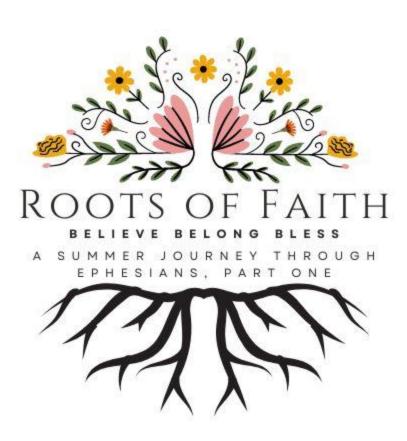


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July 28, 2024 11:00 AM Sanctuary Worship Spirit of life, draw each of us into your love, that we may welcome it for ourselves and eagerly share it with others. Amen.

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: God looks from heaven upon the children of earth to see whether there are

any wise enough to seek the fellowship of God.

People: By faith, may Christ live within our hearts, that we may be rooted and

grounded in love and filled with all the fullness of God.

Leader: To God be all the glory, in the church and in Christ Jesus **People: throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen!**

Hymn - "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

UMH 400

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Prayer Time and Lord's Prayer

(Please use the prayer cards in the pews 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.

Offering

Doxology UMH 95

Gospel Reading – John 6: 1-21 NRSV pew Bible, pp. 91-92 (NT)

Affirmation of Faith UMH 881

Special Music

Scripture Reading – Ephesians 3: 14-21 NRSV pew Bible, p. 182 (NT)

Message – Wide Open Spaces Pastor Amanda Bunce

Hymn – "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

UMH 121

Blessing & Sending Out to Serve in the World

The flowers in worship today are given to the glory of God by Linda Davenport in memory of her husband, Charles Flanagan, and her parents, Jessica and Red Davenport.

> Today's Greeters: Renee Aycock and Winnie Webb Today's Sound System Operator: Steve Snow

Next Week's Greeters: M.A. & Brenda Robertson Next Week's Sound System Operator: Mike Lamar

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.

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!



We send an email newsletter with upcoming events, meeting reminders, birthdays & anniversaries each week. If you would like to be added to our email list, please email Martha Brown (office@stjamesraleigh.org).

Scan this code to give your offering online!



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Calendar this week:

TODAY, 7/28	Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall	
	Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout campus	
	Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary	
	SJ Youth, 4PM in Montague Hall	
Tues, 7/30	Library Committee, 9AM in the Library	
	Staff Meeting, 12:30PM in the Office	
Wed, 7/31	Choir Rehearsal, 7PM in the Sanctuary	
Thurs, 8/1	New Hope Strummers, 6:15PM in the Music Room	
	CT Band Practice, 7PM in Carson Hall	
Fri, 8/2	SJ Bowling Night, 6PM at Buffaloe Lanes, 5900 Oak Forest Dr., Raleigh 27616	
	Bread Ministry, 9PM in the Kitchen	
Sat, 8/3	Bread Ministry, 9PM in the Kitchen	
Sun, 8/4	Youth ASP Celebration Sunday	
	Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall	
	Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout campus	
	Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary	

What to know this week...

SJ Youth, 4pm in Montague Hall

Register TODAY for Bowling Night! Back by popular demand, we will meet at Buffaloe Lanes (5900 Oak Forest Drive, Raleigh 27616) on Friday, August 2, 6-8PM for some bowling fun! All ages are welcome and encouraged to join! Price is \$15/person, which includes shoe rental. Don't be a turkey, we know this event is right up your alley and you have time to spare!! TODAY is the deadline to register: please do so here.

Next week, on **August 4**, we will celebrate **Youth ASP Sunday**. Our youth ASP team will share some of their experiences from their recent mission trip to Kentucky, and they will also be participating in different aspects of our worship services. We look forward to hearing their mission stories!

Church Directory Update: We're beginning to work on a directory update, and we need YOUR help! We're asking all St. James families to submit CURRENT family photos for our updated directory! We know most of you probably have great pics of your own: send them to Martha at office@stjamesraleigh.org. We can accept JPG, JPEG or PNG digital files, or we can scan your hard-copy photo into a digital file in the church office. All we ask is that you include all members of your current household and keep it church-appropriate. Deadline for photo submissions is August 15. If you're not technologically inclined, Helen McGee will be available to take updated photos for church members at the church on August 4 and 11, 9am-12:15pm. Watch the weekly email & bulletins for details on where to meet Helen to get your photo made.