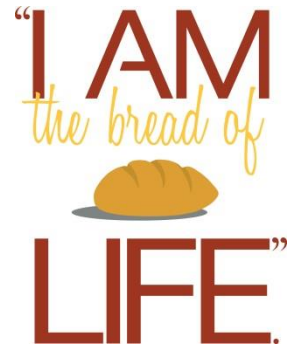




**October 1, 2023 9:15AM**

Welcome! God says: "Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;  
incline your ears to the words of my mouth" (Psalm 78:1).  
Let us listen for God's voice as we worship.



### **Song – The Heart of Worship**

When the music fades, all is stripped away, and I simply come;  
Longing just to bring something that's of worth that will bless Your heart.

I'll bring You more than a song, for a song in itself is not what You have required.  
You search much deeper within through the way things appear. You're looking into my heart.  
I'm coming back to the heart of worship, and it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.  
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it, when it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.

King of endless worth, no one could express how much you deserve.  
Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours, every single breath.

I'll bring You more than a song, for a song in itself is not what You have required.  
You search much deeper within through the way things appear. You're looking into my heart.  
I'm coming back to the heart of worship, and it's all about You, it's all about You, Jesus.  
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It's all about You, Jesus.

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### **Welcome & Announcements**

### **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](mailto: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 – All Who Are Thirsty**

All who are thirsty, all who are weak, come to the fountain. Dip your heart in the stream of life.  
Let the pain and sorrow be washed away in the waves of His mercy as deep cries out to deep.  
We sing: Come Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus, come.  
Come, Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

All who are thirsty, all who are weak, come to the fountain. Dip your heart in the stream of life.  
Let the pain and sorrow be washed away in the waves of His mercy as deep cries out to deep.  
We sing: Come Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Come, Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come.

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### **Gospel Reading – John 6: 48-51**

“I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

### **Message – Bread that Sustains**

Pastor Dan Baer

### **Holy Communion**

#### **Song – Grace Alone**

Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of faith,  
every difference we will make is only by His grace.

Every mountain we will climb, every ray of hope we shine, every blessing left behind is only by His grace.

Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown He will provide.

Christ in us, our Cornerstone, we will go forth in grace alone.

Every soul we long to reach, every heart we hope to teach,  
everywhere we share His peace is only by His grace.

Every loving word we say, every tear we wipe away, every sorrow turned to praise is only by His grace.

Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown He will provide.

Christ in us, our Cornerstone, we will go forth in grace alone.

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We will go forth in grace alone.

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### **Benediction**

### **Sharing Offerings**

### **Out to Discipleship, and Into the World to Serve**

*The rosebud on the worship table today celebrates the birth of Asher Ernest Chapin, born September 12.  
Asher is the first great-grandson of Kay & Ed Smallwood.*

