



Saint ames Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

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"Touching Lives Through Jesus Christ!" Reverend Sèkinah Hamlin, Temporary Executive Supply Pastor

October 2019 Edition

Welcome To Saint James Presbyterian Church!

The members of the Saint James Presbyterian Church are pleased to have you worship with us during the month of October. We ask that you kindly complete a guest card, found in the pew, and give it to a Deacon or Usher or place it in the offering plate. We would like to have a record of your visit and a way to keep you updated on what is happening here at Saint James. Your information will remain confidential. If you have children ages 3 months to 6 years old, feel free to ask a Deacon/Usher about our Nursery!



Are you interested in joining Saint James?

We welcome you to join Saint James Presbyterian Church and are committed to helping you grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ. You may become a member of the Saint James Presbyterian Church in one of the following ways: (1) come forward during the invitation; (2) complete a guest card and place it in the offering plate during the offering, or (3) contact the church office during the week (9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Mon - Fri). We look forward to helping you make this decision.

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Our Purpose Statement:

"The purpose of Saint James Presbyterian church is to touch lives through Jesus Christ by providing joyful worship, life changing teaching, warm community, and dynamic, meaningful ministries that serve to bring a new generation of believers to Christ and to nurture those who are already growing in faith."

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WORSHIP Saint James worship services & shared community worship opportunities.

New Fall Schedule: Join us at 11 a.m. for Morning Worship each Sunday. Holy Communion will be served on first Sundays during service. Individual tapes and CD's are available for purchase every Sunday for \$5.00 or purchase 4 tapes/CD's for \$15.00. See a member of our Audio/Visual Team in the Narthex to make a purchase.

Standard Order of Worship:

Prelude

Welcome

*Call to Worship

*Praise & Worship

Opening Prayer

Welcome Guests

Minute for Mission

Liturgical Arts

Offering, Offertory Prayer & Music

*Recitation of the Saint James Purpose Statement

Mission Opportunities

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

Prayer of Illumination

*Scripture Reading

Sermon

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*Invitational Hymn

Pastoral Prayer

Holy Communion on First Sundays

*Benediction & Amen

October Participants:

Worship Leaders:

Reverend Sèkinah Hamlin

Reverend Richard Hughes

Reverend Frank Dew

Music Directors:

Ms. Jasmine Evans, New Generation Praise Team & Inspirational Ensemble

Ms. Valerie D. Johnson, Chancel Choir & Combined Choir

Musicians:

Dr. Ronald Campbell, Organist & Keyboardist

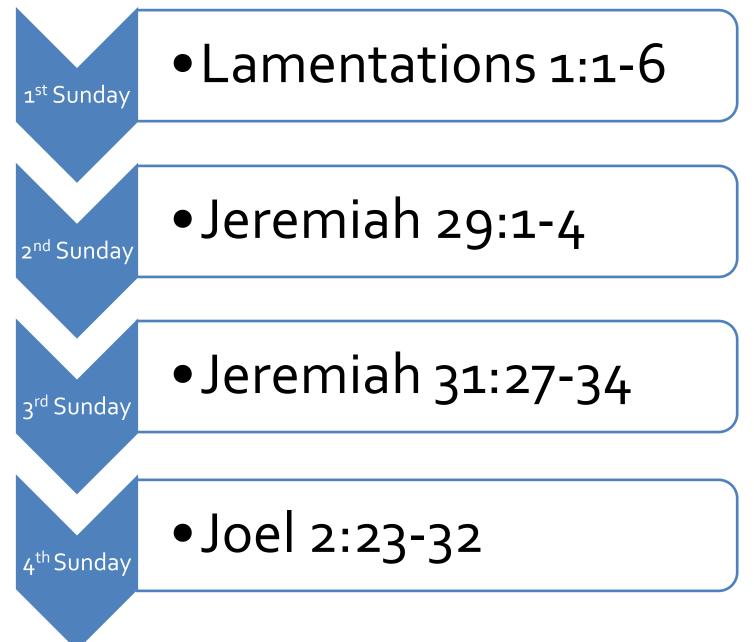
Mr. Nick Hayes, Percussionist

Mr. Terry McCluney, Guest Percussionist

Mr. Melvin Turner, Guest Percussionist

October Lectionary

Let's continue reading together! As we journey into the month of October, let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship by reading the scheduled lectionary texts each week. The texts are listed below. Before you read each text, practice a few minutes of centering prayer to clear your mind. Pray for clarity and focus. While reading, physically or mentally take notes so that you can summarize what the scripture is saying. Finally, go back and pick out any themes or recurring ideas that may be relevant to your personal life, Saint James or the church at large. Close your reading time with a Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's word and revelation.



WORSHIP Saint James worship services & shared community worship opportunities.

