

# Welcome to Aiken's First Baptist

Thank you for joining us this morning. We are glad that you are here and want you to know that you are welcome with us.

You are welcome here if you are single, married, divorced, searching, or done searching. We welcome you if you are filthy rich or dirt poor, work too much or don't work at all, are over 60 and not grown up or a teenager growing up too fast. And we extend a special welcome to all crying babies.

You are welcome here if you are just browsing, just woke up, are tired of organized religion and not sure how you found your way here, or have heavy questions that need thoughtful answers. We welcome you if you are a long-time faithful or a doubter, recovering or still addicted, inked or don't know what that means, black or white or no hablan inglés.

But above all, we welcome you if you could use a prayer right now, if you feel like rejoicing, if you're broken-hearted and need a safe space, or if you just need a place to sit in awe of all that is.

Welcome to Aiken's First Baptist Church.



## This Week

### Sunday, October 20

8:30 am - Deacon Executive Committee  
9:45 am - Sunday School  
9:45 am - Surprised By Jesus Study  
11:00 am - Joint Worship with Second Baptist  
3:00 pm - Personnel Committee

### Wednesday, October 23

10:00 am - Women's Bible Study  
5:15 pm - Dinner  
6:00 pm - Children's Choirs  
6:00 pm - Youth Fellowship and Bible Study  
6:30 pm - Adult Prayer and Bible Study  
6:45 pm - Children's Missions Groups  
7:30 pm - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, October 24

10:00 am - Prayer Quilt Ministry  
6:30 pm - Young Adult Bible Study

### Friday, October 25

8:00 am - Vanguard Men's Bible Study

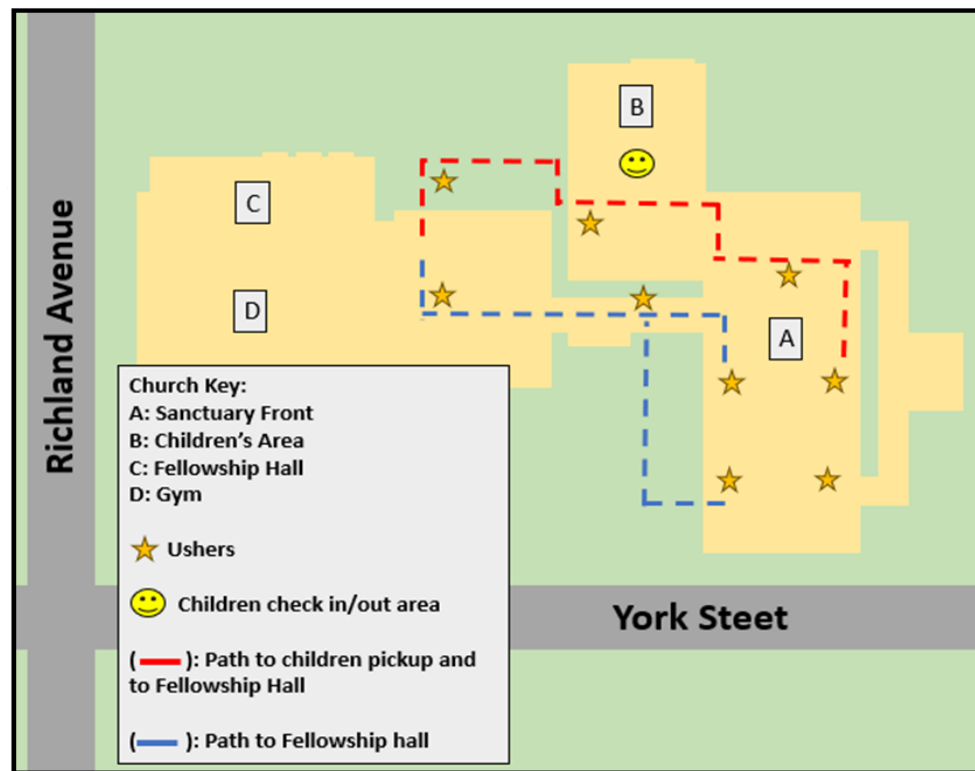
### Sunday, October 27

8:30 am - Deacons Meeting  
9:45 am - Sunday School  
9:45 am - Surprised By Jesus Study  
11:00 am - Worship

## Missions & Donations

The ACTS collection item for October is canned soup. Our goal is 450 cans. So far, we have collected 442 cans.

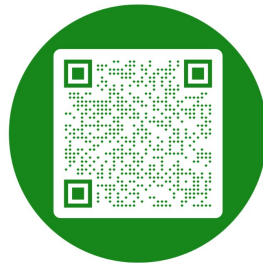
Donations for North Carolina will be collected until October 26. There is a bin located outside of the church office.



