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SAINT JAMES

LUTHERAN CHURCH



Sunday, September 11, from 10:30-12:30

During worship, we will welcome Pastor Bill back from sabbatical, and he will be preaching both Saturday and Sunday!

After worship on Sunday, join together with the Saint James community for food, games, fellowship, and music by Ryne Doughty.

We will provide the pulled pork (cooked by Jim Harnack), table service and water/lemonade. Sign up to bring a salad or dessert at: [Saint James Lutheran Church: Welcome Back & End of Summer Celebration \(signupgenius.com\)](http://www.saintjameslutheran.org/welcome-back-end-of-summer-celebration).

Bring a friend, your favorite yard game to play, and don't forget to wear your BE KIND t-shirt from the youth fundraiser! (See page 3)



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Christian Education This Fall

Wednesday Evenings at Saint James

Lots of exciting changes are taking place this fall... “traditional” Sunday School is moving to Wednesday! Here is the schedule:

6:00-7:00—Preschool through 5th Grade

- 6:00-6:20—Kid worship
- 6:20-6:40—Simple meal
- 6:40-7:00—Classroom time

7:00-8:00—Confirmation

- 6:45-7:00—Meal
- 7:00-8:00—Instruction

8:15-9:15—High School Youth



Sunday Mornings at Saint James

9:00—Worship

10:15-11:00—Education Time

- Adult: topics will be announced
- Preschool-5th Grade: extension of Wednesday’s lesson or faith formation milestone lesson (monthly schedule will be posted)
- 6th-12th Grade: service projects, social activities, and more!

How can you help on Wednesday evenings?

The Christian Education Team and the Youth Team are looking for people to:

- Help prepare and serve simple meals
- Be classroom teachers or substitute teachers (Preschool-5th Grade)
- Be a musical accompanist during Kid Worship (any age, any instrument welcome!)
- Be a substitute teacher for High School Youth

Please contact Rebecca (education@stjamesjohnston.org) if you have any questions or are interested in helping with these ministries.

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Christian Education (Cont.)

UPCOMING Events

Mark Your Calendars:

- ✓ **8/17:** Summer Fun for all ages...s'mores, water games, and outdoor fun!
6:00-8:00
- ✓ **8/20 & 8/21:** Blessing of the Backpacks during worship
- ✓ **8/31:** First day of Wednesday education (Preschool-5th Grades) 6:00-7:00
- ✓ **9/7:** First day of Confirmation & High School Youth 7:00 & 8:15
- ✓ **9/11:** Pastor's Welcome Back and Fall Kick Off Celebration after worship
- ✓ **10/9:** God's Work, Our Hands 10:15-11:00

Youth Fundraiser



Support the Youth of Saint James with the "BE KIND" t-shirt fundraiser.

Shirts are \$20 with all profits supporting youth programming. Sign up sheet to purchase t-shirts is available at the church and an online link will be available August 8-19 only.

Shirts will be available to pick up at church in early September for all to wear at the September 11 event.

Fall Clean Up

Just like the rest of us, our lawn and church property need some TLC!

The Property Team invites (encourages and begs) you to join us on Saturday, September 24, from 8:30—Noon for a Fall Work Day!

Projects include:

- More mulch around plantings.
- Edging the sidewalk and drives.
- Clean outside/roof HVAC units and change filters.
- Pulling weeds.



Questions? Contact Chris Burgess at cburgess@revtechlc.com or Linda Queck at steward@stjamesjohnston.org

Book Discussion

Please join us in a discussion of the book, *Small Great Things*, Sunday, August 28, after Worship. Well-known author Jodi Picoult is the author of this fiction book. Primary characters are Ruth, a black labor and delivery nurse; Turk, a White Supremist and father of the baby who died; and Kennedy, a white public defender, who is assigned to defend Ruth. As one member of our team has described the book: "it is an easy and hard read." It is set in a labor and delivery unit and then a courtroom. The Johnston Public Library discussion questions sheet states the following: "With incredible empathy, intelligence, and candor, Picoult tackles race, privilege, prejudice, justice and compassion----and doesn't offer easy answers." Come even if you haven't read the book. All are welcome.

Team Leaders

We are looking for Team Leaders for two of our ministry teams. Each leader works with the Council liaison and other team members to schedule meetings and determine the priorities and activities of the Team. Great opportunity to get more involved and meet more people!

- Hospitality and Evangelism—contact Laura Bade, laurajbade@gmail.com
- Youth—contact Rebecca Allison, education@stjamesjohnston.org (until Vicar returns)