Mid-Week Prayer Service is held every Wednesday at 12:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Come out and join members and friends for prayer and devotion. Teams responsible for leading for the remainder of 2019 are as follows:

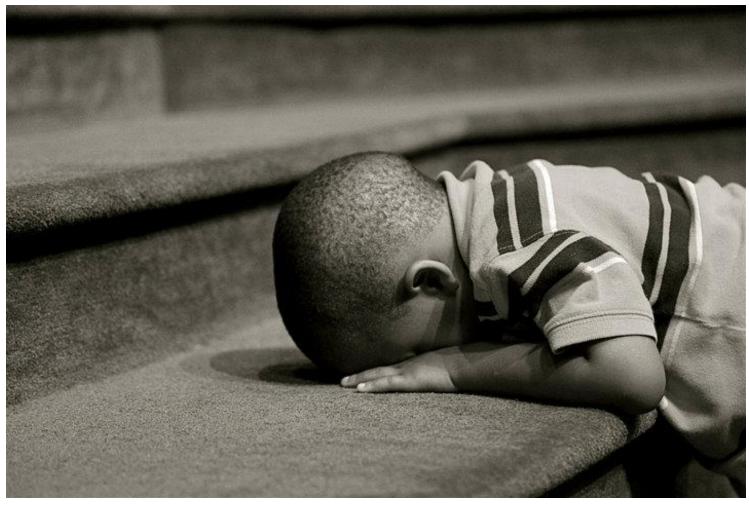
- Oct. 2nd Monday Morning Bible Study
- Oct. 9th Estelle Eaton Circle
- Oct. 16th Grace Brown Circle
- Oct. 23rd Inspiration Ensemble
- Oct. 30th Sunday School

| Nov. 6 th - | Session |
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| Nov. 13 th - | Men's Choir |
| Nov. 20 th - | No Service - Thanksgiving |
| Nov. 27 th - | Drama Ministry |



Dec. 4th - Session Dec. 11th - Handbell Choir Dec. 18th - Golden Rays Dec. 25th - No Service - Christmas

*Please contact the office if any changes to the schedule are required.



DISCIPLESHIP Sunday School, Bible Studies & Leadership Trainings

Sunday School for all classes has resumed! Classes are held every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Monday Morning Bible Study has resumed for all students every Monday at 10 a.m. We will continue the study of The Book of Psalms; starting with Chapter 76. Join us! ~Paula McEachern, Moderator

Wednesday Bible Study is an open-minded Bible study discussion through October 30th. All questions are welcomed as we pray for God's guidance. We have conversation, debate, prayer, activities, and meditation as a part of our study. The central Bible verses for the 6-week study are: Matthew 16:13–16; Mark 8:27–29; Luke 9:18–20.

Leadership Training will be held on October 26, 2019 from 9a-2p in the Fellowship Hall. The training is open to church officers and to the congregation. Light refreshments will be served.

Presbyterian Women Bible Study Circles

<u>Grace Brown Circle</u> will meet on Friday, October 18, 2019 at 3:00 pm in classrooms 1 & 2. We will begin our bible study "Love Carved in Stone" Lesson one - The First and Second Words. All women of the church are welcome to attend, ~ Donna Spinks & Kathy Moore, Mod.



<u>The Roxie McNair Circle</u> will meet @ 1:00 p.m. in the Library, October 20, 2019, the third Friday, to have our 2nd lesson of the

new series of Horizon Bible Study. All women of Saint James congregation are welcome. ~Elder Pauline McNair, Moderator

<u>The Marie Florance Presbytettes</u> will meet on Sunday, October 20th at 1:30 PM. Our host will be Delores Scott and we will meet at her home located at 6 Pineway Court in Greensboro, NC. We will discuss Lessons 1 & 2. We always welcome visitors to our meetings. If you would like to attend or want to learn more about our Circle, please contact Ina Siler at 551-655-4612. ~Ina Siler, Moderator

<u>The Sara Barber Circle</u> will be hosted by Althea Bradford, 411 Arbor Dr., Lexington, NC on Sunday, October 6 at 3:00 pm. Lesson two entitled, Words of Love: Don't Trivialize My Name, from study guide, Love Carved in Stone, will be led by Linda Adams. Karen Yehudah, will share information on bible study from an Afro-centric perspective. Adnee Bradford will give an update on Sara Barber's efforts to make a positive impact on prison reform. Scripture: Exodus 20:7 and Matthew 7:21-23. Visitors are always welcome! ~Linda Adams, Moderator

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<u>The Essie B. Meares</u> Circle will meet in Classroom 1&2, Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 12:00 Noon. Demetra Barnwell will be the leader for lessons 1 and 2; Valarie Spaulding Little will serve as hostess. We extend a warm welcome to visitors. Thank you.~ Demetra Barnwell, Moderator

Presbyterian Women in the Congregation (PWC)

<u>Christmas Bazaar</u>

Presbyterian women will host their Christmas for the Soul Bazaar on Saturday, November 9, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the church. It's your chance to buy Christmas gifts from vendors selling jewelry, soaps and other skin care products, wreaths, aprons, nuts & popcorn, calendars and many other products. We will have a silent auction and will need your help with donations. Alex Sweets Turkey BBQ will also be selling his turkey wings and pulled BBQ plates. You can pre-order your plates on Sunday, October 27 or Sunday, November 3.

We are still looking for vendors. Vendor applications are in the Narthex and the George Simkins Room. Contact Dr.Ina Siler at 551-655-4612 for vendor information or if you want to donate items to the Silent Auction. ~Marsha Knox, Interim Moderator

<u>Presbyterian Men</u>

Breakfast Meeting

The Presbyterian Men's Breakfast Meeting and Bible Study will be on Saturday, October 19th at 9:00 am. Your support and your presence is needed on Saturday, within the general church and the ministries of the Presbyterian Men of the Church.

