

**July 31, 2022**

**9:15 AM Common Thread Worship**

Please tell the lot attendant how you will be worshipping (inside, patio, parking lot) so they can direct you where best to park. Please remember to follow the directions of our ushers. We will continue to use generous spacing, respect the boundaries of others, and rejoice that we may worship together!



**Welcome**

**Song – Today Is the Day**

I'm casting my cares aside. I'm leaving my past behind. I'm setting my heart and mind on You, Jesus.  
I'm reaching my hands to Yours, believing there's so much more;  
knowing that all You have in store for me is good, it's good.  
Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
And I won't worry about tomorrow; I'm trusting in what You say.  
Today is the day. Today is the day.

I'm putting my fears aside. I'm leaving my doubts behind. I'm giving my hopes and dreams to you, Jesus. I'm  
reaching my hands to Yours, believing there's so much more;  
knowing that all You have in store for me is good, it's good.  
Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
And I won't worry about tomorrow; I'm giving You my fears and sorrows.  
Where You lead me, I will follow; I'm trusting in what You say.  
Today is the day. Today is the day. Today is the day. Today is the day.

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**Sharing Peace**

**Song – My Savior Lives**

Our God will reign forever, and all the world will know His name;  
ev'ryone together, sign the song of the redeemed.  
I know that my Redeemer lives, and now I stand on what He did; my Savior, my Savior lives!  
Ev'ry day a brand new chance to say, "Jesus, You are the only Way!" My Savior, my Savior lives!

The King has come from heaven, and darkness trembles at His name;  
"Victory forever!" is the song of the redeemed.  
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## **Prayer Time & Lord's Prayer**

*(To share your joys and concerns, please email them to [prayerrequests@stjamesraleigh.org](mailto:prayerrequests@stjamesraleigh.org), where they will then be shared with our Prayer Chain.)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **Song – Sanctuary**

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.

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## **Scripture Lesson – Colossians 3: 1-13**

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

## **Message – New Life in Christ**

### **Song – Desert Song**

This is my prayer in the desert, when all that's within me feels dry.  
This is my pray'r in my hunger and need; my God is the God who provides.  
And this is my prayer in the fire, in weakness or trial or pain.  
There is a faith proved of more worth than gold; so refine me, Lord through the flame.  
I will bring praise, I will bring praise. No weapon formed against me shall remain.  
I will rejoice, I will declare: "God is my victory and He is here!"

This is my pray'r in the battle, when triumph is still on its way.  
I am a conqueror and co-heir with Christ, so firm on His promise I'll stand.  
I will bring praise, I will bring praise. No weapon formed against me shall remain.  
I will rejoice, I will declare: "God is my victory and He is here!"

All my life, in ev'ry season, You are still God; I have a reason to sing. I have a reason to worship.  
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This is my prayer in the harvest, when favor and providence flow.  
I know I'm filled to be emptied again. The seed I've received I will sow.

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## **Blessing & Sending Out**

## **Sharing Offerings**

## **Out to Discipleship, and Into the World to Serve**

### ***What to know this week ...***

#### ***Calendar this week:***

Today, 7/31 UMYF Youth Ice Cream Social, 4:30PM in Montague Hall  
Mon, 8/1 Staff meeting, 10AM in the Library  
UMM dinner & meeting, 7PM in Carson Hall  
Tues, 8/2 Library Committee, 9AM in the Library  
Wed, 8/3 Choir rehearsal, 6PM in Carson Hall  
Thurs, 8/4 Continuing Strummers (ukulele), 6PM in Music Room  
CT Band rehearsal, 7PM in Carson Hall

***Please welcome*** Michael Glasgow to St. James! Michael will serve as interim Music Director while we continue our search for the right candidate to fill that position after Lennie's retirement.

***If you would like to join the email lists*** for either the weekly church-wide emails or the Prayer Chain, please email Martha ([office@stjamesraleigh.org](mailto:office@stjamesraleigh.org)).

***Youth Ice Cream Social– this afternoon!*** Please come for a meet-&-greet ice cream social with Pastor Dan TODAY 4:30-6:00 pm. Get to know the new pastor and discuss youth plans for the upcoming year. All youth in rising 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades and adults interested in volunteering with the your program are welcome!

***Help our new College Student Ministry!*** Our Congregational Care committee is collecting items to support our college students as they return to college next month. Please visit the online sign-up at [www.signupgenius.com/go/8050445aba829aa8-back](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050445aba829aa8-back) to see the list of items needed and to sign up. Most items can be found at Dollar Tree or Walmart for less than \$1.50 each. You may also donate money (put College Student Ministry on check memo line or envelope) for us to purchase items or to cover postage costs to the students. For any questions about this new ministry, please contact Melanie Baiardo (480-794-0388 or [melaniebaiardo@gmail.com](mailto:melaniebaiardo@gmail.com)).

***Marie Harris MealTrain help needed:*** Marie Harris is slowly improving, but her severe double vision means she still can't cook or drive. Therefore, we are extending our current Meal Train dates into August. Please visit <https://mealtrain.com/903231> to see her food preferences, dates available, and to sign up.

***SAME EVENT, DIFFERENT LOCATION!*** The 2022 Stan Whitt Classic Golf Tournament sponsored by St. James United Methodist Church will be held at **Zebulon Country Club** on **Saturday, August 13**. This tournament is a fund raiser for Pancreatic Cancer Research in memory of Stan Whitt, a St. James member who lost his battle with pancreatic cancer in 2008. The event will be a 18-hole Best Ball tournament with door prizes and a catered meal afterwards. Registration will begin at 12:00 noon with golf play starting at 1:00 pm. This event is for everyone regardless of skill level and guarantees a good time. If you have any questions, please contact Milburn or Denise Holbrook (919-554-1416), Betsy Ferrell (919-212-3580) or Steve Betts (919-872-9507).