

# Saint ames Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

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Reverend Richard Hughes, Preaching Supply Pastor
Reverend Frank Dew, Pastoral Leadership for Administering Sacraments and Session Moderator

# **October 2020 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 fill out our electronic visitor's card located here: <u>https://forms.gle/L33q5q23H92pnnrV9</u>. You can also contact us during worship through our Zoom chat, our FB Messenger or send an email after worship to: <u>office@stjamespresby.org</u>. 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.



### 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) You can fill out our electronic visitors card located here: <u>https://forms.gle/L33q5q23H92pnnrV9</u> and we will reach out to you. (2) You can contact us during worship through our Zoom chat, our FB Messenger or send an email after worship to: <u>office@stjamespresby.org</u>. We look forward to helping you make this decision!

### **Connect With Us!**

Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/stjamespresby

Follow us on Twitter: **@stjames\_gsonc** Follow us on Instagram: **@saintjamespresbync** Visit our Website: **www.stjamespresby.org** 

### **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.

#### Virtual Order of Worship:

**Musical Prelude** Welcome Greetings Call to Worship Praise & Worship **Opening Prayer** Announcements Offering **Offertory Prayer** Sermonic Selection Scripture Reading Sermon Invitation to Christian Discipleship Holy Communion on First Sundays **Benediction & Amen** Virtual "HALLWAY" Hangout

### October Participants: <u>Worship Leaders:</u> Reverend Sèkinah Hamlin Reverend Richard Hughes Reverend Frank Dew

<u>Worship Elder:</u> Elder Karen Watts-Yehudah Elder Charles Knox Elder Sharon Gaskin

#### **Music Directors:**

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

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

**Musicians:** 

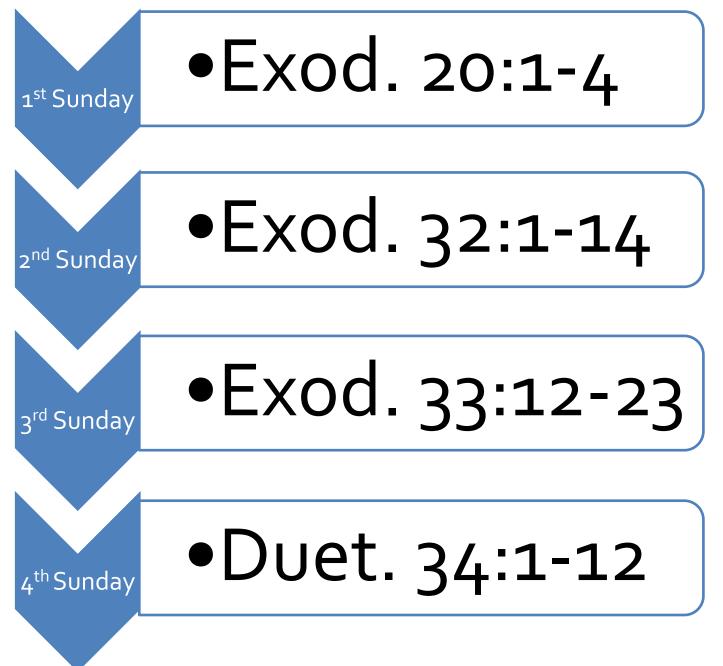
Dr. Ronald Campbell, Organist & Keyboardist

Mr. Nick Hayes, Percussionist



# 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.

In the interest and concern for your safety during the COVID-19 epidemic, online and conference call services will be conducted until further notice. All physical group gatherings have been transferred to another medium or postponed. We are asking all members and friends to join us via conference call, Zoom, or Facebook Live on Sundays at 10 a.m.