Thank You to all for supporting our Fish and Chicken Cookout.

Watch D.O.G.S.

All Men of Saint James are invited to participate in Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) Program at Falkener Elementary School. See the Flyer or Elder Knox for additional information on the Program.

Charles Knox ~ Elder Charles Knox, President



ISCIPLESHIP Sunday School,_ Bible Studies & Leadership Trainings (continued)





WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads Of Great Students) is a family and community engagement educational initiative. There are 2 primary goals of the WATCH D.O.G.S. * program.

- 1) To provide positive male role models for the students, demonstrating by their presence that education is important.
- 2) To provide extra sets of eyes and ears to enhance school security and reduce bullying.

WATCH D.O.G.S.® began in 1998 in a single school in Springdale, Arkansas and has since grown into a nationally recognized program that has brought hundreds of thousands of fathers and father figures into the school classrooms and hallways across the country, creating millions of hours of "in school" volunteer time and having a tremendously positive impact on the educational process.

Program Benefits

- Students gain positive male role models.
- Schools gain an extra set of eyes and ears. The presence of a father or father figure will provide an additional deterrent to bullying, enhance a sense of security in the building, and will help to create an environment conducive to learning.
- Fathers get a glimpse of their students' everyday world and learn about the increasingly complex challenges and decisions today's youth are facing. As a result, they can learn to relate better to their student and hopefully connect with them.
- Fathers gain a greater awareness of the positive impact they can have on their student's life in three critical areas including: academic performance, self-esteem, social behavior.
- Due to budget shortfalls and cutbacks, often teachers are presented with larger classrooms each year. The WatchDOGS volunteers provide real and important help for the teachers and the students.

Who are WatchDOGS (Dads Of Great Students)?

WatchDOGS are fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and other father-figures who volunteer for at least one day each year at an official WATCH D.O.G.S.[®] school. During the day, WatchDOGS may read and work on flash cards with students, play at recess, eat lunch with students, watch the school entrances and hallways, assist with traffic flow and any other assigned activities where they actively engage with not only their own students, but other students as well. Many school principals have reported that the mere presence of a WatchDOG dramatically reduces reports of bullying. On the day of their participation, WatchDOGS are given a brief review of their involvement and they wear an official WATCH D.O.G.S.[®] t-shirt with a disposable 'Dog Tag' identifying them as WatchDOGS.

Program Recognition The WATCH D.O.G.S.[®] program has been recognized by the United States Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and has been involved in the U.S. Department of Education's P.F.I.E. (Partnership For Family Involvement In Education) and the Department's Safe School Summit. The WATCH D.O.G.S.® program is a founding member of National PTA's M.O.R.E. Alliance (Men Organized to Raise Engagement). The WATCH D.O.G.S. * program was featured on ABC World News Tonight with Charlie Gibson in their "Spirit of America" segment on November 17, 2008, on NBC's Nightly News with Brian Williams on September 12, 2012 and on NBC's Today Show which aired February 11, 2013. Also, the program has been recognized on the floor of Congress as a program that "can be a great tool in our efforts to prevent school violence and improve student performance because it can increase parental initiative and involvement in their children's education." (Congressional Record, February 7, 2000 page S392) WATCH D.O.G.S. [®] has been endorsed by the President's Advisory Council and included in the March 2010 report to the President. In June 2011, US Department of Education Secretary Arne Duncan visited a local WATCH D.O.G.S.[®] program in the DC area to encourage fathers and father figures to become more active in the educational system and to get a firsthand glimpse of the program.

For more information, visit our website at dadsofgreatstudents.com, email info@dadsofgreatstudents.com or call us at 1-888-540-DOGS(3647) to speak with a Program Developer.

DISCIPLESHIP Sunday School, Bible Studies & Leadership Trainings (continued)



Sat., Nov. 9, 2019 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

St. James Presbyterian Church 820 Ross Avenue in Greensboro, NC

Over 20 Vendors + A Silent Auction

Get your turkey BBQ & fried turkey wing dinners @12 Noon

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Presbyterian Women in the Congregation at Saint James Presbyterian Church Proceeds go toward Mission Projects and Scholarships

ADMINISTRATION Church Business & Officer Information

Trustee Meeting

The second meeting of the Trustee Board will be held on Sunday, October 13th, immediately following the 11 am Morning Worship Service in the Nydia Room. All new and returning Trustees should plan to attend.

Monthly Informer Article Deadline

Please feel free to leave typed or handwritten articles in the Administrative Coordinators' Box in the Mailroom or e-mail: <u>office@stjamespresby.org</u>. Articles can be sent prior to the deadline with the subject: "November Informer." The Final Deadline for articles is *Tuesday*, *October 15*, *2019 by 12:00 noon*.

Facility Use

Our church is in high demand! As a result, we need everyone's participation in guaranteeing that we are accommodating your requests properly. We are asking that you continue to fill out the facility request form but moving forward, all room requests must have a completed and approved facility form. For emergency or last minute meetings, please call the office for availability. Forms are available in the volunteer office on the back of the office door.

