



**St. James United Methodist Church**  
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October 6, 2024  
World Communion Sunday  
11:00 AM Sanctuary Worship

“Hear my prayer, O God; listen to the words of my mouth. ... I will praise your name,  
Lord, for it is good” (Psalm 54:2, 6, NIV).

## **Gathering In**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: In the name of God,

**All: who created us, who holds us and the whole world in his hands.**

Leader: In the name of the Son,

**All: who came into the world, who reconciles us with God.**

Leader: In the name of the Holy Spirit

**All: who fills us with eternal life, who links us with all Christians and incites us to  
Peace, we come together to offer our thanks and praise.**

**Hymn – “My Hope Is Built”**

*UMH 368*

**Invitation and Prayer of Confession**

**O God, whose will it is that all your children should be one in Christ; we pray for the  
unity of your Church. Pardon all our pride and our lack of faith, of understanding and  
of charity, which are the causes of our divisions. Deliver us from narrow-mindedness,  
from our bitterness, from our prejudices. Save us from considering as normal that  
which is a scandal to the world and an offense to your love. Teach us to recognize the  
gifts of grace among all those who call upon you and confess the faith of Jesus Christ  
our Lord.**

**Pardon**

**Sharing the Peace of Christ**

**Offering**

**Doxology**

*UMH 95*

**Proclamation and Response**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – Job 1:1, 2: 1-10

NRSV pew Bible, p. 429; 430 (OT)

Anthem – “They Shall Soar Like Eagles” L. Manzo

Sanctuary Choir

**Scripture Reading – Mark 10: 2-16**

NRSV pew Bible, p. 43 (NT)

**Sermon – The Cost of Compassion**

Pastor Amanda Bunce

## Response to the Word

Affirmation of Faith

UMH 881

## Thanksgiving and Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Giving of the Bread and Cup

## Sending Out

Hymn – “One Bread, One Body”

UMH 620

Dismissal with Blessing

Going Forth

*The flowers in worship today are given to the glory of God by Sally Neuman  
in honor of Verleen Jones and in memory of Duane Newman.*

Today's Greeters: Bill & Barbara Oram  
Today's Sound System Operator: Mike Lamar

Next Week's Greeters: Judy Lassiter and Winnie Webb  
Next Week's Sound Operators: Matoka Snuggs

*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.*

*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!*

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](mailto:office@stjamesraleigh.org)).*

# Sermon Notes

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### **Calendar this week...**

**TODAY, 10/6**      *Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall*  
*Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout campus*  
*Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary*  
**Confirmation Class, 3PM in Montague Hall**  
*SJ Youth, 4:30PM in Montague Hall*  
*NA, 7PM in Saints Hall*

**Mon, 10/7**      **Knowing Who We Are Bible Study, 11AM in Room 12**  
**UMM, 7PM in Carson Hall**

**Tues, 10/8**      *Library Committee, 9AM in the Library*  
*Staff Meeting, 10:30AM in the Office*  
*GS Troop 733, 6:15PM in Montague Hall*  
*Capital Squares Beginners Class, 6:30PM in Carson Hall*  
**Knowing Who We Are Bible Study, 11AM in the Library**

**Wed, 10/9**      *Choir Rehearsal, 7PM in the Sanctuary*

**Thurs, 10/10**      *New Hope Strummers, 6:15PM in the Music Room*  
*CT Band Practice, 7PM in Carson Hall*

**Fri, 10/11**      **Stan Whitt Golf Classic, 12PM at Wendell Country Club**  
*Bread Ministry, 9PM in the Kitchen*

**Sat, 10/12**      *Bread Ministry, 9PM in the Kitchen*

**Sun, 10/13**      *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*  
*NA, 7PM in Saints Hall*

### **What to know this week...**

**Dinner with the Pastor!** Pastor Amanda still has a couple of opportunities available for you to join here for food and fellowship. You may register online at <https://tinyurl.com/PastorDinners> or on the physical sign-up sheets in the lobby. Dates to choose from are 10/9, 6pm and 10/14, 6pm. Reservations will be made based on RSVPs; meal is Dutch treat.

### **Bible Study Opportunity: Knowing Who We Are by Lacey C. Warner**

Join us for a 6 week study of what it means to be a United Methodist and how that has always been grounded in the love of God and the love of our neighbors. Whether you are a cradle Methodist or new to the denomination, let's gather together to learn and remember the roots of the Methodist movement, who we are, who we are called to be, our connectional structure, our mission and ministry, the texts that shape us, and how we are always growing in God's grace. Two classes will be offered: Mondays at 11am, 10/7 - 11/18 or Tuesdays at 7pm, 10/8 - 11/19. Sign up

at <https://tinyurl.com/KnowingWhoWeAre> or by contacting Pastor Amanda ([amanda@stjamesraleigh.org](mailto:amanda@stjamesraleigh.org)). Paperback and digital books are available for purchase on Amazon.com.

**Stan Whitt this Friday!** The 15th annual Stan Whitt Golf Classic Memorial Golf Tournament is scheduled for Friday, October 11 at Wendell Country Club. Whether you have a full team or are an individual who wants to join in on the fun, there is still time. Please contact Milburn Holbrook ([mholbrook@earthlink.net](mailto:mholbrook@earthlink.net)) or call/text 919-247-5233. All net proceeds from this event will be donated for Pancreatic Cancer Research.

**Are you interested in being a part of the fun and fellowship that happens when you volunteer at concessions at the Lenovo Center (formerly known as PNC Arena)?** We have a 10-event contract for the 2024-25 season, and our first event is October 15<sup>th</sup>! Visit <https://tinyurl.com/PNCVolunteers> for the Sign-up Genius for the 2024-2025 season. Contact Temple Walkowiak ([tawalkowiak@gmail.com](mailto:tawalkowiak@gmail.com)) for more information. We hope to see you volunteering at concessions!



Start planning the Halloween costumes now. **Our annual Trunk or Treat will be held on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 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 <https://tinyurl.com/2024-Trunk> to let us know you will be joining. Contact Keith Walkowiak ([ktwalkowiak@gmail.com](mailto:ktwalkowiak@gmail.com)) with any questions.