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Saint James Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

A "Matthew 25" Congregation

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"Touching Lives Through Jesus Christ!"

Reverend Phanta I. Lansden, Senior Pastor

November 2021 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 November. We ask that you kindly fill out our electronic visitor's card located here: <https://forms.gle/L33q5q23H92pnnrV9>. You can also contact us during worship through our Zoom chat, our FB Messenger or send an email after worship to: office@stjamespresby.org. 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.

A large, elegant, blue cursive script that reads "Welcome". The lettering is fluid and decorative, with a large initial 'W' that loops back.

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: <https://forms.gle/L33q5q23H92pnnrV9> 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: office@stjamespresby.org. 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](https://twitter.com/stjames_gsonc)

Follow us on Instagram: [@saintjamespresbync](https://www.instagram.com/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.”

WE ARE A MATTHEW 25 CONGREGATION!



Matthew 25 in the PC(USA):

A bold vision and invitation

We are a Matthew 25 church!

Our congregation has accepted the PC(USA)'s invitation to follow Jesus' teachings in Matthew 25:31–46 by becoming active disciples and making a difference in our community and the world.

As part of our Matthew 25 commitment, we pledge to embrace one or more of these three areas of focus:

- Building congregational vitality by deepening and energizing our faith and growing as joyful leaders and disciples actively engaged with our community as we share the gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed
- Dismantling structural racism by fearlessly applying our faith to advocate and break down the systems, practices and thinking that underlie discrimination, bias, prejudice and oppression of people of color
- Eradicating systemic poverty by acting on our beliefs and working to change laws, policies, plans and structures in our society that perpetuate economic exploitation of people who are poor

To learn more and for ideas on how to get involved and do your vital part as a member of a Matthew 25 church, please visit pcusa.org/matthew25.



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WORSHIP

Saint James worship services & shared community worship opportunities.

Virtual Order of Worship:

Musical Prelude
Welcome
Greetings
Praise & Worship
Opening Prayer
Passing of the Peace
Announcements
Offering
Offertory Prayer
Sermonic Selection
Scripture Reading
Sermon
Holy Communion on First Sundays
Invitation to Christian Discipleship
Benediction & Amen
Virtual “HALLWAY” Hangout

November Participants:

Worship Leader:

Rev. Phanta I. Lansden

Worship Elders:

Elder Charles Knox

Elder Karen Watts-Yehudah

Elder Jasmine Evans

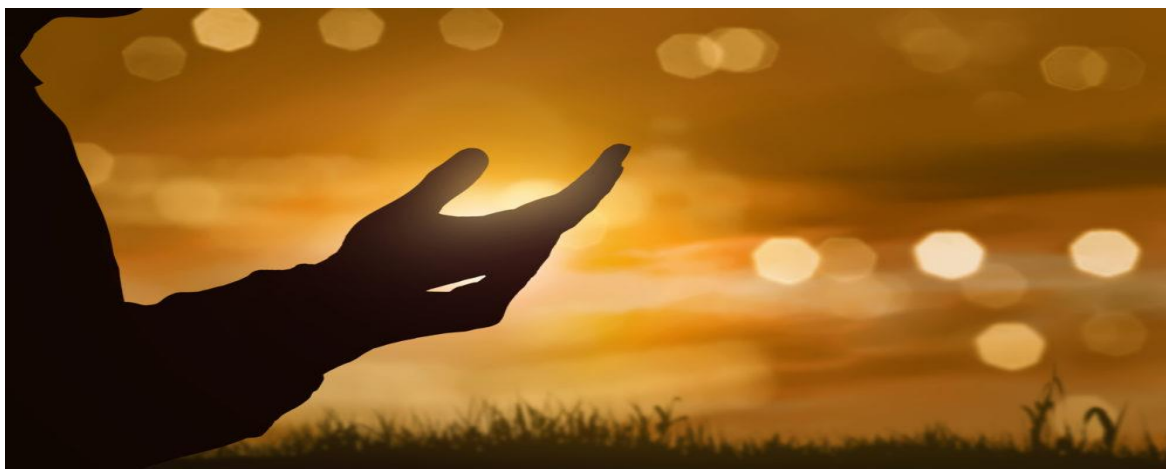
Music Directors:

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

Musicians:

Dr. Ronald Campbell, Organist & Keyboardist

Mr. Nick Hayes, Percussionist



November Lectionary

Let's continue reading together! As we journey into the month of November, 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.