To join us online at Zoom for our Sunday Service: Click the link here -----> <u>https://zoom.us/j/742365808</u> To join us on our conference call, dial in to: 929-205-6099 Enter Meeting ID: 742 365 808# (This Meeting ID is just for our Sunday Service and virtual sanctuary hangout) You can also join us on our Facebook page: Click the link here -----> <u>www.facebook.com/stjamespresby</u> or visit <u>www.facebook.com</u> Go to the search bar and type in "St. James Presbyterian Church" Click on the picture of our logo! Visit our website to sign up for email updates. <u>www.stjamespresby.org</u>

<u>**Did you miss any services?**</u> Our Zoom services are now on YouTube! You can find all of our Sunday and Special Services on our YouTube page. All of our Bible Studies are continually added as well! Please click the link to enjoy any one of our services that you may have missed. Click the link below to watch:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoVErWxoPIgu-480\_ig2V2A

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### <u>Happy Birthday!!</u>

# Happy birthday to our members born in October!



Allison Avent

Valerie Spaulding-Little

Maiya Kenebrew

Harold Cundiff

Linda Adams

Ashley Halley

**Garry Halley** 

**Robert Patterson** 

Paul Carlton

Maxine Covington

### **DISCIPLESHIP** Sunday School, Bible Studies & Leadership Trainings

**Bible Study with Rev. Frank Dew** began on September 9<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. The topic is "The Beatitudes: Blessings in a Season of Many Challenges!" Matthew 5:1-16. Join us on Zoom with meeting ID: 344887.

Join the members of the **Monday Morning Bible Study** class from September thru December 2020 for an AT-HOME-STUDY of the book of PROVERBS. This study will allow us to glean the wisdom God wants us to know and use. Study this book of the Bible to find a truth to learn, a promise to claim, a command to obey and a prayer to echo. JOIN US!!

**The John Erwin Sunday School Class** is honoring the Stay-at-Home, physical distancing order.

#### **Presbyterian Women Bible Study Circles**

<u>Grace Brown Circle</u> will be honoring Stay-at-Home and Physical Distancing practices during this time. Details on our meeting will be forthcoming. ~Donna Spinks & Kathy Moore, Co-Mods.

<u>The Roxie McNair Circle</u> is honoring the Stay-At-Home and the physical distancing. More details to come later. ~Elder Pauline McNair, Moderator

<u>The Sara Barber Circle</u> will meet October 4, 2020 at 3:00 pm. The location/logistics will be decided closer to that date. Lesson two entitled, Lamenting Together from the study guide, <u>Into The Light: Finding Hope Through Prayers of Lament</u>, will be led by Linda Adams. Scripture: Psalm 137. Visitors who would like to visit or join should contact Linda Adams at 336-509-0420. ~Linda Adams, Moderator

<u>The Essie B. Meares Circle</u> will begin our Horizons Study Guide- INTO THE LIGHT: Finding Hope Through Prayers of Lament by studying lessons 1 and 2 for October. For the present time, we will have Circle Partners- two-three will work together, calling to discuss lessons, or engage in any other format which is decided by the individuals. We look forward to having a productive year and invite others to join us. Thank you ~Mrs. Demetra Barnwell, Moderator.



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

<u>The Marie Florance Presbytettes</u> will meet virtually on Sunday, October 18 at 1:00 PM. Zoom information will be sent in the September letter. Portia Griffin will lead Lesson 2 from our Horizons workbook Into the Light: Finding Hope Through Prayers of Lament. We welcome all visitors. Please contact our Moderator, Ina Siler at 551-655-4612 for more information.

We celebrated three Presbytette birthdays this month. Annetrice Johnson received her birthday crown on September 24. Haley James turned 12 on September 26 and we "showed her the money!" We had a surprise birthday celebration for Hyla Cundiff, who also celebrated her birthday on September 26.



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

<u>The Older Adult Ministry</u> continues to address the issues of the aging population in a positive and pro-active manner. All Super Seniors are invited to join us. Please contact Mrs. Marie Martin for more information. ~Mrs. Marie Martin, Moderator

#### Presbyterian Women in the Congregation (PWC)

Calling all girls and women of Saint James!

You are invited to attend our next Presbyterian Women of the Congregation Zoom on Sunday, October 11 at 2:00pm. Girls and women of all ages (5-100+) are welcomed to attend. Our last meeting consisted of centering meditation with wind chimes, a purse scavenger hunt and a bible study overview. We had a great time! But we were missing an important person - You!

Please consider joining us next month! A link to the Zoom meeting is forthcoming. Dues for this PWC year are \$30.00. All active women are encouraged to submit your dues no later than Friday, October 2nd. You can pay via mail (820 Ross Avenue, 27406), PayPal or CashApp (\$SJPCNC). Please indicate PW Dues in the memo.

