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*A partnership between St. James UMC and Church of the Resurrection*  
**You must love your neighbor as you love yourself.**  
**Matthew 22:39**

**"OUR LIVES BEGIN TO END  
 THE DAY WE BECOME SILENT ABOUT  
 THINGS THAT MATTER"**

*Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

The Mid-term General Elections are coming up. Be sure you are registered and prepared to vote. Mark these important dates on your calendar to be certain your voice is heard on the things that matter.

Key Dates in Missouri	Key Dates in Kansas
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oct. 12 – Last Date to Register to Vote</li> <li>Oct. 26 – Last date to request Absentee Ballot</li> <li>Oct. 25-Nov. 07 – Early Voting (In-Person Absentee Voting Only)</li> <li>Nov. 08 – General Election – Polls Open 6AM-7PM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oct. 18 – Last Date to Register to Vote</li> <li>Oct. 19 – Advance Voting by Mail Begins</li> <li>Oct. 22 – Advance Voting in Person Begins</li> <li>Nov. 08 – General Election – Polls Open 7AM-7PM</li> </ul>

**ARJ TO BE FEATURED AT ST. JAMES'  
"SUPER SUNDAY" ADULT BIBLE SCHOOL  
Sunday, October 30 - 10:30 AM**

ARJ Lay Leader Anita Maltbia and members of the ARJ Leader Team will be on hand at St. James UMC to share information and personal insights into what Allies for Racial Justice is all about and encourage more joint participation from both the St. James (and COR) congregations. You can join us in person at the St. James Paseo campus, 5540 Wayne Ave. in KCMO for the 9:00AM Service and then stay for the Adult Bible Study presentation. You can also watch online at [www.sjumckc.org](http://www.sjumckc.org)



## **SEE THIS MOVIE... THEN DISCUSS IT IN A SMALL GROUP**

TILL is the true story of Mamie Till-Mobley's relentless pursuit of justice for her 14-year-old son, Emmett Till, who was brutally lynched in 1955 while visiting his cousins in Mississippi. Mamie's story is one of resilience and courage in the face of adversity and unspeakable devastation. Mamie combatted daily racism, sexism, and misogyny, heightened in the wake of Emmett's murder. Mamie did not cower. Instead, she evolved into a warrior for justice and she became the catalyst for a modern-day civil rights movement. This new biographical feature film opens in theatres October 14. You are encouraged to see the movie with friends, family, your ARJ small group, or Bible study group. Afterwards, come together to discuss the key themes and take-aways.

### **WALKIN' & TALKIN' Saturdays, Oct 15, 22 & 29 - 7:30-9:00AM**



Head outdoors with ARJ for fellowship and light exercise on our Saturday morning "Walks with Jesus" that continue through October. We gather at a local park to share interesting discussions and enjoy the beauty of nature. No prep work required. All you have to do is show up (arrive at

7:30AM) and we'll walk together for an hour, starting at 8:00AM. Crystal Hart-Johnson, a member of St. James UMC, facilitates. Upcoming walks will be held, weather permitting, at the following locations:

Oct. 15th-Liberty Memorial, 1 Memorial Drive, KCMO

Oct. 22nd-Lea McKeighan Park, 125 NE Chipman Road, Lee's Summit, MO

Oct. 29th-Swope Park, 63rd & Swope Parkway (meet at entrance; paths converge)

A weekly reminder is sent to everyone who registers.

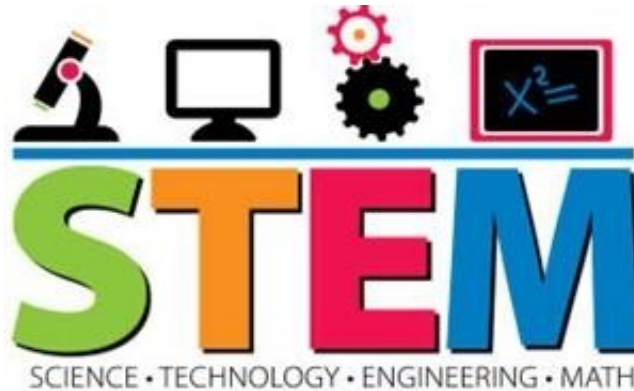
[Register Here](#)

