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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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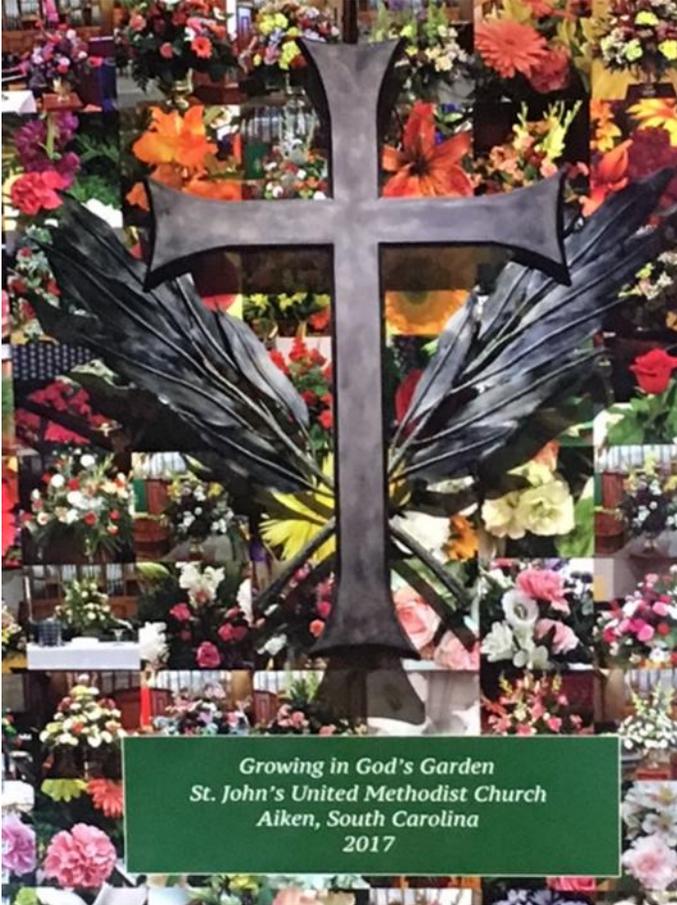
A Stephen Ministry Church

104 Newberry Street, NW

Aiken, SC 29801

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May 7, 2017



**The
directories
are here!**



May 7, 2017
Christians Care for One Another
Psalm 23;
Acts 2:42-47
God's family takes care of one another.
The Grove - Sunday 6 pm (4K-6th)
Wednesday - Children's Choirs end of year party—Room 237—4:15-5:00 pm



May 7, 2017
Supper & Bible Study - 6 pm
May 7—VBS Youth Training during SS hour in Ward Hall
Foundation Singers—Sunday-5 pm in ROOM 200
May 9—Youth Advisory Council The Faith Center at 7:00 pm
May 10—HS Boys-Bojangles at 7 am

St. John's Missions News



Epiphany Ministry is an ecumenical Christian Ministry for incarcerated juveniles. Please pray that these young people will respond to the message of God's love, forgiveness & hope.

LOOKING AHEAD

May 7 - Communion at 8:30 Service Healing Service in Chapel at 10 am
May 21 - Graduation Sunday
May 28 - New Member Sunday
May 29 - Offices closed for Memorial Day
Jun. 12-16 - Vacation Bible School
Jun. 17-24 - Sand River Salkehatchie
Jun. 24-Jul. 2 - Lake Junaluska Music Week
Jul. 1-8 - Pee Dee Salkehatchie
Jul. 2 - Patriotic Service
Jul. 4 - Offices Closed
Jul. 8-15 - Santee Salkehatchie
Sep. 12 - New Men's Bible Study begins

If you had your picture made, you may pick up your directory from the table outside of Ward Hall.

Our thanks to the team that made this possible: Diane Brace, Alice Eichler, Jill Erford, Karen Guevara, Carol Jones, Judy Kalbaugh, Chris McKeel, Claudette Strickland, Pam Green and to all the volunteers who hosted the photography sessions.

