



ST. JOHN'S

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CHURCH

February 12, 2023

11:00

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Church Meeting February 19

An informational meeting will be held on February 19 to discuss the current division in the United Methodist Church. In order to reach as many church members as possible, two times will be offered on Feb. 19: 10am and 6pm. Both will be held in the Faith Center. This will be the first of a number of meetings to be held to keep our congregation up to date with the issue of why some churches are remaining in the United Methodist Church, while others are separating. These meetings will be held with the goal of protecting St. John's, and to quote John Wesley, "do no harm."

Dr. Tim's Bible Study

Dr. Tim's Bible study will resume on Wednesday, February 15 at 10am in the Sanctuary. This will also be live-streamed on our website: <https://stjaiken.org>

2023 Jack Meeks Golf Tournament

Mark your calendars for May 19 for the 14th Annual Jack Meeks Memorial Ramp Ministry Golf Tournament. Registration is now open on our website: <https://stjaiken.org>. We look forward to another fun and successful tournament! Help us support our Aiken County residents in need: "Ramps Are Freedom."

Head Scratchers Bible Study

New Bible study during the month of March, Head Scratchers: When the Words of Jesus Don't Make Sense, led by Heather Peacock. Join us for a 5 week Bible study tackling some of Jesus' most perplexing passages. What does Jesus mean when He talks about "hating your mother and father," or the "unforgivable Sin"? This study will be offered at two different days/times: Wednesday evenings beginning **March 1 at 6:15pm** or Thursday afternoons beginning **March 2 at 12 noon**. Both days/times will be held in the Cornerstone Conference Room. Questions? Contact Heather Peacock at hpeacock@stjohns-umc.org.

Church Calendar Reservations

We have had a recent increase in reservations for the use of church classrooms, meeting halls and the gym. Please make sure that when you are scheduling these meetings or events, that you confirm that you have an access keycode to enter the facility, as we have not had Hosts since COVID times. If you are hosting a meeting, please ensure that you let your participants know the appropriate door to use, and man that door for your attendees. Many of the church doors are always locked, even during business hours. Please contact Jennifer Windham in the church office during office hours to have a keycode assigned to you.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Worship Services - Dr. Tim McClendon; Rev. Butch Blackwell; Rev. Douglas Herlong; Director of Traditional Music - Dr. Matt Caine; Organist - Christopher Nash; 9:02 Band Leader - Jane Timmerman; The 9:02 Band

Crucifer - Lexi Taylor **Acolytes** - Audrey Dietzel & Madison Zeigler

February 11:00 Ushers: Virgil & Pat Sauls; Donald Leader; Paula Blackmore; Bob Newburn; Mick & Connie Pisko; Sinclair Short; Art Smith & Susie Graven-Smith

February Worship Support - Pat Sauls, Kay Buckner, Claudette Strickland, Katy Osborn

You may text your gift to St. John's by texting **stjaiken** to 1-888-364-4483 and following the instructions.

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The 11:00 service is broadcast over WKSX 92.7 at 12 p.m., one week delay.

February 12, 2023

Children's Ministries

Special Event for 2nd-5th Graders – Friday, February 24th 6pm-10pm

Late Night Secret Servants: Do you have what it takes to be a secret servant of God? Come and join us for a late night secret assignment to serve those who serve us in our community. Bring your Bible, your sleeping bag, and your servant's heart!

NEW Mom's Bible Study – Wednesday 5pm-6pm

All moms are invited as we begin a book study of Stormie Omartian's *Power of a Praying Woman*, beginning Wednesday, February 15th in Room 223. Drop your kids 3 years - 5th grade off at Children's Choir and join us as we learn how to deepen our relationship with God through a vibrant prayer life.

Foundation Student Ministries

(7th-12th Grades)

Sunday Night Youth:

Youth choir and Sunday Night Youth will not be meeting tonight due to the Winter Bible Study Retreat and Super Bowl. Make plans to join us for Bible Study this week.

Safe Sanctuary Training will be held in the Faith Center upstairs on Wednesday, February 15 at 6pm.

Youth Bible Studies on Wednesdays from 7pm – 8pm

Brotherhood (7th-12th grade boys) in the gym

CORE (7th-8th grade girls) in the Faith Center

Dwell (9th-12th grade girls) in Bekah & Amy's office

From the Finance Office

If you are doing a Required Minimum Distribution or a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA please make sure that you have your Investment company or your broker put your name on the check or check stub so that we may correctly credit the proper donor. We have received several checks with no name on them therefore, we do not know to whom to give credit. You may also call Nancy Fairgrieve to let her know the funds are coming, and she will be on the lookout for them. Should you have any questions, please contact Nancy Fairgrieve in the Finance Office at (803)648-6891.

St. John's Missions News

Let us pray, "May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us, that His ways may be known on earth, His salvation among all nations." On this Mission Impact Celebration Sunday, may we praise God, for all He has accomplished through our 24 mission partners and may all who hear His name, call him Lord and Savior.

