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SPECIAL NOTE: Automated calls may vary in time according to Paula's work schedule and access to privacy to record the call. Your automated message will be announced!

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Welcome to Saint James United Methodist Church

If you are a first-time worshiper with us, you honor us with your presence. Please be sure to complete the Visitors Card and drop it in the offertory plate. We invite you to come and share in worship with us anytime that you are able.



Saint James United Methodist Church

September 17, 2023



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St. James United Methodist Church is a community of faith which exists to make and nurture disciples of Christ by connecting, growing and serving its members and, the greater Laurens community.

Sunday School10:00 AMSunday Morning Worship11:00 AM



St James United Methodist Church Clyde Scott, Pastor September 17, 2023

Prelude	Organ: Wesley Osborne
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Choral Response	Choir
Announcements	Pastor Clyde Scott
*Hymn: "Standing on the Promises"	No. 374
*Affirmation of Faith	No. 881
*Gloria Patri	No. 70
Childrens Moment	Pastor Clyde Scott
Call to Prayer	
Offertory	
Doxology	No. 95
Prayer of Dedication	
Anthem	Choir
Scripture: Job 2: 1-10	Pastor Clyde Scott
Sermon: "On Grief"	Pastor Clyde Scott
Hymn: "He Lives"	No. 310
Benediction	
Postlude	Organ: Wesley Osborne

* Please stand as you are able



Flowers for September

- 3 Terry and Dorothy Starrett
- 10 Gerald and Myrna Self
- 17 Open
- 24 Open





September 17	10:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship Service
September 21	11:00 AM	Seasoned Saints—FLC
September 24	11:00 AM	Annual Outdoor Service
		Grandview Ranch—Lunch to fol- low
October 1	10:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship Service
October 7	8:00 AM	Mens' Breakfast—Lucas Ave.
October 8	10:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship Service—Communion
October 15	10:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship Service
October 22	10:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Hay Ride at the Penland's



The Ladies WMU of Lucas Avenue Baptist Church are sponsoring a Community Coat Closet this fall. They are currently in the process of collecting gently used coats for men/women and boys/girls.

Please join Lucas Avenue Baptist Church to assist our neighbors during the colder weather. Please check your closets and help In any way that you can! Your generosity will be greatly appreciated!

Coats may be dropped off at the church office Monday—Thursday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. If you have any questions, please contact June King at junek@laurenselectric.com or 864-871-1747.





Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by the Congregation.

St. James would like to extend its deepest sympathy to Miss Myrna Self and her entire family in the loss of Mr. Gerald. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time of loss. May the Lord provide you with comfort and strength as you grieve.



Seasoned Saints is just around the corner and RSVPs already RSVP's are coming in! This will be such an exciting time as we come together and enjoy great food, fellowship and a special musical performance by "Kingdom Come"! Program starts at 11:00 AM and a complimentary lunch will follow immediately. YOU MUST RSVP TO: stjameslaurens.com OR 864-984-0155. Desserts are needed! Additionally, in an effort to raise more funds, we are seeking bakers to donate baked goods for sale. This was really successful in the past! If you would like to donate a cake or two, cupcakes, cookies, whatever, please use the sign up sheet in the vestibule to let everyone know what you're bringing! All proceeds to benefit the Baptist Crisis Center and Family Promise! Monetary donations graciously accepted at the door.



Please continue to remember our friends at the the Memorial Home with snacks of your choosing. They rely on us so please give as generously as you can!



September 21	Baked goods to SELL for Seasoned Saints
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Set up/Tear down

- September 24 Desserts for outdoor service
- Children's Moments during church service—See Clyde

Nursery during church service—see Ilona

Baptist Crises Center needs for September: Flour, Cornmeal, Baking Mix and Jiffy Mix, peanut butter and jelly. Please help if you can!



Walking continues at the FLC every Monday, Wednesday and Friday! Join in the fun and bring a friend. All are invited!



September Birthdays:

- 5 Mark Townsend
- 9 Maggie Townsend
- 19 Mike Lyda
- 24 Preston Phillips



September Anniversaries:

- 2 Bob and Charlotte Dominick
- 5 Joyce and David Weathers
- 8 Vernon and Liz Self
- 9 Myrna and Gerald Self



September Greeters

3	Shelia Childress	17	Gail Abercrombie
10	Don Taylor	24	Janet Kennedy



Family of Robert Paul Alexander Joe Holliday Bobbie Jean Johnson Mike Bridges **Dennie Chastine** Logan Johnson Anna Faye Childress Denise Kim Ed Coleman Shirley Major Carolvn Cook Sharon & Jimmy Morton **Buddy Craig** Alex Pennington Family of Riley Faith Family of Brianna Revis Robin Gillespie Myrna Self and Family Donna Gragg Terry and Dorothy Starrett Mildred Green Mike Sumerel Michael Hawker Linda Taylor James Warren

"Loving God, I pray that you will comfort me in my suffering, lend skill to the hands of my healers, and bless the means used for my cure. Give me such confidence in the power of your grace, that even when I am afraid, I may put my whole trust in you; through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen"





Shut Ins:

Barbara Abercrombie	Helen Stewart
Sylvia Brannon	Diane Stewart
Ed and Millie Darnell	Bobby Sumerel
Don Davis	Bruce Sumerel
Jimmy and Sharon Morton	Margaret Sumerel
Myrna Self	Barbera Tuttle
	Jimmy Woods

Dear God, We come to you today with heavy hearts, as we lift up the names above in prayer. We ask that you would bring healing and restoration to their body, mind, and spirit. We pray that you would grant them strength and courage as they face this difficult time. May they find comfort in your loving presence, and may they trust in your sovereign plan for their life. We also pray for their caregivers, that they would be granted wisdom, patience, and compassion as they provide care and support. We pray that, through this trial, all would come to know you more deeply and experience your love in a profound way. In your holy name we pray, amen.



We are excited to announce that the St. James Shut-In for September is Sylvia Brannon.

Sylvia was married 44 years to Melvin, who worked many years at the Torrington Plant in Clinton. They had two children, David and Lisa. Sylvia is proud of the fact that she spent most of her time providing care and nurturing her special-needs daughter Lisa. Before moving to her current house, she has fond memories growing up near the church on "B" Street.

She does not remember how many years she has been a member of St. James, only that Jack Phillips was the pastor at that time.

Her hobbies include reading, and watching lots of spiritually uplifting shows on television, of which Jimmy Swaggart is her favorite preacher and teacher.

Please reach out to her sometime in September, and should you prefer to send a card, or even drop by for a visit she is in room 119 in the Laurens NHC. Or call her at 864-681-4044. A card or visit would be greatly appreciated!



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September 24	11:00 AM	Annual Outdoor Service
		Grandview Ranch— Lunch to follow
October 22	6:00 PM	Hay ride and S'mores at the Penland's
November 11	8:00 AM	Holiday Bazaar
November 16	11:00 AM	Seasoned Saints
December 8-9	6:30—8:00 PM	Living Nativity



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108 Corvette Drive Gray Court, SC 29645

St. James UMC Annual Outdoor Servíce

Sunday, September 24, 2023 (There will be no Sunday School)

11:00 AM (Lunch will follow immediately)

Please RSVP to Janet Kennedy by September 17, 2023, 864-923-4445

Desserts and/or donations are welcomed!