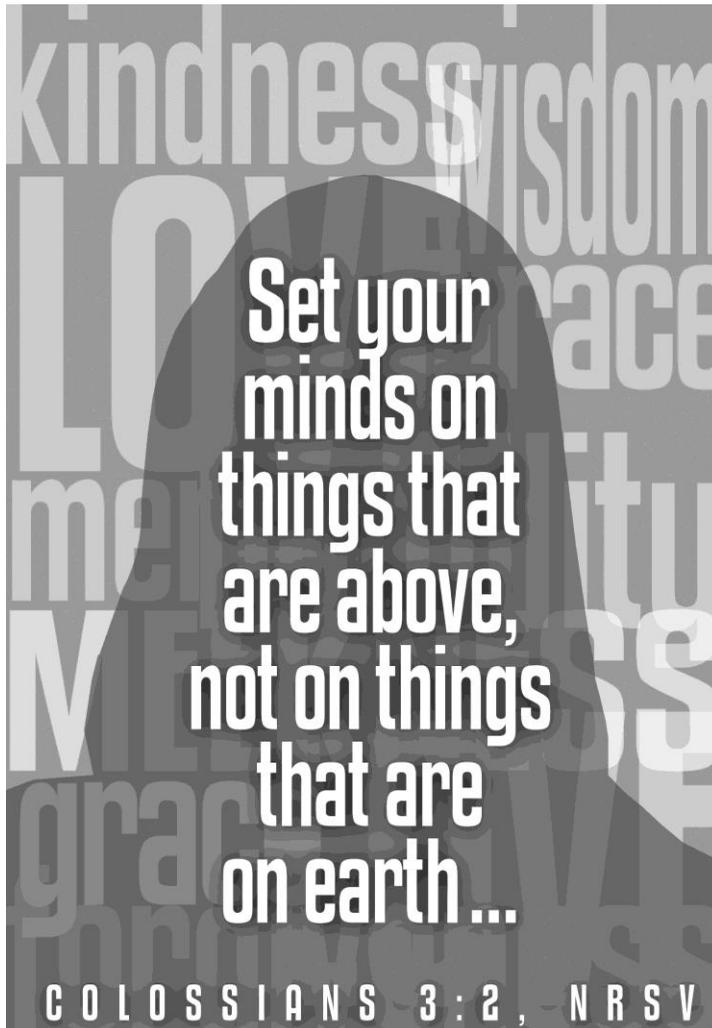




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July 31, 2022
11:00 AM Sanctuary Worship

Welcome to worship!
Here may you find rest for your souls, challenge and comfort alike,
and inspiration to share Christ's love as you go forth in faith.

Prelude

We invite you to enjoy the prelude as a time of quiet reflection, and to individually prepare your hearts for the worship of God.

Call to Worship

Leader: So many things draw us away from God.

People: We are tempted by trinkets and gadgets.

Leader: We place our interest in temporal things.

People: But Christ calls us to a higher level.

Leader: We are called to focus our lives on living as God would have us live.

People: We are called to be open to ways of service and compassion. AMEN.

Hymn – To God Be the Glory

UMH 98

Sharing Peace

Prayer Time and Lord's Prayer

(To share your joys and concerns, please email them to 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.

Choir Anthem – Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Jack Evans, Drums

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;

Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and pow'r.

I will arise and go to Jesus; He will embrace me in His arms;

in the arms of my dear Savior, oh, there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;

true belief and true repentance, ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;

if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.

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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

Hymn – *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

TFWS 2158

Blessing & Sending Out

Sharing Our Offerings

Out to Serve in the World

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).

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 6th-12th 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 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).

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).