



THE BEACON

Morning Star Lutheran Church

CHURCH OFFICE: 704.847.4502 www.mslcnc.org

Our Vision - To Empower People to Practice Discipleship at Home & In the Community

Our Mission - We are imperfect disciples, walking together to embody Christ's perfect love in our community.

Our Core Values: Christ-Centered, Faith-Affirming, Accepting, Discipleship

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CELEBRATE RECONCILING IN CHRIST SUNDAY & WELCOME NC SYNOD BISHOP TIM SMITH ON SUNDAY, MAY 18



Morning Star is excited to welcome The Rev. Tim Smith, the Bishop of the NC Synod - ELCA, to our worship services on Sunday May 18. Bishop Smith looks forward to joining us during our 250th Anniversary Year of Gospel ministry! Sunday, May 18 is the Sunday before the NC Synod Assembly, where this year, the next Bishop of the NC Synod will be elected.

Sunday May 18 is also Reconciling in Christ Sunday at MSLC. As an RIC congregation, Morning Star works to maintain a clear welcome to all members of the community, regardless of color, gender expression, sexual orientation, language spoken, life experiences, challenges or abilities. A special offering will be available for those who wish to support the RIC discernment process around the ELCA.



MSLC HAS MANY TALENTED BELL RINGERS & MUSICIANS SHARING THEIR GIFTS



Morning Star member Jean Swiontek, is a Queen City Ringer. The Queen City Ringers and Jean performed Sunday, May 4, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

As you heard during Holy Week and Easter Sunday, many of our members have musical gifts and talents that they use to glorify God.

The Young Clappers (our youth handbell ensemble) practice on Weds nights and present special music in services at Morning Star. They have played around North Carolina, attending bell workshops and camps to hone their skills and visiting other Lutheran congregations to play in worship.



Please take a moment to thank ALL of MSLC's musicians, choirs, and ensembles as they work to make beautiful music that praises God, enhances our worship, and grows the love of music for generations to come.

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SUNDAY, MAY 11

9 a.m. Non-Traditional Worship
11 a.m. Traditional Worship

SUNDAY, MAY 18

9 a.m. Non-Traditional Worship
11 a.m. Traditional Worship

Worship Online

YouTube: Morning Star Lutheran Church -Matthews, NC

Webpage: MSLCNC.org/
Watch Live

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Your generous Tithes & Offerings make Ministry possible at MSLC! Thank you for your cheerful giving through mailed envelopes, through our website, auto-draft through your bank, disbursements from retirement savings & the Vanco Mobile app, available on Google Pay & Apple App Store. Scan QR code to financially support our shared

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MINISTRY AT MORNING STAR May 5 - 18

May 5 - May 11

MONDAY, MAY 5

- 9:00 a.m. ~ Walkers in the FLC Gym
- 11:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Choir Rooms
- 2:00 p.m. ~ Social Ministry Team Meeting, Administrative Conf. Room
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Worship & Music Team Meeting, Administrative Conf. Room
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Stewardship Team Meeting via Zoom

TUESDAY, MAY 6

- 8:00 a.m. ~ AM Stars leave for Barn Dinner Theater in Greensboro
- 11:00 a.m. ~ Centering Prayer, Living Room 134 & Zoom
- 11:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Choir Rooms
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Women's VdC Reunion Meeting, Administrative Conf. Room
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Men's VdC Reunion Meeting, FLC Conference Room
- 6:15 p.m. ~ Instrumental Praise Ensemble Rehearsal, Worship Center
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Radiance Ringers, Bell Room
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Tuesday Night Bible Study, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

- 9:00 a.m. ~ Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), FLC Conference Room
- 11:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Choir Rooms
- 1:00 p.m. ~ Staff Meeting, Administrative Conference Room
- 2:00 p.m. ~ Spirit Bells Adult Bell Choir, Bell Room
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Youth Time with Meal, FLC Gym & Kitchen
- 6:00 p.m. ~ YOGA for all levels, Fellowship Hall
- 7:30 p.m. ~ Young Clappers Handbell rehearsal, Bell Room

THURSDAY, MAY 8

- 10:00 a.m. ~ Coffee & Bible Study with PJ on Facebook
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Joyful Noise Ringers rehearsal, Bell Room
- 7:05 p.m. ~ Praise Choir & Chancel Choir rehearsal, Choir Room

