

### Welcome, Visitors!

We are delighted that you are here! We hope this visit will be a great blessing to you in your journey of faith. Please fill out one of Connection Cards found in the back of the pews, so that we know you were here. Find out what's going on in and around St. James at [www.sjpres.org](http://www.sjpres.org).

### Our Mission and Vision

The mission of St. James is to ignite a contagious passion for Jesus Christ, becoming God's instruments of transformation, here and in the world. To fulfill this mission, we are striving to be a church that is Christ-centered, inwardly strong and outwardly focused. We are a congregation that joyfully chooses to see ourselves and one another through the lens of God's Grace.

### Children

We **love** having children in worship and we want parents to feel comfortable while they worship with their children.

- Worship bags with age appropriate activities are available for kids during service. These can be found in the Narthex (our lobby).
- The Prayground is for children and their families to remain in worship during the service and engage in sensory activities, as well as learn about what it is like to be in worship.
- The Wiggle Room located in the back of the sanctuary is intended for babies and their parents.
- If nursery (ages 0-5) would be a blessing to you during worship, please reach out to [Becky@sjpres.org](mailto:Becky@sjpres.org) to arrange care.

### Youth Group

We are a group of middle and high schoolers who are head-over-heels excited about how Jesus has ignited unending joy in our hearts. We meet weekly on Sunday evenings from 6-8pm.

### Discipleship Hour: **The CHOSEN**

Our Fall and Spring Discipleship Hour will focus on the ground-breaking TV show about the life of Jesus. The study guide called "What Does It Mean To Be Chosen?" parallels each episode, connecting readers to the Bible in a brand- new way, including a deeper look at Isaiah 43 and its fulfillment in Jesus and the lives of his followers. Every other week we will watch the episodes together in the sanctuary. The following week we will break into our small groups to discuss. If you miss an episode there are many ways to catch up including on the St James App! This is a church-wide study happening each week after worship from 10:30 - 11:30am. Please check out our website or visit the Welcome Desk in the Narthex for more information.



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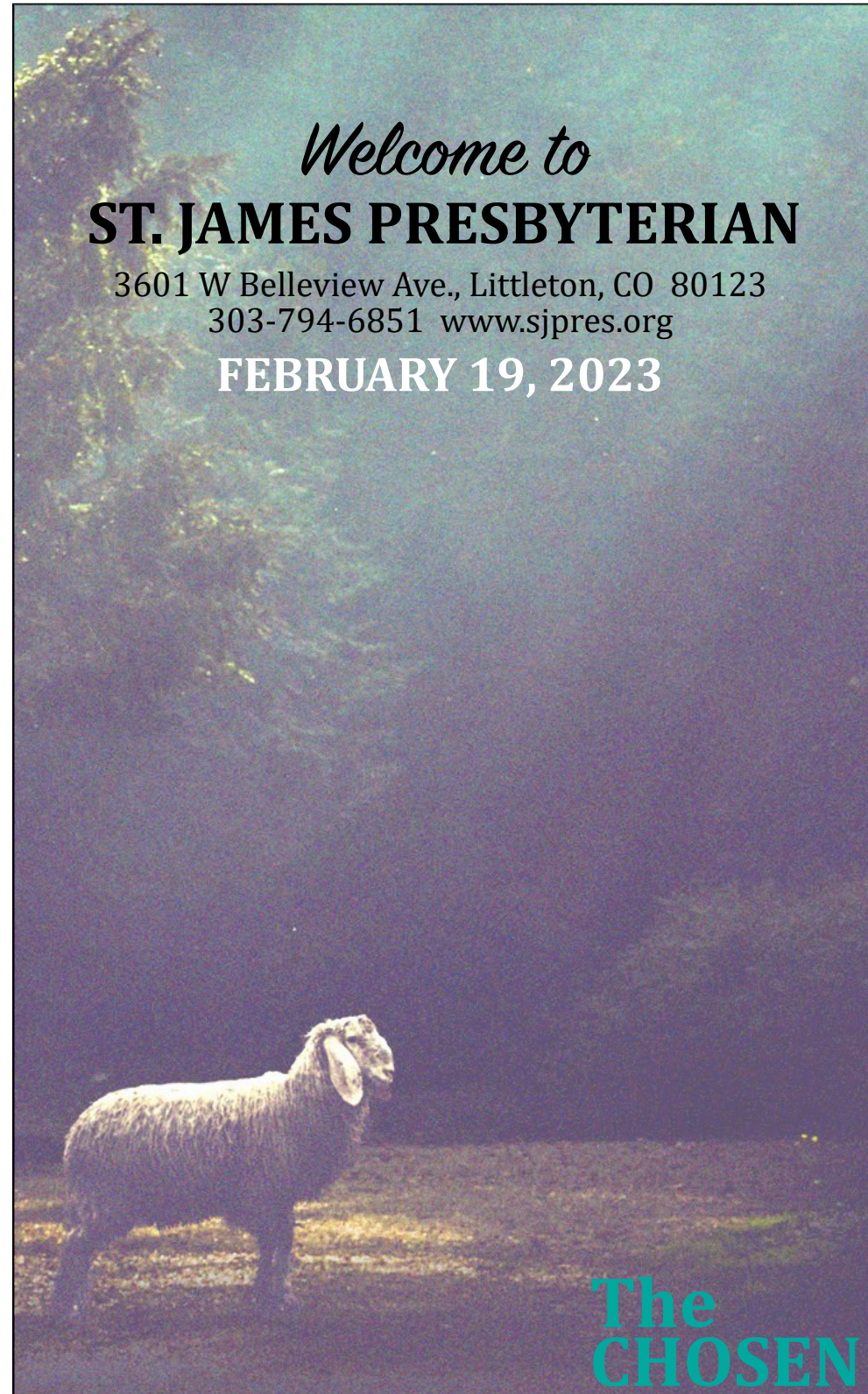


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## FEBRUARY 19, 2023



# Scripture

## The Parable of the Lost Sheep

**15** Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. **2** But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

**3** Then Jesus told them this parable: **4** “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? **5** And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders **6** and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ **7** I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

## Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we confess how easy it is to justify or minimize our sin. Forgive us, Lord, when we, like sheep, go astray. Forgive us when we shun or exclude others by our words, actions, or attitudes. Forgive us when our pride gets in the way of loving You and loving our neighbor. Trusting your grace, we silently confess and repent of our sin (silent prayer). Amen.

Prelude

Call to Worship

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

\*Opening Praise

*What A Beautiful Name  
Amazing Grace*

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Welcome & Announcements

Dennis Means

Anthem

*Come Thou Fount*

SJ Choir

Prayer of Confession

Dick Lynch

\*Assurance of Pardon

Dick Lynch

*\*Gloria Patri*

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Sharing Faith With Our Children

Marie Casias

Offering: St James Youth

Rachel & David Stokowski

Offertory

*God Really Loves Us*

*\*Doxology*

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Hearing The Word of God

Scripture:

Luke 15:1-7

Sermon: “Shear Joy”

Series: **The CHOSEN**

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

\*Closing Song

*Reckless Love*

\*Benediction

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

Postlude

\* Please rise in body or in spirit