



# ST. JOHN'S

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CHURCH

*August 2, 2026*

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## Parking Changes

If you have had the opportunity to drive around the St. John's property lately, you are well aware that the demolition of the old Scout Building and the development of new parking spaces and a beautiful new green area is well underway. We are anxiously awaiting the completion of the project along with the addition of new parking.

As is the case with all construction projects, there will be a time of inconvenience until the project is completed. For most, that inconvenience will come in the form of finding available parking. We are having to reroute the drop-off and pick-up space for our SEED (pre-school program). This will primarily close availability of parking in the Faith Center loop each day from 7:30am-3pm, Monday - Friday.

We have had to cancel a few meetings/events that had been scheduled so that we can maintain safety for our little ones. Parking in the rear parking lot, located on Barnwell St., is completely closed through the end of August. Please note that this is only through August, but during this time, finding parking during weekdays is going to be difficult. We are grateful for your patience and your kindness in working with us as we advance toward more parking and a more beautiful property.

## Undy Sunday

It's that time of year again....UNDY SUNDAY is September 20, 2026, and collection begins August 9. Please consider purchasing new (in the package and/or tag on) underwear for men, women and children. Larger sizes are a special need. Collection boxes will be located near the main office and Ward Hall and also in the Faith Center.

## The Wanderers Sunday School Class

The Wanderers is a relatively new Sunday School Class for those in their 30's & 40's, and up, using dynamic studies for learning and fellowship. Past studies have included C.S. Lewis books including *The Screwtape Letters* and *Mere Christianity*, as well as a variety of video Bible studies. The next study topic will be selected over the next few weeks. This class meets in Room 124 (the church parlor) during the Sunday School hour, beginning at 10am, and is happy to welcome visitors anytime. If you are interested in learning more, please drop by!

## Applefest Gifting Tree is Coming

An opportunity to provide items for Silent Auction will soon be found in the reception area. If your Sunday School Class, Book Club, or other church activity is trying to find ideas for Applefest donations, please be sure to check out the Applefest Gifting Tree which will appear in the lobby on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Likewise, if you have a business and would like to donate items or service to Silent Auction at Applefest, please bring your donation to the church office between now and October 1<sup>st</sup>.

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**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:** Emily Poole **Acolytes:** Matthew Poole and Mary Rittgers

**Children Ushers, August 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:02:** Michael Whitehead, Charley Bates, Rowan Braithwaite and Madelyn Braithwaite

**Children Ushers, August 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:** Robert Miniard, Eva Miniard, Eliza Green and Jane Ann Green

**August 8:30 Ushers:** Tom Miniard, Randy Shelley, Greg Lowry

**August Ushers:** Mitch Rivers, Mary Ann Findley, Donald Leader, Leah Lewis, Diane O'Conner, Jean Geiger, David Jameson, Sandra Jameson, Missy Poe, Eric Randall, Sinclair Short, Cary Milliner, Hollie Milliner, Kevin Maynard, Rea Maynard, Jeff Wallace, Allen Radcliffe, Nola Radcliffe

**August Worship Support:** Leah Lewis, Mary Ann Findley, Millie Winston

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.*

# August 2, 2026

## Children's Ministries

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

If you have not received a letter regarding your child's participation in the 3rd Grade Bible Presentation taking place on August 9th, please contact Jennifer Hoover, Children's Ministry Director: [jhoover@stjaiken.org](mailto:jhoover@stjaiken.org).

Today we recognize our sixth-grade students who are beginning the journey of Confirmation. These classes are an opportunity for our students to learn more about our faith and our church. Please be in prayer for them as they walk through their classes towards a public confession in Christ.

## Foundation Youth Ministries

(6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades)

Sunday School/Bible Study takes place at 10am in room 212-213 of the Faith Center.

- Sunday Night Youth starts TONIGHT! Meet us in the gym at 5pm, pick-up in Ward Hall at 7pm.
- We would love to have you volunteer with us. Contact Brett Bucklin in the church office for more information. Thank you!
- Don't forget to fill out the Foundation Permission forms that are located on our LinkTree or in the parent email. Thank you!

## Young Adults Ministry

Young Adults Sunday School Class takes place at 10am in Room 237. We may start a little after 10am due to the 9:02 service.

Young Adult Weekly Bible Study starts on Aug. 19 at 6:30pm in room 237. We will start by studying 1 Peter. Hope to see you there.

Young Adult Fall Retreat is September 18-20th! Sign up with the link above or at <https://links.stjaiken.org/2026FallRetreat>. It will be a great weekend to discuss Counterfeit Gods by Tim Keller, while getting some down time with great people! The cost is \$50 which is to help cover food.

## Evangelism

E3 - Elements of Everyday Evangelism—Want to learn how to share your faith? Join us at E3 - Elements of Everyday Evangelism on August 8, 2026 in Columbia, SC. This event will be hosted by World Methodist Evangelism. Sign up here: <https://links.stjaiken.org/4fcsa7Z>. Please let Pastor Will know if you register and if you have any questions.

## St. John's Missions News

Want to hear the latest from The Bridge 2 Home? Dominique Bunton will be our speaker at our next Mission on the 5th Sunday, taking place on August 30 at 10am in the Faith Center.

For the month of **August**, we are collecting **peanut butter and crackers**. Please place any donated 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.

## Presenting Under the Steeple: 2026-2027 Season

We are delighted to announce our 2026-2027 Season of Under the Steeple! This season we are focusing on sacred/Christian music, and it is going to be our best yet! From Scratch *Messiah*, Christmas Pipes, Sacred Piano Classics, concerts by the Bethune-Cookman University Inspirational Gospel Choir and the Augusta University Singers, with a season finale of Tim Zimmerman and The King's Brass with Christopher Nash. Season calendars are available at the front desk in the church. For more information or to offer support for one of these concerts, please contact Dr. Matt at [mcaine@stjaiken.org](mailto:mcaine@stjaiken.org).

