

Kirkin' Of the Tartans

**South Aiken Presbyterian Church
1711 Whiskey Rd.
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Welcome!

Welcome to God-Encountered worship at South Aiken Presbyterian Church! We are thankful that you have been called to worship with us this morning. We believe all people are children of God. We believe that the redeeming grace of God can transform our lives by the power of the Holy Spirit. We believe all people are loved with a love that has no end in Jesus Christ.

Today, may you encounter Jesus Christ through Spirit-inspired worship including dynamic preaching, specific prayers, and beautiful music. May the blessings of the triune God give you joy and hope that can only come from God with us. Let us worship God!

Kirkin' O' The Tartan – It's Origins

The History...The ceremony of Kirkin' O' the Tartan is of American origin, though based on Scottish history and legend. After Bonnie Prince Charlie's Scottish forces were defeated by the English at the Battle of Culloden in 1746, Scotland once again came under British rule. To control the Scots, an Act was passed that forbade the carrying of arms and the wearing of kilts or tartans which represented Scottish heritage. Orders were given for British troops to kill any person dressed in or displaying the tartan.

As The Legend Goes...This Act prompted the stubborn Scots to secretly carry with them a piece of their tartan as they went to the Kirk. The minister then slipped a blessing (a Kirkin') into the service for the tartans. The prohibition against tartans lasted for nearly 50 years. When at last repealed, the Church of Scotland celebrated with a Service of Family Covenant, at which time the tartan of each family was offered as a covenant expression for the Lord's blessing.

The First Kirkin'...The Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, DC, held the first Kirkin' during the early years of World War II. The late Dr. Peter Marshall, an eloquent Scot, then Chaplain of the US Senate as well as a pastor, led the service in 1943, choosing "Kirkin' O' the Tartan" for the title of his sermon. He had preached many sermons in support of the British War Relief and the Scottish Clans Evacuation Plan. His sermons were so popular that a request was made for their publication, with the proceeds designated for war relief programs. As the war continued, the DC St. Andrew's Society continued to hold prayer services for British subjects. These became known as Kirkins.

The Service...The worship service is of traditional content, using much of the Church of Scotland form. Central to its theme is the presentation of various tartans - through flags and the wearing of tartans - for a blessing. The Kirkin' is intended to encourage all participants to reflect with thanksgiving on their ecclesiastical heritage, to celebrate God's grace poured out for all generations, and to offer thanks for the gift of family.

We Welcome out Piper, Dr. Mark Hollingsworth

Dr. Mark Hollingsworth currently serves as the Dean of the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at USC Aiken. Originally from Los Angeles, he earned degrees in music from the University of the Pacific, University of Wisconsin, and University of North Texas. He plays clarinet with the Aiken Civic Orchestra, saxophone with Swingsation, and bagpipes with the Aiken Sherriff's Pipes and Drums.

November 12, 2023

24th Sunday after Pentecost/Kirkin O'Tartans
Ordination-Installation

10:00 am

(Please stand, if able, when indicated by an *)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Greg Burkes (Pulpit Assistant, PA)

The Chiming (*Handbell is rung three times, for God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.*)

Introit

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Herron

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

***Call to Worship** (*Psalm 78: 1-5*) (*Responsively*):

PA: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

ALL: **I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,**

PA: things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

ALL: **We will not hide them from their children or to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD the wonders that he has done.**

*** Procession of the Tartans**

Bagpiper: Mark Hollingsworth

*** Blessing of the Tartans**

Greg Burkes (Pulpit Assistant, PA)

On behalf of all Scots away from Scotland, and in the name of all the Scottish clans folk that are here represented, we present these tartan before Almighty God in appreciation of our heritage, and we ask his blessings upon these, his humble servants. O Lord, you have promised that in all places where two or three have gathered in your name that you will be there with your Servants to bless them; fulfill now your promise and make us joyful in our prayer, so that our worship this morning, being offered in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, and by the guidance of your Holy Spirit, may be acceptable to you. Bless, we pray, this tartan as well as all tartans so that they may be for us and for all people a token of the faith of our forebears, a sign of our present service to you, and a reminder of how faithful you have always been to our ancestors and how faithful you remain even now to us. In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***Hymn #36**

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

Prayer of Confession (Together): Gracious God, we confess that we could give more of our time, talents, and financial resources than we do. Help us, O Lord, prayerfully come to a generosity that trusts you with our whole life. Lead us to give as you have blessed us through Jesus Christ.

