

Weekly Activities

Sunday, September 6

- 9:00am Nursery, Birth-4 years (9:00am-12:00pm)
- 9:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary & Online
- 10:00am Sunday School/Small Groups
- 11:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary & Online
- 5:30pm MYF- Methodist Youth Fellowship, Thorpe Bldg.

Monday, September 7– Church Office Closed

- 9:00am Prayer Team, Zoom Meeting
- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

Tuesday, September 8

- 8:00am Biscuit Eaters Emmaus Reunion Group, Parlor
- 9:00am Handbell Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 10:30am UMW Circle 2, Room 203
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts- Troup 248, Thorpe Bldg.

Wednesday, September 9

- 7:00am 707 Bible Study- Led by Stan Robinson, Thorpe Bldg.
- 8:00am Prayer Hedge, Parlor
- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 5:30pm VBS Wednesday Nights, Thorpe Bldg.
- 6:00pm Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

Thursday, September 10

- 6:00pm Nominations Committee, Room 201

Friday, September 11

- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

**Communion Sunday– Remember to bring
food for Sparrows Nest!**

**Reminder- UMW Momentum Box items
are due this Sunday!**

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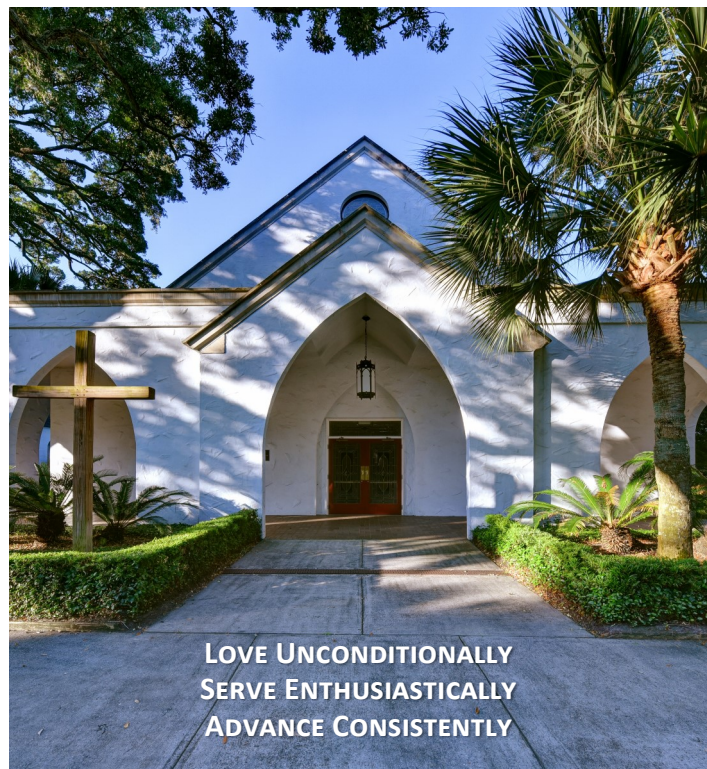
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WELCOME TO ST. SIMONS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY
SERVE ENTHUSIASTICALLY
ADVANCE CONSISTENTLY

Thank You for Joining Us!

Sunday, September 6, 2020

9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

In-Person and Online

*Nursery Available

Rev. Tom Jones

Matthew 18:15-20

*Get Down to the
Nitty-Gritty*

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

The Worship of God

9:00 AM

Prelude Jordan Tippet

Call to Worship **How Great Thou Art** Arr. Jay Rouse
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Greeting Rev. Tom Jones

Invitation to Communion Rev. Richard Soper

Confession and Pardon
**Gracious God, you have known us
since the beginning of time.
You know when we struggle to hear your voice,
and when we yearn to know your grace.
Speak to us with wisdom and love,
and protect us with mercy and grace.
Heal us and set us free,
that we may recognize your presence,
heed your call, and celebrate your loving acceptance.**

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Glory to God. Amen**

* Worship Time **Friend of God** CCLI #3991561 | Israel Houghton
©2003 Integrity Music

* Passing the Peace

* Chorus **We Are the Body of Christ**

Children's Message Heather Keefer

Worship Time
Peace CCLI #7149280 | Ed Cash
©Capitol CMG Paragon
'Tis So Sweet CCLI #22609 | Stead

Scripture **Matthew 18:15-20**

Morning Message **GET DOWN TO THE
NITTY-GRITTY** Rev. Tom Jones

The Great Thanksgiving Richard Soper

The Lord's Prayer
Sacrament of Holy Communion

* Hymn **Let There Be Peace On Earth** WORLD PEACE
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* Offertory Prayer Richard Soper

* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude

***Worshippers, please stand as comfortable**

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* Hymn **O For a Thousand
Tongues to Sing** AZMON
Verses 1, 2, 3 & 4

* Passing the Peace

* Chorus **We Are the Body of Christ**

Children's Message Heather Keefer

Message in Music **How Great Thou Art** arr. Russell Mauldin
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“The Rest is Just Sand”

One of my favorite stories is about a philosophy professor who began his class by picking up a large, empty jar and filling it with rocks about 2 inches in diameter. He asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

Then the professor picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the rocks. He asked the students if the jar was full. Again, they agreed that it was.

