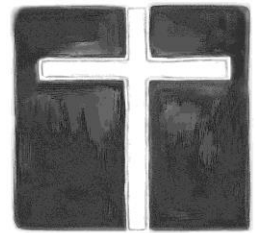


September 11, 2022

9:15 AM Common Thread Worship

In the northern hemisphere, summer is turning to fall. Creator of all good things,
we thank you for your steadfastness when things around us change.



*Christ Jesus came
into the world to
save sinners...*
1 Timothy 1:15, NRSV

Welcome

Song – *Your Grace Is Enough*

Great is Your faithfulness, O God. You wrestle with the sinner's heart.
You lead us by still waters and to mercy, and nothing can keep us apart.

So remember Your people, remember Your children, remember Your promise, O God.
Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice, God. You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation, and all Your people sing along.

So remember Your people, remember Your children, remember Your promise, O God.
Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough for me.
Yeah, Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough for me.

So remember Your people, remember Your children, remember Your promise, O God.
Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough for me.
Yeah, Your grace is enough, Heaven reaching down to us, Your grace is enough for me.
God, I see Your grace is enough, I'm covered in Your love, Your grace is enough for me, for me.

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Sharing Peace

Song – *You Are My King (Amazing Love)*

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken. I'm accepted, You were condemned.
And I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken. I'm accepted, You were condemned.
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, should die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true and it's my joy to honor You.
In all I do, to honor You.

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Amazing love, I know it's true, it's my joy to honor You.
In all I do, to honor You. In all I do, to honor You.

You are my King. You are my King. Jesus, You are my King. You are my King.
Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, should die for me?
(Amazing love) Amazing love, I know it's true. It's my joy to honor You.
Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, should die for me?
(Amazing love) Amazing love, I know it's true and it's my joy to honor You.
In all I do, to honor You. In all I do, to honor You. In all I do, let me honor You

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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 – Grace Flows Down

Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I was once lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound.
Amazing love, now flowing down from hands and feet that were nailed to the tree.
As grace flows down and covers me.
It covers me. It covers me, and covers me.

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound.
Amazing love, now flowing down from hands and feet that were nailed to the tree.
As grace flows down and covers me.
It covers me. It covers me. It covers me.
It covers me and covers me.

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Scripture Lesson – 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Message – God's Gratitude

Pastor Dan Baer

Song – Goodness of God

I love You, Lord, for Your mercy never fails me. All my days, I've been held in Your hands.
From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head, oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

'Cause all my life You have been faithful, and all my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able, oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire.
In darkest night You are close like no other.
I've known You as a Father. I've known You as a Friend, and I have lived in the goodness of God, yeah.

'Cause all my life You have been faithful, oh yes You have.
And all my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able, oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
With my life laid down, I surrendered now. I give You everything, oh Lord.
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me. Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
With my life laid down, I surrendered now. I give You everything.
Your goodness is running after, it keeps running after me.

And all my life You have been faithful, and all my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able, oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.
I'm gonna sing!

All my life You have been faithful. (All of my life You've been faithful)
All my life You have been so, so good. (So good with every breath)
Every breath that I am able (Every breathe I'm able)
I will sing (I'm gonna sing)
Of the goodness (of the goodness of God, yes I am)
I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God. Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.

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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 Rigda family party, 2:30PM in Saints Hall
Children's/Youth Kick-off & Supper, 4PM in Carson Hall*
NA meeting, 7PM in Saints Hall

Mon, 9/12 Staff Meeting, 10AM in Library

Tues, 9/13 Library Committee, 9AM in the Library
Congregational Care, 6PM in Room 12

Wed, 9/14 Choir rehearsal, 6PM in Sanctuary

Thurs, 9/15 SeniorTechEd "MS Word Level 2", 1:30PM in Room 12
Continuing Strummers, 6PM in Music Room
Common Thread Band rehearsal, 7PM in Carson Hall

Sun, 9/18 Common Thread worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall
Discipleship Time for children and adults, 10:15AM
Sanctuary Worship, 11AM in the sanctuary
UMYF, 4PM in Montague Hall
Worship Team, 4PM in Room 12
Nominations Committee, 6PM in Room 12

Children's Discipleship is back in session after the summer break! All children PreK-5th grade are invited to join us in Room 11 for Bible stories, crafts, and learning more about Jesus each Sunday following the Common Thread service, around 10:15. If you are interested in volunteering with our children's ministries, please contact Heather Johnson (heather@exit9b.com) for more information!

***Children's/Youth Kick-off is this afternoon at 4PM!** Join us for fun, fellowship, and a nice hot dog supper as we plan our new program year together!

BBQ hits in 12 days!! Keep telling your friends, neighbors and co-workers! Flyers are available in the lobby, sanctuary, and Carson Hall for you to hand out. Sharon Johnson is taking pre-orders at wjohnson99@mindspring.com. And we still need more volunteers to make our biggest fundraiser go smoothly! You may donate \$25 towards a pork shoulder (make checks to St. James UMC with "pork shoulder" on the memo line), or sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/2022-BBQ-Volunteers> to help set up, serve, distribute, clean up, or provide brownies for the BBQ.

Susan Curtin MealTrain help needed: Susan recently fell at home and is having some pain, dizziness and weakness, so we are helping provide meals for her for the month of September. Please visit <https://mealtrain.com/trains/zozv0y> to see her food preferences, delivery instructions, dates available, and to sign up. Thank you!

Fall ASP Opportunity: We're inviting you to come spend a weekend in mission with Appalachian Service Project! Our planned dates are October 20-23, and we hope to take a team of 7-10. The cost is \$100 per person, plus gas and travel meals. All persons ages 18+ are invited to come for some great fellowship, hard work, and sharing the love of Christ. The experience is life-changing and renewing! Please contact Sherry Bennett (252-955-2387) or Barb Murphy (919-792-8211) by September 30 if you have questions or would like to join our team!