1st Sunday

• Ruth 3:1-5

2nd Sunday

• 1 Samuel 1:4-20

3rd Sunday

• 2 Samuel 23:1-7

4th Sunday

• Jer. 33:14-16

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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 -----> <https://zoom.us/j/742365808>

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 -----> www.facebook.com/stjamespresby or visit www.facebook.com

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.

www.stjamespresby.org

Did you miss any services? 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-48o_ig2V2A



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UPCOMING SERMON SERIES!

**STEWARDSHIP
SERMON
SERIES**

ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. Phanta I. Lansden, Pastor

**MINDSET SHIFT: FROM SCARCITY
TO ABUNDANCE**

Beginning Nov. 7 through Nov. 21st

November 7:
Seeing Abundance In Hard Times
1 Kings 17:8-16

November 14:
How to Expand Your Giving Capacity
2 Kings 4:1-7

November 21:
Maximize Your Income Potential:
Build The Life You Desire
Luke 21:1-4

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UPCOMING SERMON SERIES FOR ADVENT

St. James Presbyterian Church
Rev. Phanta Lansden, Pastor

2021 Advent Sermon Series

DISCOVERING NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

Nov. 28th- Hope in Uncertain Times
Luke 21:25-36

Dec. 5- The Assurance of Peace
Luke 3:1-6

Dec. 12- Joy in Community
Luke 3:7-18

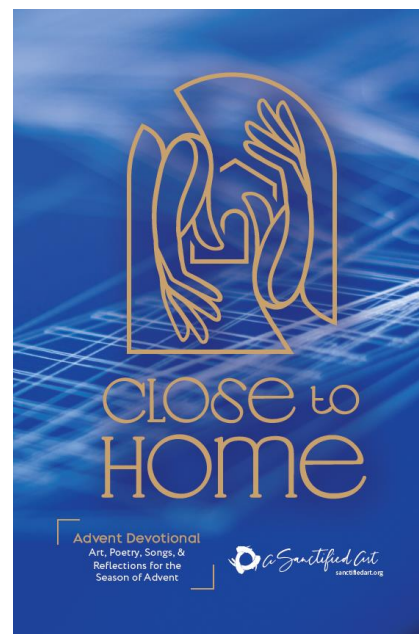
Dec. 19- A Love That Grows
Luke 1: 29-55

Advent Devotionals will be available for pickup at the church

From November 14th - November 28th.

For those who cannot make it to the church,

please call the church office for assistance.



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welcome back

IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES

November 14, 2021 | 10 AM

CDC and COVID protocols will be observed.

Limited capacity. Masks are mandatory.

Vaccinations or negative COVID test are required to attend.

More information can be found during registration.

FB Live and Zoom still available for those who worship virtually.

PASTORAL
Installation

November 14, 2021 at 3:00 pm

Providence Baptist Church

1106 Tuscaloosa St, Greensboro, NC 27406

REV. PHANTA LANSDEN

Senior Pastor of St. James Presbyterian Church



Registration is limited. Masks are required. Scan the QR code or visit eventbrite.com/e/178767647847



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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Please make sure to join us on
November 7th directly following service
on Zoom
to elect the Nominating Committee.



We're celebrating
Thanksgiving!!
Send us a video of
what you're
thankful for before
November 12th and
we'll include it in
our worship
service!

Contact the office for more information.



Are you good at working on Zoom?
We need your help!

Our worship team is looking for those who can
volunteer to assist us on Sunday mornings!
Please contact the church office for more information!

Congratulations, Minister Jasmine K. Evans!!!!

It is with great excitement and joy that we celebrate Minister Jasmine Evans who will begin serving as the Supply Pastor at Grace Presbyterian Church in Winston-Salem beginning Monday, November 1, 2021.

Minister Evans recently completed her final ordination exams and will begin the last step in the Ordination process while she completes a Clinical Pastoral Education Internship at Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist Hospital.

She will remain under care of Saint James as she begins her pastoral call. As she transitions to pastoral ministry, she will be leaving her positions as Choir Director, Praise Team Leader, Worship Elder, and PWC Moderator. We are so grateful for her continued growth and wish her God's grace as she walks into this new season of her life.



Happy Birthday to our members born in November!!



