

August 7, 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!



Be dressed
for action
and have your
lamps lit.

LUKE 12:35, NRSV

Welcome

Song – *Holy Is the Lord*

We stand and lift up our hands, for the joy of the Lord is our strength.
We bow down and worship Him now. How great, how awesome is He.
And together we sing, ev'ryone sing.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory. The earth is filled with His glory.

We stand and lift up our hands, for the joy of the Lord is our strength.
We bow down and worship Him now. How great, how awesome is He.
And together we sing, ev'ryone sing.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory. The earth is filled with His glory.

It is rising up all around. It's the anthem of the Lord's renown.
It's rising up all around. It's the anthem of the Lord's renown.
And together we sing, ev'ryone sing.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory.
The earth is filled with His glory. The earth is filled with His glory.

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Sharing Peace

Song – *Cry of My Heart*

It is the cry of my heart to follow You. It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.
It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life.
It is the cry of my heart to follow You. It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.
It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life.

Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord, so I can walk in Your truth.
Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord, and make me wholly devoted to You.
It is the cry of my heart to follow You. It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.
It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life.

Open my eyes so I can see the wonderful things that You do.
Open my heart up more and more, and make it wholly devoted to You.
It is the cry of my heart to follow You. It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.
It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life.
All of the days of my life, all of the days of my life!

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Prayer Time & 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.

Song – *Holding On to You*

All I want is You, all I need is You, and I do believe what You say is true.

But I don't understand why it's taken me so long to know.

Well I tried to be ev'rything I need, but a broken heart was all that I achieved.

And I don't understand why it's taken me so long to know.

You never change, Your love remains. Oh God, I'm holding on to You.

When I'm afraid still Your love remains. Oh God, I'm holding on to You.

I just want to be with You ev'ry day, never let You down, never walk away.

But I know if I do You will be waiting for me.

You never change, Your love remains. Oh God, I'm holding on to You.

When I'm afraid still Your love remains. Oh God, I'm holding on to You.

You never change, Your love remains. Oh God, I'm holding on to You.

When I'm afraid still Your love remains.

Oh God, You never change, Your love remains. Oh God, I'm holding on to You.

When I'm afraid still Your love remains. Oh God, I'm holding on to You.

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Scripture Lesson – Luke 12: 32-40

“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

Message – The Unexpected Hour

Song – *Mighty to Save*

Ev'ryone needs compassion, love that's never failing; let mercy fall on me.

Ev'ryone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior. The Hope of nations.

Savior, He can move the mountains; my God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save!

Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave!

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures, fill my life again.

I give my life to follow, ev'rything I believe in; now I surrender.

Savior, He can move the mountains; my God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save!

Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave!

Shine your light and let the whole world see: we're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus!

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Savior, He can move the mountains; my God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save!

Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave!

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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, 8/7 Trustees meeting, 4PM in Room 12
Monday-Friday Summer Camp, 9AM-1PM in education wing
Tues, 8/9 Library Committee, 9AM in the Library
Congregational Care meeting, 6PM in the Library
Wed, 8/10 Choir rehearsal, 6PM in Carson Hall
Thurs, 8/11 Beginner Ukulele for grades 2-6, 5:45PM in Music Room
Beginner Ukulele for grades 7-adult, 6:15PM in Music Room
Common Thread Band rehearsal, 7PM in Carson Hall
Sat, 8/13 Produce Packing, 9AM in Carson Hall (*see below for details)
Stan Whitt Golf Classic, 12PM at Zebulon Country Club (*see below)

Invitation from our interim Music Director: If you're interested in joining the choir or otherwise sharing your musical gifts in worship, Michael would love to hear from you! Contact him at 919-845-0303 or Michael@michaeljglasgow.com.

College Bags Available: Thank you to everyone who donated items for the college bags! If you have an undergrad college student, the bags are available for pickup in the welcome center. Please sign your name when you pick up a bag: one per student, please!

Produce packing this Saturday: This is a great time of fellowship and mission where we pack produce boxes for our community. The work is easy, fun, and quick. Please consider joining us by signing up at <https://tinyurl.com/3hufzz7z>. Call Helen McGee (919-880-7881) with any questions.

SAME EVENT, DIFFERENT LOCATION! The 2022 Stan Whitt Classic Golf Tournament sponsored by St. James UMC will be held at **Zebulon Country Club** this **Saturday, August 13**. This tournament is a fundraiser 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).

Transition Meeting reminder to staff & Administrative Council members: Please remember that the Transition Meeting is planned with Gray Southern for Sunday, August 14, 12:15-2:45PM. We will eat a quick lunch of sub sandwiches, chips & cookies in Carson Hall at 12:15 as we begin the meeting. Please contact Martha (office@stjamesraleigh.org or 919-876-5796) by noon on Tuesday, 8/9 whether you prefer a ham, turkey, or veggie sub. Childcare will be provided as necessary: please let Martha know your childcare needs & child's sub preference.