



*11th Sunday  
after Pentecost*

*South Aiken Presbyterian Church, dedicated to Jesus Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit, will deliberately foster an **inclusive, intergenerational congregation**. We will extend **revolutionary, Christ-Like hospitality** to everyone we encounter, embrace **diverse styles of worship**, and 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 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!

Please Note: *God may be calling you, but probably not on your cell phone! Please turn off or silence your devices during worship. We also ask for your support in keeping the aisle open; kindly place any walkers in the pew to keep walkways clear.*

Also, all SAPC services are filmed for release on our YouTube channel. If you do not wish to be filmed during services, or to learn more about our videography, please contact [media@southaiken.org](mailto:media@southaiken.org).

## ***Don't Forget!!***

### ***First Day of SAPK is August 12<sup>th</sup>***

#### ***Child Care & Sunday School is Available***

There is a Nursery for infants - 3yrs/toddlers available during the weekly service with Cissy Kelly. Just bring your child to the Nursery Room in the SAPC School.

Children are welcome to join us in the Fellowship Hall for Sunday School which is held after the Children's moment. *It is not mandatory for the children to sit up front for the Children's Moment to be welcome in Sunday School.*



August 4, 2024

11th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am

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

Prelude

*“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”*  
Olga Kuzmenkova, Pianist

Sorenson

Welcome and Announcements

Michelle Green (Pulpit Assistant, PA)

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

Introit

*“You My All in All*

Jernigan

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**\*Call to Worship** (*Psalm 78: 23-29*)(*Read responsively*):

One: Yet God commanded the skies above and opened the doors of heaven;

**ALL: God rained down on them manna to eat and gave them the grain of heaven.**

One: People ate of the bread of angels; God sent them food in abundance.

**ALL: God let food fall within their camp, all around their dwellings. And they ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.**

**\*Hymn #626**

*“As the Deer”*

**Prayer of Confession** (*Together*): **Loving God, we confess that we sometimes jump to conclusion and understandings without getting the whole picture. We react instead of respond, judge rather than give grace, and talk without thinking. Lead us to center ourselves in your Word, prayer, and Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ.**

*(in silence confess personal sins to God)*

PA: Amen

**Assurance of Forgiveness** (*Responsively*):

One: Who is in a position to condemn?

**ALL: Only Christ. Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ rules in power for us, and Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation, the old life is gone, and the new life has begun.**

One: Know we are forgiven and be at peace.

One: As we hear the water poured into the baptismal font, remember that God through Christ forgives you and gives the gift of the Holy Spirit. Through faith, let us walk by the Spirit of the Living God.

**The Font** (*pour water into the baptismal font*)

**\*Responsive Hymn #582**      ***“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”***

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

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

**PA:** The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with

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

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD**

**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**

***“In Communion With Me”***

**McDonald**

**Prayer for Illumination**

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

**Old Testament Reading: Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15** *(page 62 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)*

**Gospel Reading: John 6: 24-35** *(page 98 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*  
*(fill-in the blanks on page 7)*

**One:** Hear what the Spirit says to the church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

***“Food That Perishes”***

**Rev. Jason Hammersley**

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**\*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**

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

### Offering of Gifts

**Offertory**   ***"Let Us Break Bread Together"***   **Kim**

**\*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**

## SEALING OF THE WORD

\*Hymn #507

*“Come to the Table of Grace” (stanzas 1, 3-5)*

**Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

**Invitation to the Lord’s Supper**

**Great Thanksgiving** (*Responsively*):

One: The Lord be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**Many: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: It is truly right and our greatest joy... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Many: Holy, 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 and proclaim the death... Word made  
flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

**Breaking of the Bread**

**Communion** (*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 #726

*“Will You Come and Follow Me” (The Summons) (Stanzas 1-2, 4-5)*

**\*Charge and Benediction**

\*Postlude Hymn #743

*“O God, You Are My God”*

**Oh God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.**

**Oh God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.**

**I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk your ways.**

**And step by step you’ll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.**

**Sermon Scripture Activity (NRSVUE):**

*As the Scripture is read (John 6: 24-35) fill in the blank with the word(s) you hear.*

<sup>24</sup> So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

<sup>25</sup> When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw \_\_\_\_\_ but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup> Do not work for the food that \_\_\_\_\_ but for the food that endures for \_\_\_\_\_, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup> Then they said to him, "What must we do to \_\_\_\_\_ the works of God?" <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered them, "This is the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup> So they said to him, "What \_\_\_\_\_ are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you \_\_\_\_\_?" <sup>31</sup> Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " <sup>32</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not \_\_\_\_\_ who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup> For the bread of \_\_\_\_\_ is that which <sup>[a]</sup> comes down from heaven and gives \_\_\_\_\_ to the world." <sup>34</sup> They said to him, "Sir, <sup>[b]</sup> give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, "I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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

Please stop by the Family Life Center (Room F100) to see if, what you are missing, has been found!!



