

## A Word from the Youth Minister:

Hello There! Wow, what an incredible ride it has been since moving here to Greenville and starting my position at St. James! I am so thankful to you all for welcoming me so well! Since I've been here I've seen some incredible changes happen around the church, everything from a new playground being installed, to a new phone system, to a whole new Website overhaul! I am thankful to be a part of a church that is ever progressing to be the best that it can be.

Over the last 5 months I've been here, I've been blessed to meet a total of 48 different students that have either come through our doors for programming or meet me at an off-site programming event! The best part is that 12 of these 48 have been visitors! How awesome it is that our youth can know this is a safe place to bring their friends, and that our youth choose to extend our St. James hospitality to new people in to this community!

Looking ahead, this spring we'll be continuing on with our Sunday evening EYC meetings, including some events with other churches in our Foothills Convocation, and starting two NEW programs: one outreach, and one bible study. Information to follow!



## WEEKLY PROGRAMS

### Youth Christian Education Sunday Mornings:

Youth Christian Education meets from 10:10-10:50am in St. James's Main Building, Room 110. This Spring we'll be journeying through the book of James, discovering what a life of faith can practically look like in the world. We'll also spend a few weeks doing a joint study on Religious Pluralism with our Adult Christian Education class. We will take time to dig in to this part of our reality, and what it means for us as Christians, in an intergenerational context.

### E.Y.C. Youth Group Sunday Evenings:

Our E.Y.C. 's Youth Group typically meets on Sunday Evenings from 5-7pm, with the exception of some special events, which we'll communicate out about well in advance. We frame this time around Our Four Tenants (Study, Service, Socialization, and Spirituality). Each week looks a little different than the last. Some emphasize service, some socialization, some spirituality, some study. Every time we meet we are intentional about making space for a meal, where we are all gathered around tables sharing food and life with each other. Youth are always welcome to invite their friends to EYC, or any of our programming here with St. James Youth.

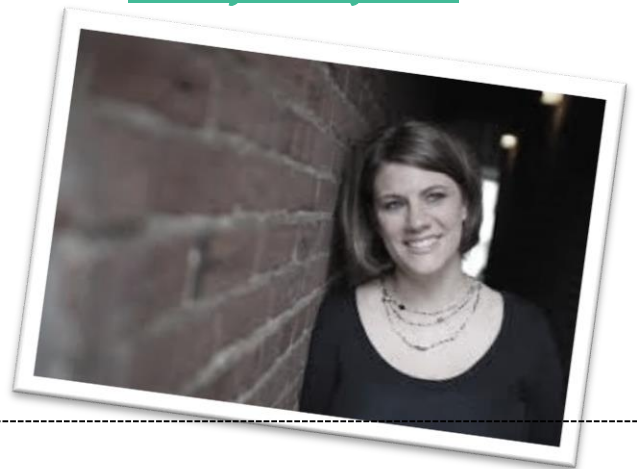
## NEW PROGRAMS

### Break N' Bake THIRD Wednesday of the Month:

On the Third Wednesday of the month, from 3:30-5:15pm, we are inviting students to take a Break after school and come help prep and Bake dessert for the folks at Project Host! After we brought them pies this past fall, they were absolutely thrilled. The staff explained that their clients typically get old pastries or easy desserts on the way out the door, making home baked desserts a real treat! They are excited to have us continue to partner with them in this way. *Starts January 20<sup>th</sup>.*

### Coffee By The Book, First and Third Thursday of the Month:

On the First and Third Thursday of the month, all High School Females are invited to Meet at the Starbucks in Cherrydale at 4:15pm for a Book and Bible study. We'll start with going through Rachel Held Evans's *A Year of Biblical Womanhood*. \*\*No outside reading will be required.  
*Starts January 21<sup>st</sup>.*





## January

- 3. EYC Kicks Back Off! 5-7pm
- 4. School Starts Back
- 10. EYC, 5-7pm
- 17. EYC, Community Night
- 18. NO SCHOOL, MLK Day
- 20. Break and Bake, 4:00-5:15pm
- 21. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 24. Convocational Gathering at St. James: Larger than Life, 5-7pm
- 31. MOONSHINE MOUNTAIN 2015



## February

- 4. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 7. SUPER BOWL EYC, TBD
- 9. Shrove Pancake Supper
- 14. NO EYC
- 15. NO SCHOOL, President's Day
- 17. Break and Bake, 4:00-5:15pm
- 18. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 21. EYC, 5-7pm
- 28. EYC, 5-7pm



## March

- 3. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 6. EYC, 5-7pm
- 11. MOVIE Meetup! TBD
- 13. EYC, 5-7pm
- 16. Break and Bake, 4:00-5:15pm
- 17. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 20. NO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION  
NO EYC
- 27. NO EYC

## April

- 3. EYC, 5-7pm
- 7. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 10. EYC, 5-7pm
- 17. EYC Service Day, Times TBD
- 20. Break and Bake, 4:00-5:15pm
- 21. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 23. DAY HIKE, Details TBD
- 24. EYC, 5-7
- 30. TRAMPOLINE PARK Meetup, TBD

## May

- 5. Coffee by the Book, 4:15
- 8. Last Christian Education of the Year  
NO EYC, Happy Mother's Day
- 15. NO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION  
EYC, Pentecost Service, 5-7pm
- 18. Break and Bake, 4:00-5:15
- 19. Coffee by the Book, 4:15
- 22. EYC End of the Year Party, TBD
- 31. FINALS LUNCH MEETUP,  
12:30pm Restaurant TBD  
OPEN YOUTH ROOM, 2-6pm

