

Saint Omes Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

A "Matthew 25" Congregation

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June 2022 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 June. 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: 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.



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! Office Phone Number: 336-273-6658

Saint James Office Staff:

Ms. JaTonda Thompson, Administrative Coordinator Elder Andrea Russell, Business Manager Elder Timisha Corpening, Treasurer

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
Praise & Worship
Opening Prayer
Announcements
Offering
Offertory Prayer
Sermonic Selection
Scripture Reading
Sermon
Holy Communion on First Sundays
Invitation to Christian Discipleship
Benediction & Amen

June Participants: <u>Worship Leader:</u> Rev. Phanta I. Lansden

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

<u>Musicians:</u> Mr. William Brown, Minister of Music

Dr. Ronald Campbell, Organist & Keyboardist

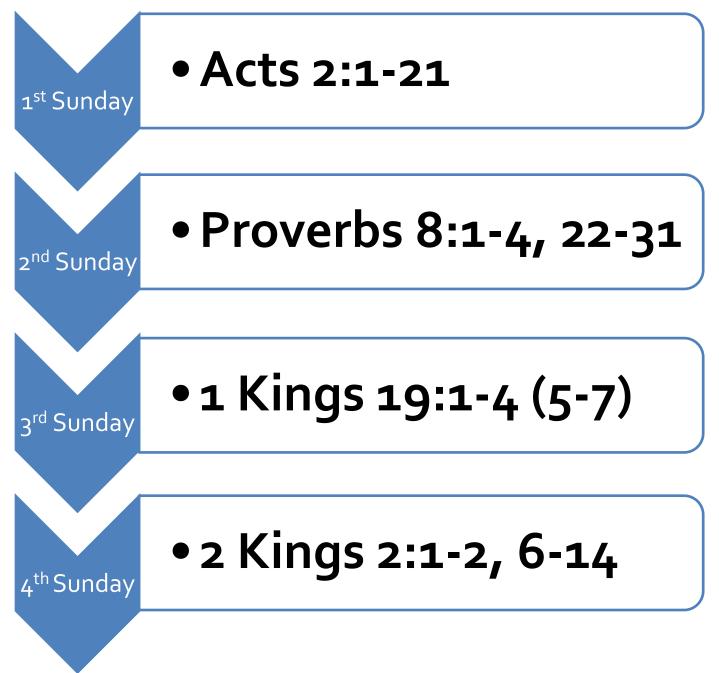
Mr. Nick Hayes, Percussionist



June Lectionary

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

Join us for in-person worship! Visit <u>www.stjamespresby.org</u> for registration information Virtual service options are also available!

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 live on our YouTube Channel: Click the link here -----> <u>Saint James Presbyterian Church YouTube Page</u>

Links to live Sunday Service stream will be shared on Facebook. Please visit our Facebook page: <u>www.facebook.com/stjamespresby</u> 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>

Did you miss any services? Our 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 above to watch.

Serve Around the Church

Ushers

Would you like to serve on a phenomenal team? We are looking for volunteers to serve as Ushers for our Sunday morning services. Please reach out to any usher on Sunday or contact the church office for more details!

<u>Choir</u>

Can you sing? Join the choir! We are looking for people to share their musical talents with us. Choir rehearsals are held every Tuesday from 6-7 pm. See any choir or praise team member for more information on joining.

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OUR SERMON SERIES WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW OUR 2022 FOCUS!



Draw near to God and he will come near to you. James 4:8

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FATHER'S DAY | JUNE 19



GRADUATE SUNDAY | JUNE 26, 2022

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Happy Birthday to our members born in June!!

Kasey Barber **Shirley Barnes** Freddie Click Jeannine Click Karl Gaskin John Guthrie **Brianna Pemberton Deonte Pemberton Tisa Purcell Chris Russell** David Russell Jon Russell **Genesis Siler** Sabrina Tipton Stella Wadelington **Gary Williams** Thelma Williams



In honor of birthdays in Jan, Feb, March, April, May and June, the church is providing miniature cupcakes to go in the fellowship hall **June 19, 2022**, after church service. Please contact the church by June 16th to ensure we have enough cupcakes for those attending. Contact the church office at 336-273-6658 or email <u>office@stjamespresby.org</u>.

The church will celebrate July, August, and September birthdays on September 18, 2022. A celebration of October, November, and December birthdays will occur on December 18, 2022. Thank you and we look forward to celebrating January, February, March, April, May, and June birthdays on June 19th!

