ST. JOHN'S

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CHURCH

November 1, 2026

All Saints Sunday

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Stewardship Pledge Cards

Pledge cards have been mailed. If you want to complete a pledge card before Stewardship Sunday, November 8, please contact Nancy Fairgrieve at 803-648-6891, ext. 217.

Epworth Angels

We will have information set up in the Narthex and the Faith Center Lobby today and next Sunday, Nov. 8. All gifts will be due in the collection bin just outside the main Church office by November 30, 2026. Thank you in advance for supporting this worthy cause!

Lost and Found

Lost and found items will be placed on a table in the main lobby of the church office this Sunday, Nov. 1. Items include jackets, sweaters, misc. children's items and many glasses. If items are not claimed this Sunday, they will be placed in Twice Loved Treasures at Applefest.

Applefest

HELPERS NEEDED: Following the 9:02 service TODAY to stick around and help move the chairs from the Faith Center to set up for Silent Auction.

Frozen Features: Let's fill the freezers! Casseroles, soups, chili, quiches and bread are all needed to sell at Applefest this year. So, as you are making dinner one night, maybe make an extra batch and put it aside in the freezer for Applefest! Please contact Brenda Meeks at 803-979-1900 or Camille Bailey at 803-295-2057 if you have questions.

The Clothes Closet: Your donations of gently used or new apparel, shoes and accessories for women, men and children will be accepted and welcomed in Ward Hall on the following schedule: **Tues., 10/27 - Fri., 10/30 from 9am-1pm and Mon., 11/2 and Tues., 11/3 from 9am-5pm**. Please mark your calendars now as these are firm dates and times.

Twice Loved Treasures will begin accepting items in the gym on **Mon., 11/2 through Fri., 11/6 from 8:30am – 5:30pm. On Friday, 11/6 we will only accept items up until 1pm**. Remember we will not accept computers, TV's, life jackets or car seats. Any question, please call Marsha Mikes at 803-645-0078.

Appleseed Café: We are now accepting donations of bottled water and canned soda. Please bring in donation and leave outside the kitchen, marked "Applefest."

The Bake Shop: Cookies, breads, pies, cakes, bars, gluten free items and more are welcome! Items may be packaged as individual treats or portions serving several. Please bring items to the gym between 3pm-5pm on Friday, Nov. 6 or by 7:30am on Sat., Nov. 7 as we will need to price items before we open for business at 8am.

Apple Pre-Orders: Pre-orders are only available by the bushel and are currently being taken by Judy Kalbaugh at 803-221-1342.

Children's Activities and Plant Sales: All children's activities and plants will be held on the lawn outside of the gym. Great Oak Equine Assisted Programs will have "Ziggy" and "Monday" here for the children to pet and groom from 9am-11am. Crafts will be available for all children and plants will be available for purchase. If you have plants to donate, please bring them to the gym door closest to Chesterfield St., facing the lawn area, after 3pm on Friday, Nov. 6.

Worship Services: Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth, Rev. Butch Blackwell; Rev. Will Altman; Director of Traditional Music - Dr. Matt Caine; Organist - Christopher Nash; 9:02 Band Leader - Jane Timmerman; The 9:02 Band - Chuck Carver, Juli Davis, Earl Melton, Matt Osteen, George Collins, Steve Davis, Alec James, Jeff Krok, Jonathan Cook, Susan Lawson, Marshall Sanders

Crucifer: Katie Kirk **Acolytes:** Cade Duckworth and Caulden Kirk

All Saints Banner 11am: Sean Parker

November 8:30 Ushers: Tom Miniard, Randy Shelley, Greg Lowry

November Ushers: Mitch Rivers, Mary Ann Findley, Donald Leader, Sara Carmichael, Doug Carmichael, Jean Geiger, Joe Spencer, Paula Blackmore, Penny Rue, David Jameson, and Missy Poe

November Worship Support: Christy Kisner, Nita Bell, Libby Taylor, Peg Robinson, and Judy Keaton

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.

November 1, 2026

Children's Ministries

Sunday School (children 4K-5th grade): Upstairs in the Education building. Sign-in and pick-up by the boat!

No Children's Church today - children are encouraged to participate in Holy Communion with their families.

Wednesday Children's Music: 1st & 2nd graders will practice chimes from 5pm-5:30pm and then choir from 5:30pm-6pm. The 3rd-5th graders will have choir from 5pm-5:30pm and then they will practice handbells from 5:30pm-6pm.