Today's Greeters: Keith, Temple, Meredith & Thomas Walkowiak

Today's Sound/PowerPoint Operator: Keith Walkowiak

Next Week's Greeters: William & Dawn Robertson

Next Week's Sound Operator: Matoka Snuggs

Next Week's PowerPoint Operator: Tucker Thorpe

*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!*



*Scan this code to give  
your offering online!*

**Calendar this week:**

- TODAY, 10/1** Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall  
Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout church campus  
Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary  
**\*Children's Sunday Music Practice, 4PM in Music Room**  
St. James Youth, 4PM in Montague Hall  
NA, 7PM in Saints Hall
- Mon, 10/2** Acts Bible Study, 10:30AM in Room 12  
GS Troop 4331, 6:30PM in Montague Hall  
**\*UMM Dinner/Meeting, 7PM in Carson Hall**
- Tues, 10/3** Library Committee, 9AM in the Library  
Staff Meeting, 10:30AM in the Office  
GS Troop 4491, 6:30PM in Montague Hall
- Wed, 10/4** **Christmas Cantata Practice, 6PM in the Music Room**  
Choir Rehearsal, 6:30PM in Music Room/Sanctuary
- Thurs, 10/5** New Hope Strummers, 6:15PM in Music Room  
Common Thread Band Practice, 7PM in Carson Hall
- Sat, 10/7** **\*Produce Assembly, 8:30AM in Carson Hall**  
GS Troop 1042, 10AM in Montague Hall  
**\*Stan Whitt Golf Classic, 1PM at Zebulon Country Club**
- Sun, 10/8** Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall  
Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout church campus  
Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary  
**\*Concessions-Style Lunch, 12PM in Carson Hall**  
**\*Blessing of the Animals Service, 3:30PM in Carson Hall Parking Lot**  
**\*Children's Sunday Music Practice, 4PM in Music Room**  
**Congregational Care Council, 4PM in Room 12**  
St. James Youth, 4PM in Montague Hall  
NA, 7PM in Saints Hall

*As you can see, our weekly calendar is getting much fuller! Please make sure you reserve meeting times and spaces, including schedule changes, with Ministry Planning Sheets to Martha ahead of time!*

## What to know this week...

**\* Music Practice for Children's Sunday:** On Sunday, October 29, we'll have a special 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday combined worship service celebrating Children's Sunday. St. James kids will be participating in worship in many different ways, including singing! Chrissy would like any children interested in participating in the Children's Sunday worship service to **come each Sunday to the Music Room at 4pm** to learn and rehearse the music for that special service.

**\*UMM:** After a relaxing summer off, the United Methodist Men will return to their monthly dinner meetings **tomorrow night at 7pm in Carson Hall**. We'll eat BBQ, slaw and potatoes.

**\*Christmas Cantata Practice:** Anyone who is interested in singing the Christmas Cantata with the choir should join us in the Music Room on Wednesday nights 6:00-6:30pm. The Cantata is scheduled for Sunday, December 17 during 11am Sanctuary Worship.

The 2023 **Stan Whitt Classic Golf Tournament** scheduled for August 26, 2023 **has been rescheduled for October 7**. There's still time to put a team together and register! Download a form [here](#) or pick one up on the clipboard wall in the church lobby. If you have any questions, please contact Milburn Holbrook (919-554-1419, 919-247-5233 or [mhholbr2@ncsu.edu](mailto:mhholbr2@ncsu.edu)).

**Church Luncheon Planned!** Join us for a concessions-style lunch on **Sunday, October 8 at 12:00 noon**. We'll have hot dogs with all the fixings, nachos with homemade queso, popcorn and ice cream! And our PNC Concessions Team will share a report about our fundraising efforts in 2022-23. Please let us know that you're coming by signing up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49A4AD2EABF85-never#/> or on the clipboard sheet in the church lobby.

And, while we're on the subject, it's time to start **volunteering for PNC Arena Concessions** again! This is a great fundraiser for our church and an opportunity to fellowship with church friends! If you're new to the team, don't worry – we'll train you. Please check out the dates and sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49A4AD2EABF85-concessions>.

**Blessing of the Animals Service:** Bring your furry, feathered, or scaly friends to a blessing service on Sunday, October 8 at 3:30pm. Park in the playground parking lot and we'll gather together in the yard. All animals should be suitably controlled: whether on leashes or in kennels or cages.

**Trunk or Treat coming October 29:** Please mark your calendars to join us for the Social Committee's Trunk or Treat on **Sunday, October 29, 2-4PM**. Our goal this year is to engage with more folks while we have them here on our campus, so we'll also include games organized by our youth and a light supper and ice cream provided by the UMM. Please register for a parking spot at <https://tinyurl.com/2023-Trunk>. A "group" can be a committee, a discipleship group, a family or couple of families, or friends that want to join together for a good time. Each group will provide their own candy to hand out. If you are unable to join the festivities but would like to donate candy instead, please contact Keith Walkowiak ([ktwalkowiak@gmail.com](mailto:ktwalkowiak@gmail.com)).

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