

GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER

Ruby McGuill

WELCOME / OPENING PRAYER

CHORAL INTROIT

“Acclamation in G Minor” by Karen Thompson

Glory Tones

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lord, who may come into Your presence and worship in Your holy place?

All: **Mold and shape us to walk with integrity and to speak the truth.**

One: Teach us to honor our neighbors and guard our words from harm.

All: **Give us faithful hearts that keep our promises, even when it costs us.**

One: Lead us in the way of justice, kindness, and mercy.

All: **Keep us close to You, O God, and make our lives pleasing in Your sight.**

HYMN, # 334

“Trust and Obey”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, who is righteous, merciful, and faithful forever. We believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who came among us in humility, proclaimed good news to the poor, and showed mercy to the forgotten. He suffered, died, and rose again for our salvation. Through Him we are forgiven, made righteous by grace, and called to follow His way of self-giving love. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who gives life to our faith and forms us into the likeness of Christ. We believe in the holy Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

BLESS YOUR NEIGHBORS

The close of this time is signaled by singing the Gloria Patri.

GLORIA PATRI, #33

SCRIPTURE READING

James 2: 14 - 26

Brenda Knode

HYMN, # 541

“Let Us Plead for Faith Alone”

MESSAGE

Faith & Works

Pastor Andy

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD’S PRAYER

GIVING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY & DOXOLOGY

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

by Michael Mazzatenta

Glory Tones

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Those wishing to join, please come forward during next hymn

CLOSING HYMN, TFWS # 2241

“The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”

BENEDICTION

SENDING OUT, W&S # 3117

“Rule of Life”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR RAIL:

your special donations left on the communion rail or the Narthex giving box supports Feed The Need (a local ministry serving free Monday night dinners on the square).

SUNDAY MORNINGS:

coffee & refreshments served after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday school time at 10:15am.

TUESDAY NITE LIVE:

this Tuesday at 5:30pm with a free catered dinner in the Fellowship Hall followed by our Bible Study on the letter of James. Books are \$12. All are welcome.

GIRLS IN THE MIDDLE:

for 3rd - 8th grade girls meets on Mondays. Sign-up forms are available in the narthex and fellowship hall. Call the church office 979-968-8323 for more information.

CHURCH APP:

Download our “Ministry One” app to access our church directory, calendar, sermons, sign-ups, and news & announcements. You can even submit prayer requests or make online donations. It is easy to use, safe, and useful.

CRAFT SHOW:

9am Sat., Nov. 21 in our Fellowship Hall. Friends & Fellowship asks for donations of handmade craft items that can be sold to help support their ministry. Many other vendors will be on hand selling their items. For vendor booth information call the church office, 979-968-8323.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:

use the online sign-ups for both worship services to serve as a Greeter, Usher, or Communion Server. Find these sign-ups on our website or church app.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES:

our prayer team meets on Wednesdays at 2pm in the conference room. Pin a prayer request to our hanging **prayer quilt** just outside the side doors of the sanctuary. **Community Prayer Group** meets next Sunday at 5:30pm at Redimidos por Christo Church

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT:

we are hosting an information table about our church’s available children’s activities at **National Night Out, Tuesday, October 6, 6pm - 8pm** on the courthouse square. La Grange Main has arranged to give out free hamburgers and various giveaways. Please sign up if you would like to help.

SAVE THE DATES:

fellowship together for a fun **Game Night, Sunday, October 11 at 6pm** Bring a snack to share. Our church will be **feeding the La Grange High School varsity football team on Friday, October 16**, before the game at 4 p.m. Please let the office know if you are available to help prepare the meal or serve. **Thursday, October 29, from 4pm - 6pm at the La Grange Main Street Trick or Treat** we will host games with prizes and giveaways on the square. Please sign up to participate or call the office for information.

As Disciples of Jesus Christ...We Pray For:

- *For our Military & their families
- *Nursing Home & Homebound members
- *Charles & Kathee Mazac (progressive dementia)
- *Janet Parker (healing mercies for her back)
- *Twila Thurman (answers for health concerns)
- *Orvel Hill (pancreatic cancer)
- *Sandy Hinman (leukemia diagnosis)
- *Jeannette Faist (healing mercies)
- *Sandy Smith (healing mercies)
- *Christie Webber (recovering at Monument Hill)
- *Ed Murphy (healing mercies & protection)
- *Barbara & Frank Walla (healing mercies)
- *Marie Allen & Bill Wegmann (healing mercies)
- *Stephanie Bunch (healing from a brain tumor)
- *Jack Anderson (ongoing health issues)
- *Sandra Anderson (healing of broken sternum)
- *Randall Slinkard (healing from stroke)
- *E.J. and Beverly Gray (healing mercies)
- *Brea Laudano (wisdom and discernment)

For Our Extended Family:

- *Adam Lively (Maxine Ballard's son-in-law, healing mercies)