FRIDAY, MAY 9

- 7:30 a.m. ~ AP Testing in FLC Gym, NO ENTRANCE
- 11:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Choir Rooms
- 4:00 p.m. ~ Girl Scout Activities, FLC Gym & Kitchen
- 5:45 p.m. ~ Youth leaves for Laser Tag

SATURDAY, MAY 10

- 9:00 a.m. ~ CPR/AED class in FLC Gym
- 10:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, MAY 11

- ~ Healthy Food Collection for Matthews Help Center ~
- ~ Cereal Box Collection for Mint Hill Elementary ~
- 9:00 a.m. ~ Non-Traditional Worship, *nursery available*
- 10:15 a.m. ~ Faith Formation for Children & Youth, various classrooms
- 11:00 a.m. ~ Traditional Worship, *nursery available*

~ **NEXT BEACON MAY 19** ~

May 12 - May 18

MONDAY, MAY 12

- 7:30 a.m. ~ AP Testing, FLC Gym, NO ENTRANCE
- 10:00 a.m. ~ La Leche League Meeting, FLC 134 Living Room
- 11:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Choir Rooms
- 6:30 p.m. ~ Youth Ministry Team Meeting, FLC Conference Room
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Coming to the Table Discussion via Zoom

TUESDAY, MAY 13

- 11:00 a.m. ~ Centering Prayer in FLC Living Room 134 and Zoom
- 11:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Choir Rooms
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Women's VdC Reunion Group, Admin. Conference Room
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Men's VdC Reunion Group, FLC Conference Room
- 6:15 p.m. ~ Instrumental Praise Ensemble Rehearsal, Worship Center
- 6:30 p.m. ~ Connect Team Meeting via Zoom
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Radiance Ringers, Bell Room
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Tuesday Night Bible Study, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

- 7:30 a.m. ~ AP Testing, FLC Gym, NO ENTRANCE
- 9:00 a.m. ~ Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), FLC 108
- 10:00 a.m. ~ WECLA Ruth Circle Meeting, FLC 128
- 11:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Choir Rooms
- 1:00 p.m. ~ Staff Meeting, Administrative Conference Room
- 2:00 p.m. ~ Spirit Bells Adult Bell Choir, Bell Room
- 6:00 p.m. ~ YOGA for all levels, Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Youth Time with Meal, FLC Gym & Kitchen
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Young Clappers Handbell rehearsal, Bell Room

THURSDAY, MAY 15

- 10:00 a.m. ~ Coffee & Bible Study with PJ on Facebook
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Joyful Noise Ringers rehearsal, Bell Room
- 7:05 p.m. ~ Praise Choir & Chancel Choir rehearsal, Choir Room

FRIDAY, MAY 16

- 9:00 a.m. ~ Walkers in the FLC Gym
- 11:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Choir Rooms
- 11:30 a.m. ~ AP Testing, FLC Gym, NO ENTRANCE
- 5:00 p.m. ~ Youth Activities, Youth Room 110
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Men's Small Group, BPO, at Dave Denecke's home

SATURDAY, MAY 17

- 10:00 a.m. ~ AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
- 10:00 a.m. ~ WELCA Faith Circle, FLC Conference Room

SUNDAY, MAY 18

- ~ Bishop Tim Smith Preaches at Both Services ~
- ~ RIC Sunday ~
- ~ Cereal Box Collection for Mint Hill Elementary ~
- 9:00 a.m. ~ Non-Traditional Worship, *nursery available*
- 10:15 a.m. ~ Reception for Bishop Tim Smith, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
- 10:15 a.m. ~ Faith Formation for Children & Youth, various classrooms
- 11:00 a.m. ~ Traditional Worship, *nursery available*
- 2:00 p.m. ~ Girl Scout Troop 387 Meeting, FLC 106, 109, 110 Youth Room, FLC 128, FLC 135, FLC Gym & Kitchen

THRIVENT CAN FUND YOUR PROJECTS!

Did you know that Thrivent Members can gather a volunteer team of friends, family or neighbors to put on a fundraiser, educational event or service activity? Thrivent can provide the resources you need to get started, including up to \$250 in seed money.

Contact Steve Kerekes, or email him at: swkerekes@gmail.com for more information. He can help you and your team apply for funding through the Thrivent Action Team Project and help you fund your next project.

