



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

April 25, 2021

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Wrapped in Love

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Fifteenth Anniversary



St. John's Wrapped in Love Prayer Shawl Ministry was organized April 23, 2006. This ministry creates shawls to be distributed to those in our congregation or their family members who are experiencing life-crisis situations and need a reminder of God's love; to actually feel "wrapped in His love."

A very special part of this shawl ministry is creating white blankets to be presented to the parents of each child baptized at St. John's. These blankets are symbols of God's love for the child and the church's promise to love and nurture them.

Every shawl or blanket begins with just a single strand of yarn. What grows out of the labor of love performed by members of the ministry is God's handiwork. It is the comfort He gives, the peace He sends, the healing He provides, and the hope He offers.

This ministry welcomes those who are willing to be the hands of Christ. There are teachers for those who do not know how to knit or crochet! Wrapped in Love Prayer Shawl Ministry meets twice a month (once during summer) on Sunday afternoon, 4:00-5:30. If that is not a good time, consider working on a shawl or blanket at home, as some of our members prefer. Please call Pam McCollum (642-9414) or Pat Sauls (648-2801).

New Online Giving Platform

We will now be using Subsplash Giving for all online or e-giving. **One of our primary reasons for making this change is because the church will save approximately \$700-\$800 per month.** You can access Subsplash Giving from our website, stjaiken.org or the St. John's App. Simply scroll down and tap on "Give." If you are a first time user, select "Sign Up." For all other users, select "Log In." From that point, just follow the steps to complete your online gift. Realm Giving will continue to be available until **MAY 15, 2021.** **If you are currently set up to give recurring gifts, you will need to switch to Subsplash Giving and cancel your Realm Giving. If your recurring gifts come in the form of a check from your bank, you do not need to make any changes.** Please call Nancy Fairgrieve at (803)648-6891 ext. 217 if you have any questions or would like assistance with setting up your new online giving.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Worship Services—Dr. Tim McClendon, Rev. Butch Blackwell, Rev. Douglas Herlong; Music Director (11:00 Traditional) Dr. Catherine Nance; Music Associate & Organist—Christopher Nash; (9:02 and 11:00 Contemporary) Music—Jane Timmerman & The 9:02 Band

Crucifer—Lillian Orr **Acolytes**— Amy Draeger & Benton Orr

April Worship Support—Peggy Thome, Tracey Spaeth, & Frankie Lambright

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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Children's Ministries

We need volunteers for VBS, June 21st-24th. Register on Realm by scanning the QR Code or contact Gray.



The Nursery is OPEN for 9:02, 11:00 Traditional, and 11:00 Contemporary Services. Nursery care is offered for all children ages six weeks through 4K. All existing St. John's COVID protocols will be in place; this includes mask wearing by all that are age 3 and older.

Please like and follow our Children's Ministry Facebook page . *Contact Gray Mole if you have any questions at (803)648-6891 or gmole@stjohns-umc.org.*

Foundation Student Ministries

(7th-12th Grades)

Join us tonight for a game of Salad Bowl! Invite your friends and bring a mask. We will meet in the Faith Center at 5pm.

SENIORS: It is time to apply for the Inez Crain Scholarship! Applications are due April 28th.

Youth Bible Studies:

Be on the lookout for updates regarding our Bible Studies throughout April! 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 or ajernigan@stjohns-umc.org.

St. John's Missions News

Life, very often, is cheap for children, and they live in very devalued situations, not what God intended for them. But, in His mercy and through our mission partners, children and youth are being given a new "value" in life and introduced to Jesus. Thank you for your support and prayers for the children of Colombia, Kenya, Thailand, Honduras, Columbia, SC, Bennetsville-Cheraw, in prison, and in Aiken!

Jack Meeks Memorial Ramp Ministry Golf Tournament

Get ready to golf! The Annual Jack Meeks Memorial Ramp Ministry Golf Tournament is BACK! The tournament will be held at Houndslake Country Club on May 14. If you did not cancel your registration for the 2020 golf tournament, you are automatically registered for the 2021 tournament. Register on Realm by scanning this QR Code. We are thrilled to have this wonderful event back this year and invite all to participate. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Lathrop at stevenlathrop@bellsouth.net.



