



ST. JOHN'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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A Stephen Ministry Church

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June 4, 2017

Today is Pentecost Sunday



Pentecost Sunday is one of the principal days of the Christian year, celebrated on the fiftieth day after Easter. The Greek word *pentecoste* means "fiftieth day." Pentecost is the day on which the Christian church commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and others assembled in Jerusalem (Acts 2:1-4). It marks the beginning of the Christian church and the proclamation of its message throughout the world. It is often referred to as the birthday of the church.

The liturgical color for Pentecost is red.

Source: A Dictionary for United Methodists, Alan K. Waltz, Copyright 1991, Abingdon Press.



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God Heals Naaman's Leprosy

2 Kings 5:1-16

God wants us to be humble.

The Grove and Children's Choirs are in recess for the summer.



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NO Sunday Night Youth

June 5—High School Girls at 6:30 pm

June 7—Edisto Day Trip



On June 8 we will introduce our newly designed website.

The purpose of the redesign was two-fold. We wanted to make our website more mobile device friendly, and we wanted a cleaner, more up-to-date look and feel to the site. All of the features you told us you use and love are still there. They may be in a slightly different location or format, but they are still available to you.

The web address is still the same, www.stjaiken.org; however, you will notice a few changes to the home page. On the top in blue letters are three of the most frequently used buttons: **What's New**, which will take you to links for the newsletter or for Dr. Tim's blog; **My St. John's**, which logs you into the church system; and **Give Now**, which is pretty self explanatory.

The fourth area most frequently used by the congregation is the sermon video and audio. This will be accessed by clicking the **Worship** tab located in the blue bar that runs across the screen.

From June 8 to June 12 the website will be "under construction" which means you may experience brief down times or slow response, but please use these days to poke around. We solicit your feedback. Call Susan McDonald in the church office or email her at smcdonald@stjaiken.org.

St. John's Missions News

Edward, Heather, & Jack Yeh will be going to Honduras June 16-25th for a medical mission for the Carolina-Honduras Health Foundation. Please be in prayer for them during their mission trip as they share



God's love and provide medical care for people in need in Honduras.

LOOKING AHEAD

- Jun. 12-16** - Vacation Bible School
- Jun. 14** - Bereavement Support Group dinner
- Jun. 17-24** - Sand River Salkehatchie
- Jun. 24-Jul. 2** - Lake Junaluska Music Week
- Jul. 1-8** - Pee Dee Salkehatchie
- Jul. 2** - Healing Service - 9 am
- Jul. 2** - Patriotic Service - 10 am
- Jul. 4** - Offices Closed
- Jul. 8-15** - Santee Salkehatchie
- Aug. 20** - Backpack Sunday and Promotion Sunday
- Sep. 12** - New Men's Bible Study begins

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 and in memory of **Betsy Charlesworth** by **David Charlesworth** and in memory of **Jake Miniard** by **Paul & Jeanette Isaacson**.

JOY is in recess for the summer. Next meeting will be October 2.

SUNNY MONDAY will NOT meet in June. The next meeting will be on July 10 and will feature a tour of the Aiken Community Playhouse.

St. John's Bereavement Support Group will meet for a Dutch Treat dinner on Wednesday, June 14 - 6 pm at Atlanta Bread. Invite a friend or family member who may be alone.

Call Rev. Nancy in the church office (648-6891) to reserve your place.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 12-16, 9 am-noon

It's going to be FUN!

If you haven't registered and plan to come, please visit our website (www.stjaiken.org) and do so.

Note to our fabulous volunteers, please double check and make sure your child is registered. We need to have as much information as possible prior to the day we start. It makes life easier for everyone. Thanks!



The Shepherd of Love meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 7 at 4:30 pm in Room 119. Please make every effort to attend.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS ARE IN RECESS UNTIL THE FALL.

Year to date tithes and offerings for what God is asking us to do:	\$ 905,881.08
Year to date ministry expenditures:	\$ 745,673.55
Year to date variance:	\$ 160,207.53

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:	\$ 84,646.66
Year to date mission disbursements:	\$ 70,960.00

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

Loan Balance	\$ 639,700.00
05/??/17 Payment to Principal	\$ 1,900.00
Current Loan Balance	\$ 637,800.00

News of the Family

Welcome to our newest members:

Bob & Nancy Hartung
Dave & Andrea Johnson
Faye Smith
Bill & Carolyn Tyler
Dave & Andrea Zimmerman

Our sincere sympathy to:

Kay & Jerry Buckner on the loss of Kay's son, **Reid E. Talbert**, on May 25 here in Aiken.

