



November 9, 2025

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Church Calendar

Please make note that if you have a meeting or group event that is a re-occurring reservation on the Church Calendar, you must renew your reservation. The calendar does not carry over reservations into the new year. Please contact Jennifer Windham in the Church office at 803-648-6891 to renew your reservations.

Heartfelt Note of Thanks

Applefest 2025 is complete! The goal of raising funds to support our three agencies is complete. The totals are not in yet, but we know that Applefest 2025 was a success! The Methodist Women and the Applefest Leadership Team want to thank so many people who made the event both possible and successful. THANK YOU...

- To the booth leaders and their volunteers who worked countless hours to make sure that their displays were organized and inviting; and to those same people who stayed very late to be sure that everything was cleaned and back in order;
- To the youth and men of the church who set up hundreds of tables and chairs and who stayed until every room was back in order so that Sunday service could proceed;
- To all the cooks who made dumplings, fried pies, casseroles, baked goods, and café foods;
- To all the ladies who solicited and worked tirelessly for months to obtain gift certificates and items for our Silent Auction baskets and wrapped them so beautifully;
- To all the clothing volunteers who worked for several weeks sorting, hanging and pricing clothing and transporting racks in our Clothing Closet;
- To those who served as security for us and the greeters who made sure that everyone knew how welcoming St. John's could be;
- To the church staff who answered so many questions and endured so many interruptions, always with smiles on their faces; and volunteers who consistently organized internal and external press, managed the finances, moved equipment and banners, and cheerfully went the extra mile;
- To all the members of St. John's for bringing donations, large and small, for Twice Loved Treasures, Treasure Chest, Apple Sales, Appleseed Café, Bookworm, Quilts, Java for Jesus coffee sales, Children's Activities, Frozen Features, Bakery, Apple Dumplings, Fried Apple Pies, Silent Auction, St. John's Clothing Closet, Jewelry, Plants and Crafts. We all agree that we saw more donations than usual;
- To those who handled funds and kept such precise records; AND most of all – in case we have missed anyone – a THANK YOU to everyone who had any part in this year's event as we fulfilled our slogan: "Come Together – Show God's Love."

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: Audrey Dietzel **Acolytes:** Joel Nichols and Walker Smith

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

November 11:00 Ushers: Mitch Rivers, Mary Ann Findley, Donald Leader, Diane O'Connor, Penny Rue, Sara Carmichael, Doug Carmichael, Commie Pebbles, Jean Geiger, Missy Poe, Bruce Carrera, Gerry Hansen, Dawn Beam, Leah Lewis

November Worship Support: Christy Kisner, Nita Bell, Libby Taylor and Peg Robinson

You may text your gift to St. John's by texting **stjaiken** to 1-888-364-4483 and following the instructions. Images and texts used with this service have permission granted under CCLI #2220845.

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

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Children's Ministry

Gingerbread Nativity- December 7th at 5pm! Sign up here: <https://links.stjaiken.org/2025Gingerbread> or use this QR code on the graphics page.

Foundation Student Ministries

(7th-12th Grades)

Youth Choir & Band will begin at 3:30pm in the Choir Room today. Please note that this is 30 minutes earlier than normal.

Sunday Night Youth will meet in the gym at 5pm and pick up from the Faith Center at 7pm. Bring \$2 for dinner and invite a friend to join you!

Medellin, Columbia Spring Break Mission Trip interest meeting after Youth at 7:15pm upstairs in the Faith Center.

Young Adults Ministry

Operation Christmas Child packing party is today during Sunday School. Don't worry if you didn't bring anything. Come join us in spreading the love of Christ through packing the boxes!

St. John's Missions News

Take time to pray for all the children who are served by our mission partners both locally and around the world. May they come to know the love of Jesus and accept him as their Savior and may our great God meet their physical needs and heal their diseases.

For the month of November, we are collecting new blankets & sleeping bags. Please place any donated items in the box marked "Grace Kitchen" in the Narthex of each worship service and in front of Ward Hall. Please place only the requested donation items in the Grace Kitchen boxes as these are the current items needed.

Blood Drive

St. John's will be hosting a blood drive here in Ward Hall on November 16 from 7:30am thru 12 noon. Sheppard Blood Center will be here to help you save a life. One pint of blood from you can save up to three lives! Please consider donating and sign up today. Registration sign-up sheets are available in each Sunday School Class, as well as at the Reception desk. Appointments will be honored before walk-ins.

Thank You from Rev. Will & Stockton Altman

We want to thank everyone who sent meals and gift cards through the Meal Train. Thank you for your kindness and generosity! We are so grateful for such a loving and caring church family and cannot wait to introduce Millie to you all!

Kairos Cookie Thank You

Thank you to all that helped in baking cookies for Kairos in Trenton this past week!

