



**OUR FINANCIAL PROGRESS**

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

As of 09/30/22

Annual Apportionments	\$	18,101.00
Paid		<u>- 9,543.00</u>
BALANCE DUE	\$	8,558.00

Starting Balance		7,060.00
Income September	+	12,884.00
Expense September	-	<u>22,031.00</u>
Ending balance	\$	(2,087.00)

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

Your Finance Team



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**OUR MISSION**



***This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. John 15:12***

Happy October everyone. I am so looking forward to that first cool front finally making it down here. This month, my article is sharing an email (with permission) that I received. My hope is you will find encouragement in it and see that your efforts and friendship are not going unnoticed. Enjoy.

*I had some thoughts this morning that I would like to share with you. Please know that the ONLY reason we left St. James is because when we moved, we had to go to a church near us. We didn't have the online ability we enjoy today. Maybe that is a blessing from COVID. Thank you so much for providing us the ability to stay connected and worship with New Beginnings Community Church (ST. James). I was thinking about why we came to St James - what made us join. It was kind of like this:*

- 1. The members of the congregation treated us like old friends the first time we came. They continued to treat us like family and friends the entire time we were attending the church in person.*
- 2. The message - while we really enjoyed you and your style very much, your messages really resonated with us. Speaking to us at a level that was more like a close communication than a lecture and sharing what you believe from the depths of your soul was hugely important to us.*
- 3. Prayer ministry. The sense of belonging we felt was made even stronger by the prayers of the church and congregation.*
- 4. Service format. The format of the services is always interesting and engaging. This is also one of the reasons we stayed.*
- 5. Outreach opportunities. We are always busy at home - usually working. So, we feel connected by participating in different local outreach ministries. Helping with bags of hope, the music, and now that we are too far away for hands on, the chance to help financially when we can. We don't have a lot but give extra when possible.*
- 6. The music. We love the blend of old and new music. Funny that this is the last of our reasons to be there when I am a musician in my soul. Praise through music is very important. But even acapella is praise through music. It doesn't have to be perfect - just heartfelt. And at St. James - it is heartfelt. We came back because we missed the family connection we have there. When we retired, we moved here to be closer to family. It is a blessing and a curse. We do get to see our oldest son maybe once a year since we are closer. But we still don't see the others. My message to those who want to move to be closer to family is this. Only do it if you have a financial or physical need to be close to them. This has happened to me twice in my life. I get it now. Anyway, I wanted to share these thoughts with you because although music, setting and service format are very important, the most important things are the connection of the congregation and the message of truth being delivered.*

*Blessings  
Diane Fields*



Thanks for letting your light shine, Saint James,  
Pastor Shirley

## ***A Message from our sister Church in Cuba:***

Good morning Pastora Shirley. I have been very busy in recent days, with meetings of the Advisory Board and Cabinet in Ciego de Avila. How are you? I want to thank you for the offering you send to our church. Soon we will send you a report on how we use the funds sent and some photos. Thank you very much for all your help and consideration. Please extend our thanks and greetings to your congregation and family. Whenever you can, come visit me in Cuba, our house, family and church would be honored by your visit. Thanks for all your help (*regarding the water purification system – see picture*) and please say thanks to all the brothers and sisters of the church that help us.



Blessings,  
Andre's



**Connect** – To be a family of believers who connect to God and each other.

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

**Commit** – 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. Debbie Allan, President Biden and Gov. DeSantis, all of our elected officials, Pastor Shirley & Rod, our staff, our church leaders, our Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, Lonnie & Karen Pinchback, Melissa Sandberg, Bill Schroff, Judy Shannon, Judy Snodgrass, Gary & Marlene Sontchi, Dave Strait, Erik & Rhea Terdal, Michelle Traynor, Nancy Winding

A silhouette of a person kneeling in prayer is shown against a background of a mountain range under a cloudy sky.

The prayer focus for October will be:

- **Continued growth in the music ministry**
- **Flexibility during transition**
- **Growth in prayer life for the whole church**

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!**



Our Annual Charge Conference will be held at Saint James in the chapel on Sunday, October 24, 2022 at 6:30 pm. It will be great to have as many as possible from the Leadership Team in attendance as the last couple years have been very different due to COVID. Looking forward to seeing you there!

