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Cast all your
anxiety *on him*
because
he cares for you.

1 Peter 5:7

May 21, 2023
11:00 AM Sanctuary Worship

“Happiness is like jam. You can’t spread even a little without getting some on yourself.”

—Unknown

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Trust in the Lord and do good.

People: May the Lord give strength to the people!

Leader: O taste and see the Lord is good!

People: God is our refuge and strength.

Hymn – *How Firm a Foundation*

UMH 529

Doxology

UMH 94

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Prayer Time and Lord’s Prayer

(Please use the prayer cards in the pews or email prayerrequests@stjamesraleigh.org to share your prayer concerns. You may place prayer cards in the prayer box near the altar rail.)

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.

Scripture Reading – Acts 1: 6-14

NRSV pew Bible, pp. 110 (NT)

The Apostles Creed

UMH 881

Choir Anthem – *We Belong to Christ*

Jolene Miedema, organ solo

When we are living, we are in Christ Jesus; and when we’re dying, we are in the Lord.

Both in our living and in our dying, we belong to Christ the Lord.

The love of God fills all our days. And even after, we will sing His praise:

for in our living and in our dying, we belong to Christ the Lord.

For I am not my own; I’ve been bought with a price.

The precious Lamb of God has given His life.

To live is Christ; to die is gain. This is my hope, my life’s refrain.

Alleluia! We belong to Christ the Lord.

Gospel Reading – 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

NRSV pew Bible, p. 221 (NT)

Message – Cast Your Anxieties on Him

Pastor Dan Baer

Hymn – *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

UMH 519

Blessing & Sending Out to Serve in the World

Today's Greeters: M.A. & Brenda Robertson
Today's Sound System Operator: Tim Johnson

Next Week's Greeters: Mary Ellen Mauney & Anita Robinson-Christmas
Next Week's Sound Operator: Steve Snow

*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 in the
pew holders, and return it to the offering plate or one of the ushers/greeters. Thank you for
worshipping with us at St. James today!*

What to know this week...

Calendar this week:

TODAY, 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
St. James Youth, 4PM in Montague Hall
NA, 7PM in Saints Hall*

Mon, 5/22 *John Bible Study, 10:30AM in Room 12
Raleigh SeniorTechEd Open Help Workshop, 1PM in Room 12
Children's Ministries Council, 6:30PM in the Library
GS Troop 4331, 6:30PM in Montague Hall*

Tues, 5/23 *Library Committee, 9AM in the Library
Staff Meeting, 10AM in the Office
SPRC, 6PM in the Library
GS Troop 733, 6:15PM in Montague Hall*

Wed, 5/24 Mary Brown Circle, 10AM at Sharon Johnson's home
 Choir Rehearsal, 6PM in Sanctuary
 Thurs, 5/25 New Hope Strummers, 6:15PM in Music Room
 Common Thread Band Practice, 7PM in Carson Hall
 Friday, 5/26 Carolina Mudcats Baseball, 7PM at Five County Stadium, Zebulon
 Sat, 5/27 GS Troop 1929, 1:30PM in Montague Hall
 Sun, 5/28 Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall
 Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout campus
 Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary
 NA, 7PM in Saints Hall

What to know this week...

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

Raleigh SeniorTechEd will be back at St. James on Monday, May 22 to answer your technology questions and help you figure out how to work your gadgets. The cost is \$5 and you can drop into Room 12 at 1pm for the Open Help Workshop.

Youth Fundraiser: Join us for the youth "service" auction and dance on **Friday, June 2** at 6pm in Carson Hall. The youth will be offering different services for auction, such as yard work, dog sitting, or cooking a meal for you! The theme is "Service Is a Ball: A Second Chance Prom"! Come ready to snack, dance and enjoy some fellowship together! We hope everyone comes out to support our St. James Youth!

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.