Examples of projects the Thrivent Action Team Project has funded:

- ♥ Share a meal: Contact a senior living facility, hospital, or other support organization that might be in need of volunteers to prepare meals.
- ♥ Make birthday bags: A birthday should be a special day for everyone.
- ♥ Fill your local food bank
- ♥ Fund your God's Work. Our Hands projects this fall!

NEW TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY SERIES

Come to the Fellowship Hall on **Tuesday Nights at 7 p.m.** to participate in dynamic discussions and learn something new about our Christian history. Beverly Elwell and new Morning Star Member Bob Small are leading a new series titled "Martin Luther and the Reformation." All are welcome!

DONATE YOUR EYEGASSES!



The Social Ministry Team is requesting donations of used or new prescription eyeglasses, sunglasses, and over-the-counter reading glasses. Members of the Social Ministry Team will bring them to participating optometrist offices in the Charlotte area. After collection, the frames are recycled by non-profit organizations, such as Lion's Clubs, to provide glasses for those in need.

You can place glasses in the basket in the narthex, or bring them to the church office. Please contact Jan Durr at janrobbinsdurr@gmail.com for more information.

CPR/AED CLASS OFFERED

Katie Perry and the Social Ministry Team are hosting a **CPR/AED class on May 10, from 9 a.m. - noon in the FLC Gym. The cost is \$35.** The CPR Instructor is Stephanie Baum of CPR Us.

There is a manilla envelope for payment on the credenza in narthex for participants who have already registered. Please do not put your payment in the offering plate. If anyone still wishes to sign up, email Katie Perry at kperry59@carolina.rr.com.

HELP FEED AT-RISK CHILDREN OVER THE SUMMER



The Social Ministry Team needs your help to feed children at risk for hunger over the summer. Please bring kid-friendly boxes of cereal to services **May 4, 11 and 18 in the Worship Center.** The Team

will make a "cereal tower," so let's see how tall we can make it! Last year we collected 178 boxes! We want to match or exceed that number this year.

The cereal boxes will be delivered to one of our partner schools, Mint Hill Elementary, for families in need, and sent home with parents for the summer. This helps their families combat hunger during the summer months when the children do not receive school meals. Email Katie Perry at kperry59@carolina.rr.com for more information. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

COUNCIL NOTES

Greetings from your Church Council. Your Church Council met on Sunday, April 27, and it was a busy meeting. Much good work was done on behalf of all our members.

Council approved the draft of the Ministry Site Profile document that was submitted by your Call Team. The final version of the document will be submitted to the Synod and will serve as a document that guides potential candidates in their discernment regarding serving our church. It is possible that we will be receiving candidates as early as June.

Another critical development is that Council supports Mel Hawke and his proposal to split the Site Security Task Team into two teams. One team will focus on physical site security and the other team will focus on cybersecurity. Mel has an article in this edition of the Beacon asking for volunteers for both teams. If you have experience in either area, I encourage you to join the team and support this important endeavor.

Finally, Morning Star received a letter from the Synod expressing gratitude for our continued support and our tithe to the North Carolina Synod. Morning Star strongly believes in supporting the church at large and your generosity resulted in a 2024 Mission Support Gift of \$62,000.04 to the Synod.

Respectfully Submitted, David Kobe

SEEKING SECURITY TASK TEAM PARTICIPANTS

MSLC's Church Council asked the Property Team to set up a Security Task Committee to review best practices, make recommendations to Council, and implement changes needed for the benefit of our membership and guests.

The Security Task Team will be comprised of two groups - Cyber Security and Physical Security. This allows for better efficiency in developing MSLC's unique program. We are asking for volunteers with prior IT experience or relevant physical security background. If interested, please contact the church office with your contact information.

Your participation is crucial as we strive to ensure the safety and security of our church environment, while still maintain a welcome atmosphere. By joining the team, you will play a pivotal role in improving our defenses against potential cyber threats and physical vulnerabilities. We believe that a collaborative effort will yield the most effective strategies and solutions.

THANK YOU FROM THE NC SYNOD

As the Synod staff gathered in worship this past Wednesday, we prayed for Morning Star Lutheran Church.