- *Cathy Gillentine (struggling with COPD)
- *Michael Ballard (cancer treatments)
- *Mark Gillentine (fighting cancer)
- *Sheila Traybig (Stage 4 colon cancer)
- *Merry Douberly (healing mercies)
- *Ron Boggess (Sarah Janisch's dad, bone cancer)
- *Don Wilson (Sam Wilson's father, fighting cancer)
- *Darek Tomgenovich (Bill Wegmann's son-in-law... cancer)
- *Jonny Ballard (Maxine Ballard's grandson, healing mercies)
- *Cathy Walla (healing mercies)

Birthdays

- *Pauline Ebel (9.27); *Andy Watson (9.29);
- *Glenda Genzer (9.30); *Gary Gillentine (9.30);
- *Joseph Willrich (9.30); *Anna Smith (10.01);
- *Nada Burns (10.2); *Sarah Nickel (10.2);
- *Melinda Lanier (10.2)

Anniversaries

- *Larry & Mary Ann Hatfield (9.27)
- *James & Susan Bryant (9.27)
- *Jan & Sarah Janisch (10.1)

JOINING THE CHURCH...

We treasure the opportunity to be your church and invite you to consider joining through one of the ways listed below. Questions? Talk with Pastor Andy: andy@newlifelg.org Cell: 830-203-0881

- _____ by **Transferring** your membership from your current church.
- _____ by **Profession of Faith:** declare your belief in Jesus Christ and commitment to His church.
*A second baptism is **NOT** necessary, but if you have never been baptized, please contact Pastor Andy to make arrangements.*
- _____ by **Restoration:** for former members who wish to renew their membership vows.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN CHRIST'S CHURCH TODAY

(Come Forward during the closing hymn and give this information to the Pastor)

NAME (S): _____

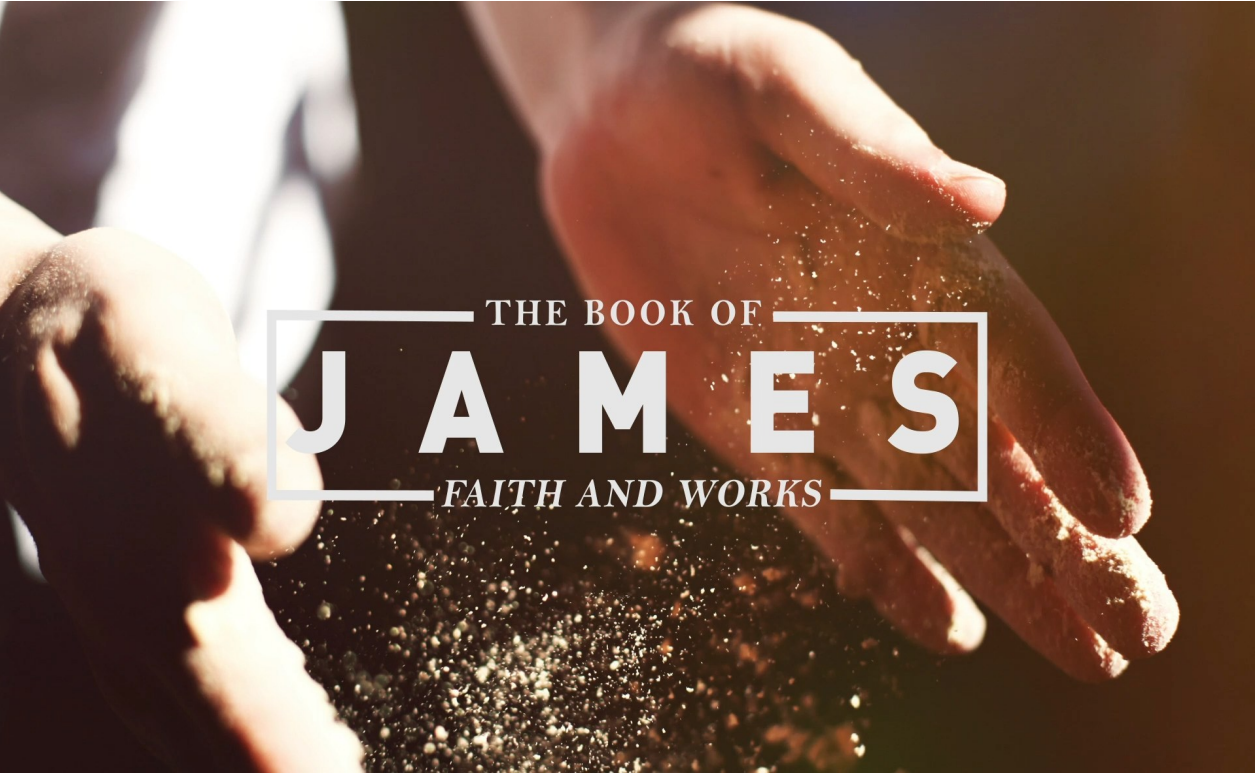
Former Church: _____

You will be asked to faithfully respond to these questions:

1. Do you confess Jesus Christ as Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him as your Lord?
2. Will you be loyal to Christ's church and strengthen its ministries by your prayers, presence, gifts, service, & witness?

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Celebration of Worship
September 27, 2026

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Nursery available throughout Sunday morning.
Childcare provided by Noreen Dopslauf & Martha Galindo