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

Send your info to office@stjamespresby.org

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 GRADUATES!!

Sarah Grace Lewers participated in the Spring 2022 Commencement Ceremony for North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University on May 14th , 2022. She graduated from two graduate certification programs. The Interdisciplinary Graduate Environmental Certificate program with a concentration in Environmental Health and Safety. Additionally, the Advanced Waste Management Institute certification.





Mia P. Graves graduated North Carolina Central University School of Law on May 7, 2022.

She will be sitting for the North Carolina Bar Exam in July of 2022.

MONTHLY MISSION PROJECT monthly opportunities for mission





ABOUT US

Community Housing Solutions provides home repairs to homeowners in Guilford County, supporting neighbors and neighborhoods. With a skilled construction staff and volunteer groups from the community, we work with homeowners who fall below specific income levels to make needed repairs making their homes warmer, drier and safer.

We Preserve Safe and Affordable Housing

RESTORING DIGNITY AND HOPE FOR HOMEOWNERS LIVING IN GUILFORD COUNTY NEIGHBORHOODS St. James will partner with Community Housing Solutions to repair an existing home on Saturday, June 25. Our partnership will include financial contributions and volunteer labor.



For more information, reach out to the church office by phone at 336-273-6658 or by email at <u>office@stjamespresby.org</u>. You can also visit the church website: www.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 is honoring the stay at home, physical distancing order. During the pandemic, we have continued our bible lessons. Currently we are in Unit II of Winter 2021-2022, Justice, Law, and History. Scriptures come from Genesis, Exodus and Deuteronomy. I encourage us to see this time as a test in progress. We will continue to read and study the bible lessons. If anyone would like to join us, please call the church office for more information. ~Elder Marie Martin

Presbyterian Women Bible Study Circles

<u>Grace Brown Circle</u> will continue lessons for the 2022-2023 season soon. Stay tuned for more information. For those who are interested in joining, please contact the church office for more details.

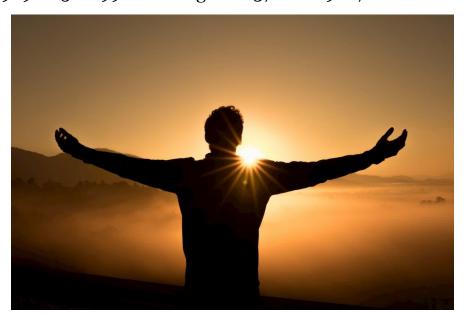
~Donna Spinks & Kathy Moore, Co-Mods.

<u>The Roxie McNair Circle</u> is honoring physical distancing. More details to come later. ~Elder Pauline McNair, Moderator

<u>The Marie Florance Presbytettes</u> will meet on Sunday, June 26 at 2:00 PM on Zoom. We will meet to continue our discussion about the findings from the May PWC Listening Gathering. Please review the notes sent out in May to prepare for the discussion. Please contact Circle Moderator Dr. Ina Siler at 551-655-4612 for more information. Please use the Zoom link below to join our meeting.

Marie Florance Presbytettes Meeting

To join the meeting by telephone, please dial the number below and enter the Meeting ID and Passcode. Dial 1-929-205-6099 | Meeting ID: 837 2602 9867 | Passcode: 448765



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

<u>The Sara Barber Circle</u> has ended its lessons for the 2021-2022 season. We will resume again in September. Please stay tuned for more information on an upcoming summer outing. Visitors who would like to visit or join the circle should contact Linda Adams at 336-509-0420. ~Linda Adams, Moderator

<u>The Essie B. Meares Circle</u> has ended our lessons until September. Members will be encouraged to support PWC activities. For women of Saint James who are non-circle members, we extend a warm welcome to you for consideration of our circle. Please contact the church office for additional information. Thank you. Demetra Barnwell, Moderator

Presbyterian Women in the Congregation (PWC)

PWC Monthly Gathering

PWC Gathering will not have a gathering this month. Enjoy your June! Stay tuned for more information.

The PWC CT Group will not have a gathering this month. Enjoy your June! Stay tuned for more information.



