



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

May 16, 2021

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Sanctuary Organ Announcement

Say hello to Christopher Nash, our most talented organist/music associate. Was he in time-out last Wednesday after choir? Actually no, he was investigating the malfunctioning of the rear (antiphonal) organ, which is located in the sanctuary balcony. Likely, last Tuesday's lightening storm did some damage to the organ as well as the chimes that play from the steeple. We have experts coming to determine the extent of the damage but until we get the situation worked out, we have incapacitated the rear organ. Those of you sitting in the balcony and the rear main nave of the sanctuary will notice a big difference in sound coming from the organ.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Mark your calendar! St. John's is hosting a blood drive for the American Red Cross on June 16 from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the gym. We are looking for AT LEAST 30 donors to help them meet their goal. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the drive. Donors can sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org with Sponsor Code "stjaiken," or go directly to this link:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-resultszipSponsor=stjaiken>.

If you are wondering if you can donate if you've received the COVID-19 vaccine, the answer is **YES!** You are also encouraged to give if you've had COVID, as plasma from antibody-positive donations may help current coronavirus patients. Donors will receive a \$5 Amazon e-gift card via e-mail.

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—Ethan Parker **Acolytes**—Maggie Davisson & Mary Davisson

May 11:00 Ushers: Missy Poe, Paula Blackmore, Donald Leader, Alison & Roger Carpenter, & Larry Burdette

May Worship Support—Peg Robinson, Pat Dickey, Millie Winston, & Nancy Perrine

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

Registration for VBS is now open to everyone from 4K to rising 6th grade! Please go to <https://vbspro.events/p/796564> or scan the QR to register participants.



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.

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

Foundation Student Ministries

(7th-12th Grades)

We hope to see you tonight for Family Night! Join us next Sunday, May 23 for Chill N' Grill!

Graduating seniors, please turn in all photos and questionnaires TODAY, Sunday, May 16.

Youth Bible Studies:

Be on the lookout for updates regarding our Bible Studies throughout May! 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

Thank you to all who support our many missions at St. John's. Our mission partners each have a unique set of prayer requests that can be found on our website at <https://stjaiken.org/missions>. Please join us in praying for our missions.

For the month of May, we are collecting Peanut Butter Crackers. Please place donations in the box marked "Grace Kitchen" in the Narthex of each worship space.

11:00 Contemporary Service

Beginning on May 30, we will no longer have the 11:00 Contemporary Service. We appreciate all who made this service possible. We invite you to attend any of our other services at 8:30 a.m., 9:02 a.m., 11:00 a.m., or the 6:00 p.m. Vespers Service. If you have any questions regarding this change, please call the church office at (803)648-6891. Thank you!

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by *Paul & Jeanette Isaacson* in memory of *Linda Endler*.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are also given to the glory of God and in honor of *Mary Kenney* for her birthday by *Joan & Mike Gallagher*.

2021 Flower Calendar

The 2021 Flower Calendar still has many openings for donations. If you would like to reserve a date to donate flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Windham in the front office at (803)648-6891 or jwindham@stjohns-umc.org. Vases are \$40 each, and two vases are available each Sunday.

Wednesday Night Supper: To-Go

Menu: BBQ and Baked Potatoes, Coleslaw, Green Beans, & Cupcakes.

Reservations are required and should be made by Monday, May 17, 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, May 19 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:

Mary & Tom Thompson who celebrated their 74th wedding anniversary on May 8, 2021.

Attendance—5/9/2021

8:30| 105 9:02| 125 11:00 (Both)| 247 6:00| 18

Total in Person| 495

9:02 Online Live| 366 11:00 Online Live| 490

Our Giving Growth

Operations Budget as of 5/12/2021

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us to do:	\$ 926,197.54
Year to date ministry expenditures:	<u>\$ 696,380.11</u>
	\$ 229,817.43

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:	\$92,683.72
Year to date Missions Disbursements:	\$60,250.00

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

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Every Thursday Evening at
6:30 PM in Ward Hall.
All Young Adults are
welcome.

Climb aboard...



**REGISTER
ONLINE!**

OR SCAN HERE



VBS June 21st-24th



VOLUNTEER!

VBS

JUNE 21-24

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP TO HELP!

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

GRACE KITCHEN

Donations

May Needs:

Peanut Butter Crackers

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



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

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PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP Surely the Presence

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Butch Blackwell

OPENING HYMN A Hymn to Life by Dr. Robert Stamps *Gift of Love*

***SCRIPTURE READING** John 17:6-19

SERMON What Would Jesus Want? Rev. Douglas Herlong

***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.*

ANTHEM The Majesty and Glory of Your Name *Fettke*

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

**Please stand, as able.*

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Order of Worship

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PRELUDE	Be the Centre	
PRAISE SONG	Sweet, Sweet Spirit	<i>Akers</i>
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Dr. Tim McClendon
PRAISE SONG	I'll Fly Away	<i>Brumley</i>
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	The Apostles' Creed	
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MUSICAL MEDITATION		
SCRIPTURE READING	John 17:6-19	
SERMON	What Would Jesus Want?	Rev. Douglas Herlong
PRAISE SONG	All My Hope is in Jesus	<i>Crowder</i>
BRIEF INSTRUCTIONS FOR END OF SERVICE		
OFFERING & BENEDICTION		
SENDING FORTH SONG		

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Contemporary 11:00 AM

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