(Pause and confess your personal sin in silence to God)

PA: Amen

Assurance of Forgiveness through Song: Hymn #447 ***"We Are Forgiven"*** (*sung twice*)

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to

God. Thanks be to God. We are forgiven.

We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God

PA: As you see and hear the water being poured into the font, remember you have the sealed Holy Spirit on your life to walk in a new life.

The Baptismal Font (*water poured into the font*)

***Responsive Hymn #581**

“Glory Be to the Father”

**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.**

***Passing the Peace *(Responsively)*:**

PA: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you. *(share fist bumps, high fives, hugs, and other signs of forgiveness and peace to each other.)*

ENCOUNTERING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Moment

Pastor Jason

(Children are invited to come to the stage steps for a small lesson, then walk together to Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall.)

Anthem

“My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness”

Sorenson

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons *(New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition, NRSVUE)*:

Old Testament Reading: **Malachi 3: 8-12, 16-18** *(page 890 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)*

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 19: 16-22** *(page 21 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

One: Hear what the Spirit of God says to the Church!

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Do I Have Enough?”

Rev. Jason Hammersley

Prayer of Intercession *(prayers for the Church, the world, the nation, the community and our loved ones)*

Minute for Stewardship

Offering of Gifts

Offertory

“Promises”

Ukelele Fellowship

Jackie Schermann

Scott Reboul

John Myers

Sandy Haines

Doxology: Hymn #606 *“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

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

***Prayer of Thanksgiving *(with the Lord’s Prayer)*:**

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Ordination/Installation

Ordination of: Deacons: Linda Tiller and Scott Martin

Installation of: Deacons: Amy Loftus, Sandy Haines, Diane Davies, Linda Tiller and Scott Martin

Ruling Elders: Jim Stutts, Melissa Major, Jim Barber, Hank Hayes, and Jim Brownlow

Statement of Ordination and Installation

Presentation

Clerk of Session: Representing the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, and the session of South Aiken Presbyterian Church now ordains Linda Tiller and Scott Martin.

*Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant and Rejections (for ordained and whole congregation)

Pastor: *Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and reject evil and its power in the world? If you do, say "I do."* **ALL: I do**

Pastor: *Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? If you do, say "I do."* **ALL: I do**

Pastor: *Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love? If you will say, "I will with God's help."* **ALL: I will, with God's help.**

Profession

One: With the whole church, let us confess our faith in the Apostles' Creed

***Affirmation of Faith (Together):**

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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell.
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on 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 Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Constitutional Questions (ordained as deacons, ordained as ruling elders, and trustee)

1. *Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?*
2. *Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?*
3. *Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?*
4. *Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?*
5. *Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline?*
6. *Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?*
7. *Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?*
8. *Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?*
9. *Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and*
10. *(For ruling elders) Will you be a faithful ruling elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in councils of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?*
11. *(For Deacons) Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need, and in you ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?*

***Congregational Questions**

Clerk of Session: Do we, the members of the church, accept chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

Congregation Response: We do.

Clerk of Session: Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

Congregation Response: We do.

Prayer of Ordination

Prayer of Installation

Declaration of Ordination and Installation, Welcome and Charge, Charge to the Congregation

SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO PRACTICE FAITH AND SHARE GOOD NEWS

***Hymn #69**

"I the Lord of Sea and Sky"

***Blessing and Benediction**

***Postlude**

Sermon Scripture Activity (NRSVUE):

As the Scripture is read (Matthew 19: 16-22) fill in the blank with the word(s) you hear

The Rich Young Man

¹⁶ Then someone came to him and said, " _____, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" ¹⁷ And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? There is one who is good. If you wish to enter into life, keep the _____." ¹⁸ He said to him, "Which ones?" And Jesus said, "You shall not _____. You shall not commit _____. You shall not _____. You shall not bear _____." ¹⁹ Honor your father and mother. Also, you shall love your _____ as yourself." ²⁰ The young man said to him, "I have kept all these; ^[a] what do I still lack?" ²¹ Jesus said to him, "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give the _____ ^[b] to the poor, and you will have treasure in _____; then come, follow me." ²² When the young man heard this word, he went away _____, for he had many possessions.

Announcing Fall Food for Thought!

