



October 20, 2019

**"Quiet Disciples
at Work"**

Luke 17:5-10

Traditional Worship
8:30 & 11:00 Sanctuary

Contemporary Worship
9:45 Chapel

Rev. Tom Jones
Senior Pastor

Rev. Richard Soper
Associate Pastor



**"A LIFE DEFINED BY
GENEROSITY"**

Through your generous support, we have received 152 Estimate of Giving cards, totaling \$687,726.00 as of October 15, including 24 new cards.

Please remember, you may still mail your Estimate of Giving card, bring it by the church office, or place it in the offering plate on Sunday.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness to our church!

"Where's the Minister?"

We were at Annual Conference one year when the bishop asked all the ministers in the auditorium to stand. Without hesitation those of us in the ordained ministry rose to our feet. The bishop smiled and said, "I think there has been a misunderstanding. I asked all the ministers to stand."

With the Bishop's added invitation, we felt a wave of understanding move across the room. Slowly, but still with some uncertainty, everyone stood.

The bishop provided a powerful visual of the difficulty we have in grasping what it means to be in ministry. It is a struggle that clergy and laity often share. For example, no pastors asked any lay people around them to stand following the bishop's invitation. Instead we somewhat smugly rose to our feet anticipating a pat on the back or a word of encouragement from the bishop. On the other hand, many lay persons hesitated to stand even after the bishop had clarified his invitation. They had reservations about standing with those they identified as the ministers.

A vital church does not rely solely on ordained clergy to do ministry. For a pastor to assume that he or she is the only one who can do ministry is an unhealthy approach to service in the church. Likewise, for the congregation to think that ministry can only be done by the pastors is just as unhealthy. For the body of Christ to be alive, vibrant, and healthy we need to consider and then accept our place in ministry.

St. Simons United Methodist Church has a tremendous staff team who help provide strong and meaningful ministries. We have incredible lay people who have offered their time and talents in service to the church and others. But to continue to move forward as a church and to grow in our individual discipleship we must remember that God has called all of us to serve.

I invite you to respond to God's call to serve in whatever ways you are needed. And the next time someone asks you, "Where's the minister" you will be able to answer, "I'm in ministry; how can I help?"

I look forward to being with you this Sunday as all the ministers gather to worship and we celebrate the ministry of the laity. We are one in the Spirit – we are one in the Lord – we are one in ministry together!

Blessings,
Tom

PRAYER CONCERNS:

- New names for this week will be highlighted.
- If you would like to be removed from this list, please call the church

Vicky Adams, **Avret Family**, Diana Bailey, Rita Barford, John Barton, Amris Bedford, Gene Cariker, **John & Emily Childs**, Mary Corbitt, Meg Craddock, Lanier Dobrenic, Janice Dumas, Pat Gossage, **Joyce Gunn**, Connie Hallows, **Tiffany Harrison**, **Sandra Hayes**, Janice Horn, **William Huntley**, Barbara Jensen, Jim Jensen, Drew Lawrence, **Shannon Lemmon**, **Libby Martore**, Karen McLawhorn, Nathan Meadows, Tom Morris, Marie Neel, Jimmy Orr, Becky Outlaw, Dick Pipe, Jan Powell, **Don Proctor**, George Raiford, **Anita Recio**, **Bill Sisco**, Mary Stivers, Charles Taylor, Ted Teale, Weldon Thalacker, Bonnie Tippet, Stephanie Watson, Judy Whelan, Michael Whelan, Paul Wilska, Dick Wilton, Chandler Woods, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, and our Nation.

Magnolia Manor: JoAnne Alford, **Jan Dorsey**, Jack Jenkins, Marjorie Lawrence, Debby Lloyd, Pat Miller, Norma Mock, Joyce Parry, Charlotte Petty, Miriam Tucker, Larry Varnadoe, Effie Walker **Sr. Care:** Anne Pinson

Adding Place: Carolyn Lovell, Leonard Mann, Nancy Reynolds

Servicemen/Servicewomen: CPT Clay A. Alexander, LTC Tim Buehn, SGT Jonathon Carmichael, Master SGT David Hoffer, CPT Chris House, Mason K. James, Col Denise Mull, PO1 George Quigley, Maj. Susan C. Stahl, Lt Col Tad Woolfe, and all our service men and women.

To add or remove a name from our prayer list, please contact the church office.

SERVE

MEMBERS IN MINISTRY - October 20, 2019

USHERS:

8:30 John Goodrich, Bill Foster, Lynda Sterrett, Cathie Wilton
11:00 Dona Colglazier, David Lewis, Jimmy Orr, John Rentz, Mel Rozier, Mike Suthard, Jamie Wiles

GREETERS:

8:30 Dick Wilton
9:45 Tracie Beane, Toni Metz
11:00 Madge McKenzie, Claudia Royal

PROJECTION:

8:30 Robin Parmelee 11:00 Ashley Swann

HOSPITALITY: Set Up: Dona Colglazier Clean Up: Amy Baldwin

ALTAR ANGELS: Faye Moore, Lyle & Vickie Bandy

OUR PRESENCE - October 13, 2019

8:30 Worship Service	194	Membership	1071
9:45 Worship Service	74	New Members in 2019	32
11:00 Worship Service	321		
Children's Church	17		
TOTAL	606	Sunday School	108

STEWARDSHIP - October 13, 2019

Tithes & Offerings Received	\$24,168.00
Received YTD	\$830,632.05
Expenses YTD	\$858,682.13
Difference	-\$28,050.08
Building Fund YTD	\$5,294.00

Wednesday,
Oct. 30th!