Leigh Barnwell
Barbara Chavis
Evelyn Crews
Fred Cundiff, Jr.
Sheryl Davis
Kenneth Doggett
Evelyn Donnell
Jean Ellis
Yvonne Haley
Vanessa Haygood
Valerie D. Johnson
Kevin Knox
Alexis Robinson
Manley Spinks, III
Margaret Spinks



Please remember to send us your birthdays to include each month!

Send your info to office@stjamespresby.org

DISCIPLESHIP *Sunday School, Bible Studies & Leadership Trainings*

The Monday Morning Bible Study information will be forthcoming. JOIN US!! God's blessings to each of you and continue to stay safe!

The John Erwin Sunday School Class continues to honor the stay at home, physical distancing order. We have continued to study The Present Word Bible Series. If you do not have a copy and would like to join us, all Super Seniors are invited. Call the church office for more information. Each day is a blessing. Aging brings gifts. We want to recognize and acknowledge the special gifts that each member brings.

Presbyterian Women Bible Study Circles

Grace Brown Circle will begin lessons for the 2021-2022 season this month. For those who are interested in joining, please contact the church office for more details.

~Donna Spinks & Kathy Moore, Co-Mods.

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

The Sara Barber Circle will meet November 7, 2021 at 3:00 pm via zoom. Lesson three entitled, Rahad, from the study guide, What My Grandmothers Taught Me, will be led by Adnee Bradford. Scripture: Joshua 2; 6:22-25. Visitors who would like to visit or join should contact Linda Adams at 336-509-0420. ~Linda Adams, Moderator

The Essie B. Meares Circle will meet via Zoom November 20, 2021 at 12:00 noon. Valarie Spaulding Little will be the leader for lesson 3 (Rahab) and lesson 4 (Ruth and Loyal Love). Visitors are welcome to join us. Please contact the church office for additional information. Thank you.~Demetra Barnwell, Moderator

The Marie Florance Presbytettes will not meet in November. Our next meeting will be Sunday, December 19, 2021.



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

The Older Adult Ministry

Members of this ministry were able to celebrate Older Adult Sunday on May 02, 2021. Thanks to the Worship Committee. This ministry will continue to address the issues and concerns of the aging population in a positive and pro-active manner. This is just a reminder:

- 1.) If you have not gotten yourself a Real ID, please place this on your to-do list.
- 2.) In order to stay healthy, it is important to keep your vaccines current - tetanus and shingles. All super seniors are invited to join us.

~Elders Marie Martin & Pauline McNair, Co-Moderators

Presbyterian Women in the Congregation (PWC)

PWC Monthly Gathering

Presbyterian Women in the Congregation will meet on Sunday, November 14th at 2pm via Zoom. Meeting ID: 861 8511 4493 Dial In: +1 929 205 6099

PWC CT (Presbyterian Women in the Congregation Coordinating Team) Meeting

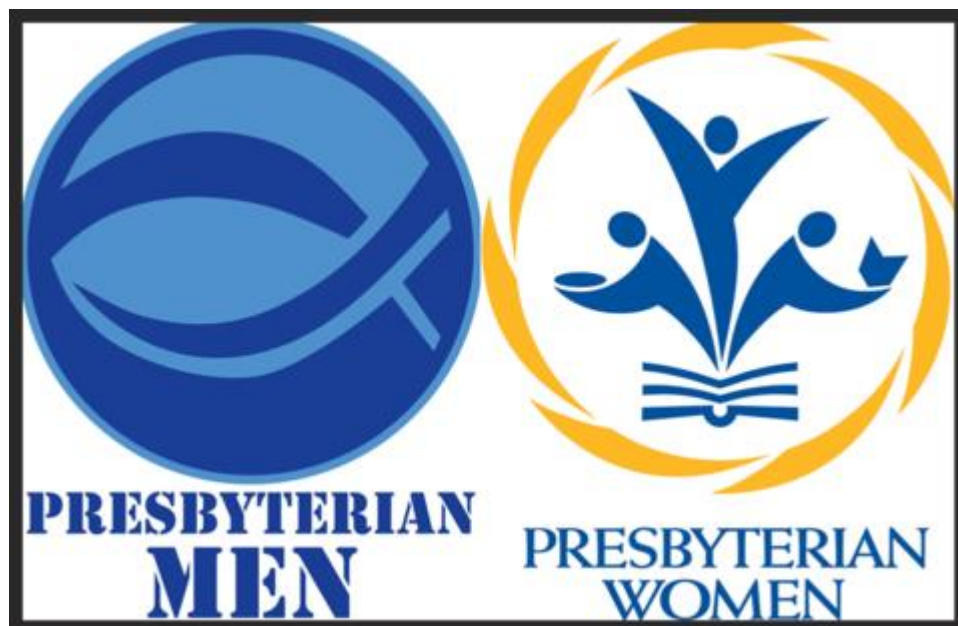
The CT will meet on Saturday, November 13th at 11am via Zoom. All Moderators and PW Officers are encouraged to attend.