Reflecting God's Light in Today's World (Living with Virtue)

Dinner: 5:30 – 6:00 PM

Discussion: 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Upcoming Schedule

Nov. 15th Our Hope for the Future

Frank Cunningham *Lasagna, Salad*

Join in the fellowship of dinner and discussion with other church members while we discuss and discern living in Today's World as a Christian. For child care, please contact Cissy Kelly.

Living in Faith Together (LIFT) *(Women's Small Group)*



**Discovering Your Faith Statement,
facilitated by Catherine Pateracki**

For December, our meeting time has changed to the 3rd Monday (12-18) at 6 pm.



We will be having a Christmas party at 142 Mallard Lake Dr. Bring your favorite appetizer or sweet to share. Beverages will be provided.

Now for the fun stuff, we will have a gift exchange. Be creative but stay under \$10. You can do a re-gift, shop at a second hand store or create it yourself!

Online Donations

available on
our website, or
by scanning
this QR code
with camera.



Please Note: *We can no longer determine who has donated stocks to the church, due to a recent change in laws. However we want to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone who has made this type of contribution to SAPC. We are extremely grateful for your donation. If you would like a letter for your taxes, please notify us of your donation and we will be glad to provide it to you.*



November Collection (Soup)

ACTS collection baskets are located in the narthex by the church entrance and across from the church office. Monetary donations may be made by placing a check made out to SAPC in the offering plate and noting 'ACTS' on the memo line. Thanks for sharing with others!

Has your Address Changed? If so, we kindly ask that you provide us with your updated address and/or phone number so that we can update our Church records. Thank you

Have you misplaced an item while you were at South Aiken Presbyterian Church or the Family Life Center?

We have a beautiful floral walking cane, along with a pair of glasses in a black case, a man's blue Irish cap, women's brown gloves, a leather/metal belt, etc. Please stop by the Family Center (Room F100) to see if, what you are missing, has been found!!



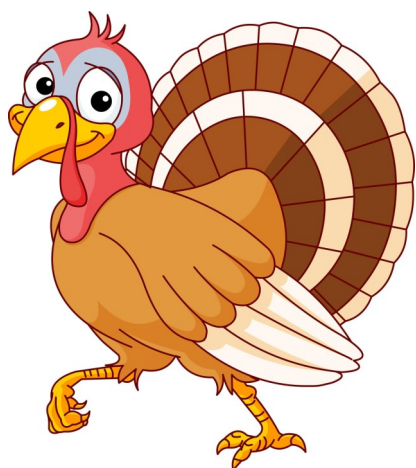
Sanctuary flowers for this Sunday's Service were given by Jennifer Chase in loving memory of Ken Chase.

Reserve your date by visiting the new "Sanctuary Flowers" web page found under the Worship menu tab, or call the Secretary's office at 803-648-9574

We Are Taking Orders for Poinsettias!

This year, one flower pot is \$17.00, which can be picked up after the Christmas Eve Service.

Bonnie Hayes (or her representative) will be available in the narthex after each Sunday service on November 12th and November 19th for sign-ups, or you can contact her at "hbeat5@att.net" to reserve your flowers.



Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 19th
after Sunday service,
in the Family Life Center Gym
All are welcome

Officers will be providing the meat, mashed potatoes, stuffing, rolls, & gravy.

Congregation is encouraged to provide side dishes & desserts.

Want to get the digital newsletter of announcements each week?

Email secretary@southaiken.org to join the Spirit Express emailing list!

Calling all Knitters and Crocheters!

Our prayer shawl ministry meets every second and fourth Thursday in the library at 1:30 pm. Besides shawls, we also make lap afghans, hats, baby blankets, etc.

If you don't know how to knit or crochet but want to learn, we would love to teach you. We have both knitting needles and crochet hooks donated to us as well as yarn and patterns, so just come! If you have questions, please contact Mary Bunch at marybunch1953@gmail.com



Prayer Requests

Bill D. for health concerns.

Eleanor H. for healing.

Edmund J. for cardiac rehab.

Ethel (mother to Steve H.) for comfort & healing.

Leona F. for comfort.

Legrand Family in season of grief.

Anthony B. (Linda B's grandson) for health concerns

Jeff B. (family friend to Sarah S.) for health concerns and in season of grief

Hare Family in season of grief.

Pethick Family in season of grief.

Sarah S. for healing and patience.

Lewis Family in season of grief.

Edwards Family in season of grief.

Samuel M (Becky H's Uncle) for health concerns.

Mike D. (Linda B's daughter's husband) for health concerns.

Pat M. (Linda B's sister) for health concerns.