COVID-19 Operations Reminder

We are still currently operating under our extended Phase 1 guidelines. A limited number of spaces are available for meetings and gatherings within the St. John's campus. Social distancing and masks are required at all times for any and all gatherings at St. John's. Sunday School classes are still on hold for the time being, but will be reassessed as the COVID-19 situation evolves. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by *Jane & Johnny Morris* in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary.

GriefShare is Resuming

We are pleased to announce that after a long COVID break, our St. John's GriefShare Ministry has resumed our weekly meetings each Wednesday at 3:45 p.m. in Ward Hall. All who have lost a loved one and are experiencing grief are invited to attend. If you have questions about our GriefShare Ministry, please call Rev. Butch at (803)648-6891 ext. 214.

Wednesday Night Supper: To-Go

Menu: Ham, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, and Fruit Salad Fluff. Reservations are required and should be made by Monday, April 26, at 5:00 p.m. Make reservations by calling the church office at (803)648-6891 or contacting Juli Davis 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, April 28 from 5:00 p.m. -5:30 p.m. under the Faith Center portico. 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. Make checks out to St. John's.

News of the Family

Congratulations to:

Joe & Sandy Revell who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 24.

Our Sympathies to:

The Lee & Shellhouse Families on the death of **Dorothy Brown Crawford**, who passed away on April 10, 2021, in Aiken, SC.

Dr. Ray & Claire Hesse and **Betsy Parkman Simons** on the death of Claire and Betsy's aunt, **Dorothy Parkman Coleman**, who passed away on April 14, 2021, in Saluda, SC.

Cynthia Stubbs on the death of her husband, **Bob Stubbs**, who passed away on April 15, 2021, in Clearwater, FL.

In Memoriam
Mr. Robert Daniel Stubbs
April 15, 2021

Attendance—4/18/2021

8:30 | 85 9:02 | 120 11:00 (Both) | 201 6:00 | 31

Total in Person | 437

9:02 Online Live | 531 11:00 Online Live | 386

Our Giving Growth

Operations Budget as of 4/21/2021

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do: \$ 810,128.51

Year to date ministry expenditures: \$ 555,516.53

\$ 254,611.98

Missions Budget: Year 2021/2022

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do in Missions: \$81,328.54

Year to date Missions Disbursements: \$24,150.00



DON'T FORGET:
**FOLLOW
US ON
INSTAGRAM!**

@stjohnsumc_aiken



**TUESDAY
MORNING
PRAYER
GROUP**

FAITH CENTER LOBBY

EVERY TUESDAY
11:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.
CALL (803)206-9529
TO BE LET IN
THE BUILDING



**VBS VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

VBS June 21st-24th

Contact Gray Mole if you would like to help!!
gmole@stjohns-umc.org OR 803-648-6891
Register on Realm or Call to volunteer



*Background checks and safe sanctuary must be up to date or completed!

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

INEZ CRAIN SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT

ST.JAIKEN.ORG/FOUNDATION-SENIORS

APPLICATIONS DUE: APRIL, 28

SENIOR SUNDAY: JUNE, 6TH



GRACE KITCHEN

Donations

April Needs:

Bar Soap &

Liquid Hand Soap

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

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

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PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Majesty

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Butch Blackwell

OPENING HYMN NO. 138 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

St. Columba

*SCRIPTURE READING

John 10:10-18

SERMON

Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep

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

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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.

ANTHEM

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

arr. Thompson

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.

*BENEDICTION

*DOXOLOGY

POSTLUDE

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PRELUDE **I Love to Tell the Story** *Hankey*

PRAISE SONG **Come as You Are** *Crowder*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS **Rev. Douglas Herlong**

PRAISE SONG **Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us** *Thrupp/Nash*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **We Believe**

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

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MUSICAL MEDITATION

SCRIPTURE READING **John 10:10-18**

SERMON **Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep** **Dr. Tim McClendon**

PRAISE SONG **Amazing Love** *Hillsong*

BRIEF INSTRUCTIONS FOR END OF SERVICE

OFFERING & BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH SONG

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Contemporary 11:00 AM

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