## **Birthdays in October**

October 3	Dr. Randall Morgan
October 6	Debbie Kleinsorge
October 11	Betty Galvez



## **Anniversaries in October**

October 3	Mike and Diane Fields
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.**



## 2022 Shepherds

Sennie Lansdowne – Head Shepherd

Rose & Bill Johnson (A – D)

Judy Snodgrass (E – Ha)

Cyndi Andrasi (He – J)

Beatriz Lowery (K – Mc)

Marcia & Cecil Mulvaney (Mi – N)

Kathy Barbour (O – Z)

Bonnie Kitzmiller (Snowbirds)



## Kudos this month go to

- ...Aija Ball and Sara Fleming for their help in the office on Mondays and Tuesdays
- ...Those on the visual team who help make the live stream possible
- ...DLT facilitators for the time they spend in preparation for classes



## 2022 Leadership Team

**Trustees** Dave Strait, Mike Barbour, Jan Dougherty, Sara Fleming and Jean Flugel

**Finance** Judy Shannon, Fred Fowler, Bill Johnson and Bill Schroff

**SPRT** Judy Snodgrass, Cyndi Andrasi, Gene Blamble, Pat Dixon

**Lay Leader** Dave Strait

**Nurture Team Co-Leaders** Pat Dixon & Marcia Mulvaney

**Outreach Team Co-Leaders** Kathy Barbour & Karen Kehrlie

**Lay Delegate** Dave Strait



## Did you know...?

- + Because of your hospitality we continue to provide a place for the GA group to meet as their new meeting place fell through and they are continuing to search for another meeting location.
- + Because of your generosity we have continued to provide The Mayor's Feed the Hungry with much needed food and supplies.
- + 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-6<sup>th</sup> grade) to our "Kingdom Kids" class at 10:00 a.m. during the worship service.

We are meeting in the library at this time.

- ACRES
- BARN
- BIG
- BUMPS
- COLOR
- CORN STALKS
- FALL
- FARMER
- FIELD
- FIRM
- FLOWERS
- GOURDS
- HARVEST
- HAYRIDE
- MAZE
- MEDIUM
- MINI
- ORANGE
- PAINTED
- PAY
- PICK
- PUMPKINS
- SCARECROW
- SELL
- STAND
- STEMS
- TOUCH
- WEIGHT
- WHITE

## PUMPKIN PATCH WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

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G	A	C	U	R	H	K	C	W	H	I	T	E	I	I

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



## Change for Change Jug



Keep in mind the **Change for Change Jug** will be in the narthex throughout the month. We will be collecting any spare change you'd like to donate to help offset some of the expenses we will have for the move to The Haven.



Do you enjoy working with children? Would you be interested in helping out approximately once a month teaching our Sunday school kids? We are small at this time but hope to grow in the future. The kids that attend now are 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students and enjoy coming to Saint James. Give it some thought and contact the office, Judy Snodgrass, Fred Fowler or Pastor Shirley if you'd be interested and we will share more information and answer any questions you may have. You will be blessed.



## 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 in person. Please contact the facilitator for more information on their group.

**Men & Women's Group** Wednesday at 10:30 am facilitator – Pastor Shirley  
[revgroom@gmail.com](mailto:revgroom@gmail.com)

**Women's group** Wednesday at 7:15 pm facilitator – Pat Dixon  
[pdixon@ringling.edu](mailto:pdixon@ringling.edu)

**Men & Women's group** Wednesday at 7:15 pm facilitator – Rod Groom  
[rod.groom@gmail.com](mailto:rod.groom@gmail.com)

**Men & Women's group** Thursday at 4:30 pm facilitator – Rod Groom  
[rod.groom@gmail.com](mailto: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.**



During the month of October we will be collecting items for the **Bags of Hope** for the clients of the Remnant Café. Watch your bulletins for updated numbers of items needed as we collect things through the month. The bags will be packed on the 30<sup>th</sup> and delivered sometime the following week. Below is the list of items we will need. We are going to use the winter list as cooler weather isn't far away.