He then poured sand into the jar. The sand filled in all the gaps between the rocks and pebbles. All agreed that the jar was now full.

Holding up the jar the professor said, “I want you to recognize that this is your life. The rocks are important things in your life – your family, your health, your faith – anything that is so important to you that if it were lost you would be devastated.”

“The pebbles are the other things in your life that matter – your job, your house, your car. The sand is just that – the small stuff. If you put the sand into the jar first, there would be no room for the rocks or pebbles.”

“The same goes for your life. If you spend all your energy and time on the small stuff you will never have room for the things that are important to you. So pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness.”

How are you spending your time and energy? Have you made enough room for the important stuff? Have you left any room for God? I look forward to seeing you in worship this Sunday online and in-person as we celebrate Holy Communion together.

Have a safe and blessed Labor Day Weekend!

Blessings,

Tom



Responding to Hurricane Laura

Our prayers are with those in Louisiana and Texas who have experienced the devastation of Hurricane Laura. Beyond our continued prayers, donations are the most critical need to help support the relief efforts. There are a couple of ways you can contribute:

- Give through our church. Designate on your check SGA Conference Advance #6798.
- Mail a check to the Administrative Services Office made out to the South Georgia Conference and earmarked Conference Advance #6798 - Hurricane Laura Relief (address: PO Box 7727, Macon, GA 31209).

You are also asked to pray for one of our members, Amy Baldwin, who is in Louisiana working with the relief efforts.

Financial Report

TEXT TO GIVE:

For your convenience you may send a text to the number 73265 with the message SSUMC to Give Online

August 30, 2020

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$14,394.00

Amount Given YTD | \$661,947.67

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$777,973.62

Expenses YTD | \$661,438.67

Building Fund | \$6,255.00

thank you

Attendance

August 30, 2020

Total In-Person Worship | 137

9:00 am | 60 11:00 am | 77

Sunday School/Small Groups | 71

Total Online Worship Views | 436

9:00 am | 199 11:00 am | 237

Members in Ministry

September 6

Ushers:

9:00 Jimmy Beasley, Ranny Blount, Janice Lee, Tom Smith

11:00 Kevin Brandon, Sonny Doebling, David Miller,
Don Varnadoe, Evans Williams

Greeters:

9:00 Pat Carmichael, Tish Searcy,

11:00 Barbara Smith, Amelia Lasater, Juna Todd, Stella Avret

Projection:

9:00 Robin Parmelee

11:00 Ashley Swann

Prayer Requests

TEXT A PRAYER REQUEST:

You may text a prayer request to us by sending a text to: 31996 with the message PRAYssumc

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

Diana Bailey, John Barton, Nancy Beauchamp, Lauren Belt, Sandy Bottjer, **Billie June Boyd & the Boyd Family**, Family of Barron Bray, Elden Carmichael, Cecilia & Matt Chase, **Mary Corbitt**, Lanier Dobrenic, Irene Drew, Terri Dunkle, Glenn Etheridge, Pat Gossage, Connie Hallows, Chuck & Robin Harwell, Jay Heymann, Brian Holly, Elwanda Hopkins, Barbara & Jim Jensen, Michael Kaufman, Holly Lamb, **Shannon Lemmon**, Stan Lindgren, **Robert Marascalco**, Judy McVey, Nathan Meadows, Lynne Mulligan, Jimmy Orr, Marilyn Pearson, Sandy & Jerry Peterson, Ann & Bill Pickard, Dick Pipe, Harriett Pope, Don Proctor, George Raiford, Bob Rewis, Lauren Rogers, **Shawnee Rozier**, **Andrew Sharp**, Joe Songer, Greg Sperry, Joslyn Stinchcomb, Mary Stivers, Thomas Stroud, III, Charles Taylor, Will Thomas, Dave Vandersall, Stephanie Watson, Mary Wilson, Jerry Winsness, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, and our Nation.

Magnolia Manor: JoAnne Alford, Jack Jenkins, Marjorie Lawrence, Debby Lloyd, Pat Miller, Norma Mock, Joyce Parry, Charlotte Petty, Larry Varnadoe, Effie Walker

Sr. Care: Anne Pinson

Addington Place: Nancy Reynolds

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

United Methodist Women's PECAN SALE

September 13 | Gholson Room



Pecans can be ordered starting next Sunday, every Sunday until October 11. We will be selling halves, pieces, salted and roasted, chocolate, and glazed pecans.

Cost is \$11 with delivery before Thanksgiving.

Proceeds of this sale will benefit Red Bird Mission and Local Missions!

