

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, April 26**
8:30 am - Deacon Meeting
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship
12:00 pm - Prayer Team
12:00 pm - Homebound Team
- Monday, April 27**
1:00 pm - Personnel Committee
- Wednesday, April 29**
10:00 am - Women's Bible Study
5:15 pm - Strategic Planning Committee
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 Practice
- Thursday, April 30**
10:00 am - Prayer Quilt Ministry
- Friday, May 1**
8:00 am - Vanguard: A Men's Study Group
- Sunday, May 3**
8:30 am - Discipleship Committee
9:30 am - Adult 3 Fellowship Hall
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship

Missions & Donations

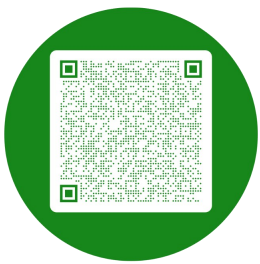
The ACTS collection item for April is canned complete meals (chunky soup/stew, canned pasta like spaghetti). Our goal is 450 cans. So far we have collected 310 cans with 50 of those cans donated from the preschool.

Ministry Team

- Rev. John Carroll**
Senior Pastor
- Kim Mitchell**
Preschool Director
- Zachary Derr**
Director of Music and Worship
- Alison Heenan**
Assistant Preschool Director
- Rev. Christian Burton**
Director of Administration
- Anna Derr**
Communications Specialist/Organist
- Rev. Sarah Laurence**
Minister of Youth and Pastoral Care
- Gail Floyd**
Financial Secretary
- Rev. Matt Waller**
Minister to Children and Families
- LeAnne Jolley**
Administrative Assistant
- Emily Berry**
Youth Family Intern



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Sunday, April 26, 2026

Order of Worship

Prelude Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee arr. Hustad

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

Welcome and Announcements Randy Duckett

Call to Worship and Prayer of Invocation Rev. Michelle Page Bush

Come, walk in green pastures.
We follow the Shepherd.
Come, dine at the table of abundance.
We are fed by the Shepherd.
Come, dwell in God's house.
We live in the Shepherd's care.

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

Colossians 3:12-17 Wallace McNair

Pastoral Prayer Zachary Derr

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 267** Blest Be the Tie DENNIS

Celebration of Giving Stephenie McCoy Hewett

Offertory He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought arr. Harmon

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 Matt Waller

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.

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Anthem We're Marching to Zion arr. Scarborough

Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be know, join in a song with sweet accord, and thus surround the throne. We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion, we're marching upward to Zion on the beautiful city of God. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but children of the heavenly king may speak their joys abroad.

Words for the Journey Forgive Freely John Carroll

***Hymn 618** Love Lifted Me SAFETY

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 Risen in Triumph Glyncannon

**Please stand as you are able.*

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Wednesday Night Menu--
Shepherd's Pie, salads and dessert.

Construction Volunteers Needed -
The Build Team is looking for volunteers to assist with a few work activities in May. We will undertake installing a security camera system, refinishing existing wood doors, and installing shelving and bookcases. Flexible hours are available to include weekdays, evenings, or Saturdays. Please contact the church office to sign up.

Andrew Ripp Concert -
We're hosting Christian singer Andrew Ripp in the sanctuary on Friday, May 1, at 7:00 PM! Use the QR code to purchase tickets. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Zach Derr at zderr@fbcaiken.org.



Quarterly Business Meeting -
Our next Quarterly Business Meeting will be Wednesday, May 6, at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Joyseekers Outing -
Join us for Aiken County's free Agriculture and Art Tour of three small local farms on Saturday, May 9. Produce, flowers, food and crafts are featured. Contact the church office to sign up. We will carpool leaving at 9:00 AM. For additional info, visit www.agandarttour.com/aiken

Mission: THERE - Join us June 1-5 for our next trip to the Asheville area for Hurricane Helene rebuilding in partnership with FBC Asheville and NC Baptists on Mission! Use the QR code for more information and registration.



Vacation Bible School -
Join us June 8-11 from 9:00 AM -12:00 PM for Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God! Participants and volunteers are invited to sign up now.



University -
Sign up now for Unidiversity for youth. This year's dates are July 5-10.



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.