

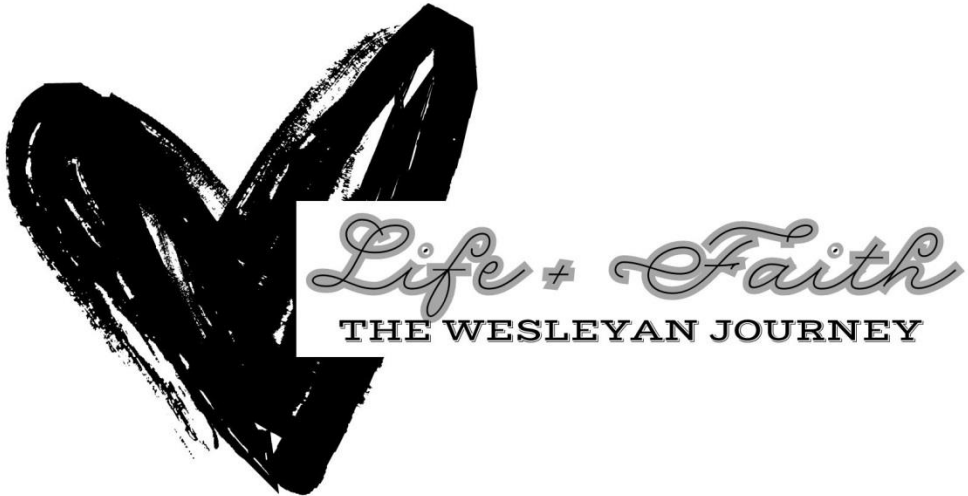
St. James United Methodist Church

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September 1, 2024
11:00 AM Sanctuary Worship

Praise to you, O Lord! Though you are above all and beyond all, you come close to us and hold us in gentle care. We worship you.

Gathering In

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing a song of thanksgiving.

People: Declare God's wondrous deeds.

Leader: For the Lord dwells among the people;

People: the glory of God abides with us.

Hymn – “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

UMH 57, vv. 1-5

Invitation and Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that our love for you and for others has not been genuine. We have not held fast to what is good, and we have lagged in affection for our brothers and sisters. We have not been patient in suffering, nor have we persevered in prayer. We have repaid evil for evil and have failed to live peaceably with all. Forgive us our sin, free us from fear of the power of evil, and help us trust in the power of your everlasting goodness; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Pardon

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Offering

Doxology

UMH 95

Proclamation and Response

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – Romans 12: 9-21

NRSV pew Bible, pp. 151-152 (NT)

Anthem – “My God and I” J.B.Sergei

Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Reading – Matthew 5: 38-48

NRSV pew Bible, p. 5 (NT)

Sermon – #1 Do No Harm

Pastor Amanda Bunce

Response to the Word

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles Creed

UMH 881

Thanksgiving and Communion

The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer
Giving of the Bread and Cup

Sending Out

Hymn – “Here I Am, Lord”

UMH 593

Dismissal with Blessing
Going Forth

Today's Greeters: R.E. & Beth Cobb
Today's Sound System Operator: Mike Lamar

Next Week's Greeters: David, Debra, Megan & Mollie Gracy
Next Week's Sound System Operator: 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).

Sermon Notes

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Church Office & Food Pantry Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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Prayer Requests email	prayerrequests@stjamesraleigh.org

Calendar this week...

TODAY, 9/1 *Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall
Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout campus
Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary*

Mon, 9/2 **OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY**

Tues, 9/3 *Library Committee, 9AM in the Library
Staff Meeting, 10:30AM in the Office
Capital Square Party Night, 6:30PM in Carson Hall*

Wed, 9/4 *Choir Rehearsal, 7PM in the Sanctuary*

Thurs, 9/5 *New Hope Strummers, 6:15PM in the Music Room
CT Band Practice, 7PM in Carson Hall
Nominations Committee, 7PM in the Library*

Fri, 9/6 *Bread Ministry, 9PM in the Kitchen*

Sat, 9/7 *Capital Squares, 6:30PM in Carson Hall
Bread Ministry, 9PM in the Kitchen*

Sun, 9/8 *Common Thread contemporary worship, 9:15AM in Carson Hall
Discipleship Hour, 10AM throughout campus
Sanctuary traditional worship, 11AM in the Sanctuary
Congregational Care Council, 4PM in Room 12
Finance Committee, 4PM in the Library
Church Fun Kick-Off, 5PM in Carson Hall
SPRC, 6PM in the Library*

What to know this week...

The office & food pantry will be closed on Monday, September 2 for Labor Day. We'll be back to our regular schedule (Mon-Thurs, 9am-2pm) on Tuesday!

Let's Go Square Dancing! Get ready to kick up your heels and do-si-do at our "Take Me Dancing, Square Dancing!" Party Night event on **Tuesday, September 3, 6:30-8PM in Carson Hall**. Put on your dancing shoes and join us for a fun-filled evening of square dancing sponsored by the Capital Squares! No experience and no partner are necessary. Our friendly instructor will guide you through the steps. Party Night Admission is free for St. James UMC members! Simply sign in at the door and identify yourself as a St. James member. If you have fun and want to learn more, the Capital Squares are offering 6-week beginners class in Carson Hall starting Tuesday, Sept. 10. Discounted cost is only \$24 for St. James members!

The Annual BBQ Fundraiser is coming Friday, September 27! Please think how you can support this fundraiser: whether by donating \$25 towards the purchase of our pork shoulders (please signify this on your offering envelope or check), cooking, assembling the plates, baking brownies, manning the drive-thru, or publicizing the BBQ to all your friends, neighbors, and co-workers! Sign up to help at [www.tinyurl.com/SJ-BBQVolunteers!](http://www.tinyurl.com/SJ-BBQVolunteers)

ASP Fall Trip for Adults: Roger Miedema is leading a team from St. James to work with ASP in Jonesville, VA in October. The team will travel up Thursday, October 3 and return on Sunday, October 6. We currently have 8 people committed, but the more, the merrier! If you'd like to join the trip, register at <https://apps.skycog.com/req/APPSERV/Join>, group code #15761. Cost of the trip is \$100 per participant. Please contact [Martha](#) to verify that you have an updated background check on file or with any questions.

Register now for the Stan Whitt! The 15th annual Stan Whitt Golf Classic to benefit Pancreatic Cancer Research will be held Friday, October 11 at Wendell Country Club. Cost is \$80/individual or \$320/foursome. Registration forms are available in the church lobby or you can download one [here](#).

ST. JAMES UMC ANNUAL BBQ

**Friday, September 27,
2024**

11:00am – 7:00 pm

**3808 St. James Church Rd.,
Raleigh, NC 27604**



***Drive-Thru Pickup in Parking Lot
Dine-In available 5-7PM ONLY***

\$10 per plate,

**Includes BBQ, boiled potatoes, slaw, hush puppies and brownie
(+ tea/water for dine-in)**

or

\$12 pre-packaged quart bag

**Contact Sharon Johnson (wjohnson99@mindspring.com)
for orders of 10+ plates.**