Dial in: 1 929 205 6099 US | Meeting ID: 89494659783 | Passcode: 820820

Presbyterian Men

The Presbyterian Men thank you for your support throughout the year. We will resume our Zoom meetings soon! Please stay tuned for further information!

~Elder Charles Knox, President | 336.549.4599 | cknox3011@gmail.com



ADMINISTRATION *Church Business & Officer Information*

Monthly Informer Article Deadline

Please feel free to mail or e-mail: office@stjamespresby.org. Articles can be sent prior to the deadline with the subject: "December Informer." The Final Deadline for articles is Tuesday, November 30th, 2021 by 12:00 noon.

Human Resources

The Human Resources Committee is working with Pastor Lansden and the Worship Committee to employ two Video Production Specialists to further our on-line presence for Sunday's worship.

The HRC applauds the accomplishments of Jasmine Evans as she continues her Ministerial journey serving as Temporary Supply Pastor at the Grace Presbyterian Church in Winston Salem.

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. Click this link to view the Informer: www.stjamespresby.org.

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 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: <https://forms.gle/bncJhjh5d4gwHafUA> 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)*

Congregational 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 Congregational Care ministry.

Congregational Care functions as a pastoral care arm of ministry. The purpose of the Congregational 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 Congregational 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 an Elder, 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 Congregational 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 office@stjamespresby.org. The office will notify your Congregational 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 Congregational Care Team has been thoroughly trained, and is eager to serve, so do not hesitate to share your need.

Congregational Care List 2021

<u>Elders</u>	<u>Members of the Congregation</u>
Bob Powell	A, B
Carrie Ledbetter	C
Ursula Robinson	D, E
Sandra Wallington	F, G
Karen Watts-Yehudah	H, I
Andrea Russell	J, K, L
Mildred Powell	M
Charles Knox	N, O, P
Chuck Wallington	Q, R, S
Linda McSwain-Randall	T, U, V
Donna Spinks	W, X, Y, Z

SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY MINISTRY

Social Justice Advocacy Ministry Connecting with Food Justice Issues

The Saint James Presbyterian Church Social Justice Advocacy Ministry, the United Church of Christ, Economic Justice Ministries, and Bread for the World (Southeast Region) sponsored a successful virtual food summit on Friday, October 15, 2021. Nearly 90 people attended this event which consisted of an overview of hunger in our community, two breakout room discussions on building a food justice movement with a “next-steps” action plan ending the robust discussion.

On Wednesday, November 3, 2021, from 10:00 EST-11:30 EST, our ministry co-sponsored with the United Church of Christ, a webinar on *How to Help Black and Brown Farmers* navigate economic barriers which disproportionately have affected them for years. This event and others to follow represent an opportunity for churches; faith-based community organizations, and others to engage in mission partnerships that help reduce the wealth gap and transform our food justice system.

Other events will be announced related to hunger and food justice planned for 2021 and January of 2022 with details forthcoming.

The Social Justice Advocacy Ministry welcomes new members. Please, call the church office at (336)-273-6658 and share your name and contact information with JaTonda Thompson, our church office administrator.

Saint James Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. Social Justice Advocacy Ministry



FAITH POINT FELLOWSHIP *Young Adult and College Ministry*

Soul Food Conversations Bible Study will take place on Facebook Live on Thursday, November 4th at 7:00 PM. All are welcome to tune in for a powerful 30 minute bible study led by Pastoral Intern Jasmine Evans on our theme "***The Journey***". Check our social media for recaps on our Journey bible studies.

Thirsty Thursday Worship Service will meet on Thursday, November 11 at 7:00 on Zoom. Pastoral Intern Jasmine Evans will share a meaningful message on our theme "***The Journey***." Click on the link below or cut and paste the link in your browser. All are welcome to this worship service.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89500071442?pwd=ZVFucGU0ZXZZbWdyc0FMdS9la29pdz09>

Game Night - Game Night returns! Get your snacks and your game face ready because "It's going down!" on November 18, 2021 at 7:00 PM. We have some new and exciting games. Check Faith Point's FB and Instagram for more info in the coming weeks.



