



ST. JOHN'S

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CHURCH

August 9, 2026

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Parking Changes

We have completed our first week of the SEED school year and the new (temporary) car line for parents of our SEED students. We have rerouted the drop-off and pick-up space for pre-school program to take place in the Faith Center loop. This primarily closes availability of parking in the Faith Center loop each day from 7:30am-3pm, Monday - Friday. So far, we are running smoothly and we appreciate everyone's patience!

Parking in the rear parking lot, located on Barnwell St., continues to be completely closed through the end of August. We ask that you continue to observe the parking restrictions and park along Newberry and Chesterfield streets as possible. The construction of the new parking lot is coming along and we'll be back to "normal" in no time!

St. John's T-shirt Sunday

Time to locate your St. John's t-shirt. We will be hold our second annual T-shirt Sunday on August 23. We would love to see LOTS of shirts at each of the services. Will our ministers be wearing one? Come and see! If you need a shirt, please contact Susan McDonald: 803-648-6891, ext. 216 or email: smcdonald@stjaiken.org.

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.

Applefest 2026: Clothes Closet

You won't want to miss the "Big, Beautiful Clothes Closet" this year! Experience great shopping for new and gently worn apparel, shoes and accessories all donated by you— our generous St. John's members and friends. Clean out those closets and bring your donations to Ward Hall beginning Tuesday, October 27 between 9am and 1pm.

Sunny Monday

Sunny Monday has been cancelled for August 11. We will be back on September 14, 2026. See you then!

Rev. Josh's Morning Bible Study

Beginning Wednesday, September 9 at 10am, Rev. Josh will begin a Bible study titled "Holy Spirit in Scripture." This study will take place in the Faith Center and will also be livestreamed. This study is open to all - Please join us!

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: Loren Wilkins **Acolytes:** AB Reynolds and EG Reynolds

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

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

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

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

We look forward to presenting our 3rd Grade Bibles today at the 11am service.

We welcome all to join us next Sunday, August 16, for Tailgates and Touch-downs from 5pm - 6:30pm in the gym - Wear your school colors!!

Foundation Youth Ministries

(6th-12th Grades)

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

- 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 6pm 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: <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.

St. John's Missions News

Want to learn more about mission partners, mission trips, faith promise and mission impact celebration? Come join the fun and find the mission table at our annual Touchdowns and Tailgates on August 16 from 5pm - 6:30pm.

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.

In Appreciation

A huge thank you to David Long and Deane Wyllys for being such a vital part of the New Members Class! Thank you both for your work to start this ministry and for your teaching. We love and appreciate you!

Thank You!

Thank you to all of you that responded to the request for Reception Substitutes. We now are blessed with a strong group of ladies that will help fill-in at the reception desk of the Church office. Your time and talents are greatly appreciated!

**The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by Rea & Kevin Maynard in memory of Bob Sharp.**

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

Welcome Our Newest Members:

Steve & Mary Phillips

Maribeth Ihnen

Bob & Patti Yocubik

Terry & Polly Stimmel

Keryl Corley & Billy Connacher

Eddie & Susan Huff

Congratulations to:

Jerry & Pat Dickey who celebrated their **70th Anniversary** August 4.

Sympathies to:

Cathy Coward on the death of her husband, **Tommy Coward**, who died
July 30, 2026 in Aiken, SC.

Paula Sawyer on the death of her husband, **Bob Sawyer**, who died
August 2, 2026 in Aiken, SC.

Tish Haythorn and **John & Deborah McMurtrie** on the death of
Bob Haythorn, who died August 4, 2026 in Aiken, SC. Bob was loving
husband to Tish and father to Deborah.

In Memoriam

Mr. Tommy Coward

July 30, 2026

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Mr. Bob Haythorn

August 4, 2026

ACTS Monthly Collection Item

August — Soup

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

Attendance — 8/2/2026

8:30 | 126

9:02 | 219

11:00 | 348

In-Person Total | 693

9:02 Online Live | 251

11:00 Online Live | 230

Financials

Operation Budget as of 8/5/2026

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

\$1,718,416.41

Year to date ministry expenditures:

\$1,280,157.21

\$ 452,791.23

Missions Budget: Year 2026 - 2027

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

\$252,840.01

Year to date disbursements:

\$165,000.00

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

Please use our GIVING QR code to give on line:



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

**ST. JOHN'S
T-SHIRT SUNDAY
AUG. 23**



Dig out your
St. John's
T-shirt and
wear it on
August 23!

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!*




REV. JOSH'S

**Bible
STUDY**

"HOLY SPIRIT IN SCRIPTURE"

BEGINNING
SEPT. 9, 2026 | 10:00AM
IN THE FAITH CENTER



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.



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



**Undy
Sunday**



**September 20, 2026
Collection Has Begun!**



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 *Abide With Me* Arr. Perry

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult* William H. Jude
Chancel Choir

***OPENING HYMN No. 358, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"** REST

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***SCRIPTURE READING** *Matthew 14:22-36* Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth

SERMON *"Jesus Walks on the Water"* 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 *Be Not Afraid* Craig Courtney
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.

***HYMN OF DEDICATION TFWs No. 2191, "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"** MELITA

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*BENEDICTION

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* John Rutter
Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE *Grand Choeur* Salome

**Please stand, as able.*



Order of Worship - 9:02

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PRELUDE

PRAISE SONG **Never Alone** Barlowe

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG 'Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus Stead/Casting Crowns

***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 **Praise You In the Storm** Casting Crowns

SCRIPTURE READING **Matthew 14:22-36** **Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth**

SERMON **"Jesus Walks on the Water"** **Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth**

PRAISE SONG **Trust You Jesus** McWhirter

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