Wednesday night lessons for grades 1st- 5th begin at 6:30pm, followed by a little gym time before parents pick up at 7:30pm.

Thank you for all that donated their time, candy and cakes for Trunk-or-Treat!! A wonderful time was had by all!

Congratulations to Charly Bates, Ryan Clark, Cayce Kring, Kennedy Hiller, Henry Kisner, Jordan McAlhaney, Nash Martin and Haley Staack for memorizing Romans 8:14 as part of the Third-grade Bible Basics!



Foundation Youth Ministries

(6th-12th Grades)

- Youth Bible Study is in room 212/213 at 10 AM
- Sunday Night Youth tonight. Drop-off in gym at 5 PM, pick-up in Ward Hall at 7 PM
- Tuesday Prayer Breakfast at Dunkin on Whiskey Rd. at 7:15 PM
- NO Wednesday Night Small group this week due to Applefest
- Mark your calendar for our mission trip interest meeting on November 8th at 10 AM in Ward Hall 1

Young Adults Ministry

Please join us for Sunday School Class at 10am in Room 237.

St. John's Missions News

To build and maintain our connection with our mission partners, the mission leadership team would like to know if you serve at least once per month with a local mission partner or have regular contact with a regional or international partner. If so, please email Don Hayes at hayesdonj@gmail.com.

For the month of **November**, we are collecting **blankets and sleeping bags**. Please place any donated, freshly cleaned items in the box marked "Grace Kitchen" in the Narthex of each worship service and in front of Ward Hall. Please place only the requested donation items in the Grace Kitchen boxes as these are the current items needed.

New Sunday School Class

The new Agape Sunday School class meets in room 238. We are excited to welcome those in-and-around their 30s to come together for a new class. We hope to see you there!

Sunny Monday

Senior Adult Council will host Sunny Monday on Monday, November 9, 2026. The 10:30am program held in the Faith Center will feature Nancy Cruz with Aiken Equine Rescue: "People Helping Horses, Horses Helping People." Lunch will be available at $5 per plate, following the program with a menu of tomato soup, mini ham & cheese croissant, chips and pumpkin praline squares. Reservations are required for the meal. Please call the church office at 803-648-6891 by 3pm, Thursday, Nov. 5th to make a lunch reservation.

The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by *Doris Hoffman* in memory of *Herb Hoffman* and by *Zipper & Becky Robbins* in honor of *their 60th Anniversary.*

Wednesday Night Supper

Nov. 4: NO WNS Due to Applefest
Nov. 11: Chili, cornbread, Mexican corn, and Trifle for dessert

Dinner is served at 5pm in Ward Hall 2/3 (unless otherwise posted). **New meal rates are: $10 per adult, $4 per child (over 3yrs) with a family cap of $28.** Payment options: On-line via our website: www.stjaiken.org and select "GIVE NOW" and then select "WNS." Payment on-line does not guarantee that your reservation has been made. You must still call in your reservation for WNS. You may also pay in person by cash or check made payable to: St. John's.

Rev. Josh's Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday morning Bible Study with Rev. Josh will not take place on November 4 due to Applefest set-up in the Faith Center. Please re-join us on November 11 at 10am.

Rev. Butch's Bible Study

Rev. Butch has added one more date to his Everyday Grace Bible Study. Please join him for the final study on Wednesday, November 4 at 5:45pm in the Chapel.

New Church Directory

The new directories are here! They may be picked up by stopping by the receptionist's desk Monday - Thursday during office hours or this Sunday between the hours of 8am and noon. Please remember - only one copy per family.

Under the Steeple

On Sunday, November 22, at 3pm, our choir, along with singers from throughout the CSRA, will come together to present most of the choruses from all three parts of Handel's beloved Messiah. You don't want to miss this beautiful afternoon of music! If you are interested in singing, please contact Dr. Matt Caine, mcaine@stjaiken.org.

Thank You from the Talbert Family

The Talbert family wishes to acknowledge St. John's many acts of kindness during their time of loss. Thank you for all the prayers, cards and thoughts. They were greatly appreciated.