We are so thankful for the ministry we share and for the ways that God is using your congregation to make a difference in your community with the Good News of Jesus Christ. You are a gift to your community and our mission as a Synod! — *Rev. CeCee Mills, Assistant to the Bishop/Call Team*

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULES

MAY 11 SUNDAY WORSHIP

9 AM

Altar Guild Lisa Turner
Communion..... Roger Lyman
 Robin Logan
 Liz Baker
 Dick Swiontek
 Patti Szmuriga
 Deb Allen
 Ralph Edelman

11 AM

Andrea Comer
 Debbie Swayney
 Leigh Pittman
 Diane Doak

Counters..... Patti Szmuriga & Peter Swartz

Greeters Gail Frankenburg
 Mike Medlin

Lay Reader..... Susan Goldbach

Ushers Rick Fliss

Cindy Fliss
 Bob Burnell
 Mike Medlin

Buddy Swayney
 Debbie Swayney
 Elizabeth Edwards
 Ray Brooks (H)
 Elizabeth Edwards

MAY 18 SUNDAY WORSHIP

9 AM

Altar Guild Paula McLaughlin
Communion..... Roger Lyman
 Robin Logan
 Dick Swiontek
 Liz Baker
 Patti Szmuriga
 Ralph Edelman
 Deb Allen

Counters..... Patti Szmuriga & Peter Swartz

Greeters Gail Frankenburg
 Mike Medlin

Lay Reader..... Diane Kluttz

Ushers Tim Goldbach

Sue Goldbach
 Bob Burnell
 Mike Medlin

11 AM

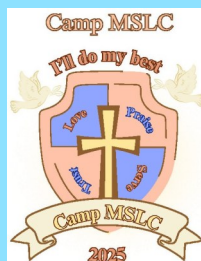
Andrea Comer
 David Kobe
 Diane Doak

Buddy Swayney
 Debbie Swayney
 Jackie Willard
 Ray Brooks
 Dennis Burgoon

USEFUL RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Please take a look at the credenzas and bulletin boards in the narthex for useful resources for you and your family. You will find devotion booklets, Faith Formation/Family Discipleship discussion tools, children's bulletins, children's activity packs, prayer lists, church directories, sign up sheets, community events, Worship Assistant schedules and so much more!

REGISTER FOR MSLC DAY CAMP!

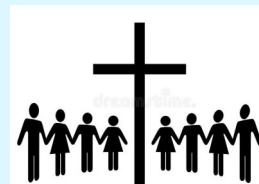


Registration for Morning Star's Day Camp "I'll Do My Best" is open! Camp runs **June 23 - 27** from **9 a.m. - 3 p.m.** and includes music, crafts, Bible study, games, good food and fun. The camp fee is **\$50** and open for rising kindergarteners through rising fifth graders.

Sign up now to reserve your child(ren)'s spot in this great summer program. You can register by going to mslcn.org and clicking on the **CAMP MSLC** button.

HELP OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS STAY CONNECTED TO MSLC

Some Morning Star members are homebound, semi-homebound, in assisted-living facilities, or cannot easily attend worship. Please consider showing Christ's love to them by calling, paying a visit, writing a loving note or even bringing communion to these members.



Each one of our members has a special place in our hearts, but the ones who cannot attend worship often feel disconnected from the church and its members.

Contact Katie Perry at kperry59@carolina.rr.com or call the church office with questions or to volunteer.

SUPPORT LUTHERIDGE

We celebrate Lutheridge's 75th birthday and the ways God has formed faith, developed leaders, and built community in this space.



Commitment cards for Lutheridge's 75th Birthday Campaign were handed out in worship on March 30, but you have the opportunity to make a commitment throughout the month of April. You can find the cards, in envelopes, on the credenza in the narthex or in the church office.

Return your completed cards in the offering plate or the church office. You can also use the QR code above to send your commitment directly to Lutheridge. Additionally, all gifts or checks should be made out to Lutheridge.

The Gallery At Morning Star
CALL FOR ARTISTS

Resonate

The Music Around Us/The Music Within Us

The vibrations of our natural world have the power to shape and change the energy we take in, as well as the energy we put out. Frequencies of a song, a place, or even silence can change our perspective. We share the rare ability to absorb vibrations and sympathetically propel them like an ever changing tuning fork. The vibrations that touch us are as beautifully diverse as we are, what do you resonate with?

