

"...utilize a tech-based relational outreach."

South Aiken Presbyterian Church 1711 Whiskey Rd. Aiken, SC 29803

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 Spiritinspired 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!



Let's take the vision for SAPC and turn it into action! Join us after the service on February 11th for a pancake brunch-andbrainstorm. How will we ensure we are living the spirit of our vision in every aspect of our community of faith, every day? Elders and deacons from every team will be there to listen to your ideas and goals for our church. We can't wait to hear from you!

Mark your Calendar!!! Food for Thought, Spring 2024 Being Church for All Generations Beginning Wednesday, February 21st Dinner 5:30-6:00 Program 6:00-7:00 pm



• Join us each week as we explore the book "Reaching People Under 40 While Keeping People Over 60" by Hammett with Pierce.

- Book will be available in the church office.
- Program for all children and youth will be provided.
- For those who do not drive at night and would like to attend please call Mary Barber (803-270-1410) to arrange a ride.

Watch for more Info!!



February 4, 2024

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

Prelude	"Old Time Religion"

Welcome and Announcements

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

Introit

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Call to Worship (Psalm 141: 1-3)(Responsively):

One: We call upon you, O LORD; come quickly to us; give ear to our voices when we call to you.

ALL: Let our prayers be counted as incense before you and the lifting up of our hands as an evening sacrifice.

One: Set a guard over our mouth, O LORD; keep watch over the door of our lips.

*Hymn #621 *"I Will Call Upon the Lord" (Sung 3 times)*

Prayer of Confession (*Together*): Gracious God, we confess that you have communicated your love for us and the world. Even though you showed us love, we struggle communicating the gospel to others. Help us to have the communication that can clearly share the love you have for all people through Jesus Christ.

(in silence confess personal sins to God)

PA: Amen

Assurance of Forgiveness

PA: As you hear the water being poured into the font, remember Jesus Christ washes away the sins of the World.

The Font (pouring of the water)

*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.

*The Peace (Responsively):

PA: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

10:00 am

Lyn VanDervort (Pulpit Assistant, PA)

"In His Presence"

5th Sunday after Epiphany

Patti

Thomas

RECEIVING THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Moment

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

Anthem

Sermon

"O God Beyond All Praising"

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading (New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition, NRSVUE):		
Wisdom:	Proverbs 18: 20-21 (page 601 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)	
Epistles:	James 1:19 (page 229 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)	
Gospel:	Matthew 28: 19-20 (page 95 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)	
	(fill-in the blanks on page 7)	

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

All: Thanks be to God.

"Not a Message Problem, A Communication Problem" Rev. Jason Hammersley

*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

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Kim Goetter

Forrest

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

Offering of Gifts

Offertory	"God of Wonders"	Alex-Zsolt
*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 eart	h as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;	
And	l forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;	
And le	ead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.	
For thine is t	he kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen	
SEAL	ING OF GOD'S WORD UPON THE HEART	
*Preparation Hymn #498	"Loves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"	

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

- One: The Lord be with you
- ALL: And also with you
- One: Lift up your hearts.
- ALL: We lift them to the Lord.
- One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- One: Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad...who forever sing to the glory of your name:
- Many: Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
- One: With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup...in the holy and life-giving Spirit. Amen

Breaking the Bread

Communion of the People (guidance of what to say each time you give or receive the Bread or the Cup) Giving the Bread: The body of Christ, given for you. Receiver: Amen. Giving the Cup: The blood of Christ, shed for you. Receiver: Amen.

Prayer after Communion

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn #761

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude Hymn #80:

"You Shall Go Out with Joy" You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; The mountains and the hills will break forth Before you there'll be shouts of joy, and all the Trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands. And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; The trees of the field will clap their hands; The trees of the field will clap their hands While you go out with joy.

Sermon Scripture Activity (NRSVUE):

As the Scripture is read (Matthew 28: 19-20) fill in the blank with the word(s) you hear.

¹⁹Go therefore and make ______ of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the ______ and of the Son and of the Holy ______ ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you _____, to the end of the age."^[a]

<u>GriefShare</u> Grief Support Ministry



Grieving a Loved One? Need help understanding your feelings of grief?

Come to GriefShare!

GriefShare is an educational and compassionate grief support ministry of SAPC to help people who grieve understand their emotions and learn what to do with their feelings as God heals.

It has three components: video, workbook (\$20), and small group discussion.

The 13 week sessions are held on Mondays that began on **Jan 29th from 1:00-3:00 pm in the Library**. Come and work through your grief so that you can go from mourning to joy!

Visit the GriefShare website at griefshare.org.

Living in Faith Together (LIFT)

(Women's Small Group)

Meetings will be held the 3rd Monday of the month unless agreed by the group.

The next LIFT will be meeting on

February 26th, 6pm at Lynn Burkes' home. Bring toppings for a baked potato bar.

Let Lynn know if you need childcare. *To join our group on Facebook, scan this QR Code.*



Come Strum With Us at our Ukulele Fellowship

(Day & Time Change)

When: Thursday, 6 - 7 pm (Beginner Players) 7 - 8 pm (Intermediate Players)

Where: Family Life Center, in the Music Room

Questions? Contact Jackie at jlscherman@gmail.com.



Online Donations

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



camera.

<u>Please Note</u>: 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.

<u>Has your Address Changed?</u> 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

Did you Know?

We have upgraded our tablecloths that are used for multiple receptions and meetings!





February Collection

(Pasta Sauce - No Glass Please)

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.



