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**ST. JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**A Stephen Ministry Church**

**104 Newberry Street, NW**

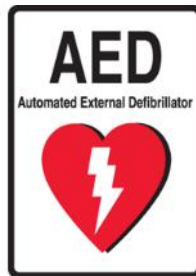
**Aiken, SC 29801**

**803-648-6891 www.stjaiken.org**

**October 8, 2017**

**Trustee Update**

In our ongoing effort to improve the safety and security of the campus we recently installed three automated external defibrillators (AEDs). They are located outside the main church office, outside the main kitchen and in the Faith Center lobby. Please take the time to note these locations so you will be aware in case of an emergency.



A CPR/First Aid/AED training class was completed on September 7 here at the church. No date has been set for additional training; however, if you are interested, please contact Dean Ray at 803-645-3639. He will notify you when the next class is scheduled. The training usually lasts 4 hours.

**October 8, 2017**  
People Build a Tower at Babel  
Genesis 11:1-9  
We put God first.

The Grove - Sunday 6 pm (5K-6th)  
Wednesday - Alleluia Choir - 4 pm  
Joy Choir - 4:15

**Oct. 8, 2017**

Supper & SNY - 6 pm  
Confirmation - 6 pm  
Youth Choir - 5 pm in the Choir Room

BBB Tuesday - 7 am - Atlantic Bread  
HS Girls Bible Study Tuesday - 4 pm  
HS Guys Wednesday - 7 am - Bojangles

**SPECIAL GUEST NEXT SUNDAY AT THE 9:02 SERVICE**

Come and join us next Sunday, Oct. 15, in The Faith Center, to hear our special speaker, Matthew LeCroy. Matthew, a former major league player and coach, will speak to us about his walk of faith during his major league career and now as he currently manages the Nationals' AA affiliate, the Harrisburg Senators.

**St. John's Missions News**

*If you want to serve the Lord, serve His people.*

**Will YOU volunteer to serve with a St. John's mission ministry?**

Ever thought about becoming a Stephen Minister? Well, now's your chance. St. John's Stephen Ministry program is looking for members interested in becoming a part of this rewarding ministry which helps others work through some of life's most challenging issues. Applications are available at the church receptionist's desk.

The class will begin in January.

If you have questions, contact Rev. Nancy Reed, Rick Endler, Steve Lathrop, Alice Allington, or Bob Kosky.

If you are interested in joining St. John's, **NEW MEMBER SUNDAY** will be Sunday, October 22. Please contact Midge Rothrock or Becca Hartsell in the church office (803-648-6891) to join or to just get some more information about St. John's. New members will be received at all three services or if you prefer you may join in Dr. Tim's office.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Oct. 12** - Potluck Supper with Maynor Castillo  
**Oct. 15** - Matthew LeCroy guest speaker at 9:02 service  
**Oct. 22** - New Member Sunday  
**Oct. 27** - Trunk or Treat  
**Nov. 4** - Apple Fest  
**Nov. 7** - Charge Conference  
**Nov. 17-19** - Asbury Hills (Youth)  
**Dec. 17** - Christmas Cantata (8:30 & 11)  
**Dec. 24** - Worship services (9:02 & 11)  
**Dec. 24** - Christmas Eve services (5,7,11)  
**Dec. 31** - Church-wide communion & Wesley Covenant Service  
**Jan. 27** - Saturday of Service  
**Jan. 28** - MIC Sunday  
**Mar. 11** - Confirmation Sunday

## WELCOME VISITORS!

The members of St. John's 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. We are grateful for your presence and invite you to return often.

### Announcements

*The Church-wide Bible study will not meet on Oct. 11 & 12. It will resume on Oct. 18 & 19 with 2 Corinthians.*

**GriefShare will meet Wednesday, October 11, at 4 pm in The Faith Center, Room 214. Call Rev. Nancy for more information.**

Today (10/8) is the LAST day to sign-up for **Youth Church Basketball**. The cost is \$35 per player with an additional \$30 out-of-city fee, if applicable. To register send an email with a subject line of "Basketball Registration Info" to [sjumcbasketball@yahoo.com](mailto:sjumcbasketball@yahoo.com) and details will be sent to you.

Call or text Andrew Parker @ (803)295-2243 if you do not have email.

