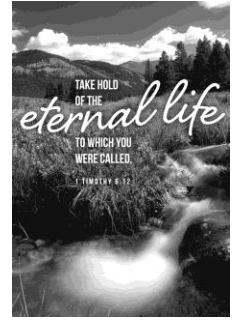


September 25, 2022

9:15 AM Common Thread Worship

“My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust”:

I thank you for the assurance that whenever I call on you, you will answer (Psalm 91:2).



Welcome

Song – Rock of Ages

There is no rock, there is no god like our God, no other name worthy of all our praise.
The Rock of Salvation that cannot be moved, He’s proven Himself to be faithful and true.
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Sharing Peace

Song – Psalm 62

My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation,
a fortress strong against my foes – and I will not be shaken.
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies, like arrows, pierce me,
I’ll fix my heart on righteousness; I’ll look to Him who hears me.
Oh, praise Him, hallelujah! My delight and my reward.
Everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

Find rest, my soul, in God alone, amid the world’s temptations.
When evil seeks to take a hold, I’ll cling to my salvation.
Though riches come and riches go, don’t set your heart upon them.
The fields of hope, in which I sow, are harvested in heaven.
Oh, praise Him, hallelujah! My delight and my reward.
Everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

I’ll set my gaze on God alone, and trust in Him completely;
with ev’ry day pour out my soul, and He will prove His mercy.
Though life is but a fleeting breath, a sigh, too brief to measure –
my King has crushed the curse of death, and I am His forever.
Oh, praise Him, hallelujah! My delight and my reward.
Everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

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Prayer Time & Lord's Prayer

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

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 – None But Jesus

In the quiet, in the stillness, I know that You are God.
In the secret of your presence, I know there I am restored.
When You call I won't refuse; each new day again I'll choose.
There is no one else for me; none but Jesus, crucified to set me free.
Now I live to bring Him praise.

In the chaos, in confusion, I know You're sov'reign still.
In the moment of my weakness, You give me grace to do Your will.
When You call I won't delay, this my song through all my days.
There is no one else for me; none but Jesus, crucified to set me free.
Now I live to bring Him praise.

All my delight is in You, Lord; all of my hope, all of my strength.
All my delight is in You, Lord, forevermore.

There is no one else for me; none but Jesus, crucified to set me free.
Now I live to bring Him praise.

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Scripture Lesson – 1 Timothy 6: 6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are

to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Message – Setting Our Hopes on God

Song – *Thank You Lord*

I come before You today, and there's just one thing that I want to say;
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord,

For all You've given to me, for all the blessings that I cannot see;
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.

With a grateful heart, with a song of praise, with an outstretched arm I will bless Your name.
Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord; thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord.
Thank You, Lord.

For all You've done in my life, You took my darkness and gave me Your light;
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.

You took my sin and my shame, You took my sickness and healed all my pain;
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.

With a grateful heart, with a song of praise, with an outstretched arm I will bless Your name.
Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord; thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord.
Thank You, Lord.

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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:

Sun, 9/25	UMYF, 4PM in Montague Hall NA Meeting, 7PM in Saints Hall
Mon, 9/26	Staff Meeting, 10AM in Library Children's Ministry Council, 6:30PM in Carson Hall
Tues, 9/27	Library Committee, 9AM in the Library
Wed, 9/28	Mary Brown Circle, 10AM in Carson Hall Choir rehearsal, 6PM in Sanctuary
Thurs, 9/29	Betty Trogdon funeral, 11AM in sanctuary & Carson Hall All New Hope Strummers, 6PM in Music Room Common Thread Band rehearsal, 7PM in Carson Hall

Welcome to our visitors! Thank you for worshiping 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) and she'll add you to our weekly email and monthly newsletter lists.

Special Offering Alert: Our third special offering for 2022 will be on **Sunday, October 2**. This special offering will go to Project AGAPE. Please indicate Project AGAPE on your offering envelope or on the memo line of your check. You can read more about Project AGAPE at <https://nccumc.org/outreach/project-agape/>.

Coming Soon! Beginning October 2, St. James will offer VANCO Payment Solutions to safely and securely manage your church giving online! Giving online is easy and allows you to give anytime, from anywhere, conveniently and securely, to skip physical checks and prepared envelopes, to schedule and manage both one-time and recurring offerings yourself, and to view your complete online-giving history anytime you need to! To get started, simply follow these steps:

- 1) Visit the St. James Giving website at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z6HQ> or scan this QR code to access the website from your phone.
- 2) Click on the fund you wish to contribute to. Project AGAPE offerings can be made to the Special Offering option, with "Project AGAPE" listed in the notes.
- 3) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.



Susan Curtin MealTrain: Thanks to the many volunteers who have signed up to deliver meals to Susan Curtin. We have extended her MealTrain into October, and those dates are now available. Please consider signing up at <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/zozv0y>.

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!

The Social Committee is happy to sponsor the **Trunk or Treat** event again this year! Please mark your calendar for **Sunday, October 23rd from 2:00-4:00PM**. We are asking any 'group' to sign up using <https://tinyurl.com/2022Trunk-or-Treat>. A 'group' can be an individual family, a group of families, a discipleship group, a committee, or anyone else willing to participate. Each group will decorate their trunk/parking space and provide their own pre-packaged treats (does not need to be candy) while the community circulates. Please contact Keith Walkowiak (ktwalkowiak@gmail.com) with any questions.