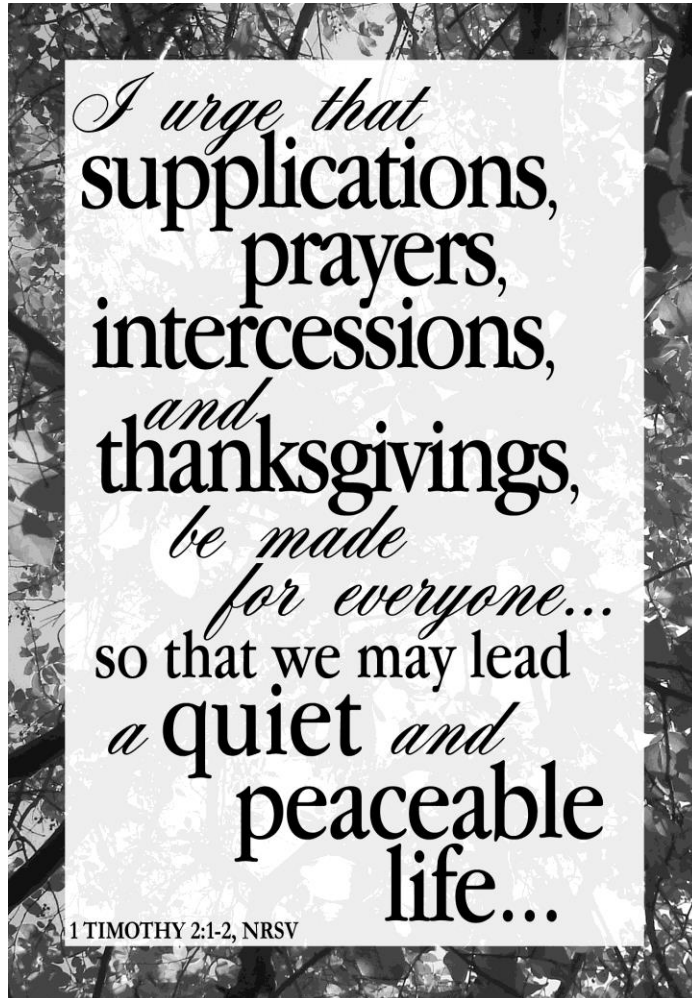




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September 18, 2022  
11:00 AM Sanctuary Worship

The psalmist tells us: “From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised” (Psalm 113:3, NRSV). So we gather to worship him now. Welcome!

## **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: Come, let us worship the one who calls us here.

**People: We gather to worship with joy and in hope.**

Leader: Come, let us worship the one who desires our hearts.

**People: We bring our whole selves in worship to our God.**

Leader: Come, let us set aside all that distracts us from true worship.

**People: We come as we are and ask the Spirit to gather us in and direct our vision.**

Leader: Come, let us worship the one who calls us here.

**ALL: We are here to worship with all that we are.**

## **Hymn – *Blessed Assurance***

UMH 369

## **Doxology**

UMH 95

## **Sharing Peace**

### **Prayer Time and Lord’s Prayer**

*(To share your joys and concerns, you may email them to [prayerrequests@stjamesraleigh.org](mailto:prayerrequests@stjamesraleigh.org), or you may use the prayer cards provided in the pews. Completed cards can be placed in the prayer box on the pedestal near the choir.)*

**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 – *Refuge***

I am your refuge; I am your strength. I am your helper in time of trouble, so do not fear no, do not fear, for I am your God.

And when you pass through the waters, I will be with you.

And when you cross o’er the river, I will be your guide.

And when you walk through the fire, you'll not be burned, for I am your God.

You are my refuge; You are my strength.

You are my helper in time of trouble; I will not fear, for You are my God.

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### **Scripture Lesson – 1 Timothy 2: 1-7**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and acceptable before God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth; I am not lying), a teacher of the gentiles in faith and truth.

### **Message – All Are Worthy**

### **Hymn – *Near to the Heart of God***

*UMH 472*

### **Blessing & Sending Out**

### **Out to Serve in the World**

*The flowers in worship today are given to the glory of God by Paul, Mary Ellen & Chris Mauney  
in memory of Kenneth Westmoreland.*

## What to know this week ...

### Calendar this week:

Sun, 9/18	UMYF, 4PM in Montague Hall Worship Team, 4PM in Room 12 Nominations Committee, 6PM in Room 12 NA Meeting, 7PM in Saints Hall
Mon, 9/19	Staff Meeting, 10AM in Library SeniorTechEd Open Help Workshop, 1:30PM in Room 12
Tues, 9/20	Library Committee, 9AM in the Library SeniorTechEd "Cut the Cable", 1PM in Room 12
Wed, 9/21	Coffee & Conversation, 11:30AM at Captain Stanley's* Choir rehearsal, 6PM in Sanctuary
Thurs, 9/22	BBQ Set-up, 4PM in Carson Hall, Saints Hall & Kitchen Beginning Uke (grades 2-6), 5:45PM in Music Room Beginning Uke (grade 7-adult), 6:15PM in Music Room Common Thread Band rehearsal, 7PM in Carson Hall
Fri, 9/23	<b>Annual BBQ Fundraiser, 11AM-7PM *</b>
Sat, 9/24	Produce Packing, 9AM in Carson Hall*

**Welcome to our visitors!** Thank you for worshipping with us at St. James; we're glad to have you here! If you would like to get updates on what's going on at St. James, just send your contact information, including email, to Martha Brown ([office@stjamesraleigh.org](mailto:office@stjamesraleigh.org)) and she'll add you to our weekly email and monthly newsletter lists.

**\*Coffee & Conversation**, our St. James widows group, will meet Wednesday, September 21 at Captain Stanley's (3333 S. Wilmington St.) at 11:30AM. Contact Peggy Biggers (919-872-1800 or [biggers11@aol.com](mailto:biggers11@aol.com)) if you plan to attend or need transportation.

**\*BBQ is Friday & we still need help!!** We particularly need volunteers to help with both the inside serving and outside distribution for the 1:30-4:30PM shift and cleanup at 7:30PM. Many hands make light work! Sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/2022-BBQ-Volunteers> to help set up, serve, distribute, clean up, or provide brownies for the BBQ. And don't forget to contact Sharon Johnson ([wjohnson99@mindspring.com](mailto:wjohnson99@mindspring.com)) to place your pre-orders!

**\*Join us for fellowship and mission** as we pack produce and Backpack Buddies bags on Saturday, September 24 at 9AM. We'll meet in Carson Hall and have fun while we work together! Sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/Produce-Packing> for September 24 &/or October 8.

**Fall ASP Opportunity Date Change:** Our planned dates for our fall adult Appalachia Service Project trip are **October 13-16**. 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!