Personnel Committee

The Personnel Committee, on behalf of Session met with Rev. Frank Dew, Rev. Sekinah Hamlin, and Rev. Richard Hughes to share the experiences of their roles in the provision of Pastoral services to SJPC. The meeting was informative, productive and gave insight to measures that may be taken to ensure quality service to the congregation during this period of transition.

The Informer is going green and social!

The Informer can now be emailed to you directly. In addition, the monthly Informer is always available on our website. Please sign up for our email subscription on the church website. If you're already signed up, The Informer will be coming to you each month. Also, please remember to follow up on all our social media.

Car Wash Gift Cards For Sale!

Does your car need a little TLC? Purchase a \$20.00 Autobell Car Wash Gift Card today! These cards are a great way to invest in Saint James and to keep your ride sparkling in the spring sun. The Autobell Car Wash Gift Card is also an excellent card filler or gift to someone who loves a clean car. Contact the Church Office, Vanessa Haygood or Timisha Corpening to purchase your card today!

ADMINISTRATION Church Business & Officer Information (continued)

Shepherd's Care Ministry! Congregational Care is an integral part of the ministry of Saint James Presbyterian Church. In an effort to respond to the call to care for one another, our new supply pastor along with the Session, Stephen Ministry, Deacons and Office Staff have developed the new Shepherd's Care ministry.

Shepherd's Care functions as a pastoral care arm of ministry. The purpose of the Shepherds Care ministry is to care for our congregation by providing presence through visits and prayer during times of medical procedures, health crisis, transitions, and illness.

Our supply pastor is the primary provider for end of life care, bereavement and funerals. Our Shepherds Care team provides presence for ongoing care concerns. The foundation for this ministry is in scripture. Just as Moses was admonished to appoint elders to assist with the care of God's flock (Exodus 18); and just as the early church provided people to care for widows as the apostles gave themselves to prayer and the teaching of the word (Acts 2), our church stands in a biblical tradition to commission people of faith to provide for the care of God's people.

So how does it work? To help ensure that everyone has a Shepherd, including those on the Forget Me Not List, our congregation is divided into groups based on the first letter of your last name. Each group has been assigned a Shepherds care team member as seen below. If there is a need for prayer, notice of a medical procedure or surgery, notice of a current or past hardship, members can call the church office at 336-273-6658 or email care@stjamespresby.org. The office will notify your Shepherds Care Provider immediately.

If there is an end of life situation, the supply pastor is the primary provider. All information is private unless permission is given to share with the entire church during prayer and/or through the forget me not list. The Shepherd's Care Team has been thoroughly trained, and is eager to serve, so do not hesitate to share your need.

| Elders | <u>Members of the Congregation</u> |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Tyrone Collins | А |
| Bob Powell | В |
| Carrie Ledbetter | С |
| Sharon Gaskin | D, E |
| Jerry Young | F, G |
| Karen Watts-Yehudah | Н, І |
| Andrea Russell | J, K, L |
| Oscar Reid, Jr. | Μ |
| Channelle James | N, O, P |
| Gloria Washington | Q, R |
| Lynette Hawkins | S |
| Donna Spinks & Linda McSwain-Randall | T, U, V |
| Lynette Hawkins | W, X, Y, Z |

Shepherd's Care List 2019

ADMINISTRATION Church Business & Officer Information (continued)

Transition Team: What's Next in the Life of Saint James?

In the summer of 2018, Saint James welcomed Reverend Eustacia Moffett Marshall as the Temporary Supply Pastor. During that time, a committee called the Transition Team was appointed by the Session to coordinate with the Neighborhood Commission on Ministry (NCOM) of the Salem Presbytery. The purpose of the transition team is to complete a mission study and financial review of the church. The team is appointed by the Session and coordinates with the Commission on Ministry of the Salem Presbytery. With the approval of the mission study by the Salem Presbytery at its August meeting and the election of the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) on the fourth Sunday in September, the work of the transition committee is now complete. We will continue to be in prayer for our church as the PNC begins the important work of finding a permanent pastor. Transition team members are: Sharon Gaskin, Paula Graves, Charles Knox, Bob Powell, Amryl Ward, and Lolita Watkins.

The Pastoral Nomination Committee members are: Cynthia Latham, Don Miller, Dr. Ina Siler, Karen Yehuda-Watts, Marie Martin, Messiah Reid, Dr. Gretchen Robinson, Linda Adams, and Freddie Click.

EVANGELISM Neighborhood blasts, New Members & Inquirers Class

New Members and Inquirers Class!

If you missed the last New Members and Inquirers Class or are interested in learning more about Saint James, contact the church office 336-273-6558 to sign up for the next class. We are looking forward to sharing more about who we are and what we believe!

Who are you inviting to church next Sunday?

Do you have a friend or family member that needs some encouragement? Invite a friend or co-worker to worship. Reach out to those around you offer them the chance to get what they need by inviting them to church.

