

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, May 31
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship
12:15 pm - Youth Parent Meeting

Monday, June 1
11:30 am - Thriving Congregations Meeting

Wednesday, June 3
No Sanctuary Choir Practice this week.

Thursday, June 4
Church office closed.
10:00 am - Prayer Quilt Ministry

Friday, June 5
8:00 am - Vanguard: A Men's Study Group

Sunday, June 7
8:30 am - Discipleship Committee
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship
12:00 pm - Bless Next Construction Phase

Missions & Donations

The ACTS collection item for May is peanut butter and jelly. Our goal is 450 jars. So far, we have collected 228 jars.

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

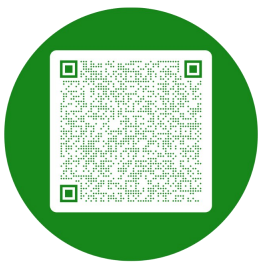
Anna Derr
Communications Specialist/Organist

Gail Floyd
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**Aiken's
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Church**

Sunday, May 31, 2026

Order of Worship

Prelude Preludes on “Aberstwyth” and “St. Columba” Willan

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

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
We are called to love, to serve, and to witness to the Triune God.
Remember, Christ is with us always, even to the end of the age.
Let us worship God in Spirit and in truth!

***Hymn 437** How Wide the Love of Christ FESTAL SONG

Romans 12:17-21

Pastoral Prayer Emily Berry

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 383** Near to the Heart of God MCAFEE

Celebration of Giving John Carroll

Offertory If Thou Be Near J.S. Bach

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.

Ephesians 2:11-18

Anthem The Lord's Prayer Camilieri

Words for the Journey Practice Peace John Carroll

***Hymn 692** Let Truth and Mercy Find Here AURELIA

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.

***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 Sortie on “The Strife is O're” Rawsthorne

**Please stand as you are able.*

We welcome Dan Hardin as our guest organist and Byron Jennings as our guest music director this morning.

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Church Office –
The Church Office has been temporarily relocated to the Trinity/ Family Life Center Building. Please call 803-648-5476 to visit or make a drop off. The office will be open Monday-Wednesday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm this week and closed on Thursday, June 4.

VBS Donations – Items needed are: small blue Jello boxes, vanilla pudding cups (Jello brand), Rice Chex cereal, clear 9 oz cups, and clear plastic spoons. We also need artificial greenery and florist foam. Please place donations in the hallway next to the bridal room.

Church Pews -
This fall, renovations will begin in the sanctuary. Another church has expressed interest in receiving all of the pews we are able to provide. First, though, we want to offer them to our church members. A few sizes are available. If you are interested, please fill out the form to let us know by June 1. Pick up will be by the end of July.



Romania Mission Trip Share -
Our Romania Mission Team will share about their work and experiences during Sunday Morning worship on June 7.

Helen Vaughan's Birthday -
The family of Helen Vaughan invite you to celebrate her 100th birthday on Sunday, June 7, 2026, from 12:00 till 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall following worship.



Vacation Bible School -
June 8-11 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Use the QR code for more information.

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.