

### 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 Playground 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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# The CHOSEN

*"Life-Changing Thinking"*

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# Scripture

**4** Jesus replied, “Go back and report to John what you hear and see: **5** The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor. **6** Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me.”

**7** As John’s disciples were leaving, Jesus began to speak to the crowd about John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swayed by the wind? **8** If not, what did you go out to see? A man dressed in fine clothes? No, those who wear fine clothes are in kings’ palaces. **9** Then what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. **10** This is the one about whom it is written:

“I will send my messenger ahead of you,  
who will prepare your way before you.’

**11** Truly I tell you, among those born of women there has not risen anyone greater than John the Baptist; yet whoever is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

## Prelude

### Call to Worship

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

### \*Opening Praise

*Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)  
Reckless Love*

### Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

### Anthem

*Light And Glory*

SJ Choir

### Sharing Faith With Our Children

Pastor Rich McDermott

### Offering: GraceFull Cafe

Troy Greenwood &  
Pastor Wayne Darbonne

### Offertory

*Look What You’ve Done*

SJ Band

*\*Doxology*

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### Hearing The Word of God

Scripture:

Matthew 11:4-11

Sermon:

“Life-Changing Thinking”

Series: **The CHOSEN**

Pastor Jim Stuart

### \*Closing Song

*Change My Heart, O God*

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### \*Benediction

Pastor Jim Stuart

## Postlude

\* Please rise in body or in spirit