



Aiken's First Baptist Church

Sunday, September 6, 2026

Welcome to Aiken's First Baptist Church! Because we are a community called to radically pursue loving like Jesus, you are welcome here no matter who you are and where life has taken you.

Whether you are just browsing, are not sure how you found your way here, or have heavy questions that need thoughtful answers. Whether you are single, married, divorced, searching, or done searching. Whether 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 ingles, are over 60 and not grown up or a teenager growing up too fast. You are welcome here!

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.

You are welcome here!

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Let us know you are
visiting today or share
information here.

Order of Worship

Prelude

Three Part Invention No.6 in E Major

Bach

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

John Carroll

Happy are the people whose sins are forgiven!

God's forgiveness is poured on them as a healing balm.

Happy are the people who place their trust in God.

God's presence is their guide and their strength.

Come, let us worship the God who forgives and heals us.

Let us celebrate God's presence with us each day.

*Hymn 566

O God Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

Matthew 4:1-11

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.

Anthem

The Good Shepherd

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We have a good shepherd who knows us and calls us by name; we hear His voice and His word, He walks before us, and we follow Him. Jesus is our shepherd, He keeps us within His fold; He gave His life that we may live; we hear His voice and we follow Him. He's the good shepherd and we are His sheep, He knows us and we know Him; He's the good shepherd and always He'll keep His children safe and close to Him.

Story of Impact

Katherine Hicks

Offertory

Amazing Grace

arr. Lindroth

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

John Carroll

Moment of Fellowship

Children's Moment

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

Ezekiel 10:18-19, 11:22-25

***Hymn 386**

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

ST. AGNES

Words for the Journey

Formed in the Wilderness of Withnesss

John Carroll

***Hymn 573**

It Is Well with My Soul

VILLE DU HAVRE

*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

He Is Exalted by Twila Paris

arr. Keveren

**Please stand as you are able.*

*We welcome Elizabeth Lindroth as our guest pianist and Byron Jennings as our guest music
director this morning.*

This Week

Sunday, September 6

8:30 am - Discipleship
Committee
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship

Monday, September 7

Office Closed.

Wednesday, September 9

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, September 10

10:00 am - Prayer Quilt
Ministry

Friday, September 11

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

Saturday, September 12

7:30 am - Yard Sale

Sunday, September 13

8:30 am - Church Council
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship
12:00 pm - Onward and
Upward-ish
3:00 pm - Cantata Kick-Off

Missions & Donations

The ACTS collection
item for September is
boxed pasta/
spagetti.

Announcements

Wednesday Night Menu- Baked potato bar with salad and banana pudding.

Church Office closed Monday, September 7 for Labor Day.

AFBC Yard Sale - Our next Yard Sale will be Saturday, September 12, from 7:30 to 12:00. Spots are open to the public, and there is no fee for a spot! Sign up using the QR code to reserve your spot.



Women's Bible Study -

The Aiken's First Baptist Church Women's Bible Study will begin the morning of Wednesday, September 23rd at 10:00 AM in the Adult IV Sunday School Classroom in the Trinity Building on the first floor. We meet every week, and the sessions usually last between 1-1 1/2 hours. Please email Beth Daniel at bethdaniel2019@yahoo.com or call 803-645-0634 and let her know if you are interested.

Handbells - If you're interested in joining our revitalized Handbell Choir, please contact Zach Derr at zderr@fbcaiken.org or 803-648-5476. Scheduling will be decided after gauging interest.

GED Program Volunteers Needed -

The GED program meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, and the greatest need is on Tuesdays. We're very flexible with schedules. If you're interested or have questions, call Mary McQuinn at 803-507-0551.

All Youth Fall Retreat - September 25-27 at Asbury Hills. Cost is \$150. Sign up now!



Christmas Cantata Kickoff - All who like to sing are invited to participate in our December 13 choir cantata! Rehearsal kickoff will be next Sunday, September 13, 3:00-6:30 pm, with dinner provided. Use the QR code to RSVP. Questions? Contact Zach Derr.



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