

St. John's T-shirts

If you did not receive or order a t-shirt this past Sunday and want one, please contact Susan McDonald via email at <u>smcdonald@stjaiken.org</u> or call her at 803-648-6892, ext. 210. She will need your name, the size you need and your color preference. We also received permission to order youth sizes. As a reminder the color choices are: Gray, Navy, Aqua, Teal, Royal Blue and Light Blue.

Dr. Tim's Wednesday Bible Studies

Both the 10am and the 5:30pm Bible Studies that Dr. Tim holds will resume this Wednesday, July 23. The 10am study will start the Book of Hosea, and takes place in the Faith Center. The 5:30pm study will begin the study of Mark and takes place in the Chapel.

Men's Night Out– Tuesday Bible Studies

Men's Night Out Study will resume on Tuesday, July 29. We will view "Big Red One," the 1980 American epic war film written and directed by Samuel Fuller, and starring Lee Marvin. The film was based on Fuller's own experiences as a U.S. Army soldier with is unit, during World War II.

Shepherd of Love

We will be holding a Shepherd of Love meeting Monday, July 28 at 3 pm in Room 119. All Shepherds are encouraged to attend and all who would like to learn more about this ministry to our homebound members are also welcomed. The members of this ministry provide at least one visit per month to our shut-ins. Please contact Carol Godfrey at 803-642-8491 or Rev. Butch in the church office at 803-648-6891, if you have questions.

New Member Class

A 7-week class (2 absences allowed) to learn what we believe about: God, St. John's Methodist Church, Methodism, our commitments as members, and much more, will begin on Wednesday, August 6th at 6pm in Room 202. This class is not just for people interested in joining our church but for those who want to learn more about St. John's and the best ways to be involved, and for anyone who would like a refresher on the basics. If you are interested in joining St. John's - We would love to have you! Register for class today: <u>https://bit.ly/STJNMClass</u> or QR code:

Grief Support

When we lose someone we love, we embark on a journey not of our choosing. And yet, it is a vital and sacred journey we must make. That of course is a journey of grief. St. John's offers a Grief Care Group that serves as a means of self-care and shared community for those in grief. It is designed to be a series of twelve sessions – where you will listen, share, and gain important tools to use in navigating your unique grief experience. We will be beginning a new 12-week session on August 13, 2025 at 3:45 in the Faith Center. If you are on a journey of grief and would like to attend or know more about our group, please call Reverend Butch at the church office.

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, Jonathan Cook, Susan Lawson, Marshall Sanders

Crucifer: Witt Wilkins Acolytes: Audrey Dietzel and Loren Wilkins

July 8:30 Ushers: Tom Miniard, Randy Shelley, Greg Lowry

July 11:00 Ushers: Missy Poe, Donald Leader, Al Hartgraves, Mick & Connie Pisko, Newkirk Barnes, Art & Susie Smith, Kevin & Rea Maynard, Sinclair Short, Larry & Karen Travis, Dawn Beam

July Worship Support: Bessie Boyette, Angela Boyette, Jean & Jena Quinn

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.

July 20, 2025

Children's Ministries

We have a lot happening on August 3:

- Backpack Sunday (church wide, students of all ages)
- Sunday School Kick Off / Promotion Sunday
- Confirmation Parent meeting (during SS hour in Ward Hall 2/3)

Children's choirs, chimes and handbells will resume for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade beginning Wednesday, August 13. Please contact Dr. Matt Caine, <u>mcaine@stjaiken.org</u>, for more information.

Foundation Student Ministries

(7th-12th Grades)

Mark Your Calendars: **Sunday, August 3** for a Parent Meeting/Youth Pool Party held at the Vaughter's Home from 6pm - 8pm.

Young Adults Ministry

Young Adults Sunday School Class takes place at 10am in Room 223-225. Please join us!

St. John's Missions News

Grace Kitchen needs you! If you like to serve the community and work alongside other church members, then call Renee at 803-215-8940 to learn more and join a team for the coming year. Most teams serve 4-5 times during a year. Our calendar begins Sept. 1, so please call soon.

For the month of July, we are collecting **tooth brushes and toothpaste**. Please place any donated items in the box marked "Grace Kitchen" in the Narthex of each worship service. Please place <u>only</u> the requested donation items in the Grace Kitchen boxes as these are the current items needed.

