

## 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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## September 15, 2024

Song—"Psalm 62"

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

**Opening Prayer** 

Children's Message

Scripture Lesson—Psalm 63: I-8

Offering

Song — "None But Jesus"

Word and Response:

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Lesson — John 15: 1-11

Message — #3 Stay in Love with God

Affirmation of Faith

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Sending Out

Song — "Psalm 62" (reprise)

**Benediction** 

Out to Discipleship and Into the World to Serve

Today's Greeters: Amy Biggers and Peggy Biggers
Today's Sound/PowerPoint Operators: Paulo, Victor & Sofia DeOliveira

Next Week's Greeters: Sandra & Tony Horton Next Week's Sound/PP Operator: Chris, Holli & Lilli Bradley

The red, white & blue floral arrangement on the information table is presented by the Rigda family in memory of the 23rd anniversary of the firemen, EMS and law enforcement personnel who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

Calendar this week:		
Today, 9/15	9:15AM	Common Thread contemporary worship
		in Carson Hall
	10AM	Discipleship Hour throughout campus
	11AM	Traditional worship in the Sanctuary
	12PM	CT Band Bluegrass Practice in Carson Hall
	4PM	Administrative Council in Carson Hall
	4PM	SJ Youth in Montague Hall
Mon, 9/16	7PM	Clara Swain Circle in the Library
Tues, 9/17	9AM	Library Committee in the Library
	10:30AM	Staff Meeting in the Office
	6:30PM	Capital Squares Beg Class in Carson Hall
Wed, 9/18	11:30AM	Coffee & Conversation at Buffalo Brothers,
		3111 Capital Blvd., Raleigh
	7PM	Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
Thurs, 9/19	6:15PM	New Hope Strummers in Music Room
	7PM	CT Band Practice in Carson Hall
Fri, 9/20	9PM	Bread Ministry in the Kitchen
Sat, 9/21	6:30PM	Capital Squares in Carson Hall
	9PM	Bread Ministry in the Kitchen
Sun, 9/22	9:15AM	Common Thread Bluegrass Service in Carson Hall
	10AM	Discipleship Hour throughout campus
	11AM	Traditional worship in the Sanctuary
	4PM	Administrative Council in Carson Hall
	4PM	SJ Youth in Montague Hall

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST JAMES?

Are you looking for a Sunday School class? The Kindred Spirits and Landing Spot combined class is starting a new study TODAY in Room 12 at 10:15AM! Join us for Advice Columnists: The Letters of James and Peter. Just as we turn to advice columnists to figure out how to navigate tricky social situations, family drama, and work relationships, Christians have been turning to the epistles from James and Peter for 2,000 years for practical advice on how to live as a Christian. This study dives into these letters. If you have questions, please reach out to Sandra Horton (sbhorton 1957@gmail.com) or Temple Walkowiak (tawalkowiak@gmail.com). We hope you will join us!

**Bluegrass Service in Common Thread!** Sunday, September 22nd we will be having a Bluegrass style service with special music and instrumentation. Sure to be a good time of down home worship.

Confirmation Mentors Needed! Confirmation is quickly approaching! This year we have a handful of young people ready to embark on a journey to discover what a life of faith looks like for them. If you are interested in being a mentor to one of these brave explorers we will have a quick informational meeting on September 22 after either service to discuss expectations and requirements of mentorship. Please prayerfully consider if you are able to participate in the confirmation journey this year!

**Dinner with the Pastor!** As Pastor Amanda continues to settle in here at St. James, she has scheduled 6 dates for fellowship and conversation in small groups. Sign up for one of the date; more information will follow regarding the location of the restaurant once the reservation number is determined. You may register online at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/PastorDinners">https://tinyurl.com/PastorDinners</a> or on the physical sign up sheets in the lobby. Dates to choose from: 9/22, 12:30pm; 9/24, 6pm; 10/3, 6pm; 10/6, 12:30pm; 10/9, 6pm; 10/14,6pm. Reservation will be made based on RSVPs; meal is Dutch treat.

The Annual BBQ Fundraiser is coming Friday, September 27! Thank you to everyone who has signed up to help support our annual BBQ! We still need volunteers to work both inside and in the drive-thru line for the afternoon and dinner service. Sign up to help at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/SJ-BBQVolunteers">https://tinyurl.com/SJ-BBQVolunteers</a>.

**Bible Study Opportunity:** Knowing Who We Are by Laceye 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 beginning 10/7 - 11/18 or Tuesdays at 7pm beginning 10/8 -11/19. Sign up through the weekly email link or in the lobby by September 30 to have your book ordered for you (approx. \$14).