



ST. JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A Stephen Ministry Church

104 Newberry Street, NW

Aiken, SC 29801

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Loves, serves and worships with PASSION

April 9, 2017



Palm Sunday (April 9) Services at 8:30, 9:02 and 11. Children's palm procession at 11:00. Children wishing to participate should be in the narthex by 10:45 am. There will also be a special Palm Sunday children's sermon at the 9:02 service.

Maundy Thursday (April 13)

At 7pm - Faure Requiem presented by Chancel Choir and Communion in the Sanctuary

Good Friday (April 14)

Join us at **6pm** in the gym for **Into the Deep**, a liturgical dance concert, presented by Total Praise Dance Academy.

Join us at **7pm** for the Tenebrae service in the Sanctuary.

Children's Easter Activities, Saturday April 15 at 10:00 am

Easter Sunday (April 16)

A time to rejoice!

8:30 and 11:00 am - Worship services with the Chancel Choir, Organ and Brass in the Sanctuary

9:02 am - Contemporary Worship in The Faith Center

LENTEN LUNCH - Wednesday, April 12 - 12:00 Noon at First Baptist Church

Hosts: St. John's United Methodist Church

Dr. Tim McClendon

*****Please note the church offices will be closed Friday, April 14.**



April 9, 2017

Crowds Welcome Jesus to Jerusalem

Psalm 118:19-29

Matthew 21:1-11

We praise Jesus.

Joy Choir - No Rehearsal - Holy Week



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No Youth Activities tonight

Brotherhood April 12 at 7:30 - 8:30

St. John's Missions News



Call Steve Lathrop to Volunteer: 649-4508

.This St. John's outreach ministry builds wheelchair ramps free of charge for anyone in the local area that needs one.

Volunteers serving Christ to help others.

LOOKING AHEAD

Apr. 12 - Final Lenten Lunch at 1st Baptist

Apr. 13 - Maundy Thurs.-Faure Requiem

Apr. 14 - Offices closed for Good Friday

Apr. 14 - Liturgical Dance Concert at 6 (gym) followed by Tenebrae at 7

Apr. 15 - Children's Easter Activities

Apr. 16 - Easter

Apr. 21 - Father/Daughter Dance

Apr. 22 - UMW Spring Luncheon

May 5 - Jack Meeks Wheelchair Ramp Ministry Golf Tournament

May 21 - Graduation Sunday

May 29 - Offices closed for Memorial Day

Jun. 12-16 - Vacation Bible School

Jun. 17-24 - Sand River Salkehatchie

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We're glad you're here! Please enter your name in the Friendship Pad and pass it down the row. If you are new to St. John's, please add your contact information. We want to know about YOU, and we hope you want to know more about US.

Announcements

EASTER LILY ORDERS are being taken today, Sunday, April 9, before and after all three services. The lilies will be placed in the Sanctuary and The Faith Center to honor or remember loved ones. The cost is \$20 per lily.

Interested in a short term mission trip with Christian Union Sports Club (Mark Wittig) in Colombia, South America?

Available dates: June 12-23 \$420 (food & lodging) + airfare

July 25-Aug. 3 \$350 (food & lodging) + airfare

Please contact Charlotte Holly at 803-215-2678 or charlottedholly77@gmail.com with further questions.

INEZ CRAIN SCHOLARSHIPS are available to active members who are continuing their education. Application forms may be picked up from Pam in the church office. The deadline for applications is April 28.

The UMW will be having their Spring Celebration Luncheon in Ward Hall on Saturday, April 22. The guest speaker is Lucille Coleman. The subject of her program is Independent Living Program for Epworth Children.

News of the Family

Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this morning at the 11:00 service is **Evelyn Lee Reynolds**, daughter of **Ryan & Kelly Reynolds**. Evelyn is the granddaughter of **Leland and Kathy Reynolds**.

Our sincere sympathy to:

Marguerite Flynn on the loss of her brother-in-law, **Jimmy Stanley** on March 28 in Pisgah Forest, NC.

Carol Scott on the loss of her sister, **Mary Hodgins** on March 29 in Bastrop, LA.

Jonathan Cook on the loss of his father, **Rev. Henry Cook** on April 3 in Aiken.



NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER THIS WEEK - *instead* join us on

Thursday, April 13 for a dinner prior to our Maundy Thursday service at 7pm in the sanctuary.

The menu is your choice of chicken and wild rice soup or potato soup, corn bread, and ice cream cups

Grief Share- Wednesday, April 12, at

4 pm in Room 10.

Session 12—Heaven

CHURCH HOSTS

Hosts the week of April 9, 2017

Sunday AM	John McMahan
EVENING	
Sunday	Dennis Fish
Monday	Mike Uhle
Tuesday	Keith Polk
Wednesday	Brian Eberhard
Thursday	Harry Shade
Friday	Gene Usher
Saturday	Earl Melton

Year to date tithes and offerings for what God is asking us to do:	\$ 655,545.27
Year to date ministry expenditures:	\$ 471,932.28
Year to date variance:	\$ 183,612.99

We thank you for your generous support of the ministries of St. John's.

