



*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**.*

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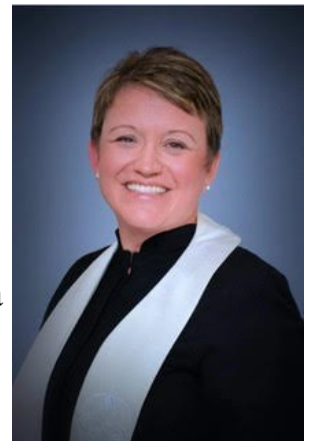
Welcome!

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!

Welcome our Guest Minister, Reverend Jana Light Bundrick

Reverend Jana Light Bundrick was called in ministry from an early age, beginning at Forest Lake Presbyterian Church as a youth elder, choir member and joyful servant. Holding multiple roles at New Kirk Presbyterian Church such as volunteer youth leader, parish nurse, steering team member and elder God has worked in her life to develop skills and gifts beyond her imagination. Clemson and Union Presbyterian (Charlotte) graduate, she has ministered in her nursing profession and through Saluda Presbyterian and most recently, Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church. Jana has recently traveled the difficulty of divorce and the blessing of remarriage and now is focusing on raising four teenage boys, loving her husband, a cat, a dog and a tortoise, among part time ministry as God calls. She works for justice for God's people and the earth and enjoys writing, playing in nature, gardening, and loving all God's animals.



Please see ***“Our Church in Motion”*** on page 11. *

Do you know of someone that should be recognized for putting their time and effort into maintaining our church? Please email us at secretary@southaiken.org.

April 14, 2024

3rd Sunday of Easter

10:00 am

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

Prelude

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”
Olga Kuzmenkova, Pianist

Sorensen

Welcome and Announcements

Shirley Colburn (Pulpit Assistant, PA)

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

Introit

“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!”

Dill

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

***Call to Worship** (*Psalms 34: 1-3*) (*Responsively*):

PA: We will bless the LORD at all times; the Lord’s praise shall continually be in our mouth.

ALL: Our soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

PA: O magnify the LORD with us, and let us exalt Lord’s name together.

***Hymn #475**

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Prayer of Confession (*Together*): **Gracious God, we confess that Christ’s resurrection changed the world, yet we struggle with understanding all that it means for us personally and as a Church. We believe that the dead can rise through faith, yet we struggle implementing the resurrection hope and joy in our lives. Help us, O God live into the resurrection and share the joy it gives through faith. Forgive us when we shrink back into the hopelessness and a lack of joy in our life. Lead us by your Holy Spirit to be risen with Christ today and everyday through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.**

(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.

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

RECEIVING THE WORD OF GOD

Children’s Moment

Kim Goetter

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

Anthem

“At the Name of Jesus”

Berry

Prayer for Illumination

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

Psalter Psalm **4**

New Testament Reading: **Acts 3:12-19** (*page 120 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible*)

Gospel Lesson: **Luke 24:13-35** (*page 90 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible*)
(fill-in the blanks on page 7)

One: The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word of our Lord endures forever. This is the word of God !

All: Thanks be to God.

*Responsive Hymn #264

“At the Name of Jesus”

*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**

LIVING OUT GOD’S WORD

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

Offering of Gifts

Offertory

“Trading My Sorrows”

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 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**

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn #700**

"I'm Going to Live So God Can Use Me"

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude Hymn #743**

"O God, You Are My God"

**O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise
You. O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise
You. I will seek you in the morning, and I will
learn to walk in 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 (Luke 24:13-35) fill in the blank with the word(s) you hear.

The Walk to Emmaus

¹³ Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles ^[a] from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, _____ himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What are you _____ with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ^[b] ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only _____ in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹ He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about _____ of Nazareth, ^[c] who was a prophet mighty in _____ and _____ before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to _____ and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to _____ Israel. ^[d] Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the _____ early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a _____ of angels who said that he was _____. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." ²⁵ Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of _____ to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah ^[e] should _____ these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost _____ and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, _____ and _____ it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they _____ him, and he _____ from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us ^[f] while he was _____ to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, "The Lord has _____ indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

SAPK is looking for Volunteers for Summer Camp!

Dates: June 3-7 and June 10-14; 9:00am -12:00 noon

We have volunteer spots available for Crafts, Games, and Snacks.



Camps are open to SAPK students and siblings and SAPC children nursery to rising 2nd graders.

Please contact Jennifer Huntley (jennifer.huntley76@gmail.com) or Cissy Kelley (cissyksapk@yahoo.com) for more information.

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 **Tuesday, April 16th, 6 PM at church library.** We will be having a salad buffet and devotion. Lynn will provide lettuce & grilled chicken. Please bring your favorite toppings to share. *We will also be planning our Girls Getaway for the weekend of July 12th at the Burkeshire on Clark Hill/ Thurmond Lake.*

Let Lynn know if you need childcare.

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



Presby Café

Topic: Original Sin

Where?: Pastor Conference Room (PRC) in the Family Life Center

When? Each Sunday at 9:00am



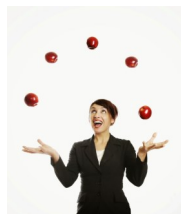
Online Donations

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



Are you a natural born coordinator?

