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OUR MISSION



OUR FINANCIAL PROGRESS

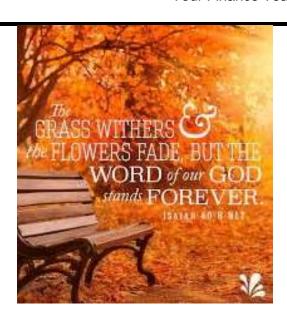
We want to keep you up to date on the financial status of the church.

As of 09/30/21

Annual Appor	\$	18,009.00	
Paid/set aside	e thru September		- 18,009.00
BALANCE DI	JE	\$	0.00
Starting Balan	ice	\$	(1214.00)
Income Septe	mber	+	15,968.00
Expense Sept		-	31,977.00
Transfer from	Foundation		22,000.00
Ending baland	e	\$	4,777.00

Thank you for being such faithful givers. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Your Finance Team





What's Happening

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October is Pastor Appreciation Month

World Communion
Day - October 3
Columbus Day October 11
Bosses Day October 16
Halloween - October
31

Harvest Season





One day Jesus called together his twelve disciples and gave them power and authority to cast out all demons and to heal all diseases. Then he sent them out to tell everyone about the Kingdom of God and to heal the sick. Luke 9:1-2

Happy October everyone. We know for sure sometime this month we will experience some cooling off and lower humidity thus letting us feel like fall a little bit. Our time in Tennessee give us a taste of fall weather with Chamber of Commerce perfect weather. But in addition to perfect, cooler weather, Rod & I also received deep feeding from the well of God. We were reminded about what the church is supposed to be about doing.

The text above from Luke tells us what Jesus sent the disciples out to do, not to just watch Jesus do. He gave them power and authority. There were four parts of their mission. They are: 1) to cast out demons; 2) heal all diseases; 3) tell everyone about the Kingdom of God; and 4) heal the sick. When Jesus ascends to heaven these assignments do not end, but are enhanced.

In Acts 1:8 we see that Jesus tells them that they will be his witnesses as well. That means to tell people what they know from their experience with Jesus. When we have a God experience with Jesus, we experience the supernatural, for God is supernatural, and we start moving in the supernatural. It is that last statement, moving or living in the supernatural, that made me think about where the church is at today.

Do we live in the supernatural power of God? Do we even believe in the supernatural power of God experienced through Jesus? And if so, are we casting out demons, healing all diseases, telling everyone about the Kingdom of God and are we healing the sick? These are all done in the supernatural power and authority we, the church, have been given. It is not about building or busyness, but power and authority and transformed lives in Christ as we witness to what we know. But this always leads back to "Do we know? Do we believe? Do we have a testimony?"

I have seen enough supernatural power here at Saint James and throughout my ministry to know; to believe; to have a testimony. I encourage you to consider what you know, believe and what you are a witness to.

Then let's get together in prayer seeking to live into the mission in the power and authority given to us by Jesu

Blessings,

Pastor Shirley



We have had a great response signing up for the May through September Prayer Walks. Thank you to all who signed up and walked/drove the neighborhoods. A part of our mission is to reach out to others and bring them to Jesus. Let's continue the Great work we have begun.

Thank you note to Pastor Shirley and the church family

what a nice surprise to
receive an annuiersary
gift on Sunday while
"camping"! I am so
touched. Thank you for the
cute bathtub with all the
delightful pamper items and
the gift card for denner!
So very very nice. Thank you!



<u>Connect</u> – To be a family of believers who connect to God and each other.

<u>Care</u> – To shine the light of Christ and welcome all we encounter encouraging worship, life groups, and spiritual growth.

<u>Commit</u> – To grow in faith through service to others both locally and globally.

CORE VALUES:

Loving Relationships:

Honest & loving relationships:
With God through a worshipful attitude and prayer.

With others through acceptance and grace to all.

Spiritual Growth

Grow with the help and guidance of the Holy Spirit in a biblically centered, nurturing environment.

Compassionate Service

Offering help to others with humility and mutual respect.

Teamwork

Accomplish ministry in the context of relationships.

We Are A Praying People!

Please remember the following in your prayers this month.