Thank You from Bridge 2 Home

Thank you, St. John's Methodist Church Family, for your generous response to the Christmas in July campaign for Bride 2 Home. The girls will often come to us with little or nothing. The items that you have provided will give them a chance to pick clothing items and school supplies they need, in addition to some craft items. Thank you for all your prayer, as well as, your continuing support to minister to these young women who have been sexually trafficked.

St. John's Methodist Women & Methodist Men Meeting and Baby Shower!

Don't forget to let us know if you plan to attend the joint Methodist Men and Women's summer event on Thursday, July 24th. All men and women of the church are invited. Food and fun will begin at 6 pm and will be covered dish: casseroles, salads, and desserts. The highlight of the evening, besides the wonderful food, will be a baby shower for Rev. Will and Stockton Altman. Please come and show Will and Stockton how excited we are for them. They have started a registry at <u>my.babylist.com/s-w-altman</u>, and they are expecting a girl, if you need ideas for the shower.

Please call the church office if you plan to attend, and let us know if others are attending with you so that we can be sure to set enough tables. There is also a sign-up sheet on the receptionist's desk.

St. John's Chancel Choir

This the perfect time to join the Chancel Choir! Whether you are 18 or 80, we have a place for you. The choir rehearses on Wednesdays from 6:30pm – 8pm in the Choir Room. Please contact Dr. Matt Caine at <u>mcaine@stjaiken.org</u> for more information.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Archie Hargett in loving memory of Kathy Praete Hargett and by Diane O'Conner in loving memory of James O'Conner and their anniversary.

Wednesday Night Supper

WNS and Ministry Meals returns this week, July 23, 2025. WNS MENUS LOOKING FORWARD:

July 23: Pulled pork, coleslaw, mac & cheese, & chocolate pudding pie

July 30: Pot roast, roasted broccoli, mashed potatoes, & apple pie

Aug 6: Grilled chicken thighs, loaded potato salad, roasted zucchini, & cheese cake

Reservations are required by phone/email: <u>jwindham@stjaiken.org</u> by **12pm, Tuesday, July 22, 2025.**

Dinner is served at 5pm in Ward Hall 2/3. Cost for dinner: \$8 per adult (10 yrs. & older) and \$3 per child (ages 3 - 9yrs). Payment options: on-line via our website: <u>www.stjaiken.org</u> and select "GIVE NOW" and then select "WNS" from the drop down menu. You may also pay in person by cash or check. Please make checks payable to St. John's.

Church Council

St. John's quarterly Church Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 22, 2025 at 6pm in the Faith Center.

News of the Family

Sympathies to:



July 13, 2025

ACTS Monthly Collection Item

July — Canned Complete Meals (chunky soup/stew/ravioli/etc.)

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

Attendance — 7/13/2025

8:30 | 113 9:02 | 235 11:00 | 274 In-Person Total | 623 9:02 Online Live | 94 11:00 Online Live | 118

Financials

Operation Budget as of 7/16/2025	
Year to date offering given for what God is asking us to do:	\$1,431,599.97
Year to date ministry expenditures:	<u>\$1,144,452.29</u>
	\$ 287,147.68
Missions Budget: Year 2025-2026	

Year to date offerings given for what God is asking us	
to do in Missions:	\$ 213 <i>,</i> 878.63
Year to date disbursements:	\$ 145.400.00

We thank you for your generous support of

St. John's Ministries & Missions!

Please use our new GIVING QR code to give on line:







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	Rondeau	Mouret	
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS			
CALL TO WORSHIP	Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies Chancel Choir	RATISBON	
*OPENING HYMN No. 559	, "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"	WESMINSTER ABBEY	
SCRIPTURE READING	Colossians 1:15-23	Rev. Will Altman	
SERMON	"The Supremacy of Christ"	Rev. Will Altman	
*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 e	nd. Amen. Amen.	

OFFERTORY ANTHEM	My Eternal King	Jane M. Marshall
	Chancel Choir	

***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS** OLD 100th Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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. 159, "Lift High the Cross" CRUCIFER

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE The Lord Bless You and Keep You Peter Christian Lutkin

Chancel Choir

POST	LUDE
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Lift High the Cross

arr. Shackley

*Please stand, as able.



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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEN	1ENTS	
PRAISE SONG	Rock of Ages	Baloche
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OFFERTORY	Thank You Jesus For the Blood	Gayle
CHILDREN'S SERMON		
SCRIPTURE READING	Colossians 1:15-23	Rev. Will Altman
SERMON	"The Supremacy of Christ"	Rev. Will Altman
PRAISE SONG		
BENEDICTION		
SENDING FORTH SONG		



Order of Worship - 11:00 AM

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

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