

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.

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This Week

Sunday, November 3

8:30 am - Discipleship Committee
9:45 am - Sunday School
9:45 am - Surprised By Jesus Study
11:00 am - Worship - All Saints
12:00 pm - Missions Committee

Wednesday, November 6

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 - Quarterly Business Meeting
6:45 pm - Children's Missions Groups
7:30 pm - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 7

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

Friday, November 8

8:00 am - Vanguard Men's Bible Study
5:30 pm - Repairing the Harms of Racism

Saturday, November 9

9:00 am - Repairing the Harms of Racism

Sunday, November 10

8:30 am - Church Council
9:45 am - Sunday School
9:45 am - Surprised By Jesus Study
11:00 am - Worship
6:00 pm - Chili Cookoff

Missions & Donations

The ACTS collection item for November is boxed rice. Our goal is 450 units.

Thank you to everyone who helped us met our goal for October. We exceeded our goal and collected a total of 627 cans!

Ministry Team

Rev. John Carroll
Senior Pastor

Zachary Derr
Director of Music and Worship

Debra Haney
Director of Administration

Rev. Sarah Laurence
Minister of Youth and Pastoral Care

Rev. Matt Waller
Minister to Children and Families

Kim Mitchell
Preschool Director

Anna Derr
Communications Specialist/Organist

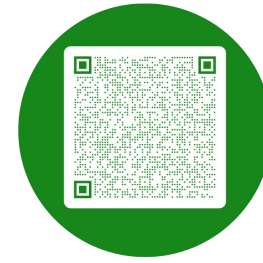
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Aiken's First Baptist Church

Sunday, November 3, 2024

Order of Worship

Prelude For All the Saints arr. Hopson

Chiming of the Trinity

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

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship and Prayer of Invocation Matt Waller

Come, a great cloud of witnesses surrounds us as we gather.
May the lingering echo of saints resound in our songs.
May their stories open a space for the Spirit to enter us anew.
In remembering them, may we find ourselves remembered.
May the God of every generation form us anew for this generation.
And may a new joy rise in our lives and in the life of the world.

***Hymn 567** For All the Saints SINE NOMINE

Isaiah 25:6-9

All Saints Remembrance John Carroll and Matt Waller

Gathered here in the presence of the one who is light eternal and light of the world, the one in whom life has come into being, through whom life is sustained, and in whom life finds its consummation and resting place, let us bless the name of the Lord.
We praise and give thanks to God for the gifts of life, grace, and resurrection.

Let us give thanks for all who have lived the life of faith, for all who welcomed in the light of the world to shine in them and through them, for all who died in Christ in the hope of resurrection, for all who now surround the throne of grace.

We praise and give thanks to God for each one who has gone before us; for all who died in Christ now surround the throne, serving day and night in God's presence.

They hunger no more and thirst no more.
God has wiped away every tear from their eyes.
God dwells with them, for they are God's children.

When we remember the saints with love, we remember that we too are called to eternal life through God, who was made as man like us, who has gone before us, and who is ever with us.

We thank God for the rest given to the souls of all these saints from among us.

Ann Schultz
Stanley Smith
Rita Rostron
Carol Ferris
Roy Walden
David Emory
John Bowers

Geneva Thompson
Lee Rayfield
Loy Filmon
Jean Meadows
Carol Garrett
Laura Lea Freeman
Joseph Shields

Saints, all by the grace of God.
Saints, whom we remember with great hope and great love. Amen

***Hymn 561** Shall We Gather at the River HANSON PLACE

Stories of Impact Bold Faithfulness Vicky McCullough

Offertory Swing Low, Sweet Chariot Schmutzler

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 Debra Haney

Moment of Fellowship

Children's Moment Josh Pniewski

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

Revelation 21:1-6

Anthem I Will Sing with the Spirit Beck

Words for the Journey Alpha and Omega John Carroll

***Hymn 30** Ancient Words ANCIENT WORDS

***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 Old Hundredth arr. Held

**Please stand as you are able.*

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Wednesday Night Menu-
Chicken and beef tacos
Mexican rice
Taco fixings and Dessert

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 - Sunday, November 10 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Register online!

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.

Children's Retreat - Calling all 3rd-6th graders to join us for the CBF Georgia Children's Retreat in Rock Eagle, Eatonton, Georgia! This retreat is January 10-12, 2025. The cost of the trip is \$100 per child (\$50 deposit). Use the QR code to register and contact Matt Waller with any questions!



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.