



*Changing lives with the love of God  
to the glory of God*

## Welcome Guests!

We're glad you're with us today!

We hope you'll introduce yourself to the Pastor at the Church door after worship today.

### Worship Schedule

Our regular worship times are:

**Saturdays** at 5:30 pm

**Sundays** at 8:30 am & 10:00 am

**Sunday School** at 10:00 am September-June

Serving in the Lord's house today:

5:30: Christine Eriksen / 8:30: Sandra McIlveen / 10:00: Greg Buscarino

Altar flowers have been given- to the glory of God

Pastor: Neil Mittelstaedt

Pastor: Conner Forbes

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**Sunday, November 9, 2025, 10 am**

**TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Opening Song:** Jesus Messiah  
**Welcome and Announcements**  
**Children's Message**  
**Song of Praise:** Living Hope  
**Old Testament Reading:** *Job 19:23-27*  
**Holy Gospel Reading:** *Luke 20:27-49*  
**Prayer of the Day**  
**Sermon:** What Happens When We Die?  
**Apostles' Creed**  
**Prayer of the Church**  
**Offering**



**Offering Prayer**  
**Confession and Absolution**  
**The Service of Holy Communion**  
**Distribution Hymn:** In Christ Alone  
**Prayer After Communion**  
**Benediction**  
**Closing Song:** Who You Say I Am



Please join us downstairs after the 10 a.m. Service in the Parish Hall for the SJ Cafe.

### **NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COUNCIL MEETING:** will be held on Thursday, November 13th, 2025, at 7pm in the Church Library. Any member of the congregation is welcome to attend as an observer.

**BLUE CHRISTMAS:** We invite you to a special service for those experiencing grief, loss, and loneliness during this holiday season, Saturday, Dec. 20th from 5:30-6:30 pm. The

reality is, Christmastime can amplify feelings of sorrow and pain, while also adding pressure to smother those feelings and just be 'merry'. This service will be more reflective, candle-lit, in a setting where weary hearts can come as they are to God, who came to us in Jesus ("a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief"), to find solace and a sense of hope. We invite you and maybe someone you know to join us. Come as you are, leave as you are.

**LADIES NIGHT OUT:** is on November 14th at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall! Join us to make a festive painted door mat. You can choose between a Christmas or Thanksgiving themed mat. Bring a friend and \$10 for your door mat! RSVP at STJLC Events or via the QR code on the poster.

**FAMILY DINNER:** is November 21st at 6pm in the Parish Hall. Show off your famous chili in our chili cook off! Your family meal will be free if you bring a chili to share. Otherwise, cost is \$5 per person with a \$20 family cap. RSVP at STJLC Events or via the QR code on the poster. Please let Emmi Forbes know if you plan to bring a chili for the competition!

### **REMINDERS**

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** Outreach Ministry is once again extending an invitation to all the families of our St. James Congregation, Pre-school, Sunday School, and Youth Groups, to join us in the "shoebox ministry" of Samaritan's Purse. By filling a shoe box with items for a child in need, we can help spread the love and good news of Jesus Christ. Shoeboxes will be in the Narthex, beginning Saturday October 11 and MUST be returned by Sunday November 16. Following the November 16th service, all boxes will be checked and assembled for delivery to the appropriate Church so they can be loaded on to trucks for international delivery. Please include a check for \$10, absolutely no cash, along with your shoebox, and place it inside the shoebox. This money goes towards the cost of shipping the shoeboxes and should be made out to Samaritan's Purse. Thank you so much for your consideration and generosity! Any questions please call Angela Donohue 631-275-8886.

**FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:** Thanksgiving blessing boxes are available in the Narthex. When complete it would be appreciated if the box could be delivered to the Smithtown pantry at 90 Edgewater Ave. Smithtown, NY 11787. The last day to return boxes is November 18th. Please drop off during pantry hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday between 930 and 12 so that someone will be there to receive your box. In the Narthex there is a sign-up calendar for those who can assist in staffing the pantry during the busy November month. We need assistance on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays from 930-1230. Also Monday, November 24th and Tuesday, November 25th during the hours of 930 to 100. Thank you to all the generous hearts who support the pantry with time and donations. Questions? Please call Jeanne Harmer, 631 484-5203 or Liz Wagner, 631-862-7508.

## **Peek at the Week**

### **SUNDAY November 9**

8:30am Worship (Sanctuary)

10am Family Worship (Sanctuary)

11:30am – 12:15pm King's Kids Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

### **MONDAY November 10**

1pm Piecemakers (Youth Room)

7pm – 9pm MAD Ministry Meeting (Parish Hall)

### **TUESDAY November 11**

7pm – 9pm Chosen Group (Parish Hall)

7:30pm Moms Group (Upper Room)

### **WEDNESDAY November 12**

10am-12pm Griefshare (Youth Room)

6:30pm-7:30pm Chancel Chimes Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:30pm-7:30pm Confirmation Class (Parish Hall)

6:30pm – 7:30pm Getting Clear Part 2 (Library)

7:45pm-9pm Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### **THURSDAY November 13**

10am-12pm Chosen Group (Youth Room)

7pm – 9:30pm Troop 301 Meeting (Parish Hall)

7pm Council Meeting (Library)

### **FRIDAY November 14**

8am Morning Prayer (Sanctuary)

7pm Ladies Night Out (Parish Hall)

### **SATURDAY November 15**

8am - 10am Bacon, Eggs, and Bible Men's Group (Norway Hall)

1pm - Wedding of Alexis Flecha and Connor McGayhey

5:30pm Worship (Sanctuary)

### **SUNDAY November 16**

8:30am Worship (Sanctuary)

10am Family Worship (Sanctuary)

11:30am - 12:15pm King's Kids Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

6:30pm-8pm TOF Middle School Youth Night (Parish Hall)