## "Save the Date"

September 27-30, 2024  
for Fall Church Retreat  
to Montreat.

Fun-filled Gathering  
with other members!

Contact  
[families@southaiken.org](mailto:families@southaiken.org)  
if interested in learning more.



## 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 meeting will be on **Monday, August 19th (5:30pm) at Case Bella.** We will be going over our project from the Girl's Weekend in July. If you were not able to join us in July, please come anyway as it will be very entertaining!

Let Lynn know if you need childcare.



To join our group on Facebook, scan this QR Code.

## Upcoming

### "Summer Courtyard Fellowship"



*In case of rain, this Service will be held in the Fellowship Hall*

Wednesday at 6pm  
⇒ August 28th



## Online Donations

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



## August Collection (Canned Meat, Chicken or Tuna)

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. *Thank you!*

**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.*

**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



## Living, Loving & Lifelong Learning for Senior Adults

The City of Aiken Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism presents the **4L's Series: Living, Loving & Lifelong Learning for Senior Adults**. The monthly series begins Tuesday, September 10, 2024. Classes will be held on the first Tuesday of each month from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Lessie B. Price Aiken Senior & Youth Center (ASYC), located at 841 Edgefield Ave NW. The cost is \$5/session. Lunch will be provided and guests will have a chance to win door prizes. Register online at [coa.page/pfaa](#) or in person at ASYC or Odell Weeks Activities Center. *Registration is required.*

### 2024 Session Schedule: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

- September 10 — Suicide Prevention: Together We Can Prevent Suicide
- October 1 — Breast Cancer Awareness: How Does Breast Cancer Present Differently in Seniors?
- November 5 — Medicare 101: Medicare/Medicaid/Veteran Benefits Made Simple

### 2025 Session Schedule: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

- February 4 - Heart Health: Nurturing Your Heart at Every Age
- March 4 - Nutrition: Eating Right for the Golden Years
- April 1 - Happy Feet: Steps to Healthy and Pain-Free Living

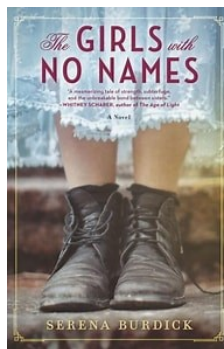
The City of Aiken Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism people of all ability levels to enjoy programs, parks, & facilities. Individuals needing special assistance to participate should notify the PRT Administrative Office 48 hours in advance. Call 803-642-7600, press 3 or visit the City of Aiken Parks, Recreation & Tourism Facebook page for more information.



Sanctuary flowers for this Sunday's Service were provided by Linda Abee, remembering and honoring Roy Shull. Twelve years ago he got his wings to be with the Lord. Love & miss him very much. His Loving Family.

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

## The Chapter Chat Book Club



"The Girls With No Names"  
By Serena Burdick  
Thursday,  
September 5<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm.  
Meet in the Church  
Library

Contact Maureen Dunn at  
[maureendunn14@bellsouth.net](mailto:maureendunn14@bellsouth.net) for more  
information.

## 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 Practice**  
**Next Performance**

August 4<sup>th</sup>  
September 15<sup>th</sup>



*Want to get the digital newsletter of announcements each week?*

Email [secretary@southaiken.org](mailto:secretary@southaiken.org) to join the Spirit Express emailing list!

## Senior Fun Day

50+, \$5/person

*Enjoy bingo, games, food, music, vendors, & chances to win door prizes!!*

**When:** Friday, August 30th (12-2pm)

**Where:** Lessie B Price Aiken Senior & Youth Center  
(841 Edgefield Ave NW)

Registration Required from July 29<sup>th</sup> till Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Lessie B Price Aiken Senior & Youth Center, Odell Weeks Activities Center or call 803-642-7600, then press 3.