A special thank you to Andy Parlantieri for sharing his flower photos for the cover.

DON'T FORGET YOUR MOTHER OR EPWORTH CHILDREN'S HOME NEXT SUNDAY! Next week is Mother's Day. We will buy flowers, call our mothers, and remember all mothers who have impacted our lives. Most of the children at Epworth Children's Home will not be celebrating Mother's Day with their mothers. Instead, they will be surrounded by loving staff and volunteers who walk with them daily to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support. Consider what God is calling you to give to support our church's ministry to children. Epworth does not receive denominational funding (apportionments). This is our opportunity to support this vital ministry.
www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

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

The flowers within the chancel are given to the glory of God by **Clarence & Alice Beehler** in loving memory of *their parents*.

Come be a part of our annual All-Church Men's Choir on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14. A love for singing and fellowship is required, but talent is optional. Rehearsal will be on Wed. May 10 from 6:45—7:15 pm in the choir room. The music will be familiar and easy. Please come and join us.

Masterworks Chorale with Canticum Novum will perform *The Creation* by Franz Joseph Haydn today, Sunday, May 7, at 4 pm in the Sanctuary. Tickets are \$20 (students free with ID) and are available at the Etheredge Center box office or at the door on the day of the concert.

News of the Family

Our sincere sympathy to:

Jennifer Muir-Ross on the loss of her grandmother, **Charlotte Taylor Miller** on April 20 in Columbia. Mrs. Miller was great-grandmother to **Rebekah & Ryan Muir** and **Nancy Ross**.

Our congratulations to:

Gonzalo & Corey Escobar on the birth of their daughter, **Aviv Caroline Escobar** on April 29 in Chicago. Proud grandparents are **Jeff & Mary Lou Wallace**.

Gene & Carole Sansone who will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on May 11.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER, May 10

Seasoned chicken breast, tomatoes with mozzarella, peas & mushrooms, Greek salad, ice cream & cookies

Reservations and cancellations must be made by noon on Tuesday, May 9.

Since this will be the last WNS until September, so make your reservation and come join us.

CORRECTION! Circle 1 will meet on Tuesday, May 9 at 6 pm at the home of Hazel Tatman, 820 Calhoun Place SE. Please RSVP to Hazel at 803-649-9678.

Do you have a new college graduate in your family? Please let the church office know. You need to provide the graduate's name, college, date of graduation, and degree.

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DID YOU KNOW

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That you can upload a picture of your choice to the church's ACS database? This gives you the opportunity to add a personal picture in addition to your family picture, or if you couldn't make it to have your picture taken for the directory, you can add one of your entire family. These pictures will be available to members who use Church Life or My St. John's from the website.

For more information call Susan McDonald
803-648-6891

CHURCH HOSTS

Hosts the week of May 7, 2017

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

Year to date tithes and offerings for what God is asking us to do:	\$ 781,055.66
Year to date ministry expenditures:	\$ 623,604.68
Year to date variance:	\$ 157,450.98

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:	\$ 75,905.98
Year to date mission disbursements:	\$ 59,545.00

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

Loan Balance	\$ 649,600.00
05/03/17 Payment to Principal	\$ 3,200.00
Current Loan Balance	\$ 646,400.00



May
Rice

Collection bins located in the narthex and The Faith Center.

Attendance

4/30/17	
8:30	142
9:02	238
11:00	377
Total 757	

Order of Worship – 8:30 AM

GREETING AND WELCOME

PRELUDE

Eliza Hesse Johnson, violin and Christopher Nash, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 138**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

St. Columba

THE OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd of your people. Hear the cry of your flock as we pray, "Good Shepherd, receive our prayer." You call us to follow where you lead. Give us ears to hear and know your voice. Give us the courage and strength to lay down our lives for one another, as even you laid down your life for us. Good Shepherd, receive our prayer. Amen.

