



May 14, 2023 9:15AM

Welcome to worship! Today we acknowledge mothers and special mother-figures in our lives — thank God for you!



Welcome

Ministry Moment: VBS

Lori Bradley

Song – *Let It Rise*

Let the glory of the Lord rise among us, let the glory of the Lord rise among us.
Let the praises of the King rise among us, let it rise.

Let the songs of the Lord rise among us, let the songs of the Lord rise among us.
Let the joy of the King rise among us, let it rise.
Oh, let it rise. Oh, let it rise.

Let the glory of the Lord rise among us, let the glory of the Lord rise among us.
Let the praises of the King rise among us, let it rise.

Let the songs of the Lord rise among us, let the songs of the Lord rise among us.
Let the joy of the King rise among us, let it rise.
Oh, let it rise. Oh, let it rise. Let it rise, let it rise.

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Sharing Peace

Children's Message

Prayer Time & Lord's Prayer

(Prayer cards are available to share your joys and concerns and may be placed in the prayer box by the door, or you may 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 – *Just to Be With You*

Lord, my life is an empty cup; here's my heart, would You fill me up?
I'm face to the ground forsaking my pride; leaving my will, my burdens behind.
All I want, all I need is just to be with You, just to be with You.
Here I am at Your feet Just to be with You, just to be with You.

I have come to the end of me, and there's nothing I have to bring.
But You said I belong, You say I am Yours; nothing compares to knowing You more.
All I want, all I need is just to be with You, just to be with You.
Here I am at Your feet just to be with You with You, just to be with You.

You made a way for me, O, Savior, I'm Yours forevermore.
You made a way for me, O, Savior, I'm Yours forevermore; I'm Yours forevermore.

All I want, all I need is just to be with You, just to be with You.
Here I am at Your feet just to be with You, just to be with You
All I want, all I need is just to be with You, just to be with You.
Here I am at Your feet just to be with You, just to be with You.

Paul Baloche & Jason Ingram; orch. by Michael Lawrence.

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Scripture Reading – John 14: 15-21

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

Message – If You Love

Pastor Dan Baer

Song – *Love the Lord*

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.
With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength.
With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength.
I will love You, Lord, with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength.
I will love You, Lord, with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength.
With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength.

Men: I will love You.

Women: I will love You.

Men: I will praise You.

Women: I will praise You.

Men: I will serve You.

Women: I will serve You.

All: I will trust You, Lord.

With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength.

With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength.

I will love You, Lord, with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength.

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Benediction

Sharing Offerings

Out to Discipleship, and Into the World to Serve

*The flowers in worship today are given to the glory of God by the Worship Team in honor and memory of all the special mothers and mother figures in our lives.
If you are a mother or would like to honor one here or elsewhere, pause as you leave worship to accept a flower from the greeters. Happy Mother's Day!*

Today's Greeters: Keith & Temple Walkowiak
Today's Sound Operator: Matoka Snuggs
Today's PowerPoint Operator: Tucker Thorpe
Next Week's Greeters: William & Dawn Robertson
Next Week's Sound/PowerPoint Operator: Paulo DeOliveira

*We have a nursery available for infants through age 4. An usher will be glad to direct you.
We always welcome children of all ages to join us in worship, and Worship Activity Bags are available at the entrance if your child would like one.*

*If you are visiting us today, welcome! Please take a moment to fill out a visitor card, (found on the worship table), and return it to the offering basket or one of the greeters.
Thank you for worshipping with us at St. James today!*

Calendar this week:

TODAY, 5/14 Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall
Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout campus
KIDS CLUB & YOUTH DURING DISCIPLESHIP HOUR TODAY – NOT THIS AFTERNOON
Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary
Congregational Care Council, 4PM in Room 12
NA, 7PM in Saints Hall

Mon, 5/15 John Bible Study, 10:30AM in Room 12
GS Troop 4331, 6:30PM in Montague Hall
Clara Swain Circle, 7PM in Room 12

