



*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 during our service. We ask for your support in keeping the aisle open, kindly place any walkers in the pew.*

## TODAY

### SAPC's Annual Picnic



**When?** immediately following today's church services.

**Where?** Due to the strong potential for rain, the picnic will be held in the Gym.

### ***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.*



May 19, 2024

Day of Pentecost/Youth Sunday

10:00 am

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

**Ushers** Michael Garman, Alex Williams, Adriel Garman, Margaret Clifford

**Prelude** "Sanctuary" Wiley Green, Graham Culp  
Clarinet, Flutist

**Welcome and Announcements** Nick Goetter

**Intro to the World of Percy Jackson** Sandy Haines

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

**Introit** "Praise Him Hallelujah!"  
JaM SAPC Children's Choir  
Scott Chappell and Lyn VanDervort, Directors

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**\*Call to Worship** (*Psalms 116: 13-14, 16-18*) (*Responsively*):

**One:** We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name on the Lord

**All:** We will fulfill our vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

**One:** Truly we are your servant, LORD; we serve you just as our mothers did; you have freed us from our chains.

**All:** We will sacrifice an offering of thanksgiving to you and call on the name of the LORD.  
We will fulfill our vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

**\*Hymn #319** "Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing"  
(*Build Your Kingdom Here*)

**Prayer of Confession** (*Together*): Wiley Green

**O God, you have called us together as a community for this Youth Sunday. Please give us the strength we need to confess our sins. The disagreements we may have had between our family, the arguments between friends, the unholy conflicts between all of us. Help us use your grace to overcome these. Through Christ our Lord, and through our wonderful community.**

*(in silence confess personal sins to God)*

**One: In Jesus' Name**

PA: Amen

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Wiley Green**

One: Hear the good news, for God said, “Let light shine out of darkness.” The Lord made God’s light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God’s glory displayed in the face of Christ.

**The Font** *(pouring of the water)*

**Michael Garman**

One: As the water is poured into the baptismal font, remember that God claims you in baptism through faith and calls us to new life. Let us walk by the spirit of the living God.

**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.**

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

**Wiley Green**

One: May 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**

**Margaret Clifford**

**Wiley Green**

**Alex Williams**

*(Children are invited to come to the stage steps for a small lesson, then join your families. No Sunday School today.)*

**Anthem**

***“My Lighthouse”***

**Hinson**

*See Insert*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Alex Williams**

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

**Gospel Readings:** **Matthew 16:18** *(page 18 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

**John 15:12-13** *(page 109 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

*(fill-in the blanks on page 7)*

One: This is the work of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon/Skit

“Camp SAPC Youth”

Graham Culp  
Alex Williams  
Wiley Green  
Sandy Haines

\*Responsive Hymn#475

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

\*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**

Adriel Gaman

## LIVING OUT GOD’S WORD

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

Michael Garman

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

“How Great is Our God”

(CCLI 2894093)

**\*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*):

**Margaret Clifford**

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 TO PRACTICE FAITH AND SHARE GOOD NEWS**

**\*Hymn**  
(CCLI 2894093)

*“10,000 Reasons”*

Chorus

Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, Oh my soul, worship his holy name  
Sing like never before, Oh my soul. I'll worship your holy name.

Verse 1

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Verse 2

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Verse 3

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul sings Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

**\*Prayer for the Picnic**

**Alex Williams**

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Alex Williams**

**\*Congregational Response Hymn #80**

***“Trees of the Field”***

(1st time - Youth only)

(2nd & 3rd times – All)

**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**

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**Sermon Scripture Activity (NRSVUE):**

*As the Scripture is read (Matthew 16:18 & John 15:12-13) fill in the blank with the word(s) you hear.*

**Matthew 16:18**

<sup>18</sup> And I tell you, you are Peter,<sup>[a]</sup> and on this \_\_\_\_\_<sup>[b]</sup> I will build my \_\_\_\_\_, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.

**John 15:12-13**

<sup>12</sup> “This is my \_\_\_\_\_, that you love one another as \_\_ have loved \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>13</sup> No one has greater \_\_\_\_\_ than this, to lay down one’s \_\_\_\_\_ for one’s friends.

# *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.

## **Vacation Bible School Registration for VBS 2024**

Camp Firelight is now OPEN! Children aged 4 (by Sept. 1st) through rising 6th graders are invited to camp and learn more about how they can trust in God throughout their lives. Scan the QR code to register, or fill out a paper form found in the church office.

Volunteering this year? Make sure you keep an eye out for emails from Kim with more information, and with your official registration link so we can schedule training for the best availability, and so we know what size t-shirt you'll need! (Or, scan the QR code for children's registration, and follow the link in the description to the volunteer sign-up form instead!)



## **Vacation Bible School Looking for Volunteers**

We are still in need of volunteers! We need group leaders and craft leaders to help guide campers through the various classes during the week.

Please contact [families@southaiken.org](mailto:families@southaiken.org) with your interest in supporting this wonderful mission. July 8 - 12, 8:45am - 12:00pm



## **Online Donations**

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



## **May Collection (Peanut & Jelly)**

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 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, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 6 PM at Victoria's Mexican Grill.** We will also be planning our Girls Getaway for the weekend of July 12<sup>th</sup> 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.