On Monday, Oct. 30 and Tuesday, Oct. 31 the children in the SEED program will trick or treat in the church. The staff loves this and thought we would extend an invitation to circles, Sunday School classes and individuals to take part in this fun event. All you need to do is purchase enough simple treats (no nuts or peanut butter, please) for 150 children and show up at the church at 8:45 am either or both mornings. It is so much fun watching our little ones parade through the halls in their homemade Halloween masks! Come join the staff as we show our love and support for this wonderful ministry.

Suggested treats: Smarties, plain M&Ms, Hershey Kisses, individually wrapped candy corn or stickers.



### News of the Family

*Welcome to our newest members:*

**Stephen Poole**

**Michelle McDougal**

**Bob Nelson**

*Our congratulations to:*

**Ashley & Kenneth Wiland** on the birth of their son, **Jones Mack Wood Wiland**, on Sept. 18 in Charleston. Proud grandparents are **Mimi & Kenny Wiland**.

**Holley & Brent Kring** on the birth of their daughter, **Cayce Caroline Kring**, on Sept. 27 in Aiken. Proud grandparents are **Caroline & Harry Sampson**.

**Michael Rogers & Jennifer Lahrman** on the birth of their son, **Ryker James Rogers**, on Sept. 30 in Aiken. Proud grandparents are **Jimmie & Mariruth Rogers**.

*Our sympathy to*

**Karen Bartlett & Alanna Kinikin** on the loss of husband and grandfather, **Fred Bartlett** on Sept. 28 in Aiken.

**Christie & Mark Bradford** on the loss of Christie's mother, **Catherine Iler** on Sept. 29. Mrs. Iler was grandmother to **Collins, Kate, & Anna Bradford**.

**There will be NO Wednesday Night Supper 10/11/2017**

### CHURCH HOSTS

Hosts the week of Oct. 8, 2017

Sunday AM	Todd Campbell
EVENING	
Sunday	Charles McKeel
Monday	Dennis Fish
Tuesday	Mike Uhle
Wednesday	Keith Polk
Thursday	Brian Eberhard
Friday	Harry Shade
Saturday	Gene Usher



October  
Pasta

Collection bins  
located in the  
narthex and  
The Faith Center

#### Attendance

10/1/17

8:30 134

9:02 185

11:00 466

**Total 785**

Year to date tithes and offerings for what God is asking us to do: \$ 1,505,865.62  
 Year to date ministry expenditures: \$ 1,365,153.67  
 Year to date variance: \$ **140,711.95**

*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: \$ 121,799.07  
 Year to date mission disbursements: \$ **111,270.00**

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

Previous Loan Balance \$ **607,400.00**  
 9/20/17 Loan Payment \$ 2,100.00  
 Current Load Balance \$ **605,300.00**

*In Memoriam*

Margaret Agnes Neilson

September 26, 2017

*In Memoriam*

Fred Bartlett

September 28, 2017

# Order of Worship – 8:30 AM

## GREETING AND WELCOME

## PRELUDE

*Let us silence all cell phones and quiet our voices as we give our attention to the presence of God in our midst.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 154

**All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name**

*Coronation*

### OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

Gracious God, send your Holy Spirit into us gathered here in your presence today. Make us aware of all the evidence of your goodness. Help us to trust in you while freeing us from the fears and anxieties that would dominate our lives. Help us to enjoy the freedom you have so generously given us, to live our lives with full joy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE READING

**Exodus 20:1–7**

## SERMON

**Take Two Tablets**

**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

*Please enter your name in the Friendship Pad, located near the center aisle.  
If you are new to St. John's, please add your contact information. Pass the pad down the row to others.  
When the pad reaches the end of the row, please pass it back so we may learn each other's names.*

### \*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 host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER and CHORAL RESPONSE

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.*

### \*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 398

**Jesus Calls Us**

*Galilee*

### \*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

### \*Please stand, as able.

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# Order of Worship – 11:00 AM

## GREETING

## PRELUDE

*Let us silence all cell phones and quiet our voices as we give our attention to the presence of God in our midst.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**Wana Baraka**

*Ellesse*

(Translation: Those who pray are blessed. Jesus tells us that. Hallelujah!)

