



October 17, 2021
St. James United Church of Christ
MissionFest

Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz, Pastor
 Organist: Randy Sohn Choir Director: Cindy Sohn

Meditative Music

Bells Ring

Prelude Gathering for Worship:

Always

Rejoice in the Lord

L: Lord God, you are a healer to those who need healing and a comforter to those who need comforting.

P: Your name be praised.

L: Strengthen your Church to go out into the world and serve those who need to be delivered from the hardships of this world.

P: Strengthen us, O God, to serve our community with zeal and joy.

L: Sustain those who face long illness, bearing them up on the wings of faith and courage.

P: Renew within us a spirit of mission, O God.

L: Fill us with the fire that urges us to be your witnesses through service.

P: Come with filling power, O God.

Opening Prayer (all together):

Work through us, your church, your chosen people, to help bring light to this community. We declare healing and restoration to those who are broken and are in need of a touch from the Lord. We declare their restoration because we will be your feet and hands. Hold us accountable. In your name we pray. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith/Gloria Patri:

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
 as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
 Amen, Amen.*

Hymn of Life: (#371 Hymnal)

Jesus Shall Reign (Vs. 1, 3, 5)

Young At Heart:



Prayer of Confession:

God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment of faith. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, we pray, for we know when we offer God our confession, we join the beautiful work of reconciliation, which begins with our reconciling with God. Help us O Lord, to make us whole.

Words of Assurance: (all together)

God promises to walk among us. God promises to be our God. If God is with us, who can be against us? Take heart and take courage: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Take heart and take courage for God promises to walk among us. Amen.

Hymn of Assurance: (#472 Hymnal)

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Prayer of Illumination:

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

St. James Choir

House of Grace

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 6:8

Mission Fest Sunday Speaker:

Pam Wittkopp, Kelly Tiegs
Dogs2DogTags

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Prayerful Interlude

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Grace Schultz – violin

Offering

Offering, tithes and gifts can be made before or after worship in the offering baskets/plates at the welcome area of the church. St. James is also set up to take on-line offerings through the website (stmstjucc.org).

Offertory Music:

Trusting Jesus

~ The offering is brought to the altar ~

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving: (all together)

Heavenly Father, thank you that you can satisfy our every desire and need. Your word says that we should give honor to you with the first fruits of our wealth. Accept our tithes and offerings as a gift of worship to you. Multiply what we give for the growth of your kingdom. May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith so that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may have the strength to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Hymn of Sending: (# 25 Binder)

Open My Eyes That I May See

Benediction:

May the God who breathed life into creation be your delight.
May Christ Jesus give hope to your dreaming.
May the Holy Spirit walk among you and set your hearts ablaze with passion.
As you go to love and serve the Lord. *Amen.*

Postlude

Triumphant Finale

Isaiah 6:8 ESV

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."



St James MISSION FEST speakers this year are Pam Wittkopp and Kelly Tiegs from Dogs2DogTags. This is a wonderful program that's Mission is to save at-risk, rescued, or donated dogs, train them, and place them with deserving service members who have been diagnosed with post-combat stress and anxiety. The purpose is to provide the veteran, at no cost, a constant companion to help them cope with the unique challenges in everyday life.

Pam Wittkopp, Executive Director

Pam joined D2DT with many years living her passion for saving dogs in need. She is a Nationally Certified Dog Trainer and Certified Dog Bite Prevention Educator.

Kelly Tiegs, Director of Canine Operations

Kelly joined D2DT after working with at-risk dogs with various rescues and shelters. Kelly brings many years of training experience and is currently working towards her certification.



This week's celebrations:

Birthdays:

Oct. 20th – Todd Grunwald, Aric Jump, Joe Klapperich
21st – Chelsea Langenhagn

Anniversaries:

Oct. 17th – Ben & Cheyenne Behnke
19th – Cameron & Marissa Fitzgerald
20th – Milton & LaVerne Wippermann
22nd – Bill & Lori Roelse
23rd – Jim & Christine Hayon

WELCOME!

To the parents of young children:

Relax! *God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles in God's house.*

- ❖ *Consider sitting toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to engage.*
- ❖ *Quietly explain the parts of the service and the actions of the pastors, musicians and leaders.*
- ❖ *Sing the songs, pray and voice the responses. Children learn behaviors by mimicking you.*
- ❖ *If you have to leave the Worship Center with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me."*

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Send an email to be added to our prayer team.

Messages are uploaded to YouTube: St. Mark's & St. James UCC

LOOKING AHEAD... NEXT SUNDAY, OCT. 24th

*St. James Worship Service begins at 9:00am,
Sunday School – 10:00 - 11:00*

*St. Mark's Worship Service begins at 10:30am,
Sunday School – 9:00 – 10:00*

****HAM DINNER AFTER WORSHIP TODAY!—CARRY-OUTS ONLY****

TODAY! HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MEETING from 5:30-7:00pm
at St. James.

JOINT CONSISTRY MEETING – Tomorrow, Monday the 18th,
6pm at St. James

ST. JAMES CHOIR REHEARSAL – 6:30pm, Tuesday, October 19th

STUDY GROUPS – with Pastor Patrick: Invite friends and bring your Bible.
Study of Luke Group will not meet this week due to the Joint Consistory Mtg.
Thursday, 21st @ 6pm for Getting Acquainted-meets at St. Mark's

CONFIRMATION – 6-7:30pm at St. James, Wednesday, Oct. 20th

UNITED CHURCH MEN & WOMEN'S BANQUET at Grace UCC in Two Rivers, Thursday,
Oct. 21st. Tickets are still available, see Lori Roelse or Pastor Patrick.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE – Sunday, Oct. 24th.

NEW MEMBERS JOIN THE CHURCH – Sunday, Oct. 24th.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- Thanksgiving Eve Worship at 7pm with Communion at St. James
- Dec. 24th, Candlelight Worship with Communion, 7pm at St. Mark's
- Dec. 25th, Christmas Day Worship with Communion, 10am at St. James

*If you or a family member are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Patrick at
920-693-2858 or leave a message on the church's answering machine at: 920-693-8361*