



**ST. JOHN'S**  
**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
A STEPHEN MINISTRY CHURCH

*February 7, 2021*

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803-648-6891    [stjaiken.org](http://stjaiken.org)

## COVID-19 OPERATIONS UPDATE: PLEASE READ

To keep our church family, staff, and community safe, we have decided to extend our return to Phase 1 operations through **MARCH 1, 2021**. **All in person worship services will continue with all existing safety precautions.** The 1st floor Faith Center spaces and Sanctuary are available for limited use only. All other spaces will remain unavailable. Please remember that there is no food or drink allowed and bathroom use is limited to emergencies only. All mask, temperature check, and social distancing guidelines remain in full effect throughout any use of St. John's facilities.

**Our staff will continue to keep regular office hours and will be available to assist you.** You may come to the front entrance (Newberry Street) of St. John's, and call whomever you would like to see. The phone numbers are posted at the front door. The staff member will meet you outside to offer assistance. We are grateful for your continued cooperation in making St. John's as safe as possible.

### Dr. Tim's Acts (Sunday Afternoon & Wednesday) Bible Study

Dr. Tim's Acts Bible Study will continue during our return to Phase One. The Sunday Afternoon study is from 4:00-5:00 p.m., and the Zoom Link is available by calling Jennifer Windham at (803)648-6891. The Wednesday Acts Study is from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. There will be no access to the rest of the building until we resume Phase Two operations.

### SEED: IMPORTANT UPDATE

Our SEED open house is POSTPONED until further notice. The SEED program will be going to distance learning only until February 16th. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding. Please contact SEED Director, Michelle Pearson at [mpearson@stjohns-umc.org](mailto:mpearson@stjohns-umc.org) if you have any questions. Thank you.

### Sunday Night Vespers Service

Have you heard about our Sunday Night Vespers Service? This great worship experience is a small, casual, 45 minute service with music provided by some of our talented musicians from the 9:02 Band and a meaningful message delivered by Rev. Douglas Herlong. If you are looking for an opportunity to gather safely during the recent upswing of COVID-19, the Vespers Service offers just that. Join us every Sunday at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Masks and social distancing are required.

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## SERVING THIS WEEK

**Worship Services**—Dr. Tim McClendon, Rev. Butch Blackwell, Rev. Douglas Herlong; Music Director (11:00 Traditional) Dr. Catherine Nance; Music Director (8:30) & Organist—Christopher Nash; (9:02 and 11:00 Contemporary) Music—Jane Timmerman & The 9:02 Band  
**Crucifer**—Eva Buchanan **Acolytes**— Amy Draeger & Madison Zeigler

**February Worship Support**—Kay Buckner, Katy Osborn, Claudette Strickland, & Pat Sauls

You may text your gift to St. John's by texting **stjaiken** to 73256 and following the instructions. Images and texts used with this service have permission granted under CCLI #2220845.

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# February 7, 2021

## Children's Ministries

**Sign up for Lenten Bags for your children!! See the ad in this bulletin, in Realm, or on FB to register!**

Please like and follow our Children's Ministry Facebook page (scan the QR Code using your smartphone for the link). This is the best way to receive information about what is happening in Grove Children's Ministry at St. John's. Bible lessons and activities will also be available to access here for our children.



*Contact Gray Mole if you have any questions at (803)648-6891 or [gmole@stjohns-umc.org](mailto:gmole@stjohns-umc.org).*

## Foundation Student Ministries

*(7th-12th Grades)*

Join us for the last installment of Asbury in Aiken TODAY, February 7 at the Gem Lakes Recreational Facility from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Bring your Bible, booklet, chair, and a mask!

### **Bible Studies:**

Be on the lookout for updates regarding our Bible Studies throughout February and March! If you are not getting our text updates, please contact Bekah or Amy and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

*Feel free to contact Bekah Muir or Amy Jernigan if you have any questions at (803)648-6891 or [rmuir@stjohns-umc.org](mailto:rmuir@stjohns-umc.org) or [ajernigan@stjohns-umc.org](mailto:ajernigan@stjohns-umc.org).*

## St. John's Missions News

Thailand Now executive directors, Mike and Sherri Morrissey have been our mission partners since 2009. The mission of Thailand Now is to train and assist the Thai Christian churches to multiply and thrive in fulfilling the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37-39), the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) and the Great Jubilee (Luke 4:18-19). Through community programs - Blessing Home Centers, Pioneer Pastor Programs and Abundant Life Groups - lives are changed. Our members have participated in a mission trip to Thailand. Faith promise provides \$1200 per month. <https://thailandnow.org/>

## Altar Guild Vase Collection

St. John's Altar Guild distributes vases of flowers to shut-ins from the Sunday Sanctuary services each week. Due to COVID, the supply of clean, medium to large sized vases has been depleted. The church will place a box outside the doors near the sanctuary for collection of new or used vases. If you have some vases on the shelf that you do not need, please consider bringing them by the church at your convenience so that the Altar Guild members can put them to good use. Collection of vases will take place during all of February.