Tues, 5/16 Library Committee, 9AM in the Library
Staff Meeting, 10AM in the Office
GS Troop 4491, 6:30PM in Montague Hall

Wed, 5/17 *Coffee & Conversation, 11:30AM at Carrabba's Italian Grill, 4821 Capital Blvd., Raleigh 27616
Choir Rehearsal, 6PM in Sanctuary

Thurs, 5/18 New Hope Strummers, 6:15PM in Music Room
Common Thread Band Practice, 7PM in Carson Hall

Sat, 5/20 *Produce Packing, 8:30AM in Carson Hall
GS Troop 1042, 10AM in Montague Hall

Sun, 5/21 Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall
Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout campus
Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary
*St. James Youth Lunch Club & Parents Meeting, 12:15PM in Carson Hall
Administrative Council, 4PM in Carson Hall
NA, 7PM in Saints Hall

What to know this week...

Come watch the Carolina Mudcats battle the Down East Wood Ducks!

When: Friday, May 26 at 7:00 pm

Where: Five County Stadium, Zebulon

Cost: \$12 per ticket, plus \$5 per car for parking

Please register for tickets at <http://tinyurl.com/May26Mudcats> or by contacting Keith Walkowiak (ktwalkowiak@gmail.com).

Deadline is TODAY. We need 7+ more tickets to get the group rate, so sign up now!

***Coffee & Conversation:** The widows of St. James are invited to have lunch together on Wednesday, May 17. We'll meet at 11:30AM at Carrabba's Italian Grill, 4821 Capital Blvd., Raleigh 27616. Please contact Peggy Biggers (biggers11@aol.com or 919-872-1800) if you plan to attend. We hope to see you there for good food, fellowship and fun!

***Produce Packing on Saturday:** We'll meet again on Saturday, May 20 to pack produce bags and boxes for our community. In addition, we'll be packing our final 50 Backpack Buddies bags for the school year. Please sign up to join us at 8:30AM (set-up help needed) at <https://tinyurl.com/Produce-Packing> or just show up Saturday morning, ready to work!

Summer Send-Off for our Backpack Buddies Bags: To make the last 50 Backpack Buddies bags we send to Wildwood Forest Elementary super-special, we want to include positive, happy cards and hand-drawn artwork from St. James children, youth and adults featuring one of the following phrases: "HAVE A GREAT SUMMER," "HAVE A HAPPY SUMMER," or "HAVE A SUNNY SUMMER." We need at least 50, but would love to have more so we can add a couple to each bag. You may sign your artwork with your first name or "Your friend at St. James United Methodist Church." Completed cards or artwork can be placed in the large white basket on the volunteer desk in the church office; submissions will be accepted May 10-May 20. If you have any questions, please contact Helen McGee (Helen.McGee@LMCompanies.com or 919-880-7881.)

***Youth Parents' Meeting & Lunch Club** will be next Sunday, May 21. We'll meet in Carson Hall at 12:15pm to order something fun for lunch and discuss our upcoming fundraiser and summer activities.

Graduate Information Needed: St. James will celebrate our graduates - from high school, technical school, community college, college, or grad school - on Sunday, June 4. Graduates will be invited to wear their caps and gowns to worship, and we will list names and information in the bulletins. So that we can prepare, if you would like your graduate to be recognized, please email Martha Brown the following information by May 28: Name, School graduating from, Degree received, Next plans, whether college/grad school or career goals, Parents/grandparents (relation to St. James, if graduate is not current member).

Volunteers are needed "fur" our Pets Unleashed VBS! St. James will celebrate the return of VBS with a TWO-DAY event: Friday, June 23rd 5:15pm-8:30pm & Saturday, June 24th 10am-3pm

Join us as a volunteer and watch kids experience the joy & love of Jesus!

Sign up on the clipboard in the church lobby or on the "Join Us" bulletin board in the main hallway, or email Lori Bradley (lbradley12@gmail.com) or Sara Lynn Miller (saralynn@stjamesraleigh.org). We need crew leaders and assistants, and help with registration, drama/Bible time, music, games, crafts, decorating, safety and first aid.