**The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
by *Lynn C. Martin* in loving memory of *Craig L. Martin*
for his birthday.**

Wednesday Night Supper

WNS MENUS LOOKING FORWARD:

Nov. 12: Hamburger casserole, peas & carrots, mac & cheese, & cherry pie

Nov. 19: NO WNS

Nov. 26: NO WNS

Reservations are required by phone to 803-648-6891 or email Jennifer at: jwindham@stjaiken.org by 12pm, Tuesday, November 11, 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: www.stjaiken.org 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.

Epworth Angels

It's almost time for Epworth Angels! We will have information set up in the Narthex, the Faith Center Lobby and the main lobby of the office, November 16 and 23. All gifts will be due in the collection bin just outside the main Church office by November 30, 2025. Thank you in advance for supporting this worthy cause!

News of the Family

Sympathies to:

Lee Hedlund on the death of her brother-in-law, **Mark Burch**, who died November 2, 2025, in Aiken, SC and prayers for her sister, **Christine Burch**.

Doug and Sara Carmichael on the death of their daughter, **Lee Carmichael Evans**, who died November 3, 2025, in Evans, GA.

ACTS Monthly Collection Item

November—Canned Beans

Collection bins are located in the Narthex and the Faith Center

Attendance—11/02/2025

8:30 | 114 9:02 | 175 11:00 | 255

In-person Total | 544

9:02 On-line Live | 113 11:00 On-line Live | 166

Financials

Operation Budget as of 11/5/2025

Year-to-date offering given for what God is asking us to do:

\$2,079,579.55

Year-to-date ministry expenditures:

\$1,794,974.64

\$ 284,604.91

Missions Budget: Year 2025–2026

Year-to-date offering given for what God is asking us to do in Missions:

\$289,389.29

Year-to-date disbursements:

\$235,200.00

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

Please use our new GIVING QR code to give online.



EPWORTH ANGELS

Gift Idea Cards
will be available
Nov. 16 & 23 in the
lobby of each
service.

Unwrapped gifts
can be dropped off
in the bin outside
of the main office.

**Gifts
Due
Nov. 30**



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 7PM

ST. JOHN'S METHODIST CHURCH OF AIKEN
104 NEWBERRY ST. NW, AIKEN, SC

Nov. 21-23, 2025

*Youth
Asbury Hills
Fall Retreat*

Register
Today



CHRISTMAS CANTATA

December 7, 2025 8:30am & 11am



ST. JOHN'S METHODIST CHURCH OF AIKEN

December 7th-Family Night
5pm - 6:30pm in the gym



FINANCE COMMITTEE BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT

As we approach the end of the calendar year, the Finance Committee wants to review two "gifting" options for our church members.

1.) Gifting highly appreciated securities (i.e., stocks, bonds, etc.) - please contact Nancy Fairgrieve and/or speak to Mary Ann Barrett, Janney, Montgomery Scott LLC, Aiken office (803-649-6304) per the church's local brokerage account. We ask that transfer instructions be in process on or before 12/20/2025.

2.) Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) - for charitable gifts from IRAs. Please have check made payable to and as beneficiary "St. John's Methodist Church," PO Box 809, Aiken, SC 29802. Nancy Fairgrieve can provide further assistance if needed.

Both of these options can provide advantageous tax benefits to individuals and couples. Please consult your own personal tax advisor if appropriate.



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 & STEWARDSHIP SPEAKER

CALL TO WORSHIP *Let Us Plead for Faith Alone* Foundry Collection
Chancel Choir

***OPENING HYMN No. 452, “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”** OLIVET

SCRIPTURE READING Haggai 1:1-15 Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon

SERMON “Faith on Display” 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 “Give Thanks” Anne Krentz Organ

DEDICATION OF THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER AND 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. 433, “All Who Love and Serve Your City”** SUTTART

***BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE

**Please stand, as able.*



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PRELUDE

PRAISE SONG	Never Alone	<i>BarlowGirl</i>
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PRAISE SONG	Faith	<i>Hillsong</i>
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PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERTORY	Faith	<i>Feliz</i>
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CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE READING	Haggai 1:1-15	Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon
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SERMON	"Faith on Display"	Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon
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PRAISE SONG	Good, Good Father	<i>Tomlin</i>
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PRELUDE *Jesus Loves Me, This I Know* arr. Frances L. Callahan
Children's Bells

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CALL TO WORSHIP *I'm Gonna Sing* arr. Aurdrey Snyder
Children's Choir

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM He's Got the Whole World with
This Is My Father's World arr. Joel Raney
Children's Choir and Chancel Choir

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*Children K4-2nd grade may now follow the Crucifer to Children's Church.
Chancel Choir members who sang at the 8:30 service may now leave.*

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