



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

February 13, 2022

11:00

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Mission Impact Celebration Update

Thank you so much for your generous contributions to our mission partners through your Faith Promises! Every year, we are so blessed by your gifts, and this year is no exception. In 2021 your Faith Promise cards received totaled **\$136,984.52**. You have already promised **\$191,127.00** for 2022 and more Faith Promises are arriving each day! If you have not yet submitted a Faith Promise, there is still time. You can drop it by the finance office to Nancy Fairgrieve or mail it care of Nancy Fairgrieve to PO Box 809, Aiken, SC 29802.

Orangeburg District Lay Servant School

Have you ever considered serving the Methodist Church as a Lay Servant? Now is the time to act! St. Andrews UMC-Orangeburg is hosting the district Lay Servant courses April 2-3 (in-person only). Please register online by using the following link: bit.ly/oburg2022april. Registration deadline is February 21, and a registration fee of \$35 is due upon registration. If you have questions, please contact District LSM Director, Rosa Kennerly-Dance at (803)308-0666.



Photo of St. John's steeple by Greg Robinson.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Worship Services—Dr. Tim McClendon; Rev. Butch Blackwell; Rev. Douglas Herlong; Music Director— Dr. Catherine Nance; Music Associate & Organist—Christopher Nash; 9:02 Band Leader— Jane Timmerman; 9:02 Band

Crucifer—Amelia Overstreet **Acolytes**—Olivia & Sophia Overstreet

February 11:00 Ushers: Virgil & Pat Sauls, Donald Leader, Bob Newburn, Joe & Leah Lewis, Missy Poe, Larry Burdette, Paula Blackmore, & Newkirk Barnes

February Worship Support—Kay Buckner, Katie Osborne, Pat Sauls, & Claudette Strickland

You may text your gift to St. John's by texting **stjaiken** to 1-888-364-4483 and following the instructions.

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This service is broadcast over WKSX 92.7 at 12 p.m., one week delay.

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Children's Ministries

We will be holding Grove tonight. 5-6:30pm. Drop off and Pick up in the gym. Bring a friend!

Children's Choir starts back Wednesday Feb 16th. Joy Choir 5:15-6pm ages 3years old to Kindergarten. Alleluia Choir 5-6pm grades 1-6. We will be preparing the ashes for Ash Wednesday; don't miss out!

Foundation Student Ministries

(7th-12th Grades)

Please pray for the safe travels of those returning from the ski trip this weekend. Sunday Night Youth will not be meeting tonight. Join us for regular Wednesday night Bible study and bring a friend!

Youth Bible Studies:

CORE (7th/8th grade Girls) and Dwell (High School Girls) meet on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00pm in the Faith Center upstairs.

Brotherhood (7th-12th grade Boys) meet on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:30pm in the GYM. Come join us and bring a friend!

St. John's Missions News

Honduras Agape Foundation has a program called Agape Promises which allows students to stay in school through sponsorship from a financial donor. They recently had 4 students graduate from high school, and St. John's is now the very proud sponsor of Amilcar, who is attending university to study computers. Think how much he will accomplish with a whole church praying for him! Please remember him and the other graduates in your prayers.

*For the month of February, we are collecting **canned or dried fruit with easy open tops**. Please place any donated items in the box marked "Grace Kitchen" in the Narthex of each worship service. **Please place only the requested donation items in the Grace Kitchen boxes as these are the current items needed.***

Get Involved with Our Family Programs

Are you interested in getting your children plugged in at St. John's? All kids and teens from 6 weeks to seniors in high school have a place here! We offer the nursery on Sunday mornings for our youngest friends, Sunday school classes for ages 3K to high school seniors, Bible studies, Sunday evening activities, choirs, and so much more! We invite you to get involved! Contact Kim Burke, our Director of Children's Ministries (6 weeks-6th grade), for information about our children's programs: kburke@stjohns-umc.org. Contact either Bekah Muir or Amy Jernigan, Directors of Student Ministries (7th-12th grade), for information about our youth programs: rmuir@stjohns-umc.org or ajernigan@stjohns-umc.org. You can also call the church office at (803)648-6891 to be connected.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by *Jerry Dickey and Kids* to the glory of God and in honor of *Pat Dickey* for her 90th birthday.

