

*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.
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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!

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

South Aiken Presbyterian Church “Youth in Action” We are proud of you!



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 26, 2024

Trinity Sunday

10:00 am

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

Prelude

“Your Grace is Enough”
Olga Kuzmenkova, Pianist

Alex-Zsolt

Welcome and Announcements

Lyn VanDervort (Pulpit Assistant, PA)

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

Introit

“Great Are You, Lord”
Jeremy Woodruff, Percussion

Michael & Deborah Smith

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

***Call to Worship** (*Psalm 112: 1-5*)(*Responsively*):

One: Praise the LORD! Those who honor the LORD, who adore God’s commandments, are truly happy!

ALL: Their descendants will be strong throughout the land. The offspring of those who do right will be blessed; wealth and riches will be in their houses. Their righteousness stands forever.

One: They shine in the dark for others who do right. They are merciful, compassionate, and righteous.

ALL: Those who lend generously are good people—as are those who conduct their affairs with justice.

***Hymn #475**

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Prayer of Confession (*Together*): **Gracious God, we confess we believe in Christ, yet our actions sometimes lack the faithfulness. We have been blessed many times over, but sometimes our blessings do not result in generosity to your mission. Help us, be faithful to your mission sharing our resources and the good news of Jesus Christ.**

(in silence confess personal sins to God)

PA: Amen

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: 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 #611** *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (stanzas 1,3)*
Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o’er us, joining all in heaven’s plan.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life

***Passing 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 join your families. No Sunday School today.)

Anthem

“Holy Forever”

Rouse

Sarah Lookabill-Scott, Solo Lead

Prayer for Illuminations

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

Old Testament Reading: **Isaiah 6: 1-8** *(page 635 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)*

Epistle Reading: **Romans 8: 12-17** *(page 158 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

Gospel Reading: **John 3: 1-17** *(page 93 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

One: Hear what the Spirit says to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Being Born of the Water and the Spirit”

Rev. Jason Hammersley

***Responsive Hymn#490**

“Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters”

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

Offering of Gifts

Offertory

“Come Jesus Come”
Sara Lookabill Scott, Soloist

Winans

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

***Preparation Hymn#482**

“Baptized in Water” (*stanzas 1, 3*)
Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the
Blood of Christ our King; heirs of salvation, trusting the
Promise, faithfully now God’s praises we sing

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the
Sign of Christ our King; born of the Spirit, we are God’s
Children, joyfully now God’s praises we sing.

Sacrament of Baptism and Professing Faith

Pastor: Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ: ... Let us remember with joy that all our sins are forgiven, and the gift of the Holy Spirit given as we celebrate this sacrament.

Elder: On behalf of the session, I present Michael Garman, to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

Pastor: Do you desire that Michael be baptized? Relying on God’s grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith, and to teach that faith to Michael?

Michael, do you desire to be baptized?

(Congregation please stand)

Pastor (*asking congregation*): Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Michael verbally and through your actions, with love and prayer, encouraging him and his parents to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of his church?

Congregational Response: **We do.** (*please be seated*)

Profession of Faith and Rejections (*for parents*):

1. Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and reject evil and its power in the world? (We do.)
2. Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? (We do.)
3. Will you be Christ's faithful disciples, obeying his Word and showing his love? (We will, with God's help)

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

4. You have publicly professed your faith. Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptism and Laying On of Hands

Prayer for Micheal

Welcome

Pastor: 1. Michael, by publicly professing your faith and responding in baptism, you are an active member of Christ's Church live out in South Aiken Presbyterian Church.
2. Let us welcome him as he joins us in the worship and mission of the church.

Congregation: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn #488**

"I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry"

***Blessing 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

Honduras Mission Trip Presentation

When: June 9, 2024

Time: 11:30 am (*immediately after worship*)

Where: Fellowship Hall

Why: SAPC has been connected to Honduras Agape Foundation since 1998 in response to Hurricane Mitch to the people of

Quimistan, Honduras. This presentation is an opportunity for the whole church to re-engage with our international mission. Pastor Jason will share his personal experience, pictures, on-going missional work and needs, and answer questions.



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 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 Butter & 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

Thank you

To our friends and family at SAPC, we would like to extend our grateful thanks for all the gifts, flowers, cards and especially the visits she loved so much. Thanks for the lovely reception after her service, it was outstanding. Shirley is resting now free of pain and with a full memory.

The family of Shirley M. Shaw



Sanctuary flowers for this Sunday's Service were given by Anonymous. in honor of those we lost, for their courage and sacrifice in service of our nation. We pray that you will bless them with outpouring of grace and peace.

Presby Café Bible Study

What are you waiting for?

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

When? Each Sunday
at 9:00am



Friendly reminder - the **Georgia Aquarium trip** with the children and youth has been rescheduled to Saturday, **June 29th!** If you were registered previously when it was postponed, or you are now able to go, please contact Anthony Williamson at 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 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 4th
September 15th



Want to get the digital newsletter of announcements each week?

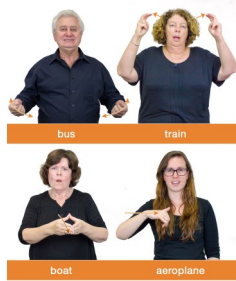
Email secretary@southaiken.org to join the Spirit Express emailing list!



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



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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Judy S. for healing and recovery from surgery
Bennet E. (grandson of Sandy E) for healing and recovery from surgery

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.

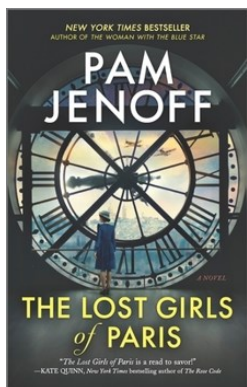
Barbara K. for healing.

Anita & Bob P. for comfort and discernment.

Homebound Members

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

The Chapter Chat Book Club



“Lost Girls of Paris

By Pam Jenoff

Thursday,

June 6th, at 2 pm.

Meet in the Church

Library

Contact Maureen Dunn at maureendunn14@bellsouth.net for more information.

The church email address is:

secretary@southaiken.org

Volunteers Today

Pulpit Assistant: - Lyn VanDervort

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

Sound: Martin McCrum

Video: Kelly Frontroth

JaM Director: Lyn VanDervort & Scott Chappell

Volunteers Next Week

Pulpit Assistant: Shirley Colburn

Ushers: Jenny Chase, Betty Busch,
Anita Self, Will Self

Sound: Robert Glance

Video: Anthony Williamson

JaM Director: Lyn VanDervort & Scott Chappell

Thank you

Linda Blake would like to thank everyone for the nice cards, texts and phone calls, supporting and praying for her and her family, for the loss of her grandson Jeff! She really appreciates your kindness.

God Bless: Linda Blake.

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.

SAPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 26th

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

Monday, May 27th

2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)
6:00p - Grizzlies Basketball (Gym)

Tuesday, May 28th

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, May 29th

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

Thursday, May 30th

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 31st

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

Saturday, June 1st

Sunday, June 2nd

9:00a - Bethel New Test. Sunday School (Library)
9:00a - Presbyterian Cafe - Resurrection (FLC PCR)
10:00a - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:00a - Bethel Study (Library)
2:00p - Pickle Ball (Gym)
6:00p - Officer Nominating Team Meet (PCR)
6:00p - Youth Group (FLC, Rm 202)

* FLC - Family Life Center

** PCR - Pastor's Conference Room

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