

SOUTH AIKEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



1711 Whiskey Road

Aiken, SC 29803

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2020

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

Please stand, if able when indicated by an *

(Virtual service via website & Facebook Live. Link to Facebook Live on southaiken@org, then Click Virtual Church)

Enjoy listening to the preservice music as you prepare for worship! Come to God with your whole self to worship the triune God!

Welcome & Announcements

Paul Ebel

Chiming of the Hour (*Three times for the Trinity: God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit*)

Prelude

Introit

How Majestic Is Your Name

Camille Rosier

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

***Call to Worship** (Psalm 139)(*Responsive*)

One: O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

Many: You know when we sit down and when we rise up; you discern our thoughts from far away.

One: You search out our path and our lying down, and are acquainted with all our ways.

Many: Even before a word is on our tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

One: You hem us in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon us.

Many: Such knowledge is too wonderful for us; it is so high that we cannot attain it.

One: Where can we go from your spirit? Or where can we flee from your presence?

Many: If we ascend to heaven, you are there; if we make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

All: If we take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead us, and your right hand shall hold us fast.

***Hymn**

I Will Call Upon the Lord
(Sung 2 times)

Ken Hofstetter

**I will call upon the Lord
who is worthy to be praised.
So shall I be saved from my enemies.
I will call upon the Lord.**

Refrain

***The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,
and let the God of my salvation be exalted!
The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,
and may the God of my salvation be exalted!***

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

Gracious God, we confess that our worship sometimes engages the head not the heart. Sometimes we do not allow the head knowledge to seep into our heart. Forgive us when our heads and our hearts are disconnected in worship through Jesus Christ, our Lord (*in silence, confess your personal sin...*)
Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

As we see the pouring of the water, let us remember rebirth through the Holy Spirit that Christ promises in our baptism in this pandemic.

The Font

The Peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with You (Virtual Service) Share your peace in the message section on Facebook Live. (8:45 & 11:00) Peace shared responsively.

Children's Moment (11:00)

Michelle Lorio

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Instrumental Piano Music

Camille Rosier

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 29:13-16

Gospel Lesson

Mark 7:1-13

One: Hear what the Spirit says to the Church!

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Worship With All Your Heart

Reverend Jason Hammersley

***Hymn**

Glory to God

(Sung 2 times)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***Affirmation of Faith: A Brief Statement of Faith - Excerpt (*Unison*)**

In life and in death we belong to God. We trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession (Church, world, our nation, communities, individuals, the future)

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

You may place your tithes and financial gifts in the offering plate as you exit the sanctuary. The plates will be in the narthex. Please maintain social distancing as you exit.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving with the Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn**

Guide My Feet

**Guide my feet while I run this race;
guide my feet while I run this race,
guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

**Hold my hand while I run this race;
hold my hand while I run this race,
hold my hand while I run this race,
For I don't want to run this race in vain!**

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER PARTNERS

Emily Lockard will be unavailable to take prayer requests through October 20th. If you have a prayer request during this time, please call the church office.

2021 SAPC Officer Nominees

After reaching out to all the individuals, who have accepted the call to service, the SAPC Officer Nominating Committee (ONC) is putting forward the following slate of nominees to serve as SAPC Officers in 2021. The nominees will be presented at the fall congregational meeting, which is scheduled for November 1, 2020:

Elders who have accepted God's Calling:

Kelli Williams
Anita Self
Angela Clifford
Lyn VanDervort

Deacons who have accepted God's Calling:

Susan Selden
Elsie Worpell
Jane Jones
Sonni Callan
Michelle Green

Trustee who has accepted God's Calling:

Ken Hofstetter

Congregational Members who will serve on 2021 SAPC ONC:

Pam Pethick
Martin McCrum
TBD

Prayer for Healing

Shirley Shaw as she deals with health issues

Emma Parnell as she recovers following surgery

The family of Nell Burkes (Greg Burkes' mother) as they mourn following her death

Kim Isiminger (Lois Isiminger's daughter-in-law) as she undergoes open heart surgery on Oct. 20th

Bill (Susan Selden's father) as he struggles with mobility issues and loss of appetite

Bob Baker who is home with assistance and hospice care

The family of Phyllis Davis (Cyndy Duggins' sister) as they mourn

Dawn (Sue Kelly's niece) who has been diagnosed with myeloid leukemia

Lemont (Myra Toomajian's brother) as he moves to Pennsylvania and deals with multiple health issues

