

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.

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 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 5-7pm.

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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Scripture

The Calling of Matthew

9 As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

10 While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. **11** When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

12 On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. **13** But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Prelude

Call to Worship

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

***Opening Praise** *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* #90
All Creatures of Our God and King #63
Holy Spirit

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Eugene Scott

***Song** *Look What You've Done*

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Eugene Scott

Sharing Faith With Our Children

Pastor Rich McDermott

Offering: Christmas Thank You!

Sally Stuart

Offertory

This Is My Father's World

Liane Rockley
& Myka Raymond

**Doxology*

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Hearing The Word of God

Scripture:

Matthew 9:9-13

Sermon: "Party Invitation"

Series: **The CHOSEN**

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

*Closing Song

Go to the World

*Benediction

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

Postlude

* Please rise in body or in spirit