

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, May 31

- 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
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship
(In-Person & Livestream)
WC
Children's Ministry Sunday
School—KC

Monday, June 1 **SJLS Golf Tournament** Church & School offices closed (Children's Center Open)

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

Tuesday, June 2

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

Wednesday, June 3

- 6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR
Pastor Ben
- 11:15 a.m. Level 1 Yoga—Music Room

Thursday, June 4

- 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study—SCR
Dean Nulton
- 4:00 p.m. Mission Task Force Meeting—
LCR

Friday, June 5

Saturday, June 6

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

How Can We Pray For You?

Submit your prayer requests here and let us pray for you

Stay in touch!

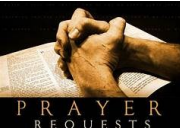
Text us prayer requests or questions about special events

Text 'Join' to (833) 420-7948




Prayer Requests

In April, we received a total of 100 prayer requests. Thank you for allowing us to pray for you.



ST. JOHN'S Lutheran Church

YOU'RE INVITED!

JOIN US FOR CHURCH ON SUNDAY!
SJLCHURCH.ORG/LIVE TO WATCH ONLINE

9AM SANCTUARY **10:30AM WORSHIP CENTER**

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
 Ann, Rick Cole, Dr. Miguel Gambetta, Kevin Green, Lance Hall, Pat Mossman, Judee Ziegeler-Rubbert

Comfort & Strength

For the family of Alison Umfress who passed away on 5/21
 For the family & friends of Midge Carpenter at her passing on 5/28

Guidance & Strength in Transitions, Travel & Faith

John Andrew, Alex Montgomery

Continued Concerns

Bob Brandt, Michelle Braughton, George Demos, Judy Fritch, Annis Gerner, Jeff Goossen, Nancy Green, Laura Hanssen, Edie Heideman, Bill Kirby, Shiela Long, Julie Martin, Michael Pennington, Bob & Marcia Perry, JoAnn Pettijohn, Bob Schneider, Tony Shackelford, 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—\$25,686.00
 Budget to Date—\$1,875,850
 Year to Date—\$1,855,067.98
 Year to Date Variance—\$(20,782)





THE HOLY TRINITY: THE GOOD GOD

Matthew 28:16-20 (Genesis 1:1-2; Acts 2:14a, 22-36)

May 31, 2026 – Pastor Eric Van Scharrel

“Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw Him they _____ Him, but _____”

(Matthew 28:16-17).

The Holy Trinity is not “a” good god; the Holy Trinity is _____ [_____] good God!

For some, the _____ and _____ of this life drive them _____ from Jesus; for others, it drives them _____ the loving arms of Jesus.

As Jesus illustrates the inner workings of the Holy Trinity, Jesus doesn't just give us _____; Jesus gives us _____.

The Great Commission is _____ action: where you _____, where you _____, and where you _____ – it's _____, but it's _____. You are a _____ making _____.

God's work in the world _____, and our work as an extension of His work is absolutely never _____.

For next Sunday, read Psalm 30.

? 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.

ST. JOHN'S Lutheran Church *May 31, 2026*




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.

FOLLOW US @SJLCBAKERSFIELD   

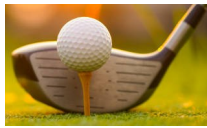
Events

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TODAY!!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

AFTER THE 10:30AM SERVICE



St. John's Lutheran School Annual Golf Tournament

Is Monday, June 1!

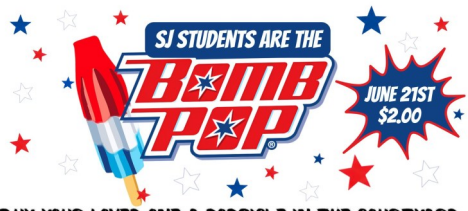
The church and school offices will be closed so the staff can volunteer and participate in the tournament, however, the Children's Center will be open. Offices will re-open for regular business hours on Tuesday, June 2. Questions, contact the church office, 665-7815.

MAY 10 - JUNE 21



BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

GRAB YOUR EMPTY BABY BOTTLE TODAY IN THE LOBBY.



SJ STUDENTS ARE THE BOMB POP


JUNE 21ST \$2.00

BUY YOUR LOVED ONE A POPSICLE IN THE COURTYARD
★ PROCEEDS SUPPORT OUR HAWAII MISSION TEAM ★




Golden Eagles is Meeting During the Summer!

