



September 10, 2023

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Getting To Know St. John's

If you are new to St. John's, visiting and considering joining St. John's, or simply have questions, we will be hosting a Getting To Know St. John's today. Rev. Will Altman and Juli Davis, Membership Director, will be happy to answer questions in the lobby of the Faith Center at 10am today.

Dr. Tim's Morning Bible Study

Due to Kairos Prison Ministry at Trenton Correctional Institute, Dr. Tim's morning Bible study has been cancelled for Wednesday, September 13. We will resume the study on September 20th. He will be at Trenton CI Tuesday - Friday, during the day. Please pray for all of those involved in this ministry. The Wednesday evening study on Revelation will still be held at 6pm.

Applefest Silent Auction

It's time to start thinking about what you can donate this year to the Silent Auction on November 4th. We need items for our baskets and we items for Silent Auction. Here are some things people have offered in the past:

Artwork, beach house/condo for a week or weekend, babysitting/pet sitting services, concert tickets, football tickets, "Mr. Fix-it" services, floral arrangements, gardening services, golf, tennis, dance lessons and for those of you that like to cook, a gourmet dinner prepared in the home.

Please contact Susie Graven-Smith at 843-991-8213 to arrange pick-up or drop it by the church with Nancy Fairgrieve or Jennifer Windham.

Discipleship Group Meeting

There will be an important Discipleship Group Leaders meeting on Thursday, September 14, at 6:30pm in Ward Hall.

Applefest Jewelry

Now accepting donation of jewelry for Applefest. Please no clip on earrings, pins, or non-working watches. A box is available at the reception desk. For information, please call Joadia Hiatt at 803-845-5480.

St. John's Missions News

The 2nd Annual Run for Freedom to support **The Bridge 2 Home** is Saturday, October 7. It is a fun family event and we are hoping that our St. John's team will be bigger than last year. To learn more and sign up, go to www.thebridge2home.com then select EVENTS and be sure to choose the St. John's team! Questions? Call Renee Reid 803-215-8940.

For the month of September, we are collecting **canned tuna and salmon—pop tops or pouches only**. 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.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Worship Services: Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon; Rev. Butch Blackwell; Rev. Will Altman; Director of Traditional Music - Dr. Matt Caine; Organist - Christopher Nash; 9:02 Band Leader - Jane Timmerman; The 9:02 Band - Chuck Carver, Juli Davis, Earl Melton, Matt Osteen, George Collins, Steve Davis, Alec James, Jeff Krok, Johnathan Cook, Susan Lawson, & Marshall Sanders

Crucifer: Witt Wilkins **Acolytes:** Carleigh Day and Jack Taylor

September 11:00 Ushers: Dave Felak, Donald Leader, Missy Poe, Newkirk Barnes, Gerry Hansen, Bruce Carrera, Al & Aline Hartgraves, Art & Susie-Graven Smith and Larry & Karen Travis

September Worship Support: Judy Turner, Anita Allen, Camille Baily, Pam Beckum

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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The 11:00 service is broadcast over WKSX 92.7 at 12 p.m., one week delay.

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Children's Ministries

All Children are invited to join a Sunday School class! Come and see what we are learning! Wednesday night kids' activities begin at 5:30pm. Please join us in our devotional time and choir with Dr. Matt Caine. We have a great time together!

We are excited to welcome our sixth graders into Confirmation Classes, where they will explore what it means to be a Christian. They will learn about the history of our faith and the Methodist Church, as we journey together. At the conclusion of the course, students will be given the opportunity to "make firm" the promises made for them at baptism, by committing to Christ and joining the church. Please pray for our confirmation students, and for all the children and youth of our church!

Confirmation Classes begin tonight, September 10, with supper at 5:30pm in Ward Hall. We look forward to seeing our 6th graders there!

2023/2024 Confirmation Class

<i>Evan Daniel Bentley</i>	<i>Teagan Leigh Blair</i>
<i>Parker Jackson Burke</i>	<i>Harper Grace Duren</i>
<i>Elizabeth May Mussetter</i>	<i>Amelia Marchman Orr</i>
<i>Colton Bowers Raines</i>	<i>Elizabeth Grace Reynolds</i>
<i>Thomas Ambrose Rittgers</i>	<i>Robert Jennings Sexton</i>
<i>Stella Mae Shepler</i>	<i>Parks Edward Stewart</i>
<i>Lily Swartz</i>	<i>Shyla Moore Whitesell</i>
<i>Ethan Mason Wood</i>	

Foundation Student Ministries

(7th-12th Grades)

Sunday Night Youth: Join us tonight for Sunday Night Youth! Drop off in the Faith Center loop starting at 5:00pm. We will have free time in the gym, dinner, games, and lively discussion! Our high school students will begin a series called "Who Do You Say I Am?" and our middle school students will begin a series called "The Whole Story." Bring \$2 and invite a friend! Pick up is at 7:00pm in the Faith Center loop.