 Bishop & Mrs. Carter, Rev. & Mrs. Thom Schafer, President Biden and Gov.
 DeSantis, all of our elected officials, Pastor Shirley & Rod, our staff, our church leaders, our Cub Scouts, Betty Lou McLuckey, Bob & Katie Michalski, Dr. Randall & Karen Morgan, Cecil & Marcia Mulvaney, Chip & Betty Newberger, Jim & Harriet Newcomb, Lonnie & Karen Pinchback, Bee Rudawsky





The prayer focus for September will be:

- A healthy congregation
- Develop meaningful relationships with individuals in the groups who meet on our campus
- A church of wisdom & discernment

Please pray for these things daily throughout the month.









Please remember to bring items for the Mayor's Feed The Hungry Program and place those items in the grocery cart in the narthex. Also, you may drop them off in the office during office hours Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays between 10 am and 2 pm.

Thank You!

Birthdays in October



October 3 Dr. Randall Morgan

October 6 Debbie Kleinsorge

October 11 Betty Galvez

Anniversary in September

October 4

Ed and Tina Catalane



** If you know someone is having a special year birthday (90+) or special anniversary (25, 30, 35 etc.) year please let the office know.

Thank You!





2021 Shepherds

Sennie Lansdowne - Head Shepherd

Aija Ball (A - Bn)

Rose & Bill Johnson (Bo - D)

Judy Snodgrass (E - Ha)

Cyndi Andrasi (He – J)

Beatriz Lowery (K – Mc)

Marcia & Cecil Mulvaney (Mi – N)

Nancy Winding (O - Z)

Bonnie Kitzmiller (Snowbirds)



Kudos this month go to

- ...All those who deliver items to the Remnant Café throughout the year
- ...The prayer warriors who pray so faithfully for all the requests we receive
- ...The DLT facilitators and the time they spend in preparation for the weekly gatherings

2021 Leadership Team

Trustees Judy Shannon, Mike Barbour, Sara Fleming, and Jean Flugel

Finance Sennie Lansdowne, Fred Fowler, Bill Johnson and Bill Schroff

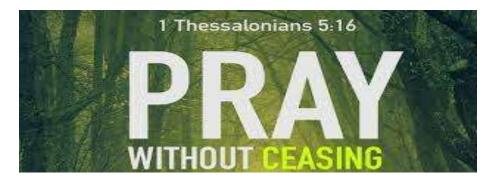
SPRT Cyndi Andrasi, Pat Dixon, Chip Newberger and Judy Snodgrass

Lay Leader Dave Strait

Nurture Team Leader Pat Dixon

Outreach Team Co-Leaders Kathy Barbour & Karen Kehrli

Lay Delegate Dave Strait





Did you know...?

- **†** Because of your hospitality more groups are requesting to use the facility for their meetings
- **†** Because of your hospitality we were able to provide a place for the Life Line Screening for screenings to those who may not be able to have them any other way
- **†** Because of your faithfulness, we are making a difference in the community that surrounds us.
- **†** God is moving in wonderful ways. We just wanted to make sure you knew!



Kingdom Kids - We welcome all children and grandchildren (K-5th grade) to our "Kingdom Kids" class at 10:00 a.m. during the worship service.

We also have an *Adult Class that meets before Worship please join them at 8:45 in the west wing room 310.

*Classes for the adults will resume in the fall. We will advise you when the class begins. See you then!



Operation Christmas Child

Mission - The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Through this project, Samaritan's Purse partners with the local church worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the nations.

History — Samaritan's Purse President Franklin Graham received a phone call from a man in England in the summer of 1993 asking if he'd be willing to fill shoeboxes with gifts for war-torn Bosnia. Mr. Graham agreed, but forgot about the promise since Christmas was several months away, until he received a call back around Thanksgiving. Mr. Graham asked his friend, the late Pastor Rhoads of Calvary Church of Charlotte, if he could help with the need. Pastor Rhoads soon demonstrated to his congregation how to fill a shoe boxes and encouraged them to include a letter to the child as well. Within weeks the church had filled 11,000 boxes. With additional gifts from Canada 28,000 shoeboxes were sent to the Balkans that Christmas.

Latest Figures - In 2020 alone, more than 9.1 million Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes were collected throughout Australia, Austria, Canada, Finland, Germany, New Zealand, South Korea. Spain, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States!