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

<u>Please Note:</u> The Sonshine Circle will meet Tuesday, February 6, at 10:00am in the Library. Pastor Jason will bring Lesson 6, A Person with a Physical Disability Encounters Jesus.



Jesus & Music (JaM)

What is JaM? Children's Choir for South Aiken Presbyterian Church

Where will this be held? South Aiken Presbyterian Church's Fellowship Hall

When? Sunday Mornings, 9 – 9:20 AM. After dismissal the children will go to the nursery until church. Practice will follow closely to the Aiken County Public School District Calendar.

Next PracticeFebruary 11thNext PerformanceMarch 24th



Want to get the digital newsletter of announcements each week? Email <u>secretary@southaiken.org</u> to join the Spirit Express emailing list!

Presby Café Bible Study

Topic: Patience

What are you waiting for?



<u>Where</u>?: Pastor Conference Room (PRC) in the Family Life Center <u>When</u>? Each Sunday at 9:00am

Pickle Ball

SAPC 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

The Chapter Chat Book Club



"The Last Thing He Told Me" By Laura Dave Thursday, March 7th, at 2 pm. Meet in the Church Library Contact Maureen Dunn at

maureendunn14@bellsouth.net 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 <u>secretary@southaiken.org</u> or (803-648-9574) to let your wishes be known.

Prayer Requests

Meggs Family (Becky H.'s Uncle) season of grief. Robin E. for health concerns. Ralph (friend of Larry H.) - for healing. Bill M. for comfort. Jim and Shirley S. for healing and comfort. Marilyn H. in season of grief. Scott M. for comfort. Mary S. for comfort. Brooke R. (friend of Jimmy B.) for health concerns. Myra R. (friend of Jimmy B.) for health concerns. Linda S. (friend of Scott M.) for healing. Emily L. for season of grief. Leona F. for comfort. Ethel (mother to Steve H.) for comfort. Jeff B. (family friend to Sarah S.) for health concerns and in season of grief Pethick Family in season of grief. Lewis Family in season of grief. Edwards Family in season of grief. Samuel M (Becky H's Uncle) for health concerns. Pat M. (Linda B's sister) for health concerns. Mike G. (brother in-law to Steve K.) - 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. Ray P. (cousin of Sarah Scott) for healing and strength Lynn S. - for comfort Scott Family - in season of grief. **Dot M. -** for comfort Gail (friend of Kitt M.) for healing as her treatments have changed. Steve & Linda H. for comfort. **Bob** A., for comfort and strength Lois V. sister of Lyn V., for continuing improvement. Peg P. for comfort. Javne B. for comfort. Barbara K. for healing. Anita & Bob P. for comfort and discernment. **Homebound Members**

Email secretary@southaiken.org to change information or removal of name.

Volunteers Today

Pulpit Assistant: - Lyn VanDervort

Ushers: Jenny Chase, Debbi Reboul, Cheryl MacCrum, Linda Blake

Sound: Robert Glance

Video: Kelly Frontroth

JaM Director: Lyn VanDervort

JaM Helper: Jayne Becker

Volunteers Next Week

Pulpit Assistant: Sandy Haines

Ushers: Diane Davies, Deanna Davies, Elaine Barnes, Amy Loftus

Sound: Scott Reboul

Video: Anthony Williamson

JaM Director: Lyn VanDervort

JaM Helper: Margie Hammon



Thank you to all who sent us sympathy cards and/or food. It has been a difficult week but we appreciate all who knew Ken as a special person and he will be missed by all of his family and friends.

Sincerely,

The Hofstetter family

The church email address is: secretary@southaiken.org

SAPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, February 4th 9:00a - Apocrypha Sunday School (Library) 9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe (FLC PCR) "Patience" 9:00a - JaM (Fellowship Hall) 10:00a - Worship Service - Communion (Sanctuary) 11:00a - Bethel Study (Library) 2:00p - Pickleball (Gym) 6:00p - Youth Group (FLC, Rm 202)

<u>Monday, Febr</u>uary 5th

12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym) 1:00p - GriefShare Meeting (Library) 2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym) 6:00p - Communication Team (PCR) 6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)

Tuesday, February 6th

10:00a - The Sonshine Circle (Library) 12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym) 2:00p - Pickleball (Gym) 4:30p - Belles Canto (Music Room) 5:00p - Property Team Meeting (Library) 6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym) 7:00p - Scouts Meeting (Upstairs Scouts Classroom)

Wednesday, February 7th

12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym) 2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym) 6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym) 7:00p - Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

<u>Thursday, February 8th</u>

8:50a - SAPK Chapel (Sanctuary) 12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym) 1:30p - Prayer Shawl (Library) 2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym) 4:00p - Aiken Kinderchoir (Fellowship Hall) 6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym) 6:00p - Beginner Ukulele Fellowship (Music Rm) 7:00p - Interm. Ukulele Fellowship (Music Rm)

Friday, February 9th

12:00p - Bible Friends (Gym) 2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym) 4:15p - Carolina Flight Basketball (Gym)

Saturday, February 10th 2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)

Sunday, February 11th

9:00a - Apocrypha Sunday School (Library) 9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe (FLC PCR) "Patience" 9:00a - JaM (Fellowship Hall) 10:00a - Worship Service - Communion (Sanctuary) 11:00a - Mission & Membership Meeting (Library) 11:00a - Vision into Action Meeting (Gym) 2:00p - Pickleball (Gym) 6:00p - Youth Group (FLC, Rm 202) *

FLC - Family Life Center **

PCR - Pastor's Conference Room

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