



ST. JOHN'S

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CHURCH



July 12, 2020

St. John's Worship Safety Video

As we approach August 2, we have put together a short video to help guide you through our new safety procedures. Please take a few minutes to watch the video on the main page of our website, www.stjaiken.org, and familiarize yourself with our new policies. Feel free to contact Dr. Tim at (803)648-6891 ext. 9208 with any questions. Thank you for helping us keep our worship services and spaces safe! We can't wait to see you again!

Pastoral Bible Study Update

On Wednesday July 15th, Rev. Douglas will be continuing his weekly Bible study on the Book of James via Facebook @ 6:00 p.m., followed by a live Q & A at 6:45 p.m.. All previous sessions are also available to view on our St. John's Facebook page. Rev. Douglas will also be starting a Young Adults Bible study group on Thursday, July 16th at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Anyone interested in joining, please email Rev. Douglas at dherlong@stjohns-umc.org.

Aiken's Choice 2020 Award

Thank you for making St. John's this year's recipient of *the Aiken's Choice 2020 Award* for "Favorite Place to Worship." We are humbled by this honor, and we know we owe it to our incredible congregation. It is truly our joy to serve the wonderful people and community of Aiken, South Carolina!

ACTS Volunteers Needed!

Our friends at ACTS need our help! They are looking for volunteers to serve in the following areas: Food Pantry, Food Pick-Up, Furniture Pick-Up, and Graniteville Resale Store Volunteers. For more information or to receive a volunteer application, please call (803)649-3800 or visit their website: www.actsofaiken.org. **Masks and safety equipment will be provided to volunteers.**

St. John's Missions News

Pray for the people of Thailand. Many work for a daily wage, and many work in tourism. Covid-19 crisis has stopped their ability to work. The Churches in Thailand are trying to help the children and families they serve through food distributions. Pray for God's provision to meet this great need and the other needs of this growing ministry.

Children's Ministries

Missing you guys! I hope you are having a good summer. Be sure to check our Facebook page for updates.

Love, Heather

Foundation Student Ministries

JAM PACKED JULY - We've got a bunch of fun packed into these last few weeks of July! Parking lot lunches, water games, campfires, prayer walks, ICE CREAM! We're so excited to see you face-to-face! Check Facebook and Instagram for the full schedule. Bring your mask, and we'll see you this week!

Love, Bekah & Amy

Our Giving Growth

Operations Budget as of 07/08/2020

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do:	\$ 1,085,088.26
Year to date ministry expenditures:	\$ 898,878.12
	\$ 186,210.14

Missions Budget: Year 2020/2021

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do in Missions	\$ 113,404.77
Year to date Missions Disbursements:	\$ 101,350.00

We thank you for your continued support of St. John's Ministries!

LOOKING AHEAD

Worship will resume **AUGUST 2, 2020**. ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. Please visit stjaiken.org for more info.

News of the Family Congratulations to:

Jimmy & Jamie Rodgers on the birth of their son, **Beau Jameson Rodgers**, born on June 30, 2020 in Summerville, S.C. He is the grandson of **Sherald & Debbie Rogers**.

Jake & Linda Busbee on the birth of their son, **Lucas Dean Busbee**, born on July 6, 2020 in Okinawa. He is the grandson of **Deanna & Lance Goodlove** and the great grandson of **Don & Patricia Smith**.

Mr. & Mrs. James Carpenter who celebrate their 67th wedding anniversary on 7/17.

Our Sympathies to:

Ray & Norma Conatser on the death of Norma's mother, **Mary Ruth Andrews Wessel**. She passed away on 6/27/20 in Sparta, Tennessee.

Order of Worship- Online Service

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Welcome to all who are worshipping with us. In this time of uncertainty, we pray you will find comfort through worship. To view this service, please visit www.stjaiken.org beginning Sunday morning at 8:30. This service will be available throughout the week.

PRELUDE	Prelude in Eb	<i>Bach</i>
WELCOME		Dr. Tim McClendon
CALL TO WORSHIP	Majesty	
HYMN OF PRAISE	Come, We That Love The Lord	<i>St. Thomas</i>
OPENING SONG	Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us	<i>D. Thrupp</i>
PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER, & CHORAL AMEN		
<i>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.</i>		
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH		
<i>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.</i>		
ANTHEM	Come To Jesus <i>Catherine Nance & Chuck Carver</i>	
SCRIPTURE READING	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	
SERMON	A Fruitful Life	Dr. Tim McClendon
SONG OF DEDICATION	Your Grace Is Enough	<i>M. Maher</i>
OFFERTORY	Fairest Lord Jesus <i>Adam DePriest & Christopher Nash</i>	<i>Willis</i>
PRAYER & BENEDICTION		Dr. Tim McClendon
CLOSING SONG	All God's People Said Amen!	<i>M. Maher</i>

This is a time of great need, and our missions and church operations require our continued generous giving. Please consider giving online, through text, through the mail, or over the phone to help us ensure that our ministries here and around the world are not adversely affected. More details can be found at www.stjaiken.org by clicking the COVID-19 button on the main page.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Worship Services—Dr. Tim McClendon; — Dr. Catherine Stapleton Nance & Chuck Carver; Organist—Christopher Nash;

9:02 Music—Jane Timmerman & The 9:02 Band

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

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