

St. James Lutheran Church

The Journal

September 2022

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Worship Services

Sunday, September 4th, Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am

Sunday, September 11th, Rally Day

**Rally Day Reception at 9:45 am in the fellowship hall followed by Sunday School
Worship at 11:00 am with Sunday School Teacher & Staff Installation
Congregational Dinner following Worship**

**Sunday, September 18th, Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am
South Carolina Lutheran Retreat Centers Sunday**

**Sunday, September 18th, Installation Service for Pastor Fred Klinker at 6:00 pm
Reception following the service in the fellowship hall**

Sunday, September 25th, Worship at 11:00 am

*Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Fred
9:15- 9:45 am
Sunday School at 9:45 am*



A message from Pastor Fred...

In Ecclesiastes 3 we read that there is a season for everything.

Out of many things Ecclesiastes says there are seasons for, these two stuck out to me this month:

“Time to weep, and a time to laugh”
and
“Time to keep, and a time to throw away”

As the seasons of the earth around us also change, we will begin to see leaves change color and fall from the trees. Paralleling it into our lives, what is changing for you? What is falling off of your branches in life so that there is rest as the winter comes and space for new leaves come spring?

There is a lot going on in the world around us, and sometimes the change that is coming about isn't so easy to handle when we aren't certain of the outcome. I am reminded of Mark 4, when Jesus is on the boat in the midst of a storm and calls out, rebuking the wind and the waves, “Quiet, be still.” We find that in Christ, the crazy winds causing tumult are brought from calamity to calm. It doesn't always make it easy though, even for the disciples, who Jesus asks, “Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?”

Leaning into our faith and trusting Jesus is something that doesn't always seem like the obvious answer when the world acts out, but if we give it a try, we find that the God who loves us is trustworthy and cares for us and sees to it that we are given life abundantly.

And when we live into God's promise, we get to join in God's work in this world, bringing peace to others in need of it. We had been gathering school supplies for our local students, so when the students inevitably ran out part way through the school year, we could give so they could have enough. What a joy it is to get to see how much we have collected, knowing it is going to young people for their education!

When our Outreach Committee went to Leavelle McCampbell to give the lunches they made for the teachers at the start of the school year, we discovered that the children didn't have all of the supplies they needed. What we had collected for the future was needed now, and we were already prepared to spring into action to help the children in our area!

This is such a wonderful gift, and being able to give is such a blessing. The joy we had after dropping off what can sustain those who support our community is indescribable, but it can be experienced! If you want to join in with the outreach that St. James is up to in our community, please let me know. We have a ton of fun, and the smiles we shared lifted me up from that day into the next!

God's Peace to you,

Pastor Fred



Lord, we pray today for those around us, especially our teachers and students as they begin the school year. We thank you for the many seasons in our lives, for the season we are in, and for the seasons that go from storing supplies to sharing them. Guide us so that we may work into your loving will and see the needs of our neighbors met so that they may join in the wonderful life you have given us all. In your Holy and Gracious Name we pray. Amen.

Upcoming Events & Announcements

COFFEE & CONVERSATION with Pastor Fred will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am in the fellowship hall before Sunday School.

CONGREGATIONAL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE will meet on Sunday, September 4th following worship.

RALLY DAY -- Sunday, September 11th

Rally Day Reception at 9:45 am in the fellowship hall followed by Sunday School
Worship at 11:00 am with Sunday School Teacher & Staff Installation
Congregational Dinner following Worship

CHURCH COUNCIL will meet on Sunday, September 11th at 5:00 pm.

GAMES will meet on Monday, September 12th at 1:00 pm.

LIFESTYLE will not meet in September.

CONFIRMATION

September 18th (following worship): Meeting with parents & confirmands in the Ed Johnson, Sr. Classroom.

September 18th (4:00-5:30 pm): Confirmation Class

Summer Reading Assignment Due

September 25th (12:00-3:30 pm): Pizza lunch & Confirmation Class

OUTREACH COMMITTEE will meet on Sunday, September 18th at 5:00 pm.

MUTUAL MINISTRY will meet on Sunday, September 25th after worship.

WELCA/LMM will meet on Monday, September 26th for lunch at 1:00 pm followed by the meeting. All women and men are invited to attend. Please bring a donation of toiletry items (toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, etc.) to donate to students in need at our local schools.

All committees should submit their proposed budget for 2023 to the Stewardship Committee before the next council meeting on September 11th.



WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND YOUR PRESENCE
AT THE

Service of Installation

FOR

Pastor Fred Klinker

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

6:00 PM IN THE SANCTUARY

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL





All are invited to Games on Monday, September 12th at 1:00 pm.



Varsity Football Meal - October 21st

St. James will host the Midland Valley Varsity Football Team on Friday, October 21st with a pre-game meal. If you are willing to help, please see Daphne Carroll.