Mike G. (brother in-law to Steve K.) - for health concerns.

Scherman & Kneece - in season of grief.

Court S. (grandchild of Jane J.) - for health concerns.

Kari M. for health concerns.

Mary Louise S. (Mary S.'s granddaughter) for health concerns.

Leslie C. for health concerns.

Doug M. (Linda B.'s nephew) for healing and comfort.

Kelli W. in her season of grief.

Ray P. (cousin of Sarah Scott) for healing and strength

Lynn S. - for comfort and wisdom after recent diagnosis.

Scott Family - in season of grief.

Dot M. - for comfort and healing.

Gail (friend of Kitt M.) for healing as her treatments have changed.

Steve & Linda H. for comfort.

Bob A., for comfort and strength

Phil & Emily L. for health concerns.

Lois V., sister of Lyn V., for continuing improvement.

Peg P. for comfort.

Jim and Shirley S. for comfort.

Jayne B. recovering from procedure.

Anita & Bob P. for comfort.

Homebound Members

Email secretary@southaiken.org to change information

Join us in this learning opportunity....

Presby Café

Life of Joseph through the lens of Family Systems Theory (Genius 37)



Where?: Pastor Conference Room (PRC) in the

Family Life Center

When? Each Sunday at 9:00am

The Chapter Chat Book Club

Each book club member will read and discuss a Christmas themed book they have read

**Thursday, December 7th,
at 2 pm.**

Meet in the Church Library

Call Maureen Dunn at (803) 443-8681 for more info.



PRIVACY OF CONTACT INFORMATION

If you wish for your phone number and/or address to be withheld from any printed publication which may be seen by the public, please contact Monica at secretary@southaiken.org or (803-648-9574) to let your wishes be known.

Volunteers Today

Pulpit Assistant - Greg Burkes

Ushers: Linda Blake, Debbi Reboul, Scott Martin,
Kelli Williams

Sound: Steve Kuhl

Video: Kelly Frontroth

Volunteers Next Week

Pulpit Assistant - Shirley Colburn

Ushers: Linda Blake, Debbi Reboul, Scott Martin,
Jenny Chase

Sound: Robert Glance

Video: 'Sam Jacobs

Pickle Ball

SPCA now has Pickle Ball courts.
To sign up for games, please use
the sign-up sheets on the bulletin
board in the hallway behind the
Sanctuary.



Any questions, please contact Linda Blake at
mrhankey@gforcecable.com

Secret Santa of SAPC Volunteer Needs

Shopping Day - Sat. Nov. 28th, 9am-
12pm at Walmart on Richland Ave.

Wrapping Day - Sat. Dec 2nd,
9am-12pm Fellowship Hall.
Please let us know if you plan
to volunteer by Nov. 22nd.



The church email address is:

secretary@southaiken.org

SAPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 12th

Kirkin of Tartans, Ordination & Installation

9:00a - Apocrypha Sunday School (Library)
9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe (FLC PCR)
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary),
11:00a - Bethel Study (Library)
11:00a - Mission/Membership Mtg (PCR)
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)
6:00p - Youth Group (FLC, Rm 202)

Monday, November 13th

9:00a - Beginner Ukulele Fellowship (Music Rm)
10:00a - Interm. Ukulele Fellowship (Music Rm)
12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym)
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)
5:00p - SAPK Board Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
5:30p - Tall Pines Basketball (Gym)
6:00p - Christian Education Team (High School
Room)

Tuesday, November 14th

12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym)
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)
4:30p - Belles Canto (Music Room)
6:00p - Worship & Music Team (Library)
7:00p - Scouts Meeting (Upstairs Scouts CR)

Wednesday, November 15th

11:00a - Admin & Stewardship Mtg (Rm. F101)
12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym)
5:30p - Food for Thought (Gym)
7:00p - Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Thursday, November 16th

8:50a - SAPK Chapel (Sanctuary)
12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym)
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)
4:00p - Aiken Kinderchoir (Fellowship Hall)
5:30p - Tall Pines (Gym)

Friday, November 17th

12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym)

Saturday, November 18th

7:30a - ACTS Senior Food Distribution (340 Park
Ave SW)

Sunday, November 19th

9:00a - Apocrypha Sunday School (Library)
9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe (FLC PCR)
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary),
11:00a - SAPC Thanksgiving Lunch

* FLC - Family Life Center
** PCR - Pastor's Conference Room

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