



Easter Sunday
April 9, 2023

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Circle 20 - Supporting Helping Hands

Helping Hands is an emergency home for children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse, abandonment and/or neglect. They are also one of the missions that St. John's supports. Circle 20 will be touring the Helping Hands facility on Thursday, April 13, 2023. They are collecting the following items when they tour. A bin will be placed in both the Sanctuary Narthex and the lobby of the Faith Center, today and next Sunday. Won't you please help with donations?

- ♦ Toilet paper
- ♦ disinfectant cleaners
- ♦ movie tickets
- ♦ Paper towels
- ♦ liquid laundry detergent
- ♦ gift cards
- ♦ Hand soap

Dr. Tim's Bible Study

Reminder- Dr. Tim's Bible study will NOT meet on Wednesday, April 12. His study on God's deliverance will resume on Wednesday, April 19, 2023.

From the St. John's Library

April is **GARDENING** month for your library. Come check out all the books we have available. There are books on how to plant and what to plant. There are novels about gardens and books for children about gardening. Take some time to come and browse our many selections!



Circle 1 Meeting

Circle 1 will meet in the Parlor. Tuesday, April 12 at 1pm, with Nita Bell as hostess. Please bring hygiene items that will be delivered to the Cumbee Center.

Thank You from the Worship Support Team

Thank you to all who donated Easter Lilies in honor or in memory of loved ones. This special tradition is treasured at St. John's. Your donation has beautified the worship spaces for this most Holy Sunday. You may take your lilies following the 11am service or pick them up on Monday morning.

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 - Clare Carpenter **Acolytes** - Benton Orr and Henry Vaughters

April 9th, 11:00 Ushers: Nola & Allen Radcliffe, Commie Peebles, Bruce Carrera, Gerry Hansen, Bill Hillan, Pat & Virgil Sauls, Missy Poe, Jean Geiger

April Worship Support - Peggy Thome, Frankie Lambright, Kathie Gassman

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.

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Children's Ministries

Children's Lenten Activities:

Easter Egg Hunt is TODAY during the Sunday School hour. Bring your Easter basket or we will have paper bags for the egg hunt. All parents are welcome, but parents of children 3 and under should plan to attend the event to help their little ones with the egg hunt.

There will be **No Children's Church on Easter Sunday at 11am** so that our volunteers may worship with their families. Nursery will be available as normal from 7:45am-12:15pm.



April Grove Family Night - April 16th 5pm-6:30pm Dr. Tim will finish his Wesleyan theology class for our parents, the children will focus on prayer, and we will have a snack supper. Bring a treat to share! Sign up online is required.

VBS Kick Off - May 7th 5pm-6:30pm - Come and get *ready to glow* as we blast off for adventure with this year's VBS entitled *Stellar - Shining Jesus' Light* which blasts off daily June 19-22 this summer.

Foundation Student Ministries (7th-12th Grades)

Sunday Night Youth and Youth Choir:

Happy Easter! We will not be meeting tonight due to the Easter holiday. We look forward to meeting for Bible studies this week. Come join us!

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



The flowers on the Crucifer's Cross are given to the glory of God in loving memory of *Chuck Tatman by Hazel Tatman and family.*

The Easter Lilies are given to the glory of God
and in memory and honor of loved ones by members of St. John's.
Please see the insert for more information.

Wednesday Night Supper

Menu: Ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans and Oreo delight

Kids Menu: Ham and mac & cheese

Reservations are required and should be made by Monday, April 10, 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. You can pay online at stjaiken.org, select "GIVE NOW" and then from the drop down menu, select "WNS." You may also pay in person. Check are preferred. Please make checks payable to St. John's.

St. John's Missions News

Pray for the 3rd World mission team which includes our own, Kait Mikes (daughter of Mark & Marsha Mikes), as they travel to the Khumbo region of Nepal from April 10 – 23. Their mission is to improve healthcare access and quality of life. To learn more go to 3rdworldnonprofit.com.

*For the month of **April**, we are collecting **bar soap, liquid hand soap and hand sanitizer**. 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.***

ACTS Monthly Collection Item

April — **Pasta Sauce**

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

Attendance — 4/2/2023

8:30 | 148 9:02 | 209 11:00 | 378

In-Person Total 735

9:02 Online Live | 283 11:00 Online Live | 209

Financials

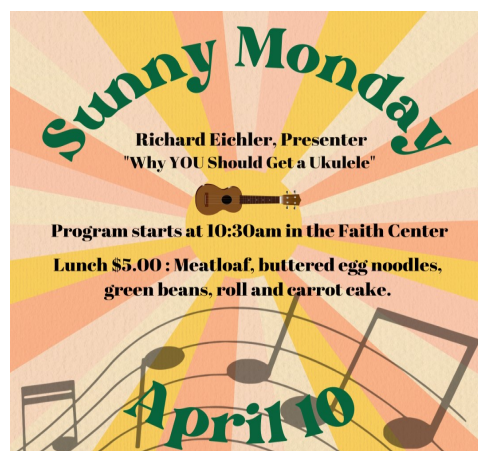
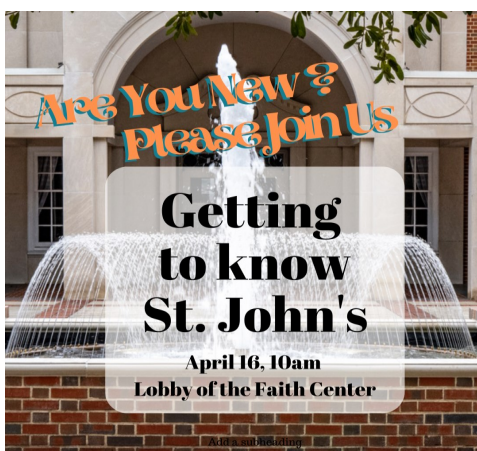
Operations Budget as of 4/5/2023

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do:	\$624,521.54
Year to date ministry expenditures:	<u>\$573,093.87</u>
	\$ 51,427.67

Missions Budget: Year 2023-2024

Year to date offerings give for what God is asking us to do in Missions:	\$ 66,845.34
Year to date Missions Disbursements:	\$ 27,950.00

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



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. Douglas Herlong

CALL TO WORSHIP

Concertato on "We Know That Christ Is Raised"

arr. Hal H. Hopson

Chancel Choir

*OPENING HYMN

No. 302, "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

*SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON

"From Doorstop to Treasure"

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. 70

MEINEKE

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

"Hallelujah" from *Christ on the Mount of Olives*

Ludwig van Beethoven

Chancel Choir

*DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS, No. 95

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. 306, "The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done"

VICTORY

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

No. 43, Chorus, "Hallelujah," *Messiah*

George Frideric Handel

Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

**Please stand, as able.*

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PRELUDE **Were You There**

PRAISE SONG **An Easter Hallelujah** *Mooney/Cohen*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS **Rev. Douglas Herlong**

PRAISE SONG **Our God's Alive** *Cherry*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **We Believe**

We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ. We believe in the Holy Spirit and He's given us new life. We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that He conquered death. We believe in the resurrection and He's comin' back again. We believe.

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OFFERTORY **Via Dolorosa** *Patti*

CHILDREN'S SERMON **Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon**

***SCRIPTURE READING** **Matthew 28:1-10**

SERMON **"From Doorstop to Treasure"** **Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon**

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

PRAISE SONG **My Redeemer Lives** *Hillsong*

BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH SONG

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