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FAITH POINT FELLOWSHIP Young Adult and College Ministry

Soul Food Conversations is held every Thursday at 7:00 PM in the Saint James Fellowship Hall. Experience a different kind of bible study targeted to young adults 18 - 30 years old. We have fearless conversations around faith and everyday life. Chef Bri Pemberton serves a free delicious home cooked meal to young adults at 6:15 PM. Meet our Ministry Coordinator Team who will lead bible study and worship. Invite a friend to experience this unique and new worshiping community. If you need a ride, call or text 336-690-8541 by 5:00 PM on Wednesdays.

FAITH POINT

SOUL FOOD CONVERSATIONS

Thursdays at 820 Ross Ave., Greensboro, NC 27406 FREE Dinner at 6:15 PM | Conversation starts at 7:00 PM Need a Ride? Text 336.690.8541 for FREE Transportation. FREE Childcare is provided.

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#FaithPointFellowship #SoulFoodConversations #WeAreThe12

Thirsty Thursday Worship Service will be held on Thursday, October 10th at 7:00 PM in the Saint James Fellowship Hall. Our very own Jasmine Evans will be our preacher. We welcome all ages to experience how a new generation of believers worships Christ. Our worship service features the music ministry of the Faith Point Praize Team. Free dinner is served to young adults at 6:15 PM. If you need a ride, call or text 336-690-8541 by 5:00 PM on Wednesdays.

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FTE Grant Award. The Forum for Theological Exploration awarded Faith Point Fellowship \$2000 grant for Recruitment for Ministry. The grant helps to support programs in which individuals are exploring careers in ministry or opportunities to serve as lay persons in ministry. Faith Point has three Ministry Coordinators leading the ministry this year. Jasmine Evans and Shemiah Curry are Coordinators for Faith Formation and Raquel Stubblefield is Coordinator for Social Media and Administration. We are grateful to God for this "unexpected" grant award!

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FORGET ME NOT LIST - COLLEGE STUDENTS

| Emmale Burris | Guilford Technical Community College |
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| Christian Butler | NC A&T State University |
| Victoria Butler | Howard University |
| Marcus Funderburk | Forsyth Technical Community College |
| Micah Funderburk | UNC-Pembroke |
| Kayla Gaskin | Emory University |
| Karlton Gaskin | Columbia University |
| Jalen Graves | UNC-Greensboro |
| Mia Graves | East Carolina University |
| Ashley Halley | Appalachian State University |
| Brittani Hewitt | Hampton University |
| Franklin McCain, III | NC A&T State University |
| Brianna Mercer | East Carolina University |
| April Newkirk | Central Piedmont Community College |
| Messiah Reid | Guildford Technical Community College |
| Alexis Robinson | UNC-Chapel Hill |
| Idalia Robinson | Guilford Technical Community College |
| Nodiyah Satterwhite | NC A&T State University |
| Isaiah Siler | Guilford Technical Community College |
| Jacquelyn Sullivan | Guilford College |
| Mikala Thomason | Nazareth College |
| Matthew Watlington | NC A&T State University |
| Shelleik Wilson | Winston-Salem State University |
| Messiah Reid Alexis Robinson Idalia Robinson Nodiyah Satterwhite Isaiah Siler Jacquelyn Sullivan Mikala Thomason Matthew Watlington | Guildford Technical Community College UNC-Chapel Hill Guilford Technical Community College NC A&T State University Guilford Technical Community College Guilford College Nazareth College NC A&T State University |

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FORGET ME NOT LIST Remember to pray for those who cannot attend worship

| Gertrude Avery | 412 Stewart St., 27401 |
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| Pearl Booker | 5533 Burlington Road, McLeansville, NC 27301 |
| Clarence and Pearl Durham | 3313 Janet Lane, 27405 |
| Hyla Cundiff | 2214 New Castle Rd. 27406 |
| Emily Goodman (sister of Trustee Fred Peterman) | 2605 Corinth Dr., 27406 |
| Bob and Luella Graves | 4400 Lawndale Dr., 27455 |
| Ralph Greenlee | Givens Highland Farm 200 Tabernacle Rd. |
| | Black Mountain, NC 28711 |
| John and Vallie Guthrie | 4504 Southall Dr., 27406 |
| | 801 Meadowood St., 27409 |
| Brenda Isaac | 707 N Elm St., High Point, NC 27262 |
| Brenda Jackson (daughter of Maxine Covington) | 1209 Humbaldt Avenue North |
| | Minneapolis, MN 55411 |
| Cecelia Jones | 2500 Ridge Point Circle |
| | Pleasant Garden, NC 27313 |
| Nan Manuel | 1503 Youngs Mill Rd, |
| | Greensboro, NC 27406. |
| Doris Morrison | Richland Place Senior Living, |
| | 3823 Lawndale Dr., Rm. 207, 27455 |
| Janie Reid | Shannon Gray Rehabilitation and Nursing |
| | 2005 Shannon Gray Ct. Jamestown, NC 27282 |
| Ben & Nancy Rives | 4813 Weston Place Jamestown N. C 27282 |
| Annis Sensabaugh | Blumenthal Jewish Nursing Center, |
| | 3724 Wireless Dr., Rm. 213, 27455 |
| Virgil A. Spaulding (brother of Valarie S. Little) (brother of Vernon Spaulding) | 2960 Milford Courts SW, Marietta, GA 30008 |
| Cecelia Taylor | 704 Julian St., 27406 |
| Erica Ward (granddaughter of Janie Reid) | 141 Vinings Dr. McDonough, GA 30253 |

FELLOWSHIP Expressions of gratitude, celebrations and church functions!