#### Presbyterian Men

The Presbyterian Men's Monthly Breakfast Meeting and Bible Study has been postponed but more information is forthcoming. All men of the church are members of Presbyterian Men's Ministry and your support and your presence is needed as we seek to Touch Lives through Jesus Christ and minister both inside and outside the walls.

Make your personal commitment by joining one of our focused ministry teams:

- Youth Ministry Team: Michael Witherspoon, Bob Powell, and Gary Halley
- Fundraising Ministry: Gary Williams, Jimmy Propst, and Marvin Watkins
- Social Justice Ministry: Jerry Young, Bob Powell and Freddie Click, Sr.
- Community Service Ministry (Feeding the Hungry and Homeless): Charles Burns and James Neal, Jr.
- Men's Weekend: Charles Knox and Charles Burns
- Congregational Outing: Charles Knox
- Bible Study: Oscar Reid.
   The 2020 Bible Study will be The Revelation to John, "Strength for the Struggle ".

Additionally the Men are committed to continuing our ministry with Waldo C. Falkener Elementary School and collaborating with ministries of the general church.

All men are requested to assist in the Fall Fish and Chicken Fundraiser. Proceeds will be utilized to support Youth Scholarships and other Men's Ministry.

All men of the church are requested to donate annual dues of \$65. Payments may be made to Gary Williams, Treasurer or in the regular offering. Make checks payable to Saint James Presbyterian Church with Presbyterian Men on the memo line. Elder Charles Knox, President

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



Saturday October 24, 2020 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### <u>Dinners:</u> Fish or Chicken Tenders - \$10.00

(Includes two sides, bread, desert and soft drink or water) Additional sides available - \$1.00 each



#### Menu Sides



Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Hushpuppies, Onion Rings

(Due to COVID-19, all dinners will be served in to-go containers)

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# **ADMINISTRATION** Church Business & Officer Information

#### It is time to Elect the Nominating Committee!

Please prayerfully think about participating on this Committee. Your commitment will be about 5 weeks of Virtual – Zoom meeting to prepare a list of candidates for the position of Church Officers. We are behind and need to catch -up! If you know someone who is willing to participate or maybe even yourself, please call the Church office and leave your name and contact information with JaTonda. We will need five (5) volunteers from the congregation and one(1) youth volunteer. ~Elders Donna Spinks & Carrie Ledbetter

#### **Monthly Informer Article Deadline**

Please feel free to mail 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 *Friday*, *October 23*, *2020 by 12:00 noon*.

#### 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.

#### 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!

#### Update on Printing through the Office

Finally! Implementation of copy codes and limits has been updated. There will be cost for printing in the church office. Every ministry will receive a printing allotment for the year. Prints over the allotted amount will be billed to each ministry. Contact the office with any questions or code requests.

Yearly Allotment per Ministry: Black & White Copies: 300, Color Copies: 175 Printing Charges: Black & White: \$0.01 per letter-sized impression

Color: \$0.08 per letter-sized impression

Tabloid: Each 11x17 impression counts as two letter-size impressions.

#### **Contact Information Updating**

Have you moved? Changed your phone number? Did you know that you can send update your contact information anytime? Our contact information form is always available online. To fill out the form online, please click: <u>https://forms.gle/bncJhjh5d4gwHafUA</u> You can also visit our website and click on the link to be taken to the Contact Information Update form. If you would like a physical form, please call the church office and one will be mailed to you. Your information will remain confidential.

# **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	Α
Bob Powell	В
Carrie Ledbetter	С
Sharon Gaskin	D, E
Sharon Smiley	F, G
Karen Watts-Yehudah	Н, І
Andrea Russell	J, K, L
Oscar Reid, Jr.	Μ
Charles Knox	N, O, P
Timisha Corpening	Q, R
Paula Latham	S
Linda McSwain-Randall	T, U, V
Donna Spinks	W, X, Y, Z

Shepherd's Care List 2020

### **ADMINISTRATION** Church Business & Officer Information (continued)

Pastor Nominating Committee

In this months update, we are pleased to report that several more candidates have expressed interest in the position of our pastor. We will spend October, reviewing PIFs, reviewing credentials and screening these candidates. Our committee needs your prayers . Continue to ask God to bring the pastor that is tailor made for us. We still welcome your questions, ideas and referrals. Our members are listed below.

