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St. James UMC  
November 5, 2017  
11:00am



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United Methodist Church*

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*8:45 am/11:00 am Worship Service*  
*November 5, 2017*



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*The Mission of St. James is to:*  
**"Follow Jesus. Love Others. Change the World."**

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

8:45 am/11:00 am

November 5, 2017

GREETING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Communion"

Raffy

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Let us bless the Lord at all times!  
God's praises shall continually be in my mouth!

**P: My soul makes its boast in the Lord!  
Let the afflicted hear and be glad!**

L: O magnify the Lord with me,  
And let us exalt God's name together!

**P: I sought the Lord, who answered me,  
And delivered me from all my fears!**

\*THE BRINGING OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE SERVICE

\*THE HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" UMH #89

\*SHARING THE PEACE

(You are invited to greet those around you, sharing your name and a Christian greeting such as "God bless you" or "Christ be with you.")

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.  
Come, give to us. O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

WORSHIPING GOD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

"Soul of Christ"

Stopford

\*THE DOXOLOGY

UMH # 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SUNG GOSPEL LESSON

Arvo Part, Choral Scholars

from Matthew 5:1-12

Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth.  
Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.  
Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake; for theirs is the kingdom for heaven.

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.  
Rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven; for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.  
Amen.

THE SERMON

"Blessed"

Rev. Ben Alexander

\*HYMN

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" UMH#138  
(vs. 1,2,5,6)

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

No. 12

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

(You are invited to come forward to the kneeling rail at this time. If you would like to make a donation to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, please leave it at the altar.)

\*THE HYMN "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" UMH #629

\*THE BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

\*THE CHORAL RESPONSE

\*THE CARRYING OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

\*THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Allegro"

Handel

\*Congregation standing, as you are able.

**We extend a warm welcome to you this morning!**

We are glad you chose to worship Christ here at St. James UMC. A nursery is provided for pre-school age children during all worship services. Please stop at the Children's Check-in desk in The Commons area for more information.

Please fill out the registration pad near you so that we can stay connected. If you would like to know more about St. James or meet with a Pastor, please indicate that on the pad.

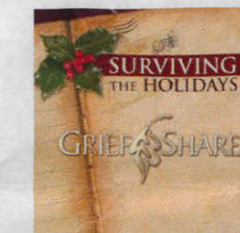
Acolytes

8:45 a.m. ...Henry Austin and Alissa Norville

11:00 a.m. ... Sidney Evans and Liza Taylor

We thank you for all the prayers and care we have received from our St. James family over the last few months!  
Dan and Nancy Bishop

The Ministers and Congregation extend their sympathy to **Liz Freeman** on the death of her husband, **Donald B. Freeman, Sr.**, who passed away on November 1, 2017. Please keep this family in your prayers.



### Grief Share - Surviving the Holidays

Has the death of a loved one stolen the Merry from your Christmas? No matter how long it's been since your loved one died, your memories may still make the holidays a painful time.

You don't have to get through this season alone.

GriefShare's "Surviving the Holidays" workshop can help. **Sunday, November 12, 2017 from 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm at the Retreat House. To register contact Joyce Day at (252)752-6154 or joyce@stjconnect.org.** There is a cost of \$5.00/person. Lunch is provided.

Spend the day learning how to get through the holiday season and come out on the other side another step closer to healing.



### Thinking About Joining St. James?

You are coming to worship on Sundays. You are a part of a class. You are beginning to see familiar faces when you come to the church. And you have a desire to be part of something bigger. Maybe it is time to consider becoming

a member of St. James UMC!

**We are having a new members class that will meet in two sessions on Sunday, November 12 from 2:00-4:00 pm and Sunday, November 19th from 3:00 - 5:00 pm.** We invite you to be a part of the St. James family!

Contact Mark Woods if you have questions at 252-752-6154 or Mark@stjconnect.org.