Led by:

Minister Jasmine K. Evans, MDiv

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*

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
Franklin McCain, III	NC A&T State University
April Newkirk	Central Piedmont Community College
Messiah Reid	Guilford 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	Howard University
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*

Shaquille & Sheryl Davis	3938 Eastland Avenue 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
John Guthrie	4504 Southall Dr., 27406
Lynette Hawkins	1212 Swan Creek Rd. Fort Washington, MD 20744
Brenda Jackson (daughter of Maxine Covington)	1209 Humboldt Avenue North Minneapolis, MN 55411
Willie "Peggy" Meachem	1302 Ross Ave. 27406
Harold McLean	200 Sandbar Circle Apt 1A, 27406
Annis Sensabaugh	Blumenthal Jewish Nursing Center, 3724 Wireless Dr., Rm. 213, 27455
Erica Ward (niece of Elder Nancy Rives)	81 Dogwood Trail Dr. Stockbridge, GA 30281



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

Thank you...

I want to thank the congregation for all the heartfelt cards, calls and well-wishes in celebration of my 94th birthday. I am truly blessed. I love you all.

~Hyla B. Cundiff

To Reverends Dew, Hamlin, Hughes, and my St. James Church Family,
I want to thank you all so very much for the many expressions of love and kindness you continue to show during my time away from church. Every card, call, flower, and visit lifts my spirits and brings a smile to my face. Please continue to keep me in your prayers and I will certainly do the same for you. Sincerely, ~Mr. Moses McClam

Saint James Family,
Thank you individually and collectively for every expression of kindness shown us during this time of transition for Mrs. Helen Bernice Cole Jones and our transition into life without her. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. Sincerely, ~The Helen C. Jones Family

Dear Prayer Warriors, Will you pray for greater awareness of Mental Health and how it impacts our communities and families? Blessings, ~Mrs. Willie "Peggy" Meachem



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

Message and a Meal continues to provide a hot and nutritious meal every 1st, 3rd, and 5th 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.

Message and A Meal October 2021

Date	Guests	Volunteers
10/3/2021	234	4
10/17/2021	118	2
10/31/2021	108	1

Message and A Meal
Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sunday at 3 p.m.



Location: 820 Ross Ave. Greensboro, NC 27406

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

The Ministry of the Month for November is Bennett College for Women! “Bennett College prepares women of color through a transformative liberal arts education to lead with purpose, integrity, and a strong sense of self-worth. Bennett provides educational access to students while promoting inquiry, civic engagement, social justice, lifelong learning, and equity for all.” <http://www.bennett.edu/about>. Please give generously.

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.

Make a Tax Deductible Donation To: 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



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

To All the Caregivers:



November is National Caregivers Month.

We celebrate by saying **Thank You** to all the people caring for a family member or friend. Thanks for the love and support you share. For the time and the energy you give. For the sacrifices you make. For the careful watch you keep. For the meals, shopping, cleaning, laundry, bill-paying, medication-giving, and all the other tasks you do! Without this care, some of the people in our congregation would have a much harder time staying safely in the community.

We also celebrate Caregivers Month by encouraging caregivers to take care of yourself. It's easy to put the care of the recipient's needs first and ignore your own needs. But consider this – who will care for your loved one if you run out of caregiving steam? Please make sure you are eating well, getting enough sleep, staying connected with other important people in your life, having some fun, and making moments each day for you. For help with self-care and stress management, talk with a Minister. You can also go to the following websites for information about caregiving:

<https://www.nia.nih.gov/health/caregiving>.

Article provided by PACE of the Triad

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

For Older Adults who need assistance in the home, PACE of the Triad is still enrolling new participants. PACE provides medical care and support services to older adults. Services may include, but are not limited to, a health aide for those who qualify, medical transportation, medicines, supplies, therapy, respite, and an optional day program. If you or a loved one can benefit from PACE services, contact PACE at 336-550-4046 for a free assessment or more information. A doctor’s referral is not needed. PACE of the Triad is located at 1471 E. Cone Blvd. Greensboro in the Roses Shopping Center. Schedule a tour or free consultation today. Call 336-550-4046 or visit the website www.pacetriad.org/help .