We want to extend a big "thank you" to Pastor Shirley and Rod for all you do throughout the year by leading us and ministering to us.

With love from the Saint James Family

Looking Ahead At Our Outreach Projects

November – Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

December - Angel Tree gifts for the clients of The Remnant Café

January - Shower and laundry supplies for The Remnant Café

Ongoing – snacks/inspirational messages for the teachers at Booker Middle School, snacks for the students at Booker Middle School, Mayors Feed the Hungry Program.

DLT Information

You are welcome to join a DLT group at any time. If you have not joined a DLT and would like to below are the days and times the DLT groups meet. At this time, they are meeting via Zoom or conference call. Please contact the facilitator for more information on their group.

Women's group Monday at 10:00 am, facilitator - Marcia Mulvaney

marcia.mulvaney@gmail.com

Women's group Wednesday at 7:15 pm facilitator – Pat Dixon

pdixon@ringling.edu

Women's group Wednesday at 11:00 am facilitator – Pastor Shirley

revgroom@gmail.com

Men & Women's group Wednesday at 7:15 pm facilitator - Rod Groom

rod.groom@gmail.com

Men & Women's group Thursday at 4:30 pm facilitator – Rod Groom

rod.groom@gmail.com



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

We will worship live and live streaming at 6:30 pm followed by Doing Life Together groups live and/or Zoom at 7:15 pm (If you'd like to join a DLT group and aren't connected yet please contact the office and arrangements will be made to get you connected.)

Join us as we center on Jesus.



October has five Sundays and we will be collecting items for the **Bags of Hope** this month. Below is a list of the items we will need to fill the back packs:

8 oz bottled water fruit cups combs toilet paper winter hats band aids individual shampoos toothpaste power/snack bars bar soap hand towels

We have enough socks, toothbrushes and wash cloths on hand. Check the bulletins for updates of amount of items needed! If you are not able or are not getting out to shop, you may make a donation and designate on your check Bags of Hope. With the donations we can purchase any of the items we haven't received enough of to fill the bags.



PUMPKIN PATCH

BARN BIG

ACRES

WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

FIELDGIBROLOCIE

RWORCERACSRTFOO

YKUDNATSIPHAIAU

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CSSFAFSMIGHKLGD

FPKVLEPESAOJCZE

NMLVLKWNRRPUYIF

HUALICRVAWEERAP

CBTNUAEMKVDWRDN

USSFBSMEDIUMOAS

OENITUZTRKEGILV

TRRRPAYYBRHPHNF

GCOMMDAVNSMETSI

GACURHKCWHITEII

BUMPS

COLOR CORN STALKS

FALL

FARMER

FLOWERS

GOURDS

HARVEST

HAYRIDE

MEDIUM

ORANGE

PAINTED

MAZE

MINI

FIELD

FIRM

feminine products

The words appear UP, DOWN, BACKWARDS, and DIAGONALLY. Find and circle each word.

PAY **PICK**

PUMPKINS

SCARECROW

SELL

STAND

STEMS

TOUCH WEIGHT

WHITE



It's Shoebox Time! Soon we will have the shoeboxes ready in the narthex for pickup for those who wish to fill the boxes themselves. You may fill them on line also as some did last year (see instructions below).



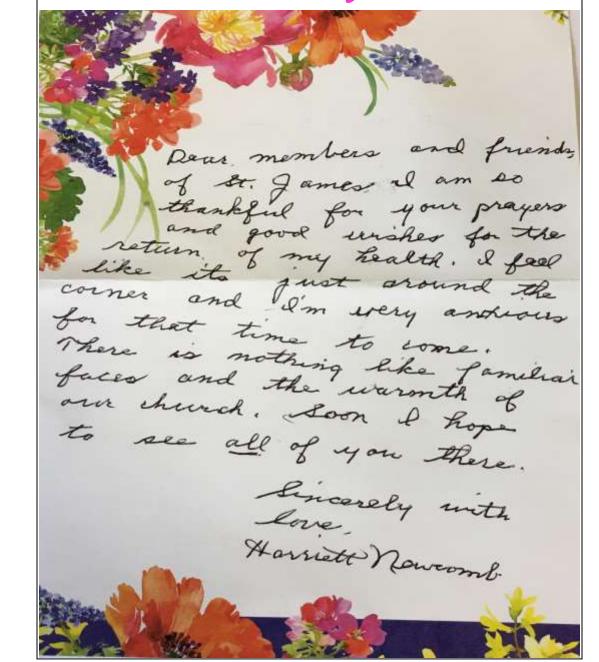
Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Please be sure to include a check made out to Saint James for \$9 to cover the shipping charges if you are filling a box the traditional way.