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

The Older Adult Ministry

Today I am shouting out to all Older Adults here at Saint James. As a member of the older adult segment of the general population, I am concerned with health care and voting rights. The political chatter around these issues send up many red flags. I strongly encourage you to: 1.) Make sure you have a Real ID with your photo. This law has been discussed since 1982. Be safe and get an ID from the NC motor vehicle office. 2.) Make sure you have your Coronavirus vaccine as well as the booster. The News & Record (Mike Stobbe, Associate Press) reports that "experts are watching for a potential new Covid-19 surge in the U.S. Be safe. ~Elder Marie

~Elders Marie Martin & Pauline McNair, Co-Moderators



ADMINISTRATION Church Business & Officer Information

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: "July Informer." The Final Deadline for articles is <u>*Tuesday*</u>, <u>June 28, 2022 by 12:00 noon</u>.

Human Resources

We welcome to our staff a new intern! Quentin Norman joins us for the next 12 weeks to assist on our AV team and with graphics. We look forward to the professionalism he will bring to our ministry.

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.

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!

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)

Congregational Care Ministry! Congregational Care is an integral part of the ministry of Saint James Presbyterian Church especially during the Pandemic. Due to Elder changes and the desire to continue to care for one another, the Congregational Care Ministry has been updated. 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 prayer, calls and cards during times of medical procedures, health crisis, transitions, and illness. Our 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.

How does Congregational Care 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 member of the congregation has been assigned a Congregational Care team member as seen below. Some examples of when to contact the church include but is not limited to prayer, notice of a medical procedure or surgery, notice of a current or past hardship. Please call the church office at 336-273-6658 or email office@stjamespresby.org. The office will notify the Pastor and your Congregational Care Provider immediately. If there is an end-of-life situation, the 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 is eager to serve, so do not hesitate to share your need.

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

Congregational Care List 2022 (subject to change)

SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY MINISTRY

Black & Brown Women's Voting Initiative GOTV 22

Phase One Report

The Black & Brown Women's Voting Initiative GOTV 22 campaign was reactivated during the month of April in preparation for community voter engagement leading to the May 17, 2022, primary elections.

The present version of our coalition consists of a renewed partnership between the Social Justice Advocacy Ministry of Saint James and the Beloved Community Center. Other community partners are the Greensboro Pulpit Forum, the local chapter of the Bennett College Alumnae Chapter, Democracy North Carolina and You Can Vote to name a few coalition partners.

Our phase one highlights are as follows:

1. Sponsored seven community engagement meetings from April 14 through May 17 which were hosted by the Beloved Community Center. These meetings were a combination of voter education and the establishing of standing committees to engage voters in the early voting period leading to Primary Election Day voting on May 17, 2022. Five committees were formed and our speakers on varying topics included Charlie Collicutt, director of the Guilford County Board of Elections and Leslie Isakoff, president and chief operating officer of A Simple Gesture, a local affiliate of a national organization focused on hunger

2. Our five standing committees formed are as follows in providing "feet on the ground" voter engagement;

- 1. Church & Faith-Based Partnerships- Convener, Reverend Steve Allen
- 2. Community Partners, Groups, & Individuals- Convener, Samuel Hawkins
- 3. Community Canvassing & Strategic Voter Registration- Conveners, Doreen Kaphalanya and Lolita Watkins
- 4. Print & Social Media Outreach- Conveners, Abby Moseley and Caitlin Graham
- 5. African American, Latino & Other Business Partners- Convener, Lolita Watkins

3. Organized and sponsored an education forum on the school education bond led by Reverend Doctor Frank Thomas, smart education school bond chairperson;

4. Distributed over 325 flyers sharing the location of early voting sites and non-partisan voting information along Bessemer Avenue, East Market and Summit Avenue, provided these materials to anchor business owners in Four Seasons Mall and in downtown Greensboro, and shared materials at the May First Friday venues such as The African American Atelier, Elsewhere Museum, and International Civil Rights Center & Museum;

5. Participated in voter registration at Freedom Square Shopping Center and shared information on the school bond on Primary Election Day at various voter precincts;

6. Registered in our partnership with You Can Vote over 200 students after visiting five high schools from April to May; (Note : This organization since February visited 29 Guilford County High Schools and educated over 3,000 students and pre-registered and registered over 2,000 new voters;

7. Received donations from the Greensboro Chapter of The Links, Inc. and from the Faith Point Fellowship Ministry, Presbyterian Men & Women of Saint James Presbyterian Church.

We are taking a short break at the present time and will resume voter engagement in preparation for our July 26, 2022, municipal elections continuing to the national elections in November of 2022.

FAITH POINT FELLOWSHIP Young Adult and College Ministry Faith Point Fellowship will suspend weekly bible studies and worship services from May through August. Check our Facebook and Instagram for updates and inspirational messages during the summer months. You can also stay connected with us by signing up for weekly text alerts. **Text FPF to 55469** and receive words of inspiration and regular updates during the ministry.