## 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](mailto:marybunch1953@gmail.com)

## Presbyterian Promise

The Presbyterian Promise Scholarship is a commitment by Presbyterian College (PC) to recognize students for their merit and affiliation with the Presbyterian Church. PC seeks to develop students academically and spiritually in this signature scholarship. Students who are members of Presbyterian churches will receive a scholarship for a minimum of \$20,000 per year for up to four years—that's an \$80,000 commitment to you. For more information visit . . . .  
[www.presby.edu/admissions/tuition-aid/presbyterian-promise/](http://www.presby.edu/admissions/tuition-aid/presbyterian-promise/).



The church email address is:  
[secretary@southaiken.org](mailto:secretary@southaiken.org)

## Prayer Requests

**Mitchell Family** in season of grief.  
**Shaw Family** in season of grief.  
**Bean Family** in season of grief.  
**Sutherland Family** in season of grief.  
**Frontroth Family** in season of grief.  
**Snyder Family** in season of grief.  
**Meggs Family** (Becky H.'s Uncle) season of grief.  
**Marilyn H.** in season of grief.  
**Emily L.** for season of grief.  
**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.  
**Scott Family** - in season of grief.

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**Doug M** (husband of Melissa M) for healing  
**Judy S.** for healing and recovery from surgery  
**Debbie E.** (niece of Linda B.) for comfort and healing.

**Beth R.** for healing & comfort (Home).  
**Tim T.** (son in law of Cheryl M.) for healing.  
**Joyce C.** - coping with new diagnosis.  
**Scott M.** for comfort.  
**Myra & Brooke R.** (friends of Jimmy B.) for health concerns.

**Linda S.** (friend of Scott M.) for healing.  
**Ethel** (mother to Steve H.) for comfort.  
**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  
**Dot M.** - for comfort  
**Steve & Linda H.** for comfort.  
**Bob A.,** for comfort and strength  
**Lois V.** sister of Lyn V., for increased mobility  
**Peg P.** for comfort.  
**Jayne B.** for comfort.  
**Barbara K.** for healing.  
**Anita & Bob P.** for comfort and discernment.  
**Homebound Members**

*Email [secretary@southaiken.org](mailto:secretary@southaiken.org) to change information or removal of name.*

## Volunteers Today

**Pulpit Assistant:** Michelle Green

**Ushers:** Jenny Chase, Amy Loftus,  
Diane Davies, Deanna Davies

**Sound:** Robert Glance

**Video:** Kelly Frontroth

**JaM Director:** Lyn VanDervort

## Volunteers Next Week

**Pulpit Assistant:** John Kelly

**Ushers:** Kathy Peterson, Greg Peterson,  
Linda Poulson, Bill Poulson

**Sound:** Scott Reboul

**Video:** Haley Culp

**JaM Director:** Lyn VanDervort

## *Gym Setup for Events*

Each planned church activity may need a specific set up. A drawing of the gym is used to plan out what is needed and then provided to Kirk so that he can set things up as required. A **“Gym Set-up and Tear Down Request Form”** can be found in the Church Office (Room F100) in a mail-box labeled “Gym Layout”.

We ask for this information at least 2 days prior to the event.

Thank you



## **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](mailto:secretary@southaiken.org) or (803-648-9574) to let your wishes be known.

## *SAPC THIS WEEK*

### Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>

9:00a - Bethel New Test. Sunday School (Library)  
9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe (FLC PCR)  
9:00a - JaM Practice (Fellowship Hall)  
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym))

### Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>

2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)  
6:00p - Communication Team Meeting (PCR)  
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)

### Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)  
4:30p - Belles Canto (Music Room)  
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)  
7:00p - Scouts Meeting (Upstairs Scouts Classroom)

### Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>

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

### Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>

1:30p - Prayer Shawl (Library)  
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)  
4:00p - Aiken Kinderchoir (Fellowship Hall)  
5:00p - Beginner Ukulele Fellowship (Music Rm)  
6:00p - Interim. Ukulele Fellowship (Music Rm)  
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)

### Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>

2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)  
4:00p - Mighty Warriors Basketball (Gym)

### Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>

2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)

### Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>

9:00a - Bethel New Test. Sunday School (Library)  
9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe (FLC PCR)  
9:00a - JaM Practice (Fellowship Hall)  
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
11:00a - Mission/Membership Meeting (Library)  
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)

\* FLC - Family Life Center

\*\* PCR - Pastor's Conference Room

## **CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Also with Instagram at: **southaikenpc**

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