With just a few clicks, you can pack an **Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift online** to help share God's love with a boy or girl in need around the world. Simply select toys and other fun items you'd like to include from the collection, and personalize your gift with your own letter and photo. We'll pack the gift for you and send it on its way for a suggested donation of just \$25. The website is **Samaritanspurse.org**. Select the "**What We Do**" tab at the top of the page, then **Operation Christmas Child** and then towards the bottom of the page select **Build a Shoebox Online** tab to get started. If you fill your shoebox on line, please let the office know so we can keep track of the number of boxes we donate.

Please watch your bulletin for further information on when the boxes will be available and when they need to be returned to the church.

Thank you





This year we will once again provide an Advent/Christmas Devotional Book in place of the Daily Bible Study. We invite our congregation to participate by creating a devotion to share.

Our theme this is year is "The Gift..." We will focus on what Isaiah declares the names describing the gift. Therefore we will be looking for devotions that address one of these four titles:

WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

How has Jesus counseled you?

ALMIGHTY GOD

Where have you experienced the sheer power of Jesus?

EVERLASTING FATHER

How has Jesus taught us to view God as Father?

PRINCE OF PEACE

How has the gift of Jesus brought peace into your life?

For formatting and help in writing your devotion, please contact Pastor Shirley. We need 7 devotions for each theme. We will assign on a first come, first served basis. Please be in prayer asking God to lead you to take the first step of learning to share with others.



Mark your calendars for the Annual Charge Conference on Sunday, November 7, 2021. More information will be available in November's newsletter as well as the bulletins later in October.



Extending a warm welcome to the newest members of Saint James!

Mike and Diane Fields

Pat Hankin

Betty Newberger







October 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Paster APPRECIATION MONTH			1 Office closed 7:00 AA	2
World Communion Sunday 10:00 Worship Service	4 10:00 Women's DLT 7:00 Prayer Gathering 7:00 AA	5 6:45 Cub Scouts 6:45 Boy Scouts	5:00 Music Rehearsal 6:30 Worship –live & live streaming 7:00 DLT's live and/or via Zoom 7:00 GA	7 Office closed 4:30 DLT live and/or via Zoom	8 Office closed 7:00 AA	9
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VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2021

Date	Reader	Prayer Warriors	Audio	Visual	Worship Welcome Team	Children's Sunday School	Communion Servers	Discovery Devotion Leader	Counters	Building Closers	LAWN TEAM
October 3rd 19 th Sunday of Pentecost- Autumn	Beatriz Lowery	Corporate Prayer		Pat Dixon	Cecil Mulvaney Katie Michalski	N/A	Cyndi Andrasi Bonnie Kitzmiller Beatriz Lowery Sennie Lansdowne	10/6 Pastor Shirley w/ Communion		Rose & Bill Johnson	9/4
October 10 th 20 TH Sunday of Pentecost - Autumn	Dave Strait	Dave Strait		Karen Kehrli	Sennie Lansdowne Jean Flugel	Judy Snodgrass		10/13 Dave Strait		Cecil & Marcia Mulvaney	9/11 Rod Groom Pastor Shirley
October 17 th 21 st Sunday of Pentecost – Autumn	Rod Groom	Marcia Mulvaney		Pat Dixon	The Barbours	Bernice Highberger		10/20 Judy Snodgrass		Rod Groom	9/18
October 24 th 22 nd Sunday of Pentecost - Autumn Prayer Walk Week	Jan Dougherty	Cyndi Andrasi		Karen Kehrli	Cyndi Andrasi Beatriz Lowery	Fred Fowler		10/27 Chip Newberger		Jean Flugel Sennie Lansdowne	9/25 Dave Strait Chip & Betty Newberger
October 31 st 23 rd Sunday of Pentecost - Autumn	Pat Dixon	Rod Groom		Cyndi Andrasi	The Sontchi's	Judy Snodgrass				Rod Groom	