<u>Gratitude</u>

Our news cycle these days is often bombarded with stories of how those in need of care or on the margins of society have been shut out, discriminated against or even left to feel the pain of life circumstances and/or structures of inequality. We can be disheartened and even start moving toward thinking that the compassion and hospitality taught by some of the church fathers like Saint Francis of Assisi is long gone. But then God allows us to experience the radical welcome and gracious hospitality of a church family providing care and comfort. Saint James, you embodied what it is to be the hands, feet and mouth of Jesus by extending God's love to those at their time of need in new and very unconventional ways. It was overwhelming and a glimpse of the Glory that is to come. Thank you for your faith made evident through your service. God bless you all.

~Reverends Hamlin, Hughes &, Dew



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Thank you...

You were right there when it mattered most with your help and support. You reached out and gave of your generous heart. And you made more of a difference than you probably even realize. Thanks for all your help. ~The Wiley McRae Family

Graduation and Gratitude...

Dear Saint James Church Family, Thank you for the generous scholarship. I am grateful for the love and financial support of my church. Please know that I will use the scholarship towards my studies at Columbia University in New York City. I am excited to start the classes that will allow me to take steps towards my dream of becoming a medical doctor. I am also excited to be in NYC and to explore the culture and experiences in the City. Please keep me in your prayers. ~Sincerely, Karlton Gaskin

Scholarship Committee of Saint James Church,

Thank you all for the very generous scholarship for college. I really am so thankful for the amount of support you all have given me during my time at Saint James. ~God bless, Mikala Thomason

Dear Pastors Dew, Hamlin, and Hughes, and the Saint James Presbyterian Church family, with sincere appreciation I thank you for the scholarship to help me attend college. I am grateful for the many ways that members of our church have supported me through encouragement, prayers, and love over the years. It continues to bless me even now at Howard University. My family and I thank God for your love and generosity. We pray that God will continue to bless the church, exceedingly and abundantly above anything that we can ask or imagine. ~With love and gratitude, Victoria Gabrielle Butler

Thank you so much for celebrating this amazing achievement with me. The love and support you have shown, will guide me to achieve greatness. ~Love, Ashley Faye Halley



YOUTH MINISTRY

Girl Scout 40338 will be experiencing their first camping trip of the season on October 13-15 at Keywuaee Girl Scout camp in Sophia North Carolina. Some of the exciting activities include tenting, outdoor cooking, hiking, campfires, and the true nature experience. Special activities will include low ropes course, archery, paddle boating and much more. Parent chaperons will accompany the girls and their leaders.

Leaders: Otelia Spinks Fitch & Jamilliah Halley Troop Organizer: Donna Spinks

Trunk or Treat

Our favorite candy filled event is coming, Trunk or Treat on October 31st from 6p-8p. Treats will be given from the trunks of highly decorated cars. There will be a prize for the best decorated car! Wear your costumes, get free candy and treats, play games and invite all your friends! We can't wait to see you!

*Sponsored by the Saint James Youth Group and Faith Point Fellowship.



OUTREACH MINISTRY We are busy serving the community- Join Us!

Volunteers Needed!

As a church we have an awesome opportunity to touch lives by providing a hot nutritious meal to those in the community every Sunday. Please consider supporting this ministry by volunteering. All individuals, groups and organizations are encouraged to volunteer with Message and a Meal. Volunteers need to arrive by 2:00 p.m. to set up and prepare the fellowship hall to welcome in our guests. Volunteers will also help to serve meals and clean up. Please sign-up on the church website at <u>www.stjamespresby.org</u> or feel free to contact the church office at 336-273-6658. If you are unable to volunteer on Sundays you may also assist by spreading the word about Message and a Meal. Flyers are available upon request.

| Date | Guests | Volunteers |
|-----------|--------|------------|
| 9/1/2019 | 71 | 10 |
| 9/8/2019 | 78 | 8 |
| 9/15/2019 | 53 | 12 |
| 9/22/2019 | 60 | 5 |
| 9/29/2019 | 61 | 5 |

Message and A Meal September 2019

September 2019 Health & Spiritual Messages

In addition to a healthy nutritious meal and health related message, health care professionals from Cone Health administered several blood pressure screenings.

Topics of discussion during September included information regarding the new Medicaid Plan, bucket list, health coverage options, building community, the medical bus, dealing with grief and the Nurse Helpline.

Thank you to all who volunteer and continue to pray for Message and a Meal. We look forward to the many ways we are able to touch lives through Jesus Christ.

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Ministry of the Month: Greater Greensboro Crop Hunger Walk

The 39th annual Crop Hunger Walk for Greater Greensboro will be held on Sunday, October 6th, at the Greensboro Coliseum complex. Contact Elder Oscar Reid for more information. Help stomp out both local and global hunger... one step at a time! More information coming soon.