Melody & Cliff Binion on the loss of Melody's mother, **Melinda (Linda) McNulty**, on May 28 here in Aiken. She was grandmother to **Kyle Binion & Katie Leguizamon**.

Our congratulations to:

Charlie & Betty Thorngate who will celebrate their 71st wedding anniversary on June 9.

Gene & Arlene Usher who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 10.

Susan Bafford, BSN, RNC, MNN who has completed her Master of Science in Nursing Education with highest honors (a 4.0 GPA). She was also inducted into Sigma Theta Tau Intl. which is an honor and research society for nurses.

CHURCH HOSTS

Hosts the week of June 4, 2017

Sunday AM	Virgil Sauls
EVENING	
Sunday	Jim Shaver
Monday	Brent Boore
Tuesday	Joel Ray
Wednesday	Jim McNulty
Thursday	Charles McKeel
Friday	Dennis Fish
Saturday	Mike Uhle



June
Jelly

Collection bins located in the narthex and The Faith Center.

Attendance

5/28/17
8:30 108
9:02 237
11:00 395
Total 643

Order of Worship – 8:30 AM

PENTECOST SUNDAY

GREETING AND WELCOME

PRELUDE

Chorale Variations on Veni Creator Spiritus

Maurice Durufle

Please silence all cell phones and quiet your voices, giving our attention to the presence of God in our midst.

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 539

O Spirit of the Living God

Forest Green

THE OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

O God, the Holy Spirit, come to us and among us; come as the wind and cleanse us; come as the fire and burn us; come as the dew and refresh us. Convict, convert, and consecrate many hearts and lives to our great good and to thy greater glory. This we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

Powered Up!

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*

Canon of Praise

Pachelbel

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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

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 422

Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love

Azmon

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata on Veni Creator Spiritus

Maurice Durufle

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***Please stand, as able.**

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Order of Worship – 11:00 AM

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Come Down, O Love Divine

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CONGREGATIONAL INTERESTS AND CONCERNS

COMMISSIONING OF SHORT-TERM MISSIONARIES

ANTHEM

Speak, O Lord

Getty

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PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER and CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

The Lord's My Shepherd

Searle Wright

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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.*

*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 465

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

Canterbury

*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 departing.*

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

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Dr. Tim McClendon

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 331

Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us

For the Bread

BENEDICTION and CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Toccata on Veni Creator Spiritus

Maurice Durufle

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Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness,
that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility;
test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises, and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the earth is filled with your glory.



2017 St. John's SEED Kindergarten Graduates

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–Harry Sampson; Music-Jane Timmerman & The 9:02 Band

11:00 - Dr. Tim McClendon; Rev. Nancy Reed; Music Director-Catherine Stapleton Nance; Organist-Christopher Nash
Crucifer-Claire Turner; Acolytes-McCall Massey, and Lillian Orr
June Worship Support-Sally Bradley, Anita Burg, Marguerite Flynn, Cindy Snell



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

Pentecost Sunday

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Gathering

Spirit of the Living God

D. Iverson

Greeting and Announcements

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Song of Praise

Freedom

Bethel Live

Affirmation of Faith

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Children's Sermon

Harry Sampson

Commissioning of Short-Term Missionaries

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*

Nothing but the Power in the Blood

Lowry/Jones

Scripture

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon

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Closing Song

Start a Fire

Unspoken

Benediction

Sending Forth

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Closing Song

Start a Fire

Unspoken

This world can be cold and bitter. Feels like we're in the dead of winter, waiting on something better.

But am I really gonna hide forever? Over and over again I hear your voice in my head.
Let your light shine, let your light shine for all to see.

Start a fire in my soul, fan the flame and make it grow so there's no doubt or denying.
Let it burn so brightly that everyone around can see that it's you, that it's you that we need. Start a fire in me.

You only need a spark to start a whole blaze. It only takes a little faith.
Let it start right here in this city so these old walls will never be the same.

Over and over again I hear your voice in my head. They need to know, I need to go.
Spirit won't you fall on my heart now. Start a fire in my soul. Fan the flame and make it grow.



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