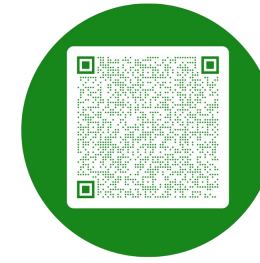
**Church Key:**  
A: Sanctuary Front  
B: Children's Area  
C: Fellowship Hall  
D: Gym

★ Ushers  
😊 Children check in/out area

(—): Path to children pickup and to Fellowship Hall  
(—): Path to Fellowship hall



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# Aiken's First Baptist Church

## Sunday, October 20, 2024

# Order of Worship

**Prelude** Prelude in F Major Bach

## Chiming of the Trinity

*Entering worship, we step into a time that is not ours, but God's.*

**Welcome and Announcements** John Carroll

**Call to Worship and Prayer of Invocation** Ray Speller

God who is One, You call us to be one,  
**May we be one with all who are made in Your image.**  
God who is Three, You call us to be community,  
**May we find community with all who are called by Your name.**  
God who calls us all by Your name,  
**May we find our place in Your eternal family.**

**\*Hymn 319** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERRON

## Psalm 146

**Pastoral Prayer** John Carroll

**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.**

**\*Hymn 409** What a Friend We Have in Jesus CONVERSE

**Stories of Impact** Ray Speller & John Carroll

**Offertory** God is Great Ricky Dillard  
Second Baptist Choir

*You may give in a variety of ways. Your gift may be  
given in the plate as it is passed, online at fbcaiken.org,  
or through the church app.*

## \*Doxology

**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.**

**Blessing** Sarah Laurence

## Moment of Fellowship

**Children's Moment** Matt Waller

*At this time, children ages 1st Grade and below may  
follow our volunteers out for Children's Church.*

## 2 Kings 4:1-7

**Anthem** How Long? Pepper Choplin

*The Combined Choirs of Aiken's First Baptist and Second Baptist*

**Words for the Journey** Interrogate the System Ray Speller

**\*Hymn 587** Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound NEW BRITAIN

**\*Benediction** John Carroll

## \*Sung Congregational Response

**We are one in the bond of love; we are one in the bond  
of love. We have joined our spirits with the Spirit of God;  
we are one in the bond of love.**

**Postlude** Toccata festivo Janzer

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*We welcome Rev. Ray Speller and the congregation of Second  
Baptist Church.*

*Everyone is invited to join together in the fellowship hall for  
refreshments and conversation. Those who cannot stay are  
invited to take a to-go snack near the parlor.*

## Upcoming Events & Announcements

### Wednesday Night Menu-

Baked Ziti  
Salad  
Bread and Dessert

### Trunk or Treat-

Wednesday, October 30 at  
5:30 pm. We need your help  
providing candy and trunks!  
Candy donations can be  
dropped off in the white  
cabinets by the church office.  
Sign up on our church app to  
decorate a trunk.

### Quarterly Business Meeting-

November 6 at 6:30 pm.

### REPAIRING THE HARMS OF RACISM: Why This is a Work of the Church -

A conversation  
hosted by Second Baptist  
Church and First Baptist  
Church. November 8th from  
5:30 pm to 8:30 pm and  
November 9th from 9 am until  
3:30 pm. Special guest leaders  
will be Dr. Bill Leonard and Rev.  
Prince Rivers. Register today at  
<https://subspla.sh/s4ytvtr/>  
Spots are limited!

### Church-Wide Chili Cook-off Fundraiser

has been  
postponed until  
Sunday, November 10 from  
5:30 pm to 7:00 pm in the  
Fellowship Hall. Register online  
or call the church office.

### Church Family Thanksgiving-

Wednesday, November 20.  
Come enjoy a meal as a  
church family at 5:15 pm, then  
at 6:15 pm we will have a time  
of giving thanks, music from  
our kids, and an opportunity to  
prepare for Advent!

### Very Merry Christmas Party-

December 11 from 6:00 pm to  
7:00 pm.

## Information Card

Name(s):

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email:

Address:

I am a Visitor

Change of Information

Add me to the Email List

I'm interested in following Jesus and  
being baptized.

I'm interested in joining the church family.

I'm interested in learning more about our  
ministries and ways to serve.

### Wednesday Night Sign-Up

Number of Adults  Number of Kids

### Prayer Requests

Please keep confidential among the ministers.

Please tear off and place in offering plate.