

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 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 to arrange care for future services.

Youth Group

We are a group of middle and high schoolers who are head-over-heels excited about how Jesus has ignited joy in our hearts. We meet weekly on Sunday evenings from 5-7pm.

Discipleship Hour: **The CHOSEN**

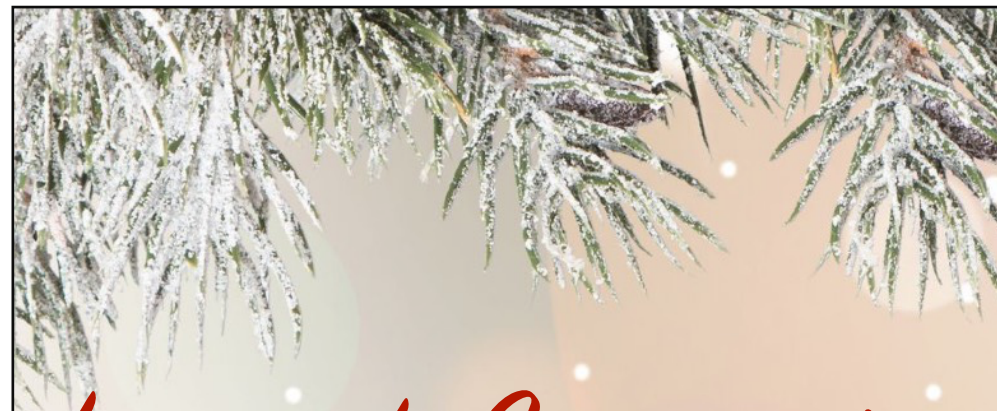
Our Fall and Spring Discipleship Hour will focus on the groundbreaking TV show about the life of Jesus. The study guide called "What Does It Mean To Be Chosen?" parallels each episode, connecting readers to the Bible in a brand- new way, including a deeper look at Isaiah 43 and its fulfillment in Jesus 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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December 4, 2022

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Scripture

Jesus Forgives and Heals a Paralyzed Man

A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. **2** They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them. **3** Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. **4** Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on. **5** When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

6 Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, **7** "Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

8 Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? **9** Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk'? **10** But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the man, **11** "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." **12** He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we come to you needing peace. Our world and lives can be filled with turmoil. Forgive us Lord for the ways we add to it. Forgive us Lord for our sin that separates us from you and others. We confess our need for your grace and complete healing. Hear us as we confess and repent of our sins (silent prayer).

Amen

Prelude

Myka Raymond

Call to Worship

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

***Opening Praise**

*Angels From The Realms of Glory
It Came Upon A Midnight Clear*

#259
#251

Welcome & Announcements

Liz Kuykendall-Kunz

Advent Candle Lighting

PEACE

Quinn Girrens,
Jared Pehrson & Mateo Pehrson

***Song of Response** *O Come Let Us Adore Him*

***Song**

Behold

SJ Band

Prayer of Confession

Ben Kunz

***Assurance of Pardon**

Ben Kunz

**Gloria Patri*

#815

Sharing Faith With Our Children

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

Offering

Pastor Eugene Scott

Offertory

Come, Emmanuel

SJ Choir

**Doxology*

#814

Hearing The Word of God

Scripture:

Mark 2:1-12

Sermon: "Through the Roof Peace"

Series: The Chosen

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

Communion

Pastors Wayne Darbonne & Eugene Scott

***Closing Song**

King of Kings

***Benediction**

Pastor Wayne Darbonne

*** Please rise in body or in spirit**