Welcome to St. James United Methodist Church! We are so glad that you have come to worship God today! If you are visiting today, 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.

We have a nursery available for infants through age 4. A greeter will be glad to direct you. Children are always welcome to stay and participate in worship!



Scan this code to give your offering online!

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).



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October 20, 2024

Laity Sunday

Song— "Let It Rise"

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Children's Message

Offering

Song — "Here I Am to Worship"

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading — Psalm 133

New Testament Reading — John 17: 2-26; Ephesians 4: 4-6

Message — That We May Be One Sandra Horton, Lay Leader

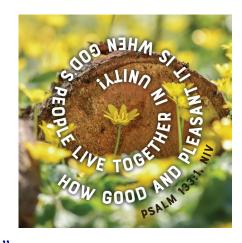
Modern Affirmation

Greeting Our Brothers and Sisters in Christ

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Song — "10,000 Reasons"

Blessing and Going Forward in the Name of Christ



Today's Greeters: Lou Gibbs-Anwar and Matoka Snuggs Today's Sound/PowerPoint Operators: Paul,Victor & Sofia DeOliveira

Next Week's Greeters: Ed & Kay Smallwood Next Week's Sound/PP Operators: Chris, Holli & Lilli Bradley

		Calendar this week:
Today, 10/20	9:15AM	Common Thread contemporary worship in Carson Hall
	10AM	Discipleship Hour throughout campus
	11AM	Traditional worship in the Sanctuary
	3PM	Confirmation Class in Montague Hall
	4PM	SJ Youth in Montague Hall
	5PM	SPRC in the Library
	7PM	N.A. in Saints Hall
Tues, 10/22	9AM	Library Committee in the Library
	6:15PM	GS Troop 733 in Montague Hall
Wed, 10/23	7PM	Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
Thurs, 10/24	6:15PM	New Hope Strummers in Music Room
	7PM	CT Band Practice in Carson Hall
Fri, 10/25	9PM	Bread Ministry in the Kitchen
Sat, 10/26	9PM	Bread Ministry in the Kitchen
Sun, 10/27	9:15AM	Common Thread contemporary worship in Carson Hall
	10AM	Discipleship Hour throughout campus
	11AM	Traditional worship in the Sanctuary
	4-6PM	Trunk or Treat in Carson Hall & parking lot
	7PM	N.A. in Saints Hall



Remember that we're celebrating Pastor Appreciation Month throughout October. There are baskets on the information tables of both worship spaces for you to leave cards, notes, or words of encouragement and appreciation for Pastor Amanda.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST JAMES?

Pastor Amanda is out of the office on vacation October 17-23.

If there is a pastoral care emergency, Rev. Janet Baucom will be covering, as well as our wonderful Congregational Care team. If you have a pastoral care emergency, please contact Sandra Horton (919-218-2577; <u>sbhorton1957@gmail.com</u>) or Pat Fasone (919-630-5909; <u>patfasone@aol.com</u>).

Hurricane Helene Relief: Please see the insert or weekly email for details: we will pack flood buckets for Western NC flood victims next Sunday, October 27, following Common Thread worship. Please help by donating items from the insert list or money to help purchase these needed items.

New Peanut Price: The UMM voted at their October meeting to raise the price of peanuts to \$5 per jar, making cases \$60. This price increase goes into effect November 1. The reason for the change is that the cost of jars has gone up and the cost of the peanut oil has doubled in the last year. The UMM appreciates everyone's continued support of their peanuts!

Charge Conference is coming! St. James UMC's annual Charge Conference will be held Sunday, November 10, 3pm at Soapstone UMC. All members are invited to attend; lay leadership is encouraged to be present for voting.

Are you ready? **Our annual Trunk or Treat is next week, Sunday, Oct. 27, 4:00-6:00PM.** As a reminder, each family or 'group' is responsible for decorating their own vehicle and providing their own candy. Last year was our largest turnout ever, with over 200 people attending the event! Please register at <u>https://</u> tinyurl.com/2024-Trunk to let us know you will be joining. Contact Keith Walkowiak (<u>ktwalkowiak@gmail.com</u>) with any

questions.