**The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God  
by Rick Endler in memory of Rebecca Endler,  
and by Scott & Barbie Heath in honor of  
Bob & JoAnn Smith's 65th Anniversary.**

### Wednesday Night Supper

Due to the parking lot construction we have postponed both  
WNS and Ministry Meals starting back up in August.

**Both will resume September 9, 2026.**

New meal rates will be:

\$10 per adult, \$4 per child (over 3yrs) with a family cap of \$28.

### News of the Family

#### *Sympathies to:*

**Melissa, Katie, Beth and Anne Jarriel** on the death of, **Brett Jarriel**,  
who died July 26, 2026 in Atlanta, GA. Brett was husband to Melissa,  
father to Katie and Beth, and son to Anne.

**Barbara Wiland, Kenny & Mimi Wiland, and Michael Wiland**, on the  
death of their sister, **Jeanne Wiland Mayenschein**, who died July 28, 2026  
in Aiken, SC.

#### *In Memoriam*

Mr. Brett Jarriel  
July 26, 2026

### No August Healing Service

We will not hold the Healing Service on Sunday, August 2. We will resume  
on September 6, 2026

### St. John's Library

For those who attended Pastor Butch's class on Methodism: Questions and  
Answers, and/or the New Member Class, several books on the display shelves  
may enrich your study. Two new titles are included: Praying in the Wesleyan  
Spirit and Transformed by Grace. You are welcome to check out any of the  
display books. Have a blessed "read."

### ACTS Monthly Collection Item

#### **August — Soup**

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

#### **Attendance — 7/26/2026**

8:30 | 114

9:02 | 257

11:00 | 306

In-Person Total | 677

9:02 Online Live | 152

11:00 Online Live | 215

### Financials

#### **Operation Budget as of 7/29/2026**

Year to date offering given for what God is asking us to do:

\$1,682,773.61

Year to date ministry expenditures:

\$1,229,982.38

\$ 452,791.23

#### **Missions Budget: Year 2026 - 2027**

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us  
to do in Missions:

\$247,393.48

Year to date disbursements:

\$157,800.00

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

Please use our GIVING QR code to give on line:



# Healing Service

NO HEALING SERVICE  
ON AUGUST 2

**WILL RETURN  
SEPT. 6**



ST. JOHN'S

NOW  
ACCEPTING

# Jewelry!

Please drop your  
earrings, bracelets and  
necklaces at the  
Reception Desk




## Applefest BookWorm Corner



Collection of book  
donations started  
August 1, 2026

Please leave books  
in the red book bin  
outside of  
Ward Hall.

ST. JOHN'S  
TAILGATES &  
TOUCHDOWNS  
FALL KICK OFF

SAVE THE  
DATE

# AUG. 16

5 - 6:30 PM  
St. John's Gym

**ALL of St. John's  
Family Invited!**

Come Check Out Our: Programs, Groups, Studies,  
Events, something for all ages, etc!

**FOOD - FELLOWSHIP - FUN FOR ALL  
AND A FEW SPECIAL GUESTS!**  
104 Newberry St. NW, Aiken, SC




## SUBSTITUTES CHURCH RECEPTIONIST NEEDED

Substitutes work 4 hour shifts, either  
morning or afternoon, any of the days:  
Monday - Thursday.

If you are interested  
please call  
Jennifer Windham  
in the Church Office  
803-648-6891



Join Us

Aug. 30 at 10am  
in the Faith Center  
to hear from:

**Dominique Bunton,  
The Bridge 2 Home**

Everyone welcome - Sunday School classes  
encouraged to attend as a group!

Missions  
S M T W T F S  
on the 5th  
Sunday




## YOUNG ADULT FALL RETREAT 9/18-20 SIGN UP TODAY!



# Undy Sunday



Thursday, Sept. 20, 2026  
Collection Begins August 9th



## 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** *Trumpet Tune* David N. Johnson

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *Bread of the World* John S. B. Hodges  
Chancel Choir

**\*OPENING HYMN No. 599, "Break Thou the Bread of Life"** BREAD OF LIFE

### BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

**\*SCRIPTURE READING** *Matthew 14:13-21* Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth

**SERMON** *"Jesus is Enough"* Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth

**\*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"** GREATOR EX  
*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** *Jesus, My Lord, My Life, My All* Bob Burroughs  
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.*

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**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION No. 620, "One Bread, One Body"** ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

### \*BENEDICTION

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

**POSTLUDE** *O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair*

*\*Please stand, as able.*



## Order of Worship - 9:02

*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. This service will be livestreamed today at 9:02 on our website [stjaiken.org](http://stjaiken.org), our Facebook Page, and the St. John's App. Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please silence all electronic devices.*

### PRELUDE

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| <b>PRAISE SONG</b> | <b>Your Love Never Fails</b> | Jesus Culture |
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### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| <b>PRAISE SONG</b> | <b>My Savior, My God</b> | Shust |
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| <b>OFFERTORY</b> | <b>More Than Enough</b> | Joyful Worship |
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### BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

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| <b>SCRIPTURE READING</b> | <b>Matthew 14:13-21</b> | <b>Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth</b> |
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| <b>SERMON</b> | <b>"Jesus is Enough"</b> | <b>Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth</b> |
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| <b>PRAISE SONG</b> | <b>Go Tell It On the Mountain</b> | Baldwin/Williams |
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### PRAYER FOR CONFIRMANDS

### BENEDICTION

### SENDING FORTH SONG



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### **PRESENTATION OF BIBLES FOR CONFIRMANDS**

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*Children K4-2nd grade may now follow the Crucifer to Children's Church.*

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