For the month of February, we are collecting **canned or dried fruit with easy open tops**. Please place any donated items in the box marked "Grace Kitchen" in the Narthex of each worship service. **Please place only the requested donation items in the Grace Kitchen boxes as these are the current items needed.**

The flower arrangements in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by
The Dickey Family, in loving honor of *Pat Dickey's birthday*.

Wednesday Night Supper

Menu: Pot roast, mashed potatoes, green beans, and chocolate cake

Kids Menu: Sliders and chips

Reservations are required and should be made by Monday, February 13th, at 5pm. Make reservations by calling the church office at (803)648-6891 or contacting Juli Davis at: jdavis@stjohns-umc.org. Cost is \$7.50 for ages 10 yrs. old through adult, and \$3.00 for children over the age of 3 years.

News of the Family

Welcome to:

Brett and Lisa Evans, our newest members who joined during the 9:02 service on February 5, 2023.

Our Sympathies to:

Champ and Jeanette Bowden, on the death of Jeanette's sister, **Marjorie Laughmiller**, who died January 1, 2023 in Atlanta, GA and on the death of their daughter-in-law, **Elizabeth Snyder-McQuern**, wife of their son Brian Bowden, who died January 9, 2023 in Chicago, IL.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Myrle Jett
February 3, 2023

ACTS Monthly Collection Item

February — **Canned Complete Meal (i.e.: ravioli, spaghetti, chili)**

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

Attendance — 2/5/2023

8:30 | 100 9:02 | 209 11:00 | 313

In-Person Total | 622

9:02 Online Live | 244 11:00 Online Live | 283

Financials

Operations Budget as of 2/8/2023

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do :	\$ 305,011.39
Year to date ministry expenditures:	<u>\$ 211,653.94</u>
<i>We thank you for your continued support of St. John's Ministries!</i>	\$ 93,357.45

Missions Budget: Year 2023/2024

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do in Missions:	\$ 28,659.38
Year to date Missions Disbursements:	\$ 0.00

We thank you for your generous support to the Missions of St. John's!

2022/2023 FAITH PROMISE YEAR END TOTALS TO FOLLOW



Thinking about becoming a member?

We are excited to invite you to officially join our St. John's family! If you've been thinking about membership, now is the perfect time to join; we would love to have you! Contact Juli Davis (jdavis@stjohns-umc.org) or Rev. Douglas Herlong (dherlong@stjohns-umc.org) for more information or call the church office at (803)648-6891.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

INEZ CRAIN SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT
STJAIKEN.ORG/FOUNDATION-SENIORS

APPLICATIONS DUE: APRIL 28

SENIOR SUNDAY: JUNE 4



JACK MEEKS MEMORIAL RAMP MINISTRY

Golf Tournament
May 19, 2023
REGISTER NOW

Registration brochures
Now available in the
church office

CHECK OUT OUR UPCOMING BUS TOURS



A Taste of The Upstate, Anderson, SC : April
A Tea-rific Tour : June
The First Lady of Georgia, Milledgeville, GA : August
A Pretty Place, Greenville, SC : October
Christmas Delights, Jacksonville, FL : December

FOR MORE INFO CALL: DONNA WALKER 803-295-2904



Order of Worship—8:30 A.M.

We welcome you, no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide. Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please silence all electronic devices.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Butch Blackwell

CALL TO WORSHIP *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens* William Moore

***OPENING HYMN NO. 581** *"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"* BEACH SPRING

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 67:1-7

MISSION IMPACT SPEAKER

Christine Mitchell
(Carolina Honduras Health Foundation)

PRESENTATION AND DEDICATION

OF FAITH PROMISE & SERVICE OFFERING

Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI NO. 71**

GREATOREX

*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.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Light of Life

Mack Wilberg

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OLD 100TH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER, & CHORAL RESPONSE

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 95** *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"* OLD 100th

*BENEDICTION

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

John Rutter

POSTLUDE

**Please stand, as able.*

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PRAISE SONG **Sanctuary** *Thompson*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS **Rev. Douglas Herlong**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAISE SONG **Nobody** *Casting Crowns*

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OFFERTORY **Psalms 67** *The Corner Room*

CHILDREN'S SERMON **Heather Peacock**

SCRIPTURE READING **Psalms 67:1-7**

MISSION IMPACT SPEAKER **David Williams**
(Frontiers USA Unreached People Groups)

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL (Kindergarten thru 6th grade dismiss for Sunday School)

**PRESENTATION AND DEDICATION
OF FAITH PROMISE & SERVICE OFFERING** **Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon**

PRAISE SONG **God of This City** *Tomlin*

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SENDING FORTH SONG

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ANTHEM

Hevenu Shalom Aleichem

arr. Dan R. Edwards

We have come to bring you peace. (Sung in Hebrew)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Heather Peacock

Children K3-2nd grade may now follow the Crucifer to Children's Church

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***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS NO. 95**

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Chancel Choir members who also sang at the 8:30am service may exit at this time.

SCRIPTURE READING

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MISSION IMPACT SPEAKER

Alan & Sunny "H"
(The Artisans in Southeast Asia)

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