The members of your PNC are:

Linda Adams Jasmine Evans Marie Martin Gretchen Robinson Karen Watts-Yehudah Freddie Click Cynthia Latham Ina Siler



### **ADMINISTRATION** Church Business & Officer Information (continued)

#### **Bulletin Boards**

Thanks to all of the Ministries at St. James Presbyterian Church for each Bulletin Board representing what your ministry is doing. It is important that your Ministry board keep our church abreast of what you are doing in your ministry. It also helps members and visitors to take a quick glance at what your ministry is all about. We share and hope you will continue to benefit from our bulletin boards to the point you would like to join one that interests you most. Please contact me with any questions. May God bless you! ~Willie M. Meachem "Peggy"

### **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!



# SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY MINISTRY

#### Upcoming Events

Shiloh Baptist Church: Voting Registration Event: Sat, October 3, 2020 12 pm - 3 pm The Black & Brown Women's GET OUT THE VOTE (GOTV) Initiative, in partnership with Saint James Presbyterian Church and the Beloved Community Center, is hosting a "Voting For Our Lives" Voter Registration and Voter Information event on Saturday, October 3, 2020 at Shiloh Baptist Church, 1210 S. Eugene Street, Greensboro, North Carolina from Noon-3:00 pm. Participants will be able to register to vote, obtain absentee ballot request forms and update their voter registration status. Voting schedules, sites and deadline information will be provided. Lunch and sweet treats bags for children will be enjoyed as participants are educated on the importance of voting! Masks are required and will be provided if needed.

All social distancing guidelines will be followed. For further information please visit: <u>www.belovedcommunitycenter.org/vote-2020</u> If any church member has questions about your voting status, please call Lolita Watkins at (336)-540-9627.



### SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY MINISTRY (continued)

Reid Memorial CME Church: Voter Educational Event: Sat, Oct 10, 2020 12 pm - 3 pm The Black & Brown Women's GET OUT THE VOTE (GOTV) Initiative, in partnership with Saint James Presbyterian Church and the Beloved Community Center, is hosting a "Voting For Our Lives" Voter Educational event on Saturday, October 10, 2020 at Reid Memorial CME Church, 1010 Bennett Street, Greensboro, North Carolina from Noon -3:00 pm. Information will be provided on one stop voter registration and early voting, the voting schedule and sites as well as how to verify your voter status and request an absentee ballot with emphasis on deadlines. Lunch and sweet treat bags for children will be enjoyed as participants are educated on the importance of voting! Masks are required and will be provided if needed. All social distancing guidelines will be followed. For further information please visit: <u>https:/belovedcommunitycenter.org/vote-2020/</u>



### SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY MINISTRY (continued)

#### **Voting Guide**

The voting guides from Democracy North Carolina have arrived and have been placed in the George Simkins room. Please come by the church to pick up this information. Pictures of various state candidates and their responses to election issues are included in the Voting Guide. Take one per household and to any friend, relative, neighbor, and colleague who may have an interest in receiving this information. A sign-in sheet for our records for Democracy North Carolina will be provided that you have received this voting guide will be placed on the table in the George Simkins room. Please remember to wear your mask and gloves on entering the church.

#### **Phone Bank**

The SJPC GOTV Committee is inviting church members to join them in participating in phone bank training to encourage voter participation. If you are interested in supporting our voter engagement effort while honoring the legacy of John Lewis, please contact the church office at (336)-273-6658 and speak with JaTonda Thompson or call Lolita Watkins by 10:00 am on Monday, October 5, 2020.

