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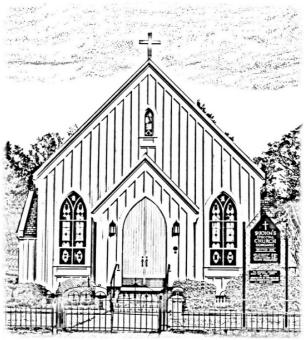
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HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Alex Barron, Celebrant/Priest

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, as members of St. John's Episcopal Church, Congaree,
are an open, caring, nurturing community committed to

living the Word of God by witnessing through Christ and growing in grace through prayer, fellowship, education and service.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, CONGAREE

We are glad you are here today, and we hope that your worship with us will be a blessing. This is the Lord's table; it does not belong to any earthly power: all baptized Christians are welcome to receive. If you do not wish to partake of the cup, simply cross your hands over your breast and the Chalice Bearer will know your intentions. Also, if it is difficult for you to come to the altar rail, the rector will bring the Eucharist to you. ALL ARE WELCOME ALL THE TIME!

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S

Today we welcome The Rev. Alex Barron as our guest priest and celebrant. We are delighted to have him lead our worship and we appreciate his being here. Next week, our guest celebrant/priest will be The Rev. Patricia Sexton.

PRAYER FOR THE VESTRY AND SEARCH COMMITTEE

Praying in unison: *Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

November 8, 2026 to November 14, 2026

Today	9:00 AM	Formation Classes
Today	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Monday	6:30 PM	Vestry Meeting
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study
Friday	5:00 PM	104th Convention Convenes
Saturday	1:30 PM	104th Convention Adjourns

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study group meets at Lizard's Thicket on Garners Ferry Road at 8:00 AM on Tuesdays. The group uses the weekly lessons as their study guide.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The women are studying the book of Mark using the workbook Mark: A 12-Week Study by Dane Ortlund. Please join them at Lizard's Thicket on Garners Ferry at 10:00 AM on Tuesdays.

ST. JOHN'S PRAYER LIST

Please Pray For:	Requested by:
Brenda Manning	Ed Manning
Mary Clarkson	Parish
Debby Watson	Parish
Judy Addison	Parish
Michelle	Jane Rye
Holly Davis	Parish
Maria Brady	Debbie Davis
John Train	Selman Watson
Don Burton	Selman Watson
Tom Moore	Carol Fowles
Austin Mintz	John & Lynn Davis
Lesley Antley Marshall	Annie Antley
Roy Brazzell	Tammy Brazzell
Heather Tsahalis	Corrie Blasi
Betty Thompson	Parish
Penny Teague	Debbie Davis
Jewell Sams	The Floyd Family
Laura Timmons	Lisa Clarkson
Charlie & Phyllis King	Julie Claytor
Jacob & Angela Pendleton	Lisa Clarkson
The Owens Family	Bev Watkins
John Grimball	Parish
Liz Grice	Sheryl Moureaux
Susan Grice	Sheryl Moureaux
Janet McKinney	Bev Watkins
Our Military	Parish
Morris Tajman	Van Lott
Andrew Knight	Bev Watkins
Paul	Rita McCaskill

Deacon Ann Pilat	Parish
Ally Lambert	Nikita Floyd/Parish
Susan Voelker & Family	Marion Crane
Alicia H. & Isaac J. Mikell IV	Jenks Mikell/Parish
Jason Gant	Rita McCaskill
Margaret Dydecka	Corrie Blasi
Brooke Moran	Corrie Blasi
Mary Mason Walker	Danielle Floyd
Mary Ann Hiott	Parish

Please let us know if you have someone to add to the Prayer List. Also, please let us know if your person has recovered.

ADULT AND YOUTH FORMATION

Classes will be at 9am each Sunday through December 6. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend! The youth program will be led by Julie Claytor with assistance by Mary Ellen Barnwell and others. Adult classes will be participant led.

ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS FOR NOVEMBER

November 8 – Julie & Frank Claytor
November 15 – Lisa Clarkson
November 22 – Fran & Al Burnett
November 29 – Corrie Blasi

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

For flower donations, there is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in Zion Hall for those who wish to donate flowers on a given Sunday in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The cost is $50. Please make your check payable to St. John's, Congaree and notate "Altar Flowers" on the memo line. For the month of November, available dates to give are the 15th, and 22nd.

WORSHIP TEAM FOR NOVEMBER

	Worship Leader	Lector	Videographer	Greeter
Nov 8	Fran Burnett	Rita McCaskill	Selman Watson	John Davis
Nov 15	Lisa Clarkson	Julie Claytor	Frank Claytor	Louise Barker
Nov 22	Louise Barker	Ayden Floyd	Selman Watson	The Claytors
Nov 29	Van Lott	Alex Peraza	Jose Peraza	Bev Watkins

PRAYING FOR SCHOOLS IN OUR COMMUNITY

During the year, St. John's prays for specific area schools each week. This week we are praying for Gadsden, Forest Lake and Jackson Creek Elementary Schools, EL Wright and Kelly Mill Middle Schools, Dreher and AC Flora High Schools, and Presbyterian College. Please add the students and staff of these schools to your prayers at home.

GADSDEN BACKPACK PROGRAM

Capri Sun. Fruit cups. Pop Tarts. Instant oatmeal packets. GoGo squeeZ applesauce. Etc. Can you help us provide nutritional items for the Gadsden Backpacks this next week? Please put your donation in the red wagon and watch it get pulled to the altar. Thank you for participating in this important ministry.

VESTRY MEETING

Wardens and vestry members, please plan to attend the vestry meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Monday, November 9 at 6:30pm.

SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Surveys have been submitted to Holy Cow! Consulting, and the data is being compiled. We anticipate receiving the information from the surveys in early December at which time the Search Committee will begin using the information to help guide us to the next step.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Thank you for sending in your 2027 pledge card during our October Stewardship campaign. Your pledge cards were blessed last Sunday. If you didn't get a chance to send in your pledge there are cards available in the Narthex. If you have questions, please call Julie Claytor, Stewardship Chair, 803.606.2369.

Thank you also for your continued and committed giving to St. John's. To donate online, go to: https://tinyurl.com/stjohnspledge2026 or scan this QR code:

ECW NEWS

-The next ECW meeting will be November 15 following worship service.
-The ECW continues to collect food items for Senior Resources each covered dish Sunday. Thanks for your support of this project.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

The Hospitality Committee's mission is to provide comfort and nourishment during difficult times and times of joy. If a need arises for you or someone you know, please contact Debbie Davis at 803-622-2929 or the church office. If you would like to be added to the circle of volunteers also please let Debbie know. Everyone is welcome to serve!

HOMECOMING/ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

There are so many great folks to thank for working so hard at putting together and pulling off such a wonderful last weekend at St. John's!!! Team St. John's – thank you everyone for all you do in the life of God's church.

CAN'T PHYSICALLY BE WITH US?

When you can't join us in church, you can watch the service on Facebook even if you don't have a Facebook account. Go to the church's website and scroll down on the first page to find the Facebook icon. Click on it and you'll go right to the Facebook page in order to watch. "Like" or leave us a message!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Amanda Nichols – November 9
Debbie Morris – November 9
Debby Watson – November 11

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

None

FORWARD DAY BY DAY

We provide Forward Day by Day to parishioners as a simple and effective daily prayer practice. Each day features a Bible verse from the daily readings and a related reflection written by a different author each month, all in less than 200 words. It even includes the daily feast days, as well as prompts to take faithful action in your daily life. Copies of the November, December, and January daily devotional booklets are available on the Narthex Table.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY

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SAVE THE DATES!!!

Sunday, December 6, 2026 – Annual Congregational Meeting
Saturday, March 6, 2027 – Annual Oyster Roast/Shrimp Boil Fund-raiser
Sunday, April 11, 2027 – Bishop Richards' Visitation to St. John's

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