



THE SAINT JAMES VISION

Week of July 2 - July 15, 2017



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017 HERO CENTRAL

It's almost here!! We are going on some awesome adventures alongside some of our favorite Bible heroes! We are seeking to discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. We'll have epic music, spectacular science, crafty crafts, heroic recreation, and fantastic Bible stories to help us all discover our strength in God! Be a part of Hero Central - Vacation Bible School 2017! It all happens July 9 - 13, 2017.

Sign up today at stjconnect.org/vbs-registration

Parents and friends - we need your help as well. Click on the link above to be a hero and volunteer for this awesome week!

Global Leadership Summit



Your influence matters.

Everyone has influence and the ability to create positive change. When you improve your leadership, you impact lives, churches, businesses, governments, schools, and families. Would you be willing to join us for two days of world-class leadership training? The opportunity is ours right here in Greenville!

Jarvis Memorial UMC and Practicon are co-sponsoring a live simulcast of the 2017 Global Leadership Summit on August 10-11 to be held at Jarvis Memorial UMC. We will hear from an amazing list of speakers sharing their wisdom and success while meeting with other leaders and church members from the greater-Greenville area. It's \$129/person for the 2-day event. To register, go to stjconnect.org/global-leadership-summit-2017 and use the code "SPC17".

The Global Leadership Summit is a unique blend of vision, inspiration, and practical skills you can immediately apply. This is a great event for church members in active ministry, for leaders of local businesses, and for anyone who desires to better their influence in their day-to-day world. You can leverage the skills you learn at the Summit to grow your leadership and influence to help transform our community!

Summer Giving



Summer is finally here! And many of us are on the move with Vacations and Recreation. **We Hope that your summer is an enjoyable and relaxing time, but that it is also a time of continuing our spiritual practices of worship, prayer, and giving.** These practices bring us closer to God and to each other.

To make it more convenient while we are all on the move this summer, St. James offers online giving. Please visit www.stjconnect.org and click on the Online Giving graphic. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Marianne at 752-6154 or Marianne@stjconnect.org.

NEWSLETTER PRAYER LIST

Joyce LaMotte, Patti Frank

(These people are prayed for every week by the St. James Prayer Ministry Team and in countless ways by the St. James congregation. If you would like prayers for you or a loved one, please call the church office (752-6154) to be added to this Prayer List. Names will remain on this list for 30 days. If further prayers are desired following that time, please call again.)

SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

(Pray this week for some of our homebound members.)

Mary Harvey, Jo Smith, Stan Walter, Ed Yancey, Jackie Carson

DEATHS

The Ministers and Congregation extend their sympathy to....

- **Christian and Jenny Porter and family** on the death of Jenny's father **Collice C. Moore** who passed away on June 16th.
- The friends and family of **Clyde E. Pridgen II** who passed away on June 17th.
- **Jeff and Katie Greenberg and family** on the death of Katie's grandfather **Dr. William F. Mackey** who passed away on June 21st.
- **Richard and Lisa Tyndall and family** on the death of Lisa's grandmother **Sara Bozarth** who passed on June 24th.

Please keep these families in your prayers.

STAFF OPENINGS AT ST. JAMES PRESCHOOL



Our St. James Preschool has openings for Teachers and Assistants starting this fall. Our Mission is to provide opportunities for spiritual, academic and social growth through qualified instruction and prayerful nurturing. If you have these qualities you might be the perfect teacher for the us! For information about the positions, please contact Kendyl Sisk, Preschool Director, at (252) 752-6154 or Preschool@stjconnect.org.

SUMMER YOUTH MISSION TO WINDSOR, NC



The summer mission trip for High School Youth has been set for July 16th to July 22nd We will be traveling to Windsor, NC and staying in a United Methodist Church in Windsor. The purpose of the trip is to join in the ongoing work of the flood relief project. There are still spots available on the team if you would like to participate - adults and youth. Please contact Abby Gillette at abby@stjconnect.org or call the church at (252) 752-6154. The cost for the mission trip is \$25 per person.

Volunteer with Vidant Home Health and Hospice



Vidant Home Health and Hospice is currently recruiting volunteers in the Pitt County area. We have an increasing need for compassionate individuals whom are willing to provide support to patients and their families at the end of life. As a volunteer, you will be able to give back to the community, in an emotionally rewarding way. If interested please contact Angelina Brittle at 252-847-1236 or email Angelina.brittle@vidanthealth.com.

