up. Contact the church office, 665-7815, for more information.



Golden Eagles

Join us Thursday, April 23, at 11:00 a.m., in the Large Conference Room as we study God's Word and enjoy lunch together. Golden Eagles is a Bible Study for seniors. Questions, contact Stacey Persons, spersons@sjlchurch.org or 665-7815.



Prayer Requests

How can we pray for you? See the QR code to submit your prayer requests or you can text prayer requests to: (833) 420-7948.

Bible Studies

FOR ALL BIBLE STUDIES



Women's

<p>MONDAY</p> <p>3PM</p> <p>CONTACT SHIRLEY DARLING FOR DETAILS (661)203-0483</p> <p>LED BY: JAN LUNDY</p>	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>1:30PM</p> <p>EVENT CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM</p> <p>LED BY: JUDIE FANUCCHI</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>8:45AM</p> <p>WORSHIP CENTER LOBBY</p>
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Men's

<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>6:15AM</p> <p>LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM</p> <p>LED BY: PASTOR BEN</p>	<p>THURSDAY</p> <p>8:30AM</p> <p>SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM</p> <p>LED BY: DEAN NULTON</p>	<p>SATURDAY</p> <p>7AM</p> <p>LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM</p> <p>LED BY: LYNN WHEELER</p>
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Co-Ed

<p>BI-WEEKLY THURSDAYS</p> <p>11AM</p> <p>GOLDEN EAGLES (FOR SENIORS)</p> <p>LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM</p> <p>LED BY: PASTOR ERIC</p>	<p>SUNDAY</p> <p>10:15AM</p> <p>EVENT CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM</p> <p>LED BY: BOB SCHNEIDER</p>
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Widowed

<p>WIDOW TO WIDOW</p> <p>2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH</p> <p>11:45AM</p> <p>LED BY: DEB WOOD</p>	<p>WIDOWERS</p> <p>4TH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH</p> <p>10AM</p> <p>LED BY: PASTOR BEN</p>
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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON A BIBLE STUDY, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 661-665-7815



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: cjimerson@sjlchurch.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

WAKE UP! WITH SJ STUDENTS

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

CELEBRATING OUR GRADS

8th Grade @ JH Night | Seniors @ HS Night

WED, APRIL 22 | 6-7:30PM | SUN, APRIL 19 | 6-8PM

MOVE UP DAYS FOR STUDENT MIN!

<p>Current 6th Graders</p> <p>YOU'ER INVITED TO JH NIGHT WED, APRIL 26 6-7:30PM</p>	<p>Current 8th Graders</p> <p>YOU'ER INVITED TO HS NIGHT SUN, APRIL 26 6-8PM</p>
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MORE INFO? [CJIMERSON@SJLCHURCH.ORG](mailto:cjimerson@sjlchurch.org)
INSTAGRAM/TIK TOK: @SJUSTUDENTS.BAKERSFIELD
YOUTUBE: SJ STUDENTS BAKERSFIELD



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.

KIDZ 56+4TH GRADERS

4th graders are invited to come to their first Kidz 56 on Friday, May 1, 6:00-8:00 pm. We will have dinner, games, large and small group activities. Bring friends!!!

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

AWANA

APRIL 22 AWANA STORE NIGHT
APRIL 29 AWANA AWARDS NIGHT

CONFIRMATION

APRIL 22 FAMILY DINNER AND TESTIMONIES
APRIL 26 CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION

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



VBS 2020

EMERALD CROSSING

An Irish Adventure Through Psalm 23

JULY 13-17

Registration opens May 1st



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