Youth Bible Studies on Wednesdays from 7pm-8pm:

Brotherhood (7th-12th grade boys) in the gym
CORE (7th-8th grade girls) in the Faith Center
Dwell (9th-12th grade girls) in Bekah & Amy's office

Youth Band: 3:00-4:00pm Room 205

Youth Choir: 4:00-5:00pm in the choir room

Realm has a new texting update that requires an "opt-in" from you! Parents, counselors, and students, make sure you stay up-to-date on all things Foundation, **text START to (843)305-4638**.

Pictorial Volunteers Needed

VOLUNTEERS needed to help assist with sign ups, check-in's and phone calls for an updated Pictorial Church Directory. If you are interested, please call or email Peg Robinson at 803-507-3920 or hhs1b123@gmail.com for more detailed information. The target dates will hopefully take place starting October. THANK YOU.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
in memory of *Rev. Robert B. "Bob" Clyburn*
by *Mary Anne Clyburn & family.*

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Wednesday Night Supper

Menu: Chicken Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Milk Cake

Kids Menu: Tacos, Applesauce

Reservations are required and should be made by Monday, September 11, at 5pm. Make reservations by calling the church office at (803)648-6891 or contacting Juli Davis at: jdavis@stjohns-umc.org. Cost for ages 10 yrs. old - adult is \$8.00, and \$3.00 for children over the age of 3 years. You can pay online at stjaiken.org, select "GIVE NOW" and then from the drop down menu, select "WNS." You may also pay in person - checks are preferred. Please make checks payable to St. John's.

News of the Family

Welcome Our Newest Member:

Brady Taylor

Sympathies to:

In Memoriam

Mrs. Nita Martin
September 2, 2023

ACTS Monthly Collection Item

September — **Cereal**

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

Attendance — 9/3/2023

8:30 | 118 9:02 | 190 11:00 | 295

In-Person Total 593

9:02 Online Live | 331 11:00 Online Live | 257

Financials

Operations Budget as of 9/6/2023

Year to date offerings given for what God	\$ 1,385,580.85
is asking us to do:	<u>\$ 1,433,381.77</u>
Year to date ministry expenditures:	\$ (47,800.90)

Missions Budget: Year 2023-2024

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us	
to do in Missions:	\$ 169,223.72
Year to date Missions Disbursements:	\$ 140,150.00

We thank you for your generous support of St. John's Ministries & Missions!

Are You missing something?



Do you have questions, have a void that needs to be filled, thinking about joining?

Please join us and learn more:

"Getting to Know St. John's"
Sunday, Sept. 10, Faith Center Lobby, at 10am

Contact Juli Davis: jdavis@stjohns-umc.org or
 Rev. Will Altman: waltman@stjohns-umc.org
 for more information or call
 the church office at (803)648-6891.

Let's show them St. John's Love & Support!

Bring the whole family!

THE BRIDGE 2 HOME 2nd Annual

Run For Freedom

Saturday Oct. 7 Start 8am

www.thebridge2home.com/events/



KIDS TALENT SHOWCASE
 Share the talent God has given you!






SEPT 24 4PM

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
 Contact Cara Robinson
crobinson@stjohns-umc.org
 to sign up!



Congratulations

GRACE KITCHEN

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YEAR ANNIVERSARY

ST. JOHN'S
 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

GRACE KITCHEN DONATIONS

September Needs:

CANNED TUNA/SALMON

Pull tops or Pouches Only

Discernment Committee

"Separation Q & A's": Members of the Discernment Committee will attend some of the Wednesday night suppers to have personal conversations about separation from the UMC. Come join our table(s) for dinner and discussions. We'll conduct these conversations, **Sep 13, Oct 11, Nov 8 and Dec 13.**

We continue to UPDATE the discernment page on the St. John's website: <https://stjaiken.org/discernment>. Please continue with the "40 Day Prayer Guide" that started Friday, May 19, 2023. This QR code links to frequently asked questions (FAQ) regarding separation.



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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* Louis Bourgeois
Chancel Choir

***OPENING HYMN No. 432,** *"Jesu, Jesu"* CHEREPONI

SCRIPTURE READING **Romans 12:1-8** **Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon**

SERMON *"Putting Your Money Where Your Mouth Is"* **Rev. 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 No. 71,** *"Glory Be to the Father"* GREATOREX
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 ANTHEM *Order My Steps* arr. Jack Schrader
Chancel Choir

***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS No. 95,** OLD 100TH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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. 438,** *"Forth in Thy Name, O Lord"* DUKE STREET

*BENEDICTION

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *God Be in My Head* John Rutter
Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

**Please stand, as able.*

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PRELUDE

PRAISE SONG

Right Here, Right Now

Camp

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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When I Remember

Hill

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OFFERTORY

Can I Get A Witness

The Sound

CHILDRENS SERMON

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12:1-8

Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon

SERMON

"Putting Your Money Where Your Mouth Is"

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Joyful Sound

Joy Choir

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There Is Love Somewhere

Alleluia Choir

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CHILDRENS SERMON

Children K4-2nd grade may now follow the Crucifer to Children's Church.

Chancel Choir members who also sang at the 8:30am service may exit at this time.

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