**ARJ PRESENTS:  
Brown v. Board of Education  
National Historic Park Tour  
Saturday, November 5**

ARJ is finalizing the arrangements for a bus that will take us to Topeka for an amazing learning experience. Established in Topeka in 1992 by the United States Congress, this museum site commemorates the Supreme Court landmark decision aimed at ending racial segregation in public schools. The Brown v Board of Education case was consolidated with four other cases on school segregation. The museum's inclusion of the history of all five cases shows a broader story of education racism and the legal fight against it. **A separate special mailing will be issued to you shortly with full details, pricing and a registration link. Watch for it in your email.**

**The Complete List of Genius Black American  
Inventors, Scientists and Engineers - Part One**





Everyone who attended our ARJ Juneteenth event marveled at the educational exhibits recognizing Black inventors and young entrepreneurs. We were left wanting to know more! We are excited to announce that ARJ has received permission to provide access to a 2-part series that first appeared in a 2018 issue of **Interesting Engineering** and was updated in March 2022. As the article reveals, countless important contributions to STEM have come from genius Black Americans. They range from revolutionary cancer research to the humble ice cream scoop. Use this link to access Part I and watch for Part II in next month's ARJ newsletter.

<https://interestingengineering.com/black-inventors-the-complete-list-of-genius-black-american-african-american-inventors-scientists-and-engineers-with-their-revolutionary-inventions-that-changed-the-world-and-impacted-the-history-part-one>

## GETTING TO KNOW OUR PARTNER CHURCHES BETTER

*Forging authentic relationships to eliminate the existing racial divide in our communities and churches*

### Let's Share Our Common Faith

Great things happen when we worship together. Make a commitment to attend services in our partner churches once a month. You'll be welcomed with open arms at both St. James and Church of the Resurrection. Click the links below for more information on classes and activities at both churches:

[St. James](#)

[Resurrection](#)

Both St. James and Resurrection have returned to modified in-person worship and gatherings while retaining the options for virtual connections. Check individual church websites for online worship opportunities.

[St. James](#)

[Church of the Resurrection](#)

## OTHER INFORMATION & ACTIVITIES

### Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration



Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. It begins and ends mid-month because that's the time period when the majority of Latin American countries commemorate their Independence Day. The Johnson County Arts and Heritage Center will host an event on Wednesday, October 12 from 6:00-8:00 PM at 8788 Metcalf Avenue, Overland Park, KS 66212 to

celebrate the Kansas City Region's deep Latino history. This event is FREE and open to the public. No registration required. There is something for everyone. Check your local city, county and library websites for more activities and opportunities to join the celebration.

## Johnson County NAACP "Coffee with the Candidates"



**NAACP**  
Johnson County Branch  
Political Action Committee



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**MORE<sup>2</sup>**

**Saturday, October 8, 2022**

**10:00am – 12:30pm CST**

**Shelter #1, Shawnee Mission Park  
7900 Renner Road Shawnee, KS**

\*In case of inclement weather, back-up event location and details, will be posted on the JoCo NAACP website: <https://jcnacp.org/> by 6am on Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>



Don't miss this national traveling photographic exhibit now at the **Kansas African American Museum**. It features a wide array of photos taken by internationally recognized photographers, local photo journalists and amateurs. Together they provide a visual evolution of the Civil Rights Movement and daily living in the American South. Now through October 22 at TKAAM, 601 N. Water Street, Wichita, KS 67203.

For more details go to <https://www.tkaamuseum.org/>





## "SOUND & STORY"

### 25 YEARS AT THE AMERICAN JAZZ MUSEUM

The American Jazz Museum continues it's year-long celebration of 25 years in the Kansas City area with many special events and exhibits. Right now, you can experience "Sound & Story" – an exhibition that celebrates the four pillars of the museum's mission: Exhibition, Performance, Education and Research. Each pillar is explored with artifacts and examples of how jazz is an indispensable part of the cultural infrastructure and identity of Kansas City. For more information visit <https://www.americanjazzmuseum.org/>

Read, View and Learn



Visit the Allies for Racial Justice website for great video and book suggestions that can help us better understand our differences, appreciate our similarities and establish Christ-centered solutions to end racial and social injustices. Terrific selections for ARJ Small Groups!

Click [HERE](#) for all our recommended reading and video resources

**For more information on Allies for Racial Justice, visit our website:**

**<https://alliesforracialjustice.org>**

**or join the conversation on Facebook:**

**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/AlliesForRacialJustice>**

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