## Wednesday Night Supper: To-Go

**Menu: Broccoli Chicken Divan, Baked Mozzarella Tomatoes, Roll, & Brownie.**

Reservations are required and should be made by Monday, February 8, at 5:00 p.m. Make reservations by calling the church office at (803)648-6891 or contacting Juli Davis [jdavis@stjohns-umc.org](mailto:jdavis@stjohns-umc.org). Cost is \$7.50 for 10 years old and older, \$3.00 for children over the age of 3. Pick-up will be on Wednesday, February 10 from 5:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. under the Faith Center portico. You can pay online at [stjaiken.org](http://stjaiken.org). Then go to "Give Now," next press the drop down button, then click on WNS. You may also pay in person. Checks are preferred. Make checks out to St. John's.

## Calendar Reservations

If you are the leader of a group that has an ongoing reservation for a specific space, please contact Jennifer Windham to update your needs for the 2021 calendar. She can be reached by calling (803)648-6891 or emailing [jwindham@stjohns-umc.org](mailto:jwindham@stjohns-umc.org). Thank you!

## News of the Family

**Welcome to our Newest Member:**

**John Craig**

**Our Sympathies to:**

**Frank & Barbara Peel** on the deaths of their sisters. Frank's sister, **Marian Jennings**, passed away on January 27, 2021, in Newport, AR. Barbara's sister, **Lois Covey**, passed away on January 30, 2021, in Kansas City, KS.

**Ben & Ruth Ann Trame** on the death of Ben's sister, **Barbara Bradford**, who passed away on February 2, 2021, in Bradenton, FL.

## Attendance—1/31/2021

8:30 | 44      9:02 | 67      11:00 (Both) | 115      6:00 | 16

Total in Person | 242

9:02 Online Live | 762      11:00 Online Live | 660

## Our Giving Growth

### Operations Budget as of 2/03/2021

Year End offerings given for what God is asking us to do:	\$ 278,698.78
Year End ministry expenditures:	<u>\$ 182,728.02</u>
	\$ 95,970.76

### Missions Budget: Year 2020/2021

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do in Missions:	\$208,503.94
Year to date Missions Disbursements:	\$188,800.00

## Honduras Update

**To date we have received \$7,430.00 to help both Carolina Honduras Foundation and Honduras Agape Foundation.**

**What a loving, giving church we have! Thank you all for your generous donations.**

# PHASE 1 OPERATIONS HAVE BEEN EXTENDED TO MARCH 1.

Please visit [www.stjaiken.org](http://www.stjaiken.org) or call the church office at (803)648-6891 for more information or if you have any questions.



Mission Impact Celebration

## Kick Off Service

Mission Impact Celebration 2021 will begin February 11 @ 6:30 p.m. in the Faith Center with an exciting Kick Off Service! Join us to hear our very own members speak about their mission experience. Two have been on over 20 mission trips; come find out who!



## LENTEN BAG

CHILDREN'S LENT AND HOLY WEEK LESSONS AND ACTIVITIES

Please register by February 12 to pick up this wonderful bag full of great activities and crafts for each child in your family!

Pick up Monday, February 15 5-6pm!



# FEBRUARY



- 7th Asbury in Aiken, 4pm-6pm at Gem Lakes
- 14th No SNY - Holiday Weekend
- 15th Movie Monday, 11am-2pm in FC
- 21st MIC Family Service Night
- 28th SNY
- Wednesdays Bible Studies 7pm-8pm in FC



**DATE CHANGE!**

## ASBURY HILLS IN AIKEN PART TWO

GEM LAKES **FEB. 7** 4PM-6PM



CALL BEKAH OR AMY FOR MORE INFO!

## Order of Worship— Traditional 8:30 A.M.

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### PRELUDE

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Butch Blackwell

### MISSION VIDEO

**OPENING HYMN NO. 139** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty *Lobe Den Herren*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Mark 1:29-34

**SERMON** Bring Your Mother-in-Law Sunday Dr. Tim McClendon

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed

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*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
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**ANTHEM** My Savior's Love *Schwoebel*  
*Alysa Smith, Catherine Nance, Rob Persons, & Tom Nance*

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

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### BRIEF INSTRUCTIONS FOR END OF SERVICE

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

### POSTLUDE

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**MUSICAL MEDITATION**

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**SERMON**                      **Bring Your Mother-in-Law Sunday** **Dr. Tim McClendon**

**PRAISE SONG**                      **He Touched Me**                      *B. Gaither*

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**SENDING FORTH SONG**

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**MISSION VIDEO**

**PRAISE SONG**                      **Your Hands**                      *JJ Heller*

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*Schwobel*

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### SERMON

**Curing My Mother-in-Law**

**Dr. Tim McClendon**

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