**Sanctuary flowers for this Sunday's Service were given by Gregory Burkes in honor of Lynn Burkes, on our 40th Wedding Anniversary.**

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

## Dinner and Devotion

Join us for a new series of fellowship and study together. This month's days will be May 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> (Restaurant) and 24<sup>th</sup> (at a home). We would love for you to join us and enjoy each other's company!

Please register with your interest in attending, as well as which days and times work best for you.

You can register on-line using the link in the Spirit Express or e-mail Susan Glenn at [susanglenn@usca.edu](mailto:susanglenn@usca.edu)."



Friendly reminder - the **Georgia Aquarium trip** with the children and youth has been **rescheduled to Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>!** If you were registered previously when it was postponed, or you are now able to go, please contact Anthony Williamson at [youth@southaiken.org](mailto:youth@southaiken.org) for more information.

And go ahead and mark your calendars for the next big Families-sponsored event: a trip to a **Green Jackets game!** Scheduled for Friday, August 2nd at 6pm, all ages are welcome to join together for a buffet and game in the full accessible (to walkers and strollers alike!) pavilion. Tickets are \$30 per person, children under 3 free.

Contact [families@southaiken.org](mailto:families@southaiken.org) 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

August 4<sup>th</sup>

Next Performance

September 15<sup>th</sup>



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

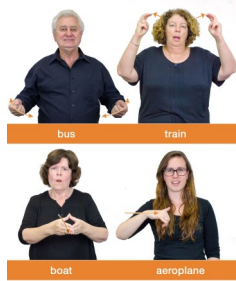
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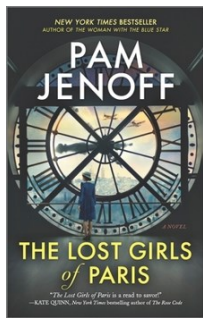
## NEW CLASS: American Sign Language!

Learn a beautiful language, communicate with others, and speak and sing with your hands instead of your voice!

- Scheduling based on sign-ups
- Contact Betty Busch - (803) 649-4307 or [bettyrbusch@gmail.com](mailto:bettyrbusch@gmail.com)



## The Chapter Chat Book Club



**“Lost Girls of Paris**  
By Pam Jenoff  
Thursday,  
June 6<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm.  
Meet in the Church Library  
Contact Maureen Dunn at  
[maureendunn14@bellsouth.net](mailto:maureendunn14@bellsouth.net)  
for more info.

**Note: there will not be a Book Club Meeting for July.**

## 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.

## Prayer Requests

**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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**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.  
**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:** - Youth Group

**Ushers:** Michael Garman, Alex Williams,  
Adriel Garman, Margaret Clifford

**Sound:** Larry Hinson

**Video:** Haley Culp

**JaM Director:** Lyn VanDervort & Scott Chappell

## Volunteers Next Week

**Pulpit Assistant:** Lyn VanDervort

**Ushers:** Kathy Peterson, Greg Peterson,  
Debbi Reboul, Amy Loftus

**Sound:** Martin McCrum

**Video:** Kelly Frontroth

TODAY

**Songs of Friendship**

**BELLES CANTO, BELLINI & BOUND TO SING**

MAY 19 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
4:00PM 224 BARNWELL AVE NW, 29801  
Free Will Donations are Encouraged

The church email address is:

[secretary@southaiken.org](mailto:secretary@southaiken.org)

## *SAPK THIS WEEK*

### Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> (Youth Sunday)

9:00a - Bethel New Test. Sunday School (Library)  
9:00a - JaM Practice  
9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe - Resurrection (FLC PCR)  
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
11:00a - Spring Picnic (Odell Weeks/Gym if raining)  
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)  
6:00p - Officer Nominating Team Meeting (FLC PCR)

### Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

8:30a - Parent Pgm/5K Graduation Practice (Gym)  
10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)  
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)  
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)

### Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

8:30a - Parent Pgm/5K Graduation Practice (Gym)  
10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)  
2:00p - Pickleball (Gym)  
4:00p - Mighty Warriors Basketball (Gym)  
4:30p - Belles Canto (Music Room)  
5:00p - LIFT Meeting (Victoria's Mexican Grill)  
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)  
6:00p - Dinner & Devotion (Restaurant)  
7:00p - Scouts Meeting (Upstairs Scouts Classroom)

### Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>

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

### Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:50a - SAPK Chapel  
10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)  
1:30 - Prayer Shawl (Library)  
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, May 24<sup>th</sup>

8:30a - Kindergarten Graduation (Gym)  
10:00a - Bible Friends (Gym)  
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)  
4:00p - Mighty Warriors Basketball (Gym)  
5:30p - Carolina Flight Basketball (Gym)  
6:00p - Dinner & Devotion (at a home)

### Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>

11:00a - Mighty Warriors (Gym)  
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)

### Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

9:00a - Bethel New Test. Sunday School (Library)  
9:00a - JaM Practice  
9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe - Resurrection (FLC PCR)  
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
11:00a - Diaconate Meeting (FLC PCR)  
11:30a - Honduras Presentation (Gym)  
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)  
4:00p - Session Meeting (Library)  
6:00p - Youth Group (FLC, Rm 202)

\* FLC - Family Life Center

\*\* PCR - Pastor's Conference Room

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