LAKE JUNALUSKA REPORT

Ken Howle

***SCRIPTURE READING**

John 10:1-10

SERMON

Checking the Pasture

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*

The Lord is My Shepherd

Rutter

Sonrise Choir with Eliza Hesse Johnson

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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 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.

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 136**

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

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***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

* You may text your gift to St. John's by texting **stjaiken** to 73256 and following the instructions.

***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

CALL TO WORSHIP

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The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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SPECIAL MUSIC

I Love Thee

Safarina Jesu

Alleluia Choir, directed by Catherine Nance & Joy Choir, directed by Elizabeth Barfoot

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Chancel Choir with Jay Rising, clarinet

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***HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 381**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Bradbury

Thank you to the choir members who also participated in the 8:30 Sunrise Choir and are now departing.

***SCRIPTURE READING**

John 10:1-10

SERMON

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With Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, June weddings, vacations, etc. coming up, don’t forget to do your shopping at AmazonSmile and choose St. John’s as your charitable organization.

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to St. John’s. What an easy and fun way to benefit the church!



SUNNY MONDAY - May 8. The program begins at 10:30 in The Faith Center. This month’s speaker is local author,

Dori Hammond, PhD, Licensed Professional Counselor.

Lunch is served at 12 noon for a small cost of \$4. This month’s menu is: baked ziti, salad, Italian bread, and cheesy apple dessert.

Call the church to make reservations—803-648-6891.

The church directories are here and available to anyone who had their picture made.

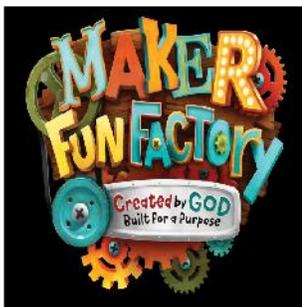
However, the online directory is available to any member who has a computer, iPad, smart phone, etc.

For more information on this incredibly useful app, please contact Susan McDonald in the church office (803-648-6891).

MISSION SUPPORT

Edward, Heather, and Jack Yeh have volunteered to serve with a medical mission team sponsored by the Carolina Honduras Health Foundation. The trip will be from June 16 through June 25, and they anticipate serving up to 250 people each day! They would like to give St. John’s an opportunity to also participate in this mission trip. **First, and foremost, they ask for your prayers.** In addition they are collecting over the counter medicines to take with them: **acetaminophen 500 mg tablets, ibuprofen tablets (no soft gels), infant multi-vitamin drops, clotrimazole 1% antifungal cream, and artificial tears** (most of these OTC medicines can be found at dollar stores).

Donations are needed by May 28. There is a collection box outside the church office. The Yehs thank you for your support.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 12-16, 9 am-noon.

VBS — one of the most exciting weeks in the life of the church! The Children’s Ministry still has a few spots available for crew leaders, station leaders, and kitchen workers.

Give Stephanie Lord a call and come join the FUN! 648-6891

SERVING THIS WEEK

8:30 – Dr. Tim McClendon; Rev. Nancy Reed; Music-Sonrise Choir; Director/Organist-Christopher Nash

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

11:00 - Dr. Tim McClendon; Rev. Nancy Reed; Music Director-Catherine Stapleton Nance; Organist-Christopher Nash
Crucifer-Elizabeth Tucker; Acolytes-Rosie Tucker, and Wes Tucker
May Worship Support-Peggy Boykin, Keenan Kizer, Nancy Martin, Nancy Perrine



Psalm 9:02

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

Sunday, May 7, 2017

Gathering

Jesus Loves Me

C. Tomlin

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Song of Praise

Your Grace is Enough

M. Maher

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Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

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Offering*

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Safarina Jesu**

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Lake Junaluska Report

Ken Howle

Scripture

John 10:1-10

Sermon

Checking the Pasture

Dr. Tim McClendon

Closing Song

Let the Waters Rise

Mikeschair

Benediction

Sending Forth

**Our thanks to the Foundation Youth Band for their contribution to our worship service.
Reid Chafin, Abby Davis, Heather Moore, and Bobbi Timmerman, directed by Dave Cavazos**

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