- Online Submission Form Opens: Tuesday, April 1
www.thegalleryatmorningstar.com
- Submissions Deadline: Sunday, May 18 at Midnight
- Notifications by: Wednesday, May 21
- Drop Off/Pick up: Sunday, May 25
- Exhibition Opening Reception: Friday June 6 -6pm-8:30pm

12509 Idlewild Road, Matthews, NC 28105

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER REQUESTS



Allison Morris ~ continued healing
Andy Turner ~ vascular dementia
Bill Comer ~ detached retina
Bruce Klein ~ continued strength and healing
Cathy Thomas ~ liver & kidney function
Christy Case ~ health issues
Dana Butler ~ blood sugar and blood pressure issues
Ettie May Wheeler ~ Novant Ortho Rehab, broken hip
Gisela Kluge ~ severe neuropathy in feet
Katie Perry ~ tests for breathing issues
Lou Morris ~ living with Parkinson's disease
Ray Campelo ~ cancer treatments
Rosemarie Gates ~ strength, strength

Amy Clipston ~ outpatient surgery, 6/11
Barbara Byram ~ cancer, comfort & strength
Brian Traylor ~ continued strength & health
Caroline Payler ~ hospice, housing concerns
Celeste Denecke ~ treatment for blood condition
Cindy Kerekes ~ vertigo
Don & Donna Winslow ~ caring for one another
George Walker ~ comfort & strength
Jill Minder ~ home, broken vertebrae in back
Kristen Mouritsen ~ continued improvement
Phyllis Medlin ~ healing
Ron Sperlbaum ~ Matthews Novant, strength & healing
Tim Smith ~ colon cancer surgery 5/6

HOMEBOUND/SEMI HOMEBOUND & LONG-TERM LIVING FACILITIES

Caroline Payler, Dean Allen, Donna & Don Winslow, Ettie Mae Wheeler, Freddy Holtkamp, Gisela Kluge, Janet Killough, Kathy Kincaid, Marilyn Bohn, Marita Smith, Rosemarie Gates, Sam & Marilyn Keesler, Mary Hafner

Caroline Payler ~ 7429 Mariner Cove Drive, Cornelius, NC 28031 (reach out to Ginny her daughter via cell 704-641-8683)

Janet Killough ~ Pruitt Health Skilled Nursing & Rehab., 261 S. Herlong Ave., Rock Hill SC 29732

Kathy Kincaid ~ 12920 Dorman Rd., Apt. #229, Pineville, NC 28134

Marilyn Bohn ~ living with her daughter at 8729 Dartmoor Place, Mint Hill, NC 28227

Mary Hafner ~ living with her daughter, Jane at 3324 Harvey Lane, Monroe, NC 28134; Jane: 704-576-8158

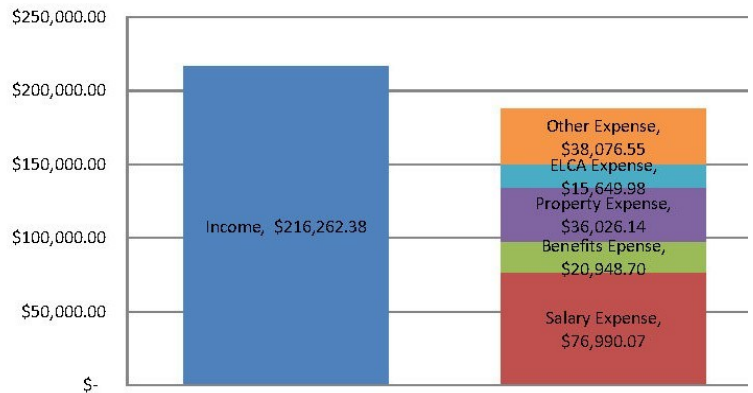
MSLC's MAY BIRTHDAYS

- May 1** ~ Riann Barlow, David Kunz, Rebecca Hustedt, Sally Willson
- May 4** ~ Sarah Daugherty, Tammie Mennitt
- May 5** ~ Jodi Callis
- May 7** ~ Bob Fennema
- May 9** ~ Rosie Fuller
- May 10** ~ Samuel Webster
- May 11** ~ Mel Hawke, Hayden Leslie
- May 13** ~ Celeste Denecke
- May 16** ~ Marilyn Keesler, Dan Willard
- May 17** ~ Bill Comer, Matt Roe-Bise
- May 19** ~ Avery Cook, Jackie Kuhn
- May 20** ~ Missy Thomas, Bob Small
- May 21** ~ Betsy Case
- May 23** ~ Amy Kunz
- May 25** ~ Hal Clark, Kelly Leslie, Jordan Faron
- May 26** ~ Sarah Morris
- May 28** ~ Christopher Kluge
- May 30** ~ Russell Hawkins
- May 31** ~ Lisa Turner



YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES MINISTRY HAPPEN

January-March 2025



MEMORIAL GIFTS

TO THE MEMORIAL FUND

♥ In Memory of John Furr
Given by Jim & Sandy Grdich

TO THE CHAPEL FUND

♥ Memory of John Furr
Given by Ann Furr

IN HONOR OF CAROL BUMBULUCZ

Given by Cynthia Comperchio

TO THE LUTHERAN MEN

- ♥ Andrew J. Melchiorre, Jr.
- ♥ Albert Grabousky
- ♥ Victoria Grabousky
- ♥ Marion Cotton
- ♥ Andrew J. Melchiorre, Sr.
- ♥ Antoinette Melchiorre
- ♥ Anna Grabousky
- ♥ Gustave Grabousky
- ♥ Grace Wilkinson
- ♥ Joel Pasquin
- ♥ Eric Pasquin

Given by Alberta Melchiorre

THANK YOU MORNING STAR!



Thank you very much for all the prayers. My cancer journey is not over yet, but I know God is with me no matter what happens.

Thanks again, Barbara Byram

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Morning Star's Place in History & Today's Ministry

Morning Star Lutheran Church is celebrating 250 years of Gospel ministry throughout 2025. On **Sunday, May 18**, we welcome NC Synod Bishop, the Rev. Tim Smith, to both 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship services. The week after his visit to MSLC, Bishop Smith's successor as NC Synod Bishop will be elected at the NC Synod Assembly in Greensboro. Morning Star is sending four voting members to participate in the Synod Assembly's work, and I pray that the Holy Spirit guides us all in courage and faithfulness.

Bishop Smith has a unique perspective of the congregations and ministry of the ELCA - both here in North Carolina and around the US. May 18 might provide a bit of that perspective but just in case, I wanted to share some things with you, now.

- Morning Star is NOT your normal/average/standard congregation in the NC Synod or the ELCA.
- Obviously, at 250 years, Morning Star is older than the vast majority of ELCA congregations.
- In terms of active membership and ministry, MSLC is more robust than most congregations.
- Morning Star is a tithing congregation, sending 10% of our offerings to support the ministry of the NC Synod/ELCA. We are among a small number of tithing congregations in NC and the ELCA.
- Morning Star is known to be a generous supporter of synodical and partner ministries. We have 'shared' staff members with the NC Synod, served on boards and councils (Synod Council, Agape Kure Beach Ministries, Native American Learning, WELCA, LMIM, Home Mission, and more), and supported numerous campaigns like Lutheran World Relief, Lutheridge, Hunger Appeal, etc.
- Morning Star is a model of working to maintain a posture of hospitality for ALL people in the community, welcoming *every* person to hear the Good News of Jesus and walk with us in discipleship. We are leading by example and other congregations are watching.

Morning Star Lutheran Church is blessed by the faith and discipleship that has been lived out and shared in this special place over the years. Morning Star has been and continues to be a blessing to many throughout the Church and that's worth celebrating, too. Join us on the 18th and hear what Bishop Smith has to add!

Pastor John

WELCOME NEW MORNING STAR MEMBERS!

Morning Star welcomed 23 New Members on Sunday, May 4 during both worship services. We are excited to welcome them into the MSLC family. When you see them, please give them a BIG Morning Star welcome !



Abby & Aaron Beckham



Carrie & Joey Beckham



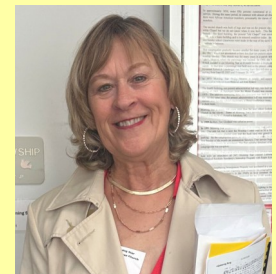
Andrew Best



**Paige (Forsyth) Brown
& Noah Brown**



Ellen Campbell



Jane Hodapp



Rick & Melanie Johnston



Arja Owens



Janet & Bob Small



Roberta Whitaker

More to come, with pictures
in next issue...