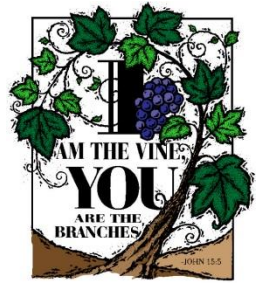




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Jesus says he is the vine and we are the branches. Sometimes branches grow neatly together; other times they get tangled up! However you feel about the “branches” next to you, greet one another in peace as we prepare to worship our True Vine.



Song – Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart; I want to see You, I want to see You.
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart; I want to see You, I want to see You.
To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love as we sing, Holy, holy holy.

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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, 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 – You Are My King (Amazing Love)

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken. I'm accepted, You were condemned.
And I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

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I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, should die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true and it's my joy to honor You.
In all I do, to honor You.

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Amazing love, I know it's true, it's my joy to honor You.

In all I do, to honor You. In all I do, to honor You.

You are my King. You are my King. Jesus, You are my King. You are my King.

Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, should die for me?

(Amazing love) Amazing love, I know it's true. It's my joy to honor You.

Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, should die for me?

(Amazing love) Amazing love, I know it's true and it's my joy to honor You.

In all I do, to honor You. In all I do, to honor You. In all I do, let me honor You.

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Gospel Reading – John 15:5

I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

Message – Nourished by the Vine

Pastor Dan Baer

Song – *Because of Your Love*

As we come into your presence, we remember ev'ry blessing that you've poured out so freely from above.

Lifting gratitude and praises for compassion so amazing,

Lord, we've come to give you thanks for all you've done.

Because of your love we're forgiven. Because of your love our hearts are clean.

We lift you up with songs of freedom. Forever we're changed because of your love.

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Benediction

Sharing Offerings

Out to Discipleship, and Into the World to Serve

Today's Greeters: Chris, Lori, Holli & Lilli Bradley

Today's Sound/PowerPoint Operator: Mike Lamar

Next Week's Greeters: Lou Gibbs-Anwar & Peggy Biggers

Next Week's Sound Operator: Mike Lamar

(Reminder: Next Week is 5th Sunday Combined Worship at 10AM in the Sanctuary!)

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, 10/22 Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall
Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout church campus
AED Demonstration/Training, 10:15AM in Carson Hall
Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary
Don Miller Visitation, 1:30PM in Carson Hall
Don Miller Memorial Service, 2:30PM in the Sanctuary
Youth Trunk-or-Treat Prep, 3PM in Montague Hall
*Children's Sunday Music Practice, 4PM in Music Room
Worship Team, 4PM in Room 12
St. James Youth, 4PM in Montague Hall
Administrative Council, 5:30PM in Carson Hall
NA, 7PM in Saints Hall

Mon, 10/23 Acts Bible Study, 10:30AM in Room 12
GS Troop 4331, 6:30PM in Montague Hall
Children's Ministries Council, 6:30PM in the Library

Tues, 10/24 Library Committee, 9AM in the Library
Staff Meeting, 10:30AM in the Office
GS Troop 733, 6:00PM in Montague Hall

Wed, 10/25 **Mary Brown Circle, 10AM in Saints Hall**
Christmas Cantata Practice, 6PM in the Music Room
Choir Rehearsal, 6:30PM in Music Room/Sanctuary

Thurs, 10/26 New Hope Strummers, 6:15PM in Music Room
*Liturgical Dance Practice, 6:30PM in the Sanctuary
Common Thread Band Practice, 7PM in Carson Hall

Sat, 10/28 GS Troop 1929, 1:30PM in Montague Hall

Sun, 10/29 ***Children's Sunday 5th Sunday combined worship, 10AM in the Sanctuary**
***Trunk or Treat, 4-6PM in Carson Hall, North & South Parking Lots**
NA, 7PM in Saints Hall

What to Know This Week:

AED Demonstration/Training: If you are interested in learning how to use our AED (automated external defibrillator) in case of a cardiac emergency, join us **TODAY at 10:15AM in Carson Hall**. Chandra Rigda will give a brief demonstration of the machine, instruct those attending how to use it and answer any questions.

Children's Sunday Practices: Parents, please remember the practice times for Children's Sunday (October 29) worship practices:

Music is with Chrissy in the Music Room, Sunday at 4PM

Liturgical Dance is with Cheryl in Saints Hall/Sanctuary, Thursday at 6:30PM

5th Sunday Combined Worship Next Sunday: We will meet at 10AM in the Sanctuary on Sunday, October 29 for a special Children's Sunday worship service! The children & youth of St. James will participate in worship through song, dance and their leadership. Please show your support by joining us in worship!

Trunk or Treat coming Sunday, October 29, 4-6PM: We hope this will be a fun event for our church and our community, so we're including games organized by our youth and a light supper and ice cream provided by the UMM. We need donations of candy and small items to use as game prizes. Please drop off donations in the marked box on the Welcome Center counter.

We really need more cars for our Trunk or Treat! Even if you don't want to decorate your car, please consider signing up for a parking space (<https://tinyurl.com/2023-Trunk>) and handing out candy to the kids. Participants should provide their own candy to hand out. We have advertised this event on social media, so we want to show our best effort for the community members that show up! Please contact Keith Walkowiak (ktwalkowiak@gmail.com) with any questions.

Church Luncheon on Sunday, November 5: Let's gather together in Carson Hall after Sanctuary Worship on November 5 for a church-wide luncheon. The menu is TBD. In addition, our Transformational Ministry team will share information on their discussions to plan the direction that St. James will take in the coming year and onward into the future.



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