

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 16

8:30 am - New Member/ Visitor/
Small Jobs Meeting
8:45 am - MTS Generosity Tools
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship
12:00 pm - Deacon's Luncheon
6:30 pm - Aiken Interfaith Event

Monday, November 17

5:30 - AFBC Mentoring Program

Tuesday, November 18

4:00 pm - Missions Committee

Wednesday, November 19

10:00 am - Women's Bible Study
5:15 pm - Church Family
Thanksgiving Dinner and
Celebration
7:30 pm - Sanctuary Choir
Rehearsal

Thursday, November 20

10:00 am - Prayer Quilt Ministry

Friday, November 21

8:00 am - Vanguard: A Men's Study
Group

Sunday, November 23

9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship- More Than
Sunday Commitment Sunday

Missions & Donations

The ACTS collection item for November is rice (11lb box or bag is fine). Our goal is 450 units. So far we have collected **276 units**. 50 of those units came from our wonderful Preschool.

Ministry Team

Rev. John Carroll
Senior Pastor

Zachary Derr
Director of Music and Worship

Rev. Christian Burton
Director of Administration

Rev. Sarah Laurence
Minister of Youth and Pastoral Care

Rev. Matt Waller
Minister to Children and Families

Emily Berry
Youth Family Intern

Kim Mitchell
Preschool Director

Alison Heenan
Assistant Preschool Director

Anna Derr
Communications Specialist/Organist

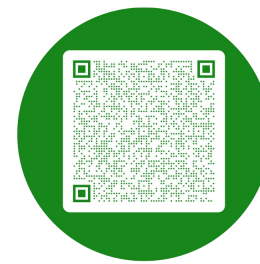
Gail Floyd
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Sunday, November 16, 2025

Order of Worship

Prelude Thanks Be to God (Arioso) arr. Page

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

This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
be with all of you.
And also with you.
Let us worship God!

***Hymn 281** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling BEECHER

Mark 10:51

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** Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me ARR. GALBRAITH

Verse 1:
What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer
There is no more for Heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

Refrain:
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

Verse 2:
The night is dark, but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior, He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed

Refrain

Verse 3:
No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future's sure, the price, it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

Refrain

Stories of Impact Karen Edwards

Offertory Heart Praise Carr

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 Emily Berry

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

Matthew 14:13-21

Anthem Be Not Afraid Courtney

Be not afraid for I have redeemed you. Be not afraid. I have called you by name. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you. When you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed. You are mine. You are precious in my sight. My love for you is everlasting, my love for you shall have no end.

Words for the Journey More Than Divine Multiplication John Carroll

***Hymn 436** Seek Ye First The Kingdom of God LAFFERTY

Our worship of God entails response. You may light a candle in recognition of Christ's light at the front left, dip your hand into water as a reminder of your baptism at the front right, kneel and offer a silent prayer at the back of our sanctuary, speak with one of our ministers about a decision or need at the front, or sing and pray where you are.

*Benediction

*Sung Congregational Response

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, amen.

Postlude Day of Joy Denton

**Please stand as you are able.*

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Wednesday Night - Turkey, dressing, green beans, sweet potatoes, gravy, rolls and dessert

Poinsettias - Poinsettias are now available for purchase. Forms can be returned to the church office or you can also purchase them using the QR code. The cost is \$17 a piece. Orders must be placed and paid by December 16.



More Than Sunday Commitment Sunday - Sunday, November 23 at 11:00 am

Hanging of the Green - Sunday, November 30 at 5:00 pm

Joy Seekers Outing-

Mark your calendars for Dec. 2 for a concert at St. Paul's Church in Augusta at 12pm. Call the church office to sign up. We will meet in the AFBC parking lot at 10:30 am, so we can carpool to Augusta and have lunch.

Christmas Shop Donations Needed-

We are collecting items that children can buy at the upcoming Very Merry Christmas Party. Donations can be left in the bins by the church office or in Matt's office.

Very Merry Christmas Party -

Wednesday, December 3 at 6 pm.

Christmas Cantata and More Than Sunday First Offering -

Sunday, December 14 at 11:00 am.

Christmas Eve Service -

Wednesday, December 24 at 5 pm.

Children's Winter 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 23-25, 2026. 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.