Check our social media @FaithPointFellowship for Zoom and Facebook Live for more information on our events.



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 @FaithPointF*ellowship

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
April Newkirk	Central Piedmont Community College
Messiah Reid	UNC Greensboro
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	Hampton 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	17300 Melford Blvd. Apt. 408
	Bowie, MD 20715
Brenda Jackson (daughter of Maxine Covington)	1209 Humbaldt Avenue North
	Minneapolis, MN 55411
Willie "Peggy" Meachem	1302 Ross Ave. 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
Nancy Rives	4813 Weston Place Jamestown, NC 27282

Amryl Ward

4041 Queens Grant Rd. Jamestown, NC 27282



FELLOWSHIP Expressions of gratitude, celebrations and church functions!

Thank you...

Dear St. James, Your online worship has been a balm to my soul in these COVID times! Thank you for projecting all the way to Atlanta to share the Good News! It is a joy to share this gift. Know your message is being received far and wide. With love & gratitude, ~Amy

Thank you for your support. Your kindness during these challenging times will forever be appreciated. ~Georgia Hayes & Family

Saint James Presbyterian Congregation

There are not enough words to fully express our heartfelt thanks for the sympathy, love and support you have extended to our family during this time of loss. ~The Ellis Family, Willie T. Ellis, Jr. & Melchoir B. Ellis

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!

The Message and a Meal program continues to provide a valuable service to our community but now in a new way! Beginning April 1st the Message & A Meal program will provide food boxes from our pantry to those in need. Boxes will be handed out in May on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 3 pm. Join us every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sunday!



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

The June Ministry of the Month is Triad Health Project. Please donate 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!

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

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 <u>free</u> 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 <u>FREE</u> items!

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



Well Spring





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



STEWARDSHIP Monthly collection and stewardship opportunities.

Stewardship ...To trust in the Lord is to acknowledge and affirm that God is both loving and faithful-that he is dependable. To lean on him wit more than our own "understanding" (Proverbs 3:5) is the beginning of real wisdom, for then we realize who we are in relationship to him. To be wise is to know that our that our greatest knowledge, our deepest insights and our clearest thinking are only pale shadows in comparison to God's wisdom. His wisdom is far above ours; it is from his eternal and omniscient viewpoint that he guides us and makes our paths straight. (3:6).

Knowing that God, and only God, is always dependable is the basis of a wisdom that is "more precious that rubies" (v.15)."*

*The African-American Devotional Bible, copyright 1997, Zondervan Corp., pg 700, Rev. Lawrence L. Riddick III, Verse: Proverbs 3:5, Passage: Proverbs 3:5-6



STEWARDSHIP Monthly collection and stewardship opportunities.

The Stewardship Committee thanks you for trusting God and giving generously. We invite you to stay informed and updated on all of the Ministries of SJPC.

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 be in touch with you.

> Emergency Relief Fund and Pennies for Hunger (Ongoing) Pentecost April 18th- June 5th

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: <u>https://www.consumerfinance.gov/renthelp</u> 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, <u>visit the</u> <u>unified federal housing assistance portal hosted by the CFPB.</u>



NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE?

2022 KAREN E. JACKSON BREAST CANCER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (BCAP)

SUMMER APPLICATION CYCLE: JUNE 1- JULY 15, 2022

The 2022 Sisters Network[®] Inc. Karen E. Jackson Breast Assistance Program (BCAP) is now open to provide much needed financial assistance to breast cancer survivors and pay for mammograms for underserved and underinsured non-diagnosed women.

The Karen E. Jackson Breast Cancer Assistance Program (BCAP) is designed to assist breast cancer survivors (currently in treatment) facing financial challenges while undergoing surgery, radiation or chemotherapy treatment. BCAP accepts applications two times per year for the Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter cycles.

BCAP HISTORY & IMPACT

Launched in 2006, Sisters Network® Inc. Breast Cancer Assistance Program is one of the leading national breast cancer survivor financial assistance and early detection mammogram programs in the United States. The BCAP has provided hundreds of thousands of dollars in financial assistance and free mammogram screenings to over 10,000 breast cancer survivors and non-diagnosed women nationwide.

In 2022, the BCAP was officially renamed Karen E. Jackson Breast Cancer Assistance Program in honor of Sisters Network® Inc. Founder, Karen E. Jackson, a 29-year, 4x Breast Cancer Survivor.

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- 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

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