#### **Pledge Cards**

As you are aware, we have had a meaningful relationship with Democracy NC. They have not only been the source of valuable information but have also provided the committee, in our partnership with Beloved Community Center, a grant in the amount of \$750. Through this relationship, GOTV Committee has assisted Democracy NC in meeting its goals. We've been asked to assist Democracy NC reach a local goal of 200 Pledges to Vote. The link below is to a form that by filling out, you pledge to vote. Democracy NC is available to individuals for questions and any information one might request. Please complete the form and pass along to others as we work to reach the 200 Pledges to Vote. Please address any questions to Lolita Watkins. <u>https://bit.ly/2FKqgoj</u>



### FAITH POINT FELLOWSHIP Young Adult and College Ministry

**Soul Food Conversations** continues the Shut-In Series this month. Look for our FB Live 30-minute bible studies with our Zoom discussion groups the following week. Lessons are led by our dynamic Ministry Coordinators for Faith Formation Jasmine Evans and Shemiah Curry. "LIKE" Faith Point Fellowship on FB and Instagram to receive the bible study schedule and Zoom link. Please invite your young adult children, grandchildren and friends to attend our virtual bible study. Even high school age students who are 16-18 can participate. We do not discuss mature content in our FB bible studies.

Thirsty Thursday Worship Services will be held on Thursday, October 15 at 7:00 PM on Zoom. Young adults and those who are young at heart are invited to attend the service where you will hear an inspiring and uplifting message God. Look for the Zoom link in the October 9 Informer weekly update.



#### Want to stay connected to Faith Point Fellowship?

Text FPF to 55469 to receive words of inspiration and regular updates or visit our website at faithpointfellowship.org. We are also on social media @FaithPointFellowship

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### **FORGET ME NOT LIST - COLLEGE STUDENTS**

Emmale Burris	Guilford Technical Community College
Terence Burris	NC A&T State University
Christian Butler	NC A&T State University
Victoria Butler	Howard University
Paul Carlton	NC A&T State 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	North Carolina Central School of Law
Ashley Halley	Appalachian State University
Brittani Hewitt	Hampton University
Franklin McCain, III	NC A&T State University
April Newkirk	Central Piedmont Community College
Messiah Reid	Guildford Technical Community College
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

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

Gertrude Avery	412 Stewart St., 27401
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 Graves	4400 Lawndale Dr., 27455
John and Vallie Guthrie	4504 Southall Dr., 27406
Lynette Hawkins	1212 Swan Creek Rd.
	Fort Washington, MD 20744
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
Annis Sensabaugh	Blumenthal Jewish Nursing Center,
	3724 Wireless Dr., Rm. 213, 27455
Erica Ward (niece of Elder Nancy Rives)	141 Vinings Dr. McDonough, GA 30253



### **FELLOWSHIP** Expressions of gratitude, celebrations and church functions!

#### Thank you...

Rev. Hamlin, Rev. Hughes and the entire Saint James Presbyterian Church Family, we are so appreciative of your many acts of kindness shown towards us during my father's illness and at the time of his death. Your cards, text, emails and prayers were reassuring that we were not along during these uncertain times. God Bless each of you! ~Sincerely, Ralph, Ursula, Devin and Alexis Robinson

To Rev. Hamlin and the Saint James Presbyterian Church Family, Althea, Duncan, and I remain overwhelmed with gratitude by the outpouring of love shown to us since the death of our beloved Aleta Marie Bradford. Your expressions of kindness, in many different forms, continue to lift our spirits, encourage our will to go on, and enliven our faith in God's sustaining love. We ask that you remain diligent in praying for us unceasingly. ~Adnee M. Bradford and family

To the St. James Presbyterian Church Family, Thank you so much for your cards, calls, prayers, gestures of kindness and thoughtfulness during my illness. They have meant more than you'll ever know! ~Sincerely, Fayma Avent

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

Message and a Meal continues to provide a hot and nutritious meal every Sunday at 3 P.M. Meals are now served in to-go containers. Although we are not able to fellowship together over a meal with the community amid the COVID-19 pandemic, we are grateful for the opportunity to be able to serve takeout meals to those in need.

Date	Guests	Volunteers	
9/6/2020	151	4	
9/13/2020	130	5	
9/20/2020	132	4	
9/27/2020	127	4	

#### Message and A Meal September 2020

#### 2020 Health & Spiritual Messages

Topics of discussion included information about influenza, National Women's Day, and best practices to keep safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

# Let us continue to pray for our neighbors and take all necessary precautions to remain safe and healthy.

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

#### Ministry of the Month: Greater Greensboro Crop Hunger Walk

The 40<sup>th</sup> annual Crop Hunger Walk for Greater Greensboro Sunday, October 4, 2020. This year's walk is virtual. 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 A.M. – 8:45 A.M. at Center City Park in downtown Greensboro. Volunteer your time and/or breakfast items for approximately 80-100 people

**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 Elder Oscar Reid.

**Homeless Committee:** The Homeless Committee wishes to acknowledge with warm appreciation the congregation for the donation of 51 boxes of Quaker Oats for the Greensboro Urban Ministry.