*Alleluia Choir*

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 155

**All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name**

*Diadem*

## SPECIAL MUSIC

**Sing Praises to the Lord  
This Is My Father's World  
Alleluia and Joy Choirs**

*Ruth Elaine Schram  
arr. Vicki Tucker Courtney*

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## ANTHEM

**Lord of the Dance  
Foundation Singers**

*Carter*

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*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.*

## OFFERTORY

**For the Beauty of the Earth**

*Rutter*

*Chancel Choir and Foundation Singers*

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## DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Old Hundredth*

## \*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 347

**Spirit Song**

*Spirit Song*

*Children K3-2nd grade will depart for Children's Church in the chapel.*

*Thank you to the choir members who also participate in the 8:30 Sunrise Choir and are now leaving.*

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## Apple Fest News

**Apple Seed Café** is requesting donations of canned drinks and bottled water. Keep your eyes open for the sales and bring your purchases in to the UMW room at the church. More info: Robin Meese 803-642-3852

**Frozen Features** needs your casseroles, soups, stews, chilies, etc. You can make them now, put them in your freezer and be prepared to bring them to the church the Friday or Saturday before Apple Fest.

**Silent Auction** needs your quality items for Themed Baskets or if you don't feel like shopping they would be happy to shop for you. Items and financial contributions may be left in Susan McDonald's office. More info: Linda Walters 803-502-0455 or Tish Haythorn 803-648-6471

Remember: **Jewelry** (Susan Crosby 803-649-6804) and **Books** (Mary Ward 803-439-1245) are currently being collected at the church, and **Crafts** are being solicited by Commie Peebles 803-642-9570.

Keep your eyes peeled for additional needs and volunteer opportunities as they appear here in the Church Bulletin and News.

Apple Fest is always a success because of what YOU do!

Reminder –

On Sunday, November 19, St. John's will celebrate the 2017 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Members in worship at the 11:00 service..

With a change to the policy members who have been in attendance for a *combined* total of 50 years will also be recognized. We want to be sure we have all the names noted. Please let the church know by October 16, if you have not already done so. A reception following worship on that day will combine fellowship for our New Members and for those who have made this church a wonderful place for 5 decades or more.



**SUNNY MONDAY** will meet on October 9. The program, presented by Aiken Public Safety will be Home Security for the Holidays and will begin at 10:30 am in The Faith Center.

Following the program, lunch will be served in the gym. The program is free and the lunch is \$4.00.

**MENU:** Crunchy chicken salad, fruit salad, croissant, and cinnamon cake.

Please call the church at 803-648-6891 to make your reservation.

### POTLUCK WITH HONDURAS MISSION PARTNER

On Thurs., Oct. 12, at 6:00 pm the Missions Leadership Team will host a covered dish supper in honor of Maynor Castillo, a missionary from Honduras, and his family. Come, bring a side dish to share (entrée and dessert provided), and learn more about our mission partner, the Honduras Agape Foundation, and what's happening there. Please call the church to make them aware of your plans to attend.



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** boxes are now available! You may pick them up from outside Michelle Pearson's or Stephanie Lord's office. The labels and brochures are located on the tables near the boxes. Once you have them filled, you should return them to the church.

**The deadline to drop off filled boxes is Sunday, Nov. 12.**

### SERVING THIS WEEK

**8:30** – Dr. Tim McClendon, Rev. Nancy Reed; Music Director & Organist-Christopher Nash

**9:02** – Dr. Tim McClendon; Worship Leader-Jane Timmerman; Music-Jane Timmerman & The 9:02 Band

**11:00** - Dr. Tim McClendon, Rev. Nancy Reed; Music Director-Catherine Stapleton Nance; Organist-Christopher Nash

Crucifer-Ada Carpenter; Acolytes-Carolyn Carpenter and Clare Carpenter

October Worship Support-Debbie Alvanos, Jane Fogle, Marsha Mikes, and Sandra Shelley



*Psalm 9:02*  
*I will be glad and rejoice in You;*  
*I will sing praises to Your name,*  
*O Most High.*

**October 8, 2017**

**Gathering**

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

*J. Dykes*

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**Song of Praise**

**Lord, Reign in Me**

*B. Brown*

**Affirmation of Faith**

**The Apostles' Creed**

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**Children's Sermon**

**Juli Davis**

**Pastoral and Lord's Prayer**

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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**

**Open the Eyes of My Heart**

*P. Baloché*

**Scripture**

**Exodus 20:1-7**

**Sermon**

**Take Two Tablets**

**Dr. Tim McClendon**

**Closing Song**

**Old Church Choir**

*Z. Williams*

**Benediction**

**Sending Forth**