We Need
Your Help!

Join us in reserving trunk space
or donating candy!

The Fellowship Sunday School Class

Our class is looking for a few new members. We are a small, mature class of 20 members. We have 4 teachers who rotate so that each week you get a different "flavor" of teaching. We use the International Sunday School Lesson Book based on the NIV bible. We are located on the 2nd floor – last room on the left and we meet at 0945 on Sunday.

Many of us go out for Breakfast after the lesson. We also have a dinner once a quarter at one of the local restaurants.

Come up and visit with us! No obligation to join.

Memorials

In Memory of Edward Reynolds Jr.
from Nancy B. Reynolds

In Memory of Betty Pierce
from John & Barbara Lindgren

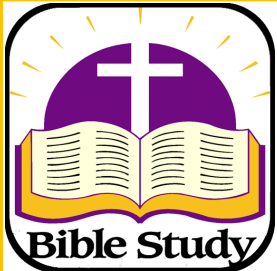


Coastal District South Churches Charge
Conference will be at 3:00pm at College Place
in Brunswick on Sunday, October 27!

INVITE

Save the date

**Angela Primm
In Concert**
November 9 at 7:00pm
St. Simons UMC
Sanctuary



Advent Study

A 5 week
Advent
study will
begin on
Thursday,

November 14, 10:00am in Room 201. The study will focus on Adam Hamilton's book "The Journey." We will meet each Thursday, except on Thanksgiving, and will finish on Thursday, December 19. Book will be available in the church office for \$12. Please call the church office if you can join Rev. Richard Soper in this Bible Study.

Golden Isle Strummers (Free Concert)

Saturday, October 26 at 7:00pm
First Presbyterian Church
1105 Union Ave. Brunswick

*Donations gladly accepted for Women's Voices of Glynn County and non-perishable food items for Sparrow's Nest can be donated at the door.

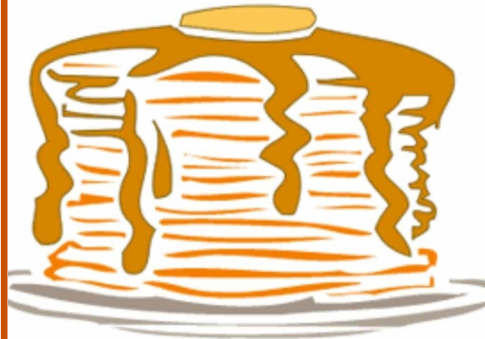
SAM \$10 buck dinner and "Muleskiner Mike" Thursday 10/24/19.

Please call the church office by Monday if you can join us for dinner & fun!

Jacksonville Symphony Holiday Pops Coffee Concert featuring the Symphony choir, guest singers & dancers performing favorite holiday classics is Friday, December 6. Cost is \$55pp for tickets and transportation.



Please join us in these churchwide activities!



Pancakes in the Patch this Sunday 9-Noon

Church in the Park October 27-10:30am Neptune Park Bring a dish to share



Trunk or Treat Wednesday, October 30 5:30-7:00pm

Don't forget to sign up in the Gholson Room to reserve your trunk space for a night of fun, costumes, treats and dinner!

PUMPKIN PATCH



Patch Hours

**Monday-Friday
1pm-7pm**

**Saturday
9am-7pm**

**Sunday
11am-7pm**



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Upcoming

EVENTS

OCTOBER 17 - OCTOBER 24, 2019

Thursday, October 17

7:00 am 707 Group, Thorpe Bldg.
9:30 am Trip to Eugenia Price's Home
No Women's Bible Study today

Friday, October 18

7:30 am Men's Bible Study
5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Saturday, October 19

5:30 pm Wedding, Sanctuary

Sunday, October 20

8:30 am Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary,
9:00 am **Pancakes in the Patch (9-Noon)**
9:45 am Contemporary Worship Service, Chapel
9:45 am Sunday School Classes
11:00 am Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
3:00 pm Memorial Service & Reception for Catherine Berrie, Chapel
5:30 pm MYF, Youth Room

Monday, October 21

9:00 am Prayer Team, Parlor
11:00 am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
4:00 pm Stephen Ministry, Room 202
6:00 pm Long Range Planning Meeting, YOUTH ROOM**
7:00 pm Men's Bible Study, Gholson area

Tuesday, October 22

7:30 am Men's Reunion Group, Room 203
10:00 am Men's Life, Room 203
1:30 pm Women's Life, Room 204
6:00 pm Cub Scouts, Thorpe Bldg.
7:00 pm Boy Scouts, Thorpe Bldg.

Wednesday, October 23

7:00 am 707 Group, Thorpe Bldg.
11:00 am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
12:30 pm Hospitality Committee Meeting, Room 203
5:30 pm Children's Choir, Dinner & Bible Study
6:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 24

7:00 am 707 Group, Thorpe Bldg.
10:00 am Job Bible Study
6:00 pm 10 Buck Dinner w/Muleskinner Mike



**This is a Stephen
Ministry Church**