We are in the planning stages of the SAPC upcoming Talent Show and we are looking for someone to take the lead in the coordination of this event.



If interested, please contact either Debbi Reboul (debreboul@gmail.com) or Maureen Dunn (maureendunn14@bellsouth.net)

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

Coming Soon!

Double Bass Quartet

**April 21, 2024
at 7:00 pm**

**Suggested
Donation \$20**

**South Aiken
Presbyterian
Church Sanctuary**



**Sanctuary flowers for this Sunday's
Service were given by Alex and Carina
McGee in honor of their daughter
Evelyn's first birthday**

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.

GriefShare 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 (**Jan. 29th thru April 22nd**) 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.

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

April 21st

Next Performance

May 12th



Want to get the digital newsletter of announcements each week?

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

Vacation Bible School

We are still in need of volunteers!

We are looking for class leaders to help guide campers through the various classes during the week.



Please contact families@southaiken.org with your interest in supporting this wonderful mission.

July 8 - 12, 8:45am - 12:00pm

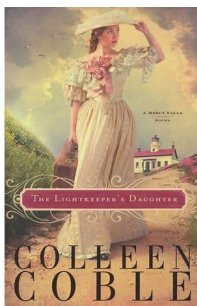


April Collection

(Canned Complete Meals)

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 for sharing with others!*

The Chapter Chat Book Club



“The Lightkeepers Daughter”

By Colleen Coble

Thursday,

May 2nd, 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 secretary@southaiken.org or (803-648-9574) to let your wishes be known.

Prayer Requests

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.

Debbie E. (niece of Linda B.) for comfort and healing.

Christopher K. (brother of Steve K.) for healing.

Beth R. for healing & comfort (Home).

Tim T. (son in law of Cheryl M.) for healing.

Joyce C. - healing from surgery.

Bill M. for comfort.

Jim and Shirley S. for healing and comfort.

Scott M. 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.

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

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.

Jayne 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: - Shirley Colburn

Ushers: Celeste Stennett, Ronald Stennett,
Anita Self, Will Self

Sound: Robert Glance

Video: Kelly Frontroth

JaM Director: N/A

Volunteers Next Week

Pulpit Assistant: Paul Ebel

Ushers: Jenny Summers, Sharon Filler,
Heidi Abele, Chuck Abele

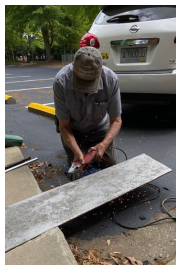
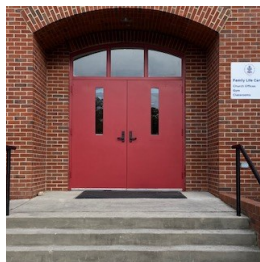
Sound: Scott Martin

Video: Anthony Wiliamson

JaM Director: N/A

Thank you!

Julie McCrum for taking the time to sand the church doors and then paint them a Red Bay color. Please take a moment to check out our new look!



Safety First! Gordy Colburn was able to eliminate a tripping hazard when entering our Admin Bldg. Thank you Gordy!!

The church email address is:

secretary@southaiken.org

SAPK THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 14th

9:00a - Bethel New Test. Sunday School (Library)
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:00a - Mission/Membership Meeting (Library)
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)
6:00p - Youth Group (FLC, Rm 202)

Monday, April 15th

10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)
1:00p - GriefShare Meeting (Library)
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)
5:00p - LIFT Meeting (Library)
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)
6:30p - Christian Education Team (High School Room)

Tuesday, April 16th

10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)
4:00p - Mighty Warriors Basketball (Gym)
4:30p - Belles Canto (Music Room)
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)
7:00p - Scouts Meeting (Upstairs Scouts Classroom)

Wednesday, April 17th

10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)
7:00p - Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Thursday, April 18th

8:50a - SAPK Chapel
10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)
4:00p - Aiken Kinderchoir (Fellowship Hall)
4:00p - Mighty Warriors Basketball (Gym)
5:00p - Beginner Ukulele Fellowship (Music Rm)
6:00p - Interm. Ukulele Fellowship (Music Rm)
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)

Friday, April 19th

10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)
4:00p - Mighty Warriors Basketball (Gym)
5:30p - Carolina Flight Basketball (Gym)

Saturday, April 20th

7:30a - ACTS Senior Food Distr.(340 Part Ave SW)
11:00a - Mighty Warriors Basketball (Gym)
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)

Sunday, April 21st

9:00a - Bethel New Test. Sunday School (Library)
9:00a - JaM Practice
9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe (FLC PCR) "Original Sin"
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:00a - Diaconate Meeting (Library)
12:00p - Admin & Stewardship Meeting (Library)
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)
3:00p - Practice for Orchestra (Sanctuary)
5:00p - Confirmation Class (Youth Room)
6:00p - Officer Nominating Team Meeting (PCR)
6:00p - Youth Group (FLC, Rm 202)
7:00p - Bass Concert (Sanctuary)

* FLC - Family Life Center

** PCR - Pastor's Conference Room

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