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers:

Randy McCormack (Christa Terry's brother), Joe Lockhart (Kenneth Johnson's friend), Priscilla Thomas (Bob Petrulovich's sister), Camille Morris (Donna Abreo's granddaughter), Angela Vandegrift, Helen Wood, Lincoln Glover (Barbara Cobb's nephew), Barry Kirby, Nanci Carter (Bob Petrulovich's daughter), Bobby Reece, Gene Moyer, Libby Scott, Ronnie Gordon, Bobbie Bauserman, Pat Weeks. **Anchor:** Mary Ellen Johnson, **Trinity:** Ruth Orr, **Hammond Place:** Sheri Abreo, **Silver Bluff Grove:** Vicki Bolton *May the Lord bless them with His healing presence and keep them in true faith. Amen. Please review the prayer list and contact the church office with updates.*

Offering Option

You can now give online on our website! You can give a onetime offering or set up a recurring offering. In the description box, please note where your offering should be directed (for example, Current and Benevolence, Backpack, etc.)

www.stjamesgraniteville.com/giving/

Financial Update July 2022

General Fund:	<u>July 2022</u>	<u>Jan-Dec 2022</u>
Offering	\$ 15,845.20	\$ 117,248.93
Expenses	\$ <u>-14,467.15</u>	\$ <u>-109,583.98</u>
Net Total	\$ 1,378.05	\$ 7,664.95



Church Council Minutes and Financial Reports are available in their entirety in the church office. Please contact the church secretary if you would like a copy.

Share your good news and church events with your church family!
Email the information to: StJamesNewsInfo@gmail.com

Rally Day Sunday, September 11th

A kick-off reception will be held at 9:45 am in fellowship hall followed by Sunday School. Sunday School teachers and staff will be installed during worship, and a congregational dinner will be held following worship. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. The congregation is asked to bring side dishes and desserts to share.

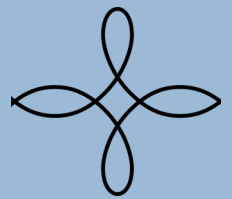
New Members

Are you interested in becoming a member of St. James?

Please contact Pastor Fred or the office by
September 25th so you can learn more.

Beta Sigma Phi Sorority is collecting *aluminum can tabs* to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. Please place your tabs in the bag on the back counter in the office.

Lifestyle



St. James will resume Lifestyle meetings on Wednesday, October 19, at 12 noon. Some conflict issues occurred in September making the October 19 date the best time to get back to our normal 3rd Wednesday of the month meeting date. Chris Deloach, EMS Director for Aiken County, will be our guest speaker. We have experienced the misfortune of three people collapsing during worship service at St. James over the past few years. Chris will offer some thoughts and suggestions on how to respond to such incidents in the future. As usual we will begin with devotion followed by a light lunch and then the featured speaker.

Ronald Wood

September Volunteer List



Lay Readers & Lay Assistants

September 4: Lang Entrekin (& Lay Assistant)

September 11: Tiffany Coleman

September 18: Karmen Spletzer (& Lay Assistant)

September 25: Jim Cobb

Worship Team

September 4: Dominic Price (A) Brayden Weed (C)

September 11: Kaylee Sharpe (A) Zoe Ford (C)

September 18: Dominic Price (A) Brayden Weed (C)

September 25: Kaylee Sharpe (A) Zoe Ford (C)

Altar Guild

September: Tonia Busbee & Daphne Carroll



Greeter:

Gaines Entrekin

Ushers

September: Mike Cutshall & Ronnie Johnson

Sound Technicians

September 4: Ben Sharpe

September 11: Lane Rogers

September 18: Robbie Franklin

September 25: Ben Sharpe



Altar Flowers

September 4: Open Date

September 11: Tony & Daphne Carroll in honor of their wedding anniversary-
\$ Backpack

September 18: Teddy & Georganne Weeks

September 25: Milton Rogers in memory of Kyle Rogers- \$ LCY



VBS 2022





September



Happy Birthday

Chase Busbee	2
Lynn Rapp	2
Ruth Orr	4
Robert Reece	5
Gary Bryant	6
Barbara Cobb	6
Dana DeRemigio	8
Charles McGee	8
Taylor Coleman	13
Sydney Strother	17
Jasmine Weed	20
Brayden Joiner	22
Brenda Schuler	28

Happy Anniversary

Tony & Daphne Carroll
September 16

Rhett & Elaine Johnson
September 22

Robert & Tiffany Coleman
September 23



Help us keep our church records up to date... If your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or missing from our list, please contact Kathy Rogers so our membership records can be corrected. Thank you!

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St. James made lunch for the teachers at
Leavelle McCampbell Middle School.