Thank You from the Lawsons

We would like to thank St. John's for all the prayers and notes during my recent surgery. Kirk and I appreciate how you encouraged us during this time. All praises to God for a successful surgery and a caring church family!

Thank You, Susan & Kirk Lawson

Wednesday Night Supper

Menu: Lasagna, Salad, Bread, & Caramel Apple Cobbler

Reservations are required and should be made by Monday, February 14, at 5:00 p.m. Make reservations by calling the church office at (803)648-6891 or contacting Juli Davis at: jdavis@stjohns-umc.org. Cost is \$7.50 for 10 years old and older, and \$3.00 for children over the age of 3. You can pay online at 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. Please make checks out to St. John's. **TO-GO MEALS ONLY AT THIS TIME. We are in need of volunteers to help clean up on Wednesday Nights following dinner. Please contact Juli Davis to help.**

ACTS Monthly Collection Item

February— **Easy Open Canned Tuna/Salmon**

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

Attendance—2/06/2022

8:30 | 64 9:02 | 130 11:00 | 269 6:00 | 17

Total in Person | 480

9:02 Online Live | 247 11:00 Online Live | 372

Year end mission financials will be posted next week.

Operations Budget as of 02/09/2022

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do:	\$334,206.89
Year to date ministry expenditures:	<u>\$248,038.34</u>
	\$ 86,168.55

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

Missions Budget: Year 2021/2022

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do in Missions:	\$34,226.73
Year to date Missions Disbursements:	\$0.00

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

Children's Choirs are Back!

Starting Wednesday, Feb. 16.

Joy Choir 5:15-6pm ages 3years old
to Kindergarten. Alleluia Choir 5-6pm
grades 1-6.



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Stay up to date on the exciting
things happening at St. John's
by following us on Facebook!
Follow our public page for
livestreams of worship, Bible
studies, and special services.
Join our private group to
interact with us!

Page: www.facebook.com/stjohnsaiken
Group: www.facebook.com/groups/stjaiken



HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

INEZ CRAIN SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT

STJAIKEN.ORG/FOUNDATION-SENIORS

APPLICATIONS DUE: APRIL 28

SENIOR SUNDAY: MAY 22

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Every Thursday Evening at
6:30 PM in the Faith Center.

All Young Adults are
welcome.

GRACE KITCHEN

Donations

February Needs: Canned/Dried Fruits (Easy open tops only)

*Please place donations in boxes marked "Grace
Kitchen" in the Narthexes of each service.*

Thinking about becoming a member?

We are excited to invite you to officially join our St. John's family! If you've been thinking about membership, now is the perfect time to join; we would love to have you! Contact Juli Davis (jdavis@stjohns-umc.org) or Rev. Douglas Herlong (dherlong@stjohns-umc.org) for more information or call the church office at (803)648-6891.



Order of Worship— 8:30 A.M.

We 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. Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please silence all electronic devices.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Butch Blackwell

***OPENING HYMN NO. 315 Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain**

St. Kevin

*SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 6:17-26

SERMON

Blessed or Cursed: The Choice is Ours

Dr. Tim McClendon

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

Meineke

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.

OFFERTORY

Awake, My Heart

Marshall

*DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER, & 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. Amen.

***HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 733 Marching to Zion**

Marching to Zion

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

***Please stand, as able.**

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 stjaiken.org.



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PRELUDE

PRAISE SONG

Washed By the Water

Needtobreathe

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Douglas Herlong

PRAISE SONG

I Will Boast in the Lord

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OFFERTORY

Nothing But the Power in the Blood of Jesus

Lowry

SCRIPTURE READING

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SERMON

Blessed or Cursed: The Choice is Ours **Dr. Tim McClendon**

PRAISE SONG

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Reynolds

BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH SONG

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Goodness is Stronger

Bell

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OFFERTORY

Children K3-2nd grade may now follow the Crucifer to Children's Church in the Chapel.

*DOXOLOGY

ANTHEM

Blest are They (based on Matthew 5:3-12)

For the text, please refer to your pew Bibles for the direct reference.

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