ACTS Monthly Collection Item

November — Canned beans
Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

Attendance — 10/25/2026

8:30 | 108 9:02 | 213 11:00 | 270
In-Person Total | 591
9:02 Online Live | 206 11:00 Online Live | 200

Financials

Operation Budget as of 10/28/2026

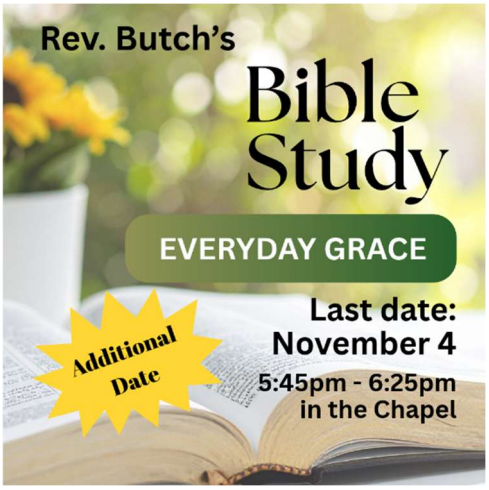
Year to date offering given for what God is asking us to do:	$2,194,284.59
Year to date ministry expenditures:	$1,838,678.49
	$ 355,606.10

Missions Budget: Year 2026 - 2027

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do in Missions:	$289,174.08
Year-to-date disbursements:	$260,483.50

We thank you for your generous support of St. John's Ministries & Missions!

Please use our GIVING QR code to give online:













FINANCE COMMITTEE BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT

As we approach the end of the calendar year, the Finance Committee wants to review two "gifting" options for our church members.

1. Gifting highly appreciated securities (i.e.: stocks, bonds, etc.) – please contact Nancy Fairgrieve and/or speak to Mary Ann Barrett, Janney, Montogomery Scott LLC, Aiken office at 803-649-6304 per the church's local brokerage account. We ask that transfer instruction be in process on or before 12/20/2026.
2. Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) – for charitable gifts from IRAs. Please have check made payable to and as beneficiary "St. John's Methodist Church," PO BOX 809, Aiken, SC 29802. Nancy Fairgrieve can provide further assistance if necessary.

Both options can provide advantageous tax benefits to individuals and couples. Please consult your own personal tax advisor if appropriate.

ST. JOHN'S

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 ***How Lovely are Thy Dwellings*** Brahms

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP ***Marching to Zion*** Robert Lowry

Chancel Choir

***OPENING HYMN No. 711, "For All the Saints"** SINE NOMINE

***SCRIPTURE READING 1 John 3:1-3 Rev. Josh Duckworth**

SERMON "This Hope" Rev. Josh Duckworth

PROCESSION OF MEMORIAL BANNER

ALL SAINTS PRESENTATION

Names and pictures of members who passed away between October 1, 2025, and September 30, 2026. Also included are the names and pictures of any parents, children, or spouses of church members who wished to share them with us.

***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, "Glory Be to the Father"** 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 ***Angel Band*** arr. Shawn Kirschner

Chancel Choir

***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS** 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 AND 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.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION, page 12

COMMUNION ANTHEM ***Crossing the Bar*** Donald McCullough

***HYMN OF DEDICATION No. 723, "Shall We Gather at the River"** HANSON PLACE

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE The Lord Bless You and Keep You** Peter Christian Lutkin

Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE ***Sine Nomine*** John Weaver

***Please stand, as able.**

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PRELUDE

PRAISE SONG **Come to Jesus** Rice

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG **Are You Washed/I'll Fly Away** Hoffman/Brumley

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OFFERTORY **Scars In Heaven** Casting Crowns

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***SCRIPTURE READING** **1 John 3:1-3** **Rev. Josh Duckworth**

SERMON **"This Hope"** **Rev. Josh Duckworth**

COMMUNION MUSIC

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Members of St. John's who have entered the Church Eternal between October 1, 2025 & September 30, 2026

Mr. James Fuqua
Mrs. Mary Jo Wilson-Spencer
Mrs. Sandy Dunn
Mr. Chuck Simons
Mrs. Sally Bradley
Ms. Peach Abbott-Douglass
Mrs. Maxine Dexter
Mr. Ken Griffin
Mr. Phillip Leach
Mrs. Shirley Powell
Mr. Pepe Navascues
Mr. Jim Minear
Mr. Jim Carpenter
Mr. Ken Akin
Mrs. Cheryl Cooke
Mr. Tom Melton
Mr. John Jordan
Ms. JoAnn Glass
Mr. Paul Katonak
Mrs. Marti Gainer
Mr. Brett Jarriel
Mr. Tommy Coward
Mr. Bob Haythorn
Mrs. Lynn Katonak
Mr. Lewis Hoy
Mr. Ray Ward
Mrs. Ellie Irwin
Mrs. Carolyn Miller
Mr. John Crumback
Mr. Don Sprawls