



ST. JAMES

LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Journal

August 2023

August Worship Services

Sunday, August 6th
Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am

Sunday, August 13th
Worship at 11:00 am

Sunday, August 20th
Worship at 11:00 am

Sunday, August 27th
Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am

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

A message from Pastor Fred...

It's Bible Study Time!



Why study the Bible together?

“so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.”
2 Timothy 3:17

Many of us study the Bible on our own. This intentional time with God is a beautiful step in our faith journey. We can also study holy scripture with others. Christian community offers many perspectives, and different perspectives are a beautiful thing. We can gather that from our scripture: we have four different Gospel writers, and the Bible has even more encounters with Jesus beyond what Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John wrote. Today, we too experience God in many different ways.

Interest has been expressed to come together to study scripture and share our perspectives with each other, as we at St. James learn about what God is revealing to us. There are many ways to do this, and this fall you're invited to join into a study for a few weeks. In a variety of groups, we will study scripture utilizing the same Bible study.

If you enjoy a small group going to different people's houses and hosting at your own home, we will have a sign-up sheet for you to begin forming groups.

If you enjoy a small group gathering at church, we will have a sign-up sheet available for you to start a group at church.

I'm excited to see what the Spirit has in store for our learning and growing together in Christ!

Peace to you,

Pastor Fred



Bible Study



August Upcoming Events

Church Council will meet on Sunday, August 13th at 5:00 pm.

Games will meet on Monday, August 14th at 1:00 pm.

Lifestyle will not meet in August. Meetings will resume in September.

The Outreach Committee will meet on Sunday, August 27th at 5:00 pm.

**WELCA/LMM will meet on Monday, August 28th
for lunch at 1:00 pm followed by the meetings.**

All women and men are invited to join for lunch and the meetings.



COMING IN SEPTEMBER!

ST. JAMES PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PHOTOS

During the month of August, sign up to have your family photo taken for the new directory.

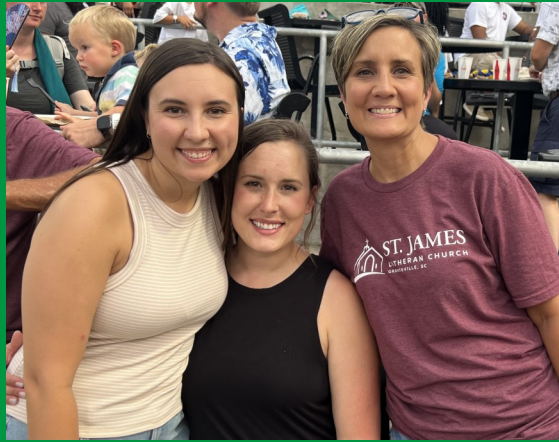
Photography will be done in-house before Sunday School and after church on the Sundays in September.

Sign-up sheets will be located in the main hallway.

Lifestyle

Lifestyle will not meet in August. The meetings will resume in September. Senator Tom Young will be the guest speaker on Wednesday, September 20th at 12:00 pm.

St. James at the ballpark for Faith and Family Night!



We had a STELLAR week at VBS!!



VBS 2023



Thank you to all of our VBS volunteers! We had a wonderful week singing, making crafts, playing, learning, worshiping, and of course eating!! Thank you to our decorating crew for bringing our space theme to life! Our wonderful crew of helpers made this STELLAR week possible. Thank you to everyone who gave their time and talents to make this week a space-tacular time spent with our church family and some new friends. I sure miss all of us being together each night.

Thank you to infinity and beyond!!

Kathy



Please remember in your thoughts and prayers:

Tom Hair, Angela Vandegrift, Bob Petrulovich, Vandy Haggard (Friend of Sharon Willis), Christopher Allgood (Kenneth Johnson's grandson), Angela Vandegrift, Bob Petrulovich, John Bundrick (Friend of Barbara Cobb), Vivian Hill (Andy Cone's grandmother), Hong & Larry May (Friends of Barbara Cobb), Frank Sanford (Friend of Cindy Hatcher & Barbara Cobb), Benny Hydrick (Friend of Tony Carroll), Mary Lyons (Friend of Gloria Sloan), Barry Franklin (Mike Franklin's brother), Camille Morris (Donna Abreo's granddaughter), Nanci Carter (Bob Petrulovich's daughter), Gene Moyer, Libby Scott, Ronnie Gordon, Bobbie Bauserman, Pat Weeks. **Anchor:** Mary Ellen Johnson **Trinity:** Ruth Orr, Bobby Reece **Augusta Gardens:** Sheri Abreo **Silver Bluff Grove:** Vicki Bolton **May the Lord bless them with His healing presence and keep them in true faith. Amen.**

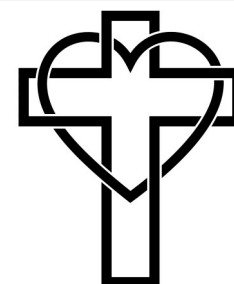
Please review the prayer list and contact the church office with updates.

Offering Option www.stjamesgraniteville.com/giving/

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.)

Financial Update June 2023

General Fund:	<u>June 2023</u>	<u>Jan-Dec 2023</u>
Offering	\$ 14,211.00	\$ 108,987.48
Expenses	<u>\$ - 14,306.93</u>	<u>\$ -102,883.23</u>
Net Total	\$ (95.93)	\$ 6,104.25



Church Council Minutes and Financial Reports are available in their entirety in the church office. Church Council minutes are also available on the table located right outside of the church office.

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

August Volunteer List

Lay Readers & Lay Assistants:

August 6: Lang Entrekin (& Lay Assistant)

August 13: Tiffany Coleman

August 20: Lanny Valentine

August 27: Georganne Weeks (& Lay Assistant)

Worship Team:

August 6: Justin Joiner (A) Brayden Joiner (C)

August 13: Trey Johnson (A) Spencer Johnson (C)

August 20: Dominic Price (A) Brayden Weed (C)

August 27: Zoe Ford (A) Spencer Johnson (C)

Altar Guild: Ruth Vance & Linda Pritchard

Ushers: Mike Cutshall & Karmen Spletzer

Altar Flowers:

August 6: Don & Cindy Hatcher in honor of the marriage anniversaries of Herbi & Erin Ford, Louis & Zoe Hatcher, Don & Cindy Hatcher and in memory of the birthday of Louis Hatcher-\$ WELCA

August 13: Vicki Bolton - \$ Backpack

August 20: Charles & Tonia Busbee in honor of their wedding anniversary - \$ Backpack

August 27: Gene Moyer in memory of Sara Moyer and daughter, Tracey Lynn- \$ Backpack

Sound Technicians:

August 6: Lane Rogers

August 13: Ben Sharpe

August 20: Robbie Franklin

August 27: Lane Rogers

Greeter: Lang Entrekin





August

Happy Birthday

Alyssa Bryant	6
Steve Murphy	17
Brinkley Johnson	18
Chris Chilson	19
Zoe Ford	20
Ethan Gonya	24
Mary Ellen Johnson	24

Happy Anniversary

Wesley & Gloria Sloan	August 6
Tom & Donna Hair	August 7
Mike & Patti Cutshall	August 10
Charles & Tonia Busbee	August 19
Otis & Carol Gibson	August 31





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St. James Baseball Outing at the GreenJackets