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|----------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>8 oz bottled water</b>  | <b>fruit cups</b>  |
| <b>toilet paper</b>        | <b>combs</b>       |
| <b>winter hats</b>         | <b>wash cloths</b> |
| <b>individual shampoos</b> | <b>toothpaste</b>  |
| <b>power/snack bars</b>    | <b>bar soap</b>    |
| <b>hand towels</b>         | <b>socks</b>       |

**Mercy to the needy is a loan to God and God pays back those loans in full. Proverbs 19:17 MSG**



**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).

**Do Not Include**

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 \$10 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](http://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 tab 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.

**The boxes will be available Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> and must be returned by November 13<sup>th</sup> so they can be delivered the following week to the collection center.**





# October 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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<b>2</b> 10:00 Worship Service	<b>3</b> 7:00 Prayer Gathering	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 10:30 Women's DLT 6:30 Worship –live/live streaming 7:00 DLT's live and/or via Zoom 7:00 GA	<b>6</b> Office closed 4:30 DLT live and/or via Zoom	<b>7</b> Office closed	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> 10:00 Worship Service	<b>10</b>  7:00 Prayer Gathering	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10:30 Women's DLT 6:30 Worship –live/live streaming 7:00 DLT's live and/or via Zoom 7:00 GA	<b>13</b> Office closed 4:30 DLT live and/or via Zoom	<b>14</b> Office closed	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 10:00 Worship Service	<b>17</b> 7:00 Prayer Gathering	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 10:30 Women's DLT 6:30 Worship –live/live streaming 7:00 DLT's live and/or via Zoom 7:00 GA	<b>20</b> Office closed 4:30 DLT live and/or via Zoom 5:30 Village Oaks HOA	<b>21</b> Office closed 12:00 Faithsharing Circle	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 10:00 Worship Service <b>30</b> 10:00 Worship Service	<b>24</b> 6:30 Charge Conference 7:00 Prayer Gathering <b>31</b> 7:00 Prayer Gathering 	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 10:30 Women's DLT 6:30 Worship –live/live streaming 7:00 DLT's live and/or via Zoom 7:00 GA	<b>27</b> Office closed 4:30 DLT live and/or via Zoom	<b>28</b> Office closed	<b>29</b>

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2022

<b>Date</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Prayer Warriors</b>	<b>Audio</b>	<b>Visual</b>	<b>Worship Welcome Team</b>	<b>Children's Sunday School</b>	<b>Communion Servers</b>	<b>Discovery Devotion Leader</b>	<b>Counters</b>	<b>Building Closers</b>	<b>LAWN TEAM</b>
<b>October 2<sup>nd</sup> World Communion Sunday Green</b>	Judy Snodgrass	Corporate Prayer		Karen Kehrli	The Barbours Katie Michalski	N/A	Cyndi Andrasi Bonnie Kitzmiller Judy Snodgrass Sennie Lansdowne	<b>10/5 Pastor Shirley With COMMUNION</b>		Rose & Bill Johnson	<b>10/1</b>
<b>October 9<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost Green</b>	Gary Sontchi	Rod Groom		Pat Dixon	Sennie Lansdowne Jean Flugel	Fred Fowler		<b>10/12 Pat Dixon</b>		Sara Fleming & Jan Dougherty	<b>10/8</b>  Dave Strait & PS
<b>October 16<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost Green</b>	Rod Groom	Pat Dixon		Cyndi Andrasi	The Hlghbergers	Judy Snodgrass		<b>10/19 Dave Strait</b>		Rod Groom	<b>10/15</b>
<b>October 23<sup>rd</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Pentecost Green</b>	Kathy Barbour	Dave Strait		Karen Kehrli	The Sontchis	Bernice Highberger		<b>10/25 Rod Groom</b>		Jean Flugel Sennie Lansdowne	<b>10/22</b>  Rod Groom & PS
<b>October 30<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Pentecost Green</b>	Dave Strait	Beatriz Lowery		Pat Dixon	Dave Strait Michelle Traynor	Fred Fowler		<b>11/2 Pastor Shirley w/ Communion</b>		Pastor Shirley	<b>10/29</b>