

# News & Announcements



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## Congregational Meeting

**Sunday, January 6th, 2019** immediately following morning worship. We will be voting on a new HVAC Chiller.

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## Welcome New Members!

Dwight and Lynn Jenkinson joined our St. Johannes family “officially” on Sunday, November 18th. However, they had been worshipping with us for quite a while. We would like to extend a warm welcome to Dwight and Lynn!

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## Please welcome the new musical Artist in Residence at St. Johannes Church!

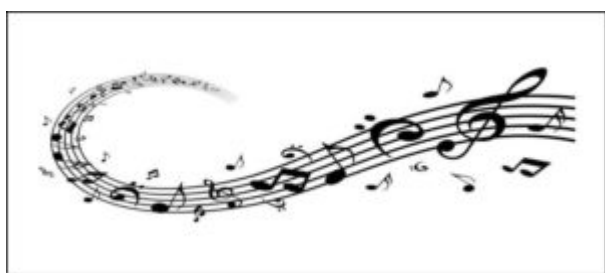
With council approval, we are proud to announce that the *Schleifer Consort* will be St. Johannes’ Artists in Residence. Their members are: Swati Linder, Flute; Frank Miley,

Oboe/English Horn, Susan Rice and George Hiatt, Continuo.  
George is also our music director and organist; these are his friends from the local music community. Together they perform delightful chamber music for special and ordinary occasions.



A schleifer (pronounced with a long “i”) is a musical ornament like a grace note or found in Baroque music; also being a German word, it seems to fit in nicely with St. Johannes. Please “like” and “friend” them on their Facebook page to stay in touch and be notified about

performances. For more information, please talk to our Music Director, George Hiatt: 843-296-8901.



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## Pastoral Care

Please let us know if you or a member of your family are hospitalized or in need of pastoral care. You may contact us at the office at (843)722-8906, or Pastor Alvin at (803) 201-1857. Or you can ask the hospital Chaplain to contact us. Pastor Alvin would love to be able to lift you up in prayer, provide a visit or help you in any way possible.



## 2018 South Carolina Synod Assembly

This year the Assembly was held May 31-June 2 in Columbia, SC. Three members from St. Johannes attended: Pastor Alvin, Cynthia Mays, and Kirsten Hughes.



Prayers for safe travels, as well as prayers that the assembly would be led by the Holy Spirit, and that our representatives would gain understanding to bring back to St. Johannes were answered tenfold!



Cynthia enjoyed her break-out trip to the Lutheran Seminary, where she walked the Labyrinth and took advantage of a photo op with a statue of “the man” himself, Martin Luther!

Kirsten, Cynthia, and Pastor Alvin shared their enriching experience with the congregation during morning worship on June 10th.

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### **E-Blast Weekly Announcements**

Each week St. Johannes sends out email announcements (E-Blasts) to all our parishioners who have signed up to receive them. If you wish something to be announced in E-Blast, please email our E-Blast editor / designer, Chuck Long, at [clongteach@comcast.net](mailto:clongteach@comcast.net) no later than Wednesday at 12:00 pm. Also, if you have not signed up to receive the E-Blasts,

please send an email request to [office@stjohanneschurch.org](mailto:office@stjohanneschurch.org). Chuck and assistant editor, Amy Bifano, have been working very hard to make these weekly email announcements interesting, informative, and ...well, very COOL! Thanks Chuck and Amy!

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## Children Sermons

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## **Lutheran Campus Ministry at The Citadel**

Have you noticed a few Citadel Cadets in worship? Each Sunday, we will be providing transportation for those cadets who wish

to attend morning service at St. Johannes. They need to be picked up from The Citadel campus at 8:45 am, and dropped back off after church. **Volunteers are needed to help with transportation. Or how about taking a cadet to lunch after church?**



As the Chaplain for Lutheran Campus Ministry at the Citadel, Pastor Alvin meets with the Lutheran cadets every Monday evening. Local Lutheran churches are responsible for providing a meal each Monday for 10-15 cadets. St. Johannes continues to provide meals on the 4th and 5th Mondays of each month. We will be providing a meal at The Citadel in Mark Clark Hall, room 340. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and/or serve these meals. A big thanks to **Cynthia Mays' Bible Study** for providing the meal in October! **Our next date to provide a meal is November 26th.**

If you are interested in helping out with this Outreach effort, please contact **Mary Lou Waitschies** at [waycheese@att.net](mailto:waycheese@att.net) or (843) 224-3854. Monetary donations to assist with the cost of the meals will also be welcomed. Checks can be made out to: St. Johannes and marked for "Citadel Dinner."

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### **Tricounty Family Ministries**

Don't forget, volunteers from St. Johannes meet the last Friday of each month from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at Cherokee Methodist Church on the corner of Rivers and Cosgrove Avenues in North Charleston. Contact Mary Lou Waitschies for more information: (843) 224-3854 or [waycheese@att.net](mailto:waycheese@att.net).

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## Catechism Class

Please join Pastor Alvin and the confirmands as they begin confirmation classes each Sunday from 9:10 – 9:40 am in the Sunday School room. Everyone is invited to attend, and it is a great way to reacquaint yourself with the Lutheran theology and heritage. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Pastor Alvin on his mobile: **(803) 201-1857!**

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## Security Precautions



For security reasons, Church Council has decided that during our Sunday worship service, the doors leading to the church's restroom facilities will be kept locked. Those facilities will remain available to those attending the service. A council designee will remain at the back of the sanctuary to ensure access.