**Stephen Ministry**, a Christ-centered ministry that provides care in alleviating pain and stress of life, remains attentive to the needs of others. Our personal contact via the phone allows us to connect. As we venture day by day through this pandemic, we extend the promises of God and the affirmation of His omni-presence. Our goal is to represent the love, concern and care of Jesus in a confidential way. If we can be of assistance as we journey together, please call a Stephen Leader: Adnee Bradford (336) 202-6989, Yvonne Patterson (336) 375-0122, Cynthia Latham (336) 324-7252

#### **Continued Free Meal Distribution**

Guilford County Schools is continuing to provide Grab & Go meals Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. until noon at 41 schools and 64 neighborhood locations for children under the age of 18. Find the locations here:

**Meal Distribution Listing** 

### **STEWARDSHIP** Monthly collection and stewardship opportunities.

"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver... For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God..." Il Corinthians, 9:7 and 12a.

As we continue to worship via Zoom, Facebook Live and tele-conference, we remain connected to one another as a congregation. Our ministries are working to address political and social issues of our times. We continue to keep Message and a Meal in full operation. Our staff remains available to provide us with information and support our activities. And our Pastors remain vigilant in all areas of congregation services.

The Stewardship continues to thank you for your steadfast giving that allows our church to continue to "touch lives through Jesus Christ..."

The Stewardship Committee would like to thank you for the extra measures many of you are taking to fulfill your financial commitment to our church.

Reminder - 2020 Guide to our upcoming "Special Giving" opportunities.

#### Note: Missed a "Special Giving" opportunity? No problem! Just indicate your intention on your check or in the on line giving in "special instructions"!

Reminder - 2020 Guide to our "Special Giving" envelopes.

The second remittance of our Per-Capita responsibility is now due. If you have not had the opportunity to participate in this, please do so now.

Peace and Global Witness – Free Will Offering due September 6th – October 4th

Christmas Joy Offering – Free Will Offering due December 6th – December 20th

Receipts:

9/6/2020 9/13/2020 9/20/2020 9/27/2020

<u>Finally – Let's not forget to contribute to our Emergency Relief Fund! During this time many are truly</u> <u>experiencing a difficult time.</u>

For those of you who *give on line*, please indicate the nature of your *Special Giving* where it states "add special instructions." You can now give from your smart phone! Use Cash App -

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September- 2020- Weekly Collections Goal - \$7,497.00 each Sunday/ \$27,917.00 per month

\*\*\* Missed Monthly Goal By: \$ (2,280.56)

	Gen	eral Operations
Worship Service	\$	4,401.00
Worship Service	\$	3,425.00
Worship Service	\$	10,757.00
Worship Service	\$	2,400.44
Worship Service	\$	-
NSF	\$	-
PayPal	\$	2,330.50
Cash App	\$	2,322.50
	\$	25,636.44

For I know the plans I have for you, " declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Jeremiah 29:11 The Bountiful Land Food for All Farmers Markets are committed to fighting food apartheid, providing fresh whole foods to people trapped in food deserts, and supporting NC's black and brown farmers.

We will offer health care screenings and COVID-fighting information at these markets and we are EBT/SNAP approved.



# GREENSBORO DINNER DISTRIBUTIONS

# **HEALTHY GRAB & GO MEALS** Drive Up or Walk Up Options Available

One Meal Available for each Child 0-18 Parents/Guardians able to pick-up without children present No paperwork or ID necessary

# **TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS**

STARTING 5/19 5:00PM-6:00PM	5:30PM-6:30PM	5:30PM-6:30PM
Mt. Olivet	Renaissance	Bethany
AME Zion	Shopping	Fellowship
Church	Center	Church
2123 McConnell Rd.	2521 Phillips Ave,	4707 W Gate City
Greensboro, NC 27401	Greensboro, NC 27405	Blvd, GSO, NC 27407
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