ROCKINGHAM AND GUILFORD COUNTY FAMILY CAREGIVERS

Let Us Help YOU *Thrive!*

Are you caring for an older loved one with chronic illness?
Do you feel overwhelmed, especially during the COVID pandemic?
Do you want to receive the latest information on best caregiving practices – along with relaxing and rejuvenating activities to help *you*?

Our program –THRIVE! – is a free opportunity made possible through CARES Act grant funding for family caregivers to do just that . . . thrive!

Family caregivers can receive:
FREE highly recommended caregiving books, yoga mats, brain healthy groceries and art kits as well as 4G-enabled tablets on loan! Virtual activities will accompany the FREE items!

Register Now for books, art kits, and tablets! Yoga mats coming in May!
Brain Healthy groceries coming this summer!



Register Now: www.Well-SpringSolutions.org/Thrive
or call: (336) 274-3559



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Sallie Mae Fund's Completing the Dream Scholarship Program helps outstanding students from minority and other historically underserved communities complete their post-secondary education.

Students in their final year who are facing financial challenges may apply to receive a one-time scholarship of up to \$2,500 to help complete their post-secondary education program. Starting August 5th, scholarship applications for AY 2021-22 will be accepted on a rolling basis until 12/31/21 or until scholarship dollars have been awarded.

Here is the link: <https://www.salliemae.com/>

STEWARDSHIP *Monthly collection and stewardship opportunities.*

A Community of Responsibility

“Whether we are leaders or citizens of a community, we are all held responsible for its development. We can readily see our commitment to the community, but do we take the time to recognize how our commitment to Jesus must influence how we handle the affairs of our community?”

“... As Christian men and women we should ask God each day to strengthen us and guide us in our decision making, not only concerning spiritual matters but also concerning community and leadership matters.”

The profession of our faith can often be seen in the work our ministries are engaged in and the support we offer. In many instances this support comes by way of financial giving. The Stewardship Committee encourages your commitment to financial giving as it is essential to the ministries that care for our local community and beyond.



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*Have you gotten behind in your personal giving plan and need help catching up? The Stewardship Committee is here to help.
Simply call the church office (336) 273-6658 and a member of our team will contact you.*

Gentle Reminders – “Special Giving” Opportunities - It’s never too late to give!

Peace and Global Witness September 5th-October 3rd

Christmas Joy Offering (November 28th -December 19th)

Per Capita Apportionment (January-February, 2022) \$25.00 or as you are blessed.

Emergency Relief Fund and Pennies for Hunger (Ongoing)

If you are **giving on line** or using **Cash App**, please indicate the nature of your **special giving** where it states “**add special instructions**” or “**add a note**”

The Stewardship Committee is grateful for your support

Monthly totals will now appear in your quarterly contribution statements!

If you would like to continue to see our monthly income information, please contact the church office.

Spread the Word: Emergency Rental Assistance

Thanks to the American Rescue Plan, billions of dollars in federal rental assistance is reaching renters behind on housing costs, as well as landlords who have struggled during the pandemic. These programs are run locally, and right now emergency rental assistance is available across the country.

The federal government is continuing an all-out push and issuing a call to action to Members of Congress, state and local officials, companies, advocates, nonprofits, the faith community, and more to conduct an all-out push to make sure tenants and landlords take advantage of federal rental assistance to help cover rent, utilities, and other housing costs and keep people in their homes.

Please spread the word about emergency rental assistance. Help is available for renters who are having trouble paying rent, utilities or other housing costs as well as for landlords who have tenants in this situation. State and local programs are distributing billions of dollars in rental assistance.

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) recently developed a new “Rental Assistance Finder” tool for renters and landlords to find information on rental assistance in their area. The tool is now live at: <https://www.consumerfinance.gov/renthelp>
The CFPB’s site also includes resources to help renters and landlords understand other resources to help navigate various financial hardships related to the pandemic.

For additional information about the Emergency Rental Assistance program, [visit the unified federal housing assistance portal hosted by the CFPB.](#)



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2021 Advent Sermon Series

DISCOVERING NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

Nov. 28th- Hope in Uncertain Times

Luke 21:25-36

Dec. 5- The Assurance of Peace

Luke 3:1-6

Dec. 12- Joy in Community

Luke 3:7-18

Dec. 19- A Love That Grows

Luke 1: 29-55



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