Tiny House Community Development: We Are... One In The Spirit

Are you still looking to fulfill a niche? Perhaps, you feel led to help 'the least of these' but don't know where to begin. Well...look no more! There is 'plenty of good room' for you with Tiny House, a ministry that builds safe, affordable housing for the homeless in our community. How can I help, you might ask? The opportunities below are just some of the ways you or your ministry, collectively, can help.

Tiny House Volunteer Opportunities:

Breakfast 4 Our Friends: Breakfast is served every Saturday morning between 7:45 am – 8:45 am at Center City Park in downtown Greensboro. Volunteer your time and/or breakfast items for approximately 80-100 people

<u>Skilled Labor:</u> Construction workdays are Saturdays between 9 am – 2 pm. You or your group may sign up at: www.volunteergso.org. The harvest is indeed plentiful...

Sponsor a Resident's Utilities: Utilities for a Tiny House averages to \$85.00/month. You can sponsor utilities on either a monthly or yearly basis.

Donate Appliances: For one of the six houses currently being built in the Greensboro Tiny House community appliances average to \$1,300.00.

<u>Make a Tax Deductible Donation To:</u> Tiny House Greensboro, P. O. Box 20691, Greensboro, NC 27420.

*For additional information on this ministry, please contact Elders Oscar Reid, Sharon Smiley or Paula Pierce.

The **Homeless Committee** had its Kick-Off meeting on September 18th. The initial service project for the Fall will be the collection of Quaker Oats (Quick 1-Minute Oats) for the Greensboro Urban Ministry; (2) For the collection of winter clothing for children, youths, and adults; (3) And for a partnership with the Greensboro Retired Teachers by purchasing and donating food for the children's Weekend Back Packs. Please pick up a copy of the food items in the Narthex or the George Simpkins room. The committee will also assist Elder Oscar Reid with the Annual Christmas store in December. The parents and children will be invited to come to the church to shop for Christmas items. Elder Reid will provide a list of items to be collected and announce the date for the Annual Christmas store.

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Bread for the World Advocacy Training Monday, October 14, 2019 7-8:30 p.m. Bread for the World's advocacy is a program that for years continues to have a positive impact on poverty and hunger issues, but change can't happen without allies in government. Please join us in this important training program. Contact Rev. Frank Dew to register.



breadfortheworld have faith. END HUNGER.

Fall Lectures by Union Presbytery | Monday, October 21, 2019 | 7 p.m.

Join us for and invite those you know to a free public lecture offered by two nationally acclaimed scholars exploring the invention of race in America and American Christianity and how that invention impacts our theology, our conversations, and our faith. Titled "The Invention of Race: Race, Ethnicity, Scripture, and the Christian Tradition," Drs. Christine Luckritz Marquis and Rodney Sadler will co-present the lecture at St. James Presbyterian Church in Greensboro, NC on Monday, October 21 at 7:00 PM. A reception will follow at the church. To learn more about the lecture, contact Tim Moore at tmoore@upsem.edu. Registration for the event is not required but appreciated.



FALL LECTURES GREENSBORO NORTH CAROLINA

STEWARDSHIP Monthly collection and stewardship opportunities.

You Have a Story! Won't you share?

Testimony is one of the most powerful ways we can convey to others the level, sincerity and commitment to faith in our Lord and Savior, with others. These personal acknowledgements can often be quite revealing, humbling and surprising. It is in this act of selflessness and personal reveal that we can open ourselves to, and embrace others, as family.

If you would like to share your testimony in a Stewardship Moment, as it relates to your giving practices (whatever they are), please see Elders Jerry Young or Karen Watts Yehudah. We'd love to hear from you.

The Stewardship Committee continues to thank the congregation of St. James Presbyterian Church for their steadfast commitment and generosity.

September 2019 Weekly Collections Goal \$7,497.00 each Sunday \$32.487.00 per month

| 9/1/2019 | Worship Service | \$ 6,825.00 |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 9/8/2019 | Worship Service | \$ 6,800.45 |
| 9/15/2019 | Worship Service \$ 3,922.75 | |
| 9/23/2019 | Worship Service | \$ 3,778.51 |
| 9/30/2019 | Worship Service | \$ 5,750.65 |
| | PayPal | \$ 2,056.20 |
| | Cash App | \$ 527.50 |
| Missed Monthly Goal by: | - \$2,825.94 | Total: \$29,661.06 |

VOLUNTEER *We are busy serving each other – Join Us!*

The Audio/Sound Ministry which is responsible for enhancing the sound generated during Sunday services, as well as all other special services, is actively seeking new members. Our major responsibilities revolve around using the soundboard to maximize the quality of each microphone output and to record all applicable parts of the service.

The Evangelism Team is seeking volunteers. Do You Have Creativity, a Great Smile, Willingness to Speak to Strangers and a Desire to Share God's Love? Join the Evangelism Team! Men and women of all ages are needed as we build our team to reach



out to those who are yet to come. Sign up by sending your name, email and phone number to: <u>lhawkins2011@gmail.com</u>

Faith Point Fellowship Board (formerly Campus Ministry) is looking for committed persons who enjoy working with and supporting college students and young adults. Contact: Elder Paula Pierce at 443-253-7391.