Join us *Thursdays, June 11, June 25, July 9, July 23 and August 20*, 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 Hailey Smidt, 665-7815 or hsmidt@sjlchurch.org.



Lutheran Witness

The June-July 2026 issue will complete the subscription year. The subscription rate is \$20.65 per year. To renew your subscription, please mail your check (payable to SJLC) or bring it to the Welcome Center or the Admin Office. Contact Hailey, 665-7815, for information. **Due date is TODAY.**



St. John's SCRIP Sales for Summer!

You can purchase SCRIP, during the summer (June & July) in the school office, contact the office for their summer operating hours, 664-8090. 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.


Win a 1-week stay in a... **West Maui Condo** July 12-19, 2026

Kapela Bay Villas \$100/raffle ticket for your chance to win a Hawaiian getaway

31ST ANNUAL

Scan the QR to purchase your raffle ticket today!

Winning ticket will be drawn on June 21! All proceeds benefit the students of St. John's Lutheran Schools



Improve your flexibility, balance and strength

Join us Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. in The Garage for Level 1 Yoga led by Linda Cole. **Our last class before summer break is Wednesday, June 24.** Questions, contact the church office, 665-7815.

Thank you for worshipping with us! Come again soon!



Attention Visiting Group (formerly Visiting Angels)!

Our last exciting planning meeting is **Saturday, June 6**, at 9:00 a.m., in the ECCR. Come and learn how to become equipped for the adventure! Bring your own drinks and snacks. See you there. For more information, contact the church office, 665-7815.

Bible Studies

FOR ALL BIBLE STUDIES 



Women's

MONDAY 3PM CONTACT SHIRLEY DARLING FOR DETAILS (661)203-0483 LED BY: SHIRLEY DARLING/JAN LUNDY MEETS DURING SUMMER	TUESDAY 1:30PM EVENT CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM LED BY: JUDIE FANUCCHI MEETS DURING SUMMER	THURSDAY 9:00AM SUMMER BIBLE STUDY OFF CAMPUS LED BY: ANGIE ENGELBRECHT/LINDA PRICE STUDY: FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS BOOK OF ESTHER BEGINS: JUNE 25 ENDS: JULY 30
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Men's

WEDNESDAY 6:15AM LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM LED BY: PASTOR BEN MEETS DURING SUMMER	THURSDAY 8:30AM SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM LED BY: DEAN NULTON MEETS DURING SUMMER	SATURDAY 7AM LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM LED BY: LYNN WHEELER MEETS DURING SUMMER
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Golden Eagles


BI-WEEKLY THURSDAYS 11AM

GOLDEN EAGLES (FOR SENIORS)
 LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
 LED BY: PASTOR BEN
 MEETS DURING SUMMER

Widowed

WIDOWERS
 4TH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
 10AM
 LED BY: PASTOR BEN
 MEETS DURING SUMMER

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 & HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT ON BREAK UNTIL SEPTEMBER!



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:
 JUNE 28 • JULY 12 • AUG 23
 DURING 10:30 SERVICE | ENDS AT 11:50



Pool PARTIES

JUNE 19 & AUG 7
 5:30-8PM • LOCATIONS TBD
 BRING YOUR SWIM GEAR & FRIENDS! DINNER PROVIDED!

THE GARAGE IS OPEN

SUMMER HANGOUTS

JUNE 24 • JULY 29 • AUG 19
 10AM-2PM

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




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.

JOIN US EVERY SUNDAY

NURSERY 0-3 year old during both services
 Check-in your child at the Kidz Min Kiosk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Preschool-6th during both services.
 Check-in your child at Kidz Min Kiosk.

VBS JULY 13-17



This summer, kids will journey through Psalm 23, discovering how the Lord is their Shepherd. Through Irish-inspired fun, lively worship, and hands-on activities, children will learn that God guides them, protects them, and fills their lives with goodness.

Child and Volunteer registration 

www.sjlchurch.org/vbs

Questions contact
 Volunteer Registration? Lorraine ldivais@sjlchurch.org
 Child Registration? Kara kthompson@sjlchurch.org

TODAY! STEP-UP SUNDAY




ALL KIDZ WILL MOVE UP TODAY TO THE GRADE THEY WILL BE GOING INTO NEXT SCHOOL YEAR (2026/2027).