Farewell

I regret to announce the resignation of Jordan Tippet as pianist. Jordan has served the church faithfully for the past four and half years as pianist for worship. Jordan's last Sunday will be September 27. I thank Jordan for enhancing our worship each Sunday and the music ministry will miss him and his skillful playing as accompanist.

Blessings,

Kevin Lamb, Director of Music Ministries

Position Open in the Music Ministry

The music ministry of St. Simons United Methodist is seeking a keyboardist. The positions primary instrument is piano. The church is blessed with two fairly new Yamaha Grand Pianos and a 29 Rank Pipe organ with digital enhancements. The worship spaces have had recent renovation that has enhanced them acoustically. The music ministry sings a variety of styles and genres for a congregation whose worship is diverse. For more information about this position contact Kevin Lamb, Director of Music Ministries at: Kevin@stsimonsumc.com

Music Ministry

Handbells Rehearsal

Tuesday, September 8 | 9:00pm | Sanctuary

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 9 | 6:00pm | Sanctuary

This rehearsal is for all choir—SATB

Chair Yoga

Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday | 11:00am | Thorpe Bldg.
\$5/person

* Please note Chair Yoga is now available on Friday!

Memorial

A gift has been given in Memory of **Rev. James Boyd** from:
June Smith

In Memoriam

Rev. James Ellis Boyd
September 27, 1936-
August 29, 2020

Rocky Railway VBS on Wednesdays!



BEGINS THIS WEEK

Wednesday, September 9

5:30pm-7:00pm in the Thorpe Building.

This is the last chance to Register Online!

Additional Crew Leaders are needed to assist in maintaining Social Distancing. These adult leaders will lead groups through rotations. Sign up through our registration page:

StSimonsUmc.com/VBS

Please contact Heather Keefer, Director of Student Ministries at to volunteer or for more information.

Heather@stsimonsumc.com or 912.638.3317

Pumpkins are Arriving!

Saturday, October 10 | 9:00 am | Pumpkin Patch



Due to COVID this year, the Pumpkin Patch is going to look a little bit different and the way we unload pumpkins is going to be different too!

This year, we will back pick-up trucks up to the 18-wheeler full of pumpkins and unload in "Crews" of 8-10 people (so we don't have so many hands touching all of the pumpkins). When the pick-up is full, that crew will drive to a location in the patch to unload while the next crew (and pick-up truck) starts the process over again.

If you have a pick-up truck that you would be willing to drive in the Patch on that Saturday, 10/10, please let me know! I am hoping to have 4-5 crews of 8-10 people that will rotate through the patch in addition to other volunteers that are "on the ground" moving to help each crew. YOUTH! You are *required* to be at unloading on 10/10 or Patch set-up the previous Saturday morning, 10/3. Mark your calendars to earn Patch Points!!

Come Support the SSUMC Youth and shop for Pumpkins:
Cash, Credit or Check!

Connect With Us!

Open a new text message on your phone and send the words below to the listed phone number. Once you text in, you will be able to answer some follow up questions to share with us.

You may always reach out to our pastors and staff directly. 912.638.3317 | info@stsimonsumc.com

Send GUESTsumc to 31996 to Connect With Us

Join the Church

If you would like to join St. Simons United Methodist Church you may do so by one of three ways:

- (1) Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ
- (2) Transfer from another United Methodist congregation
- (3) Transfer from another denomination

If you are interested in more information about becoming a member call/text Rev. Tom Jones at 678.343.3767 or email Rev. Tom Jones at tom@stsimonsumc.com



FriendFinder

Our Spotlighted Friend
for this week is...

AVA!

What is your full name?
Ava Maryella Wilson

- What grade are you in? **3rd**
- What is your favorite color? **Teal**
- What is your favorite food? **French fries**
- What is your favorite candy or ice cream flavor? **Raspberry Jolly Ranchers**
- What do you want to be when you grow up? **A Music teacher (like Mrs. Lamb!)**
- What do you like to do for fun? **Hiking**
- If you could go anywhere in the world, where would it be? **Ireland**
- What is your favorite bible verse? **Psalm 119:105-Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path**
- What do you love most about yourself? **My hair!**

*Isn't it fun learning more about our friends??
If you want to be next week's friend, email Ms. Heather
the answers to these same questions and a photo to share!!*



"Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am with them."

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REFUSE	NAME	BROTHER	FATHER
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

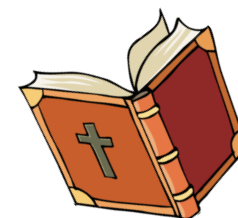


Let's praise Jesus!

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Look it up in the Bible

Matthew 18:20



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- 4-16-4-15-22-17 _____
- 20-16-4-15-22-2 _____
- 26-9-17-22-22 _____
- 12-16-2-7 _____
- 22-26-17-15-11 _____
- 20-25-25-4-22 _____
- 11-22-26-5-22-2 _____
- 9-26-15-11-22-17 _____
- 2-26-21-22 _____

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