2016/17 Faith Promise Carryover	\$ 10,357.64
Year to date offerings for what God is asking us to do in missions:	\$ 65,392.72
Year to date mission disbursements:	\$ 48,869.79

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

Loan Balance	\$ 658,300.00
04/05/17 Payment to Principal	\$ 1,200.00
Current Loan Balance	\$ 657,100.00



April

Peanut Butter
Collection bins
located in the
narthex and The
Faith Center.

Attendance

4/2/17

8:30 120

9:02 185

11:00 341

Total 646

Order of Worship – 8:30 AM

GREETING AND WELCOME

PRELUDE

Cortège et Litanie

Marcel Dupre

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 280

All Glory, Laud and Honor

St. Theodulp

THE OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 2:5-11

THE SERMON

Kenosis and Shibboleth

Dr. Tim McClendon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (p. 881)

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

*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.*

CONGREGATIONAL INTERESTS AND CONCERNS

OFFERTORY*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Martin

Please enter your name in the Friendship Pad, located near the center aisle.

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*DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Old Hundredth

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

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.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION...p.12

For the Great Thanksgiving we will use musical setting C for our responses...p.20

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 2083 (Faith We Sing) My Song is Love Unknown

Rhosymedre

Lenton Devotional Song

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Ride on in Majesty

Traditional

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***Please stand, as able.**

Texts used with this service permission granted under CCLI #2220845.

Please silence all electronic devices during the service. This service is broadcast over WKSX 92.7 at 12 pm. One week delay.

Order of Worship – 11:00 AM

GREETING

PRELUDE

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Marcel Dupre

CALL TO WORSHIP

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 280

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OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

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CONGREGATIONAL INTERESTS AND CONCERNS

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM p. 39

*The congregation will be led in the singing of **God Claims you #2249 (Faith We Sing)**, using the name Evelyn*

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Old Hundredth

*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 488

Jesus, Remember Me *(sing twice)*

Remember Me

*Children 3K—2nd grade will depart for Children's Church in the Chapel.
Thank you to the choir members who also participated in the 8:30 Sonrise Choir and are now departing.*

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 2:5-11

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April 15, at 10 am.**



Easter Egg Hunt will be held on the playground, for children ages walking-4K. We ask that parents donate a dozen filled plastic eggs per participant. Drop off locations will be outside of Michelle Pearson's and Stephanie Lord's office.

The **Hunt for Easter** will meet in the gym and children 5k-5th grade are invited to join us. Please register your child online for this event at <http://www.stjaiken.org/ChildrensEasterActivities?PN=Children>

Registrations required ONLY for THE HUNT for EASTER.

Call Stephanie Lord (803-648-6891) with questions.



St. John's Annual Father Daughter Dance will be Friday, April 21

6:00-8:00. Cost is \$20 per couple and \$5 for each additional daughter. Ticket price includes dinner. This will be a fun night of food and dancing for our girls and the special men in their life. We hope you plan to join us! Registration is open online at www.stjaiken.org/ChildrenFatherDaughterDance?PN=Children

Please register by April 14th.

SUNNY MONDAY - will meet Monday, April 10 at 10:30 in The Faith Center.

The program will be presented by the Aiken Newcomers Club Reader's Theater. A lunch consisting of baked chicken, sausage & wild rice casserole, green peas, biscuits and brownie will be served at noon. The program is free; the lunch is only \$4.00 per person. Call the church (803-648-6891) to make a reservation.



SERVING THIS WEEK

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Psalm 9:02

**I will be glad and rejoice in You;
I will sing praises to Your name,
O Most High.**

Sunday, April 9, 2017

Gathering

Jesus, Remember Me

J. Berthier

Greeting and Announcements

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Song of Praise

Amazing Love

C. Tomlin

Affirmation of Faith

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Children's Sermon

Harry Sampson

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

*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.*

Offering*

Hosanna

Hillsong

Scripture

Philippians 2:5-11

Sermon

Kenosis and Shibboleth

Dr. Tim McClendon

Celebration of Holy Communion

Closing Song

Lay Your Burdens Down

R. Long

Benediction

Sending Forth

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I see the King of glory coming on the clouds of fire.
 The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes
 I see His love and mercy washing over all our sin
 The people sing, the people sing

<Chorus> Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest
 Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

I see a generation rising up to take the place with selfless faith,
 with selfless faith I see a near revival
 Staring as we pray and seek we're on our knees, we're on our knees <Chorus>
 <Chorus>
 Heal my heart and make it clean open up my eyes to the things unseen.



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