Missions and Ministries of St. James

Calendar of Events as of June 26, 2017

<p>Sun July 2 8:45 am Worship Service 9:00 am ConneXion Worship Service 9:50 am Living Water Classes 11:00 am Worship Service 11:11 am ConneXion Worship Service 3:00 pm St. James Jammers for Beginners 7:00 pm Basketball</p> <p>Mon July 3 All Day Church Offices Closed</p> <p>Tue July 4 All Day Church Offices Closed</p> <p>Wed July 5 10:00 am In Stiches Quilters 12:00 pm Letters of Love and Unity 5:00 pm Weekday Communion 6:15 am Wednesday Women: Finding I Am 6:30 pm ConneXion Worship Team The Book of Jonah</p> <p>Thur July 6 9:30 am Food Pantry 7:30 pm Basketball</p>	<p>Fri July 7 6:30 am Break of Dawn Men's Bible Study 7:30 am The Grin Again Gang</p> <p>Sat July 8 All Day No Scheduled Events</p> <p>Sun July 9 7:30 am UMM Breakfast 8:45 am Worship Service 9:00 am ConneXion Worship Service 9:50 am Living Water Classes 11:00 am Worship Service 11:11 am ConneXion Worship Service 2:00 pm Environmental Stewardship Action Group 6:00 pm Vacation Bible School - Hero Central</p> <p>Mon July 10 10:30 am Prayer Shawls 12:00 pm Barnabas Society 6:00 pm Vacation Bible School - Hero Central 6:30 pm Contemplating Prayers Prayer Shawls 7:00 pm St. James Jammers Groome Small Group</p>	<p>Tue July 11 5:30 am Jamaica Mission Team Departs 1:30 pm St. James Prayer Team 6:00 pm Vacation Bible School - Hero Central 7:00 pm Eagle Scout Board</p> <p>Wed July 12 10:00 am In Stiches Quilters 12:00 pm Letters of Love and Unity 5:00 pm Weekday Communion 6:00 pm Vacation Bible School - Hero Central 6:15 pm Wednesday Women: Finding I Am 6:30 pm ConneXion Worship Team The Book of Jonah</p> <p>Thur July 13 9:30 am Food Pantry 6:00 pm Vacation Bible School - Hero Central</p> <p>Fri July 14 6:30 am Break of Dawn Men's Bible Study 7:30 am The Grin Again Gang</p> <p>Sat July 15 All Day No Scheduled Events</p>
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OUR RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS
 (As of 06/25/2017)

2017 Mission & Ministry Budget	\$ 1,714,426.86
Weekly Contributions (06/25/2017)	\$22,890.87
2017 Mission & Ministry Contributions	\$ 781,243.54
	46% of Budget
2017 Disbursements for M & M	\$ 679,227.06
Year to Date Income over Expenses	\$ 102,016.48
<i>(Prepaid pledges of \$84,494.78 included)</i>	
Building Disciples Loan Balance	\$ 2,960,942.54
Amount needed per week for loan payment	4,500.00
Weekly Contributions to Building Disciples 6/4/17	\$6,713.34
Difference (150% of weekly total)	\$2,213.34

Clothing Donation for Local Farm Workers

Helping the Invisibles visible.

Amexcan Inc. asks you to donate long-sleeved clothing, personal protective equipment, hats and gloves to local farm workers.

Donations can be dropped off at their office from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm at 261 Belvoir Hwy, Greenville, NC.

For more information about Amexcan, Inc. please contact us at amexcan@amexcanncc.org or call 252.757.3916, or follow us on social media.

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Follow Jesus, Love Others, Change the World



See you on Sunday! Worship Services

	8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m. & 11:11 a.m.
July 2	Rev. Ben Alexander "The Church and the Table" Luke 22:14-23	Rev. Mark Woods "Here I Am" Genesis 22:1-14
July 9	Rev. Mark Woods "At the Well" Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30	Rev. Ben Alexander "Do Not Fear For I Am With You" Isaiah 43:1-5a

Meet the Alexander Family



On Sunday, July 16th at 4:00 pm, we will have a welcome reception for Rev. Ben Alexander and his family. Come and meet Ben, Sarah, and their children Thomas and Hope. We look forward to Ben beginning his ministry with us on July 2nd and wish to extend a big St. James welcome to his wife Sarah and their family!

Jamaica Mission Team

Our Jamaica Mission Team will be leaving on July 11th to serve God and the people of St. Thomas Parish, Jamaica. Please keep them in your prayers.

Jamaica Mission Team, July 11-18, 2017

Kirsten Beach, Johnny Branch, Susan Branch, Sophie Corley, Sydney Corley, Tim Corley, John Gill, Kenzie Gill, Blake Pierce, Jordan Pierce, Robin Pierce, Andy Revill