Magnolia (the daughter of Mary Snyder's niece) who has been unable to eat but is now responding to treatment

Richard Edwards as he receives chemotherapy

David Ice following a dementia diagnosis

Phil Lockard as he receives a new cancer treatment

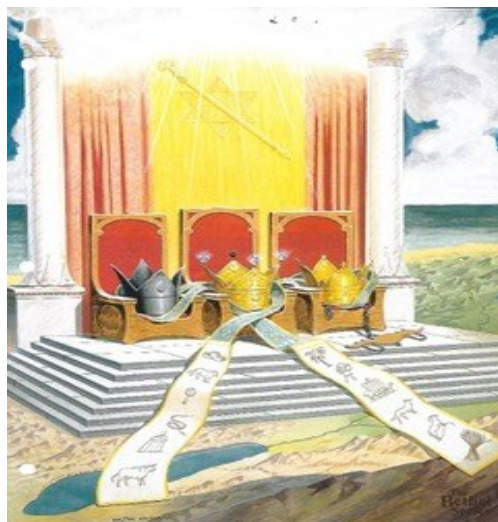


New Location!

The new location for the Oct 19th Life Line Screening event, which was originally scheduled to occur at South Aiken Presbyterian, is below:

Hilton Garden Inn Aiken
350 East Gate Drive
Aiken, SC 29803

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Origins Adult Sunday School on Zoom Now Studying - 1st & 2nd Samuel

Every Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. SAPC offers a ZOOM adult Sunday school class, which is taught by Paul Ebel and Mary Bunch. This class started four years ago with Jeff Morgan leading an in-depth study of Genesis that dug deeply into the origins of our Christian heritage. Since that time, the class has studied seven more books of the Bible, and it will now take up 1st and 2nd Samuel. We are seeing the legacy upon which Jesus' arrival on earth was based. What a great story, and everyone is invited to join the class. Just click on the ZOOM site below and say "Hello."

This study also incorporates information from the Bethel Bible Series which SAPC used years ago. The picture above represents the three kings of Israel: Saul, David, and Solomon. David is in the middle with the golden crown and jewels, because David was the pinnacle of the age of kings. Come to this class and learn why we say that.

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South Aiken Presbyterian Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Adult Sunday School Lesson – 1st & 2nd Samuel

Time: 10:00 a.m. Eastern time (US and Canada)

Every week on Sun, until Nov 28, 2020, 6 occurrence(s)

NEW ADDRESS, MEETING ID and PASSCODE!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96862757969?pwd=VlVUakRVVWZveFZUampVQzd3T0Y4dz09>

Meeting ID: 968 6275 7969

Passcode: 340422

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Join Us!



Adult Christian Education Committee welcomes the Return of Food for Thought
(with a few changes for now)

Please join us for Prayer, Song, and Discussion

Instead of Dinner we will be serving packaged desserts and bottled drinks. Seating will be socially distanced and masks are highly suggested.

Dates: Wednesday Oct. 21, 28, Nov 4, 11, and 18

Time: 6:30-7:30pm
(please note time change)

Topic: A Scriptural Look at Bringing Calm to a Chaotic World.
Study is based on the book Holy Disunity--How What Separates Us Can Save Us by Layton Williams.

Books are available for purchase for \$10

Presenters will be: Frank Cunningham, Pastor Jason Hammersley, Paul Ebel and Mary Bunch with the 5th week a Culmination of the Study.

Reservations are requested.

Please call or email Mary Barber
803-270-1410/jbarber57@bellsouth.net

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SAPC Secret Santa 2020

Donations Are NOW Being Accepted!

Due to Covid-19 we will NOT be sponsoring individual kids this year. All children will be shopped for by a handful of Secret Santa elves, primarily online. That means donations are more important than ever! Please go to SouthAiken.org and follow the links to the Secret Santa donations or send a check to the church with Secret Santa in the memo.



Fall Congregational Meeting

Sunday, November 1, 2020

@12:00 p.m.

SAPC's fall congregational meeting will be held in the sanctuary on November 1, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect new SAPC officers (Class of 2023), trustees, and the 2021 SAPC Officer Nominating Committee and to conduct any other related business.

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