Handbell Choir Do you want to bring out that hidden talent to play in a choir? If so, the Handbell Choir would like to welcome you on board. The group plays from five to seven times a year for church services. Members may also have the opportunity to perform in a recital as well as in schools.

Nursery Volunteers are needed to serve in the Nursery at least one Sunday service per month. To inquire about this opportunity, please see Elder Channelle James or the church office.

Office Volunteers The church office is looking for willing to be trained volunteers to manage phones, proofread/edit church publications, or offer relief to the Office Manager during breaks and lunches. Volunteers must be willing to answer phones and be able to share the love of God with the community. If you are interested, please call the Church Office.

Outreach Ministry Volunteers are needed to serve meals at the Greensboro Urban Ministry, to drive senior adults to doctor's visits via the Senior Wheels program.

Ushers are in short supply. If you have any experience with ushering or are willing to learn please contact Deacon Fayma Avent or the Church Office. We would love to see your smiling face when we enter the church for worship.

WEEKLY CHURCH SCHEDULE A general schedule of activities

Sundays

| 9:30 am | Sunday School | Wednesd | lays |
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| 11:00 am | Morning Worship Service | 12:30 pm | Mid-Week Prayer Service |
| 12:30 pm | 2 nd Sundays | 7:00 pm | 1 st Wednesdays |
| | Monthly Trustee Meeting | | Financial Management Team |
| 3:00 pm | Message and A Meal | | |
| | Free Hot Meal & Health | Thursday | / S |
| | Information | 2:00 pm | Golden Rays Exercise Group |
| 9:30 am | 4 th Sundays Deacon Meeting | 6:15 pm | Faith Point Fellowship |

Mondays

| 10:00 am | Monday Morning Bible Study |
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| 6:00 pm | 3 rd Monday – Stephen Ministry |
| 6:00 pm | Inspirational Ensemble |
| 7:00 pm | New Generation Praise Team |

Tuesdays

- 2:00 pm Golden Rays Exercise Group
- 2nd Tuesdays Monthly Elders' 6:30 pm Meeting

| 2:00 pm | Golden Rays Exercise Group |
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| 6:15 pm | Faith Point Fellowship |

Fridays

No Scheduled activities

Saturdays

3rd Saturdays 9:00 am Presbyterian Men's Meeting & Breakfast

| OCTOBER 2019 | | | | | | | | |
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| Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday | | | | | | | | |
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FALL LECTURES GREENSBORO NORTH CAROLINA

7 PM / MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019

The Invention of Race: Race, Ethnicity, Scripture, and the Christian Tradition



Speakers: Christine Luckritz Marquis and Rodney Sadler

A public lecture offered by two nationally acclaimed scholars exploring the invention of race in America and American Christianity and how that invention impacts our theology, our conversations, and our faith.



St. James Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, North Carolina 820 Ross Avenue, Greensboro, North Carolina

Lecture will be held in the sanctuary and be followed by a reception in the fellowship hall



5 PM / SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2019

Church Looks Different: Millennial Models of Faith and Justice

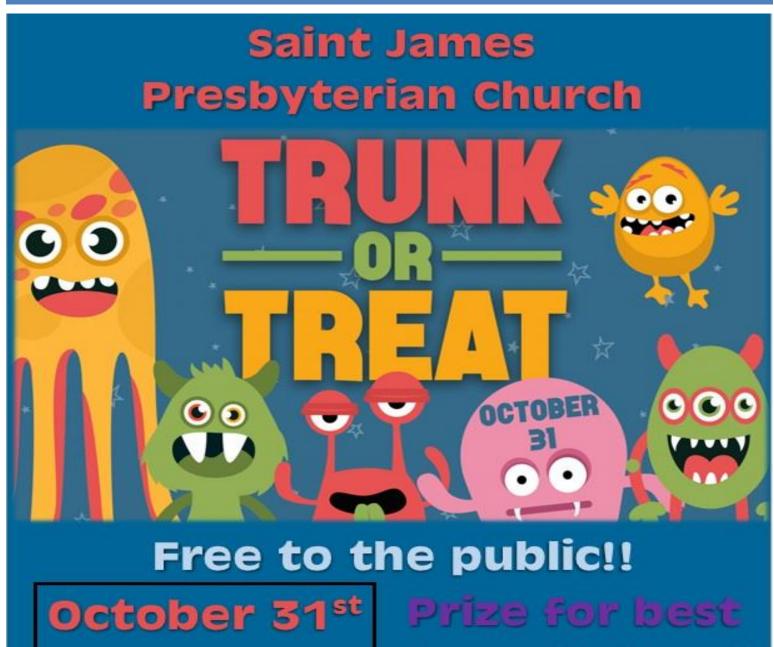
Speaker: Melanie Jones

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, North Carolina 3906 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro, North Carolina

Lecture will be held in the church fellowship hall. <u>Childcare by request only before Nov. 11</u>. Please email info@westpreschurch.org

Both lectures are open and free to the public. Registration is requested.

To registration, please visit: **www.eiseverywhere.com/Greensboro** For more information, please contact: Tim Moore at tmoore@upsem.edu or 980-636-1660



6pm - 8pm decorated car!!

Candy, Fun, Contests & Games!! 820 Ross Ave. Greensboro, NC 27406

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