

Weekly Activities

Sunday, November 8

- 9:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary *
10:00am Sunday School/Small Groups:
Children, Youth and Adult *
11:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary *
3:00pm Charge Conference, ZOOM
5:00pm UMW Circle 5, Gholson Room
*Nursery Available: Birth to 4 years old

Monday, November 9

- 9:00am Prayer Team, Zoom Meeting
11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
5:30pm Trustees Meeting, Thorpe Bldg.
7:00pm Men's Bible Study, Gholson Room

Tuesday, November 10

- 7:00am 707 Bible Study— Youth Room
8:00am Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor
9:00am Handbells, Choir Room
10:00am Men's Life, Mike Pickett's Office
10:30am UMW Circle 2, Room 207
7:00pm Boy Scouts- Troup 248, Thorpe Bldg.

Wednesday, November 11

- 7:00am 707 Bible Study- Thorpe Bldg.
11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
4:00pm Disciple Bible Study, Zoom
5:30pm **"Unafraid" Adult Book Study, Thorpe**
5:30pm **"Art of Thankfulness," Children's Ministry Area**
6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, November 12

- 11:00am John Wesley in St. Simons, Chapel, Rev. Dave Hanson

Friday, November 13

- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

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WELCOME TO ST. SIMONS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Where Love is Unconditional
Service is Celebrated Enthusiastically
The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently*



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9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Nursery Available

A Shrub in the Desert

Jeremiah 17:5-10 NKJV

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

The Worship of God

9:00 AM

Welcome		Rev. Tom Jones
Prelude		Emri Comer
* Hymn #733	<i>Marching to Zion</i>	Isaac Watts Verses 1 & 2
* Apostles Creed		Tom Jones
Morning Prayer		
* Fellowship Time		
* Fellowship Chorus	<i>Surely the Presence Of the Lord</i>	Lanny Wolfe ©1977 Lanny Wolfe Music
Children’s Message		Tom Jones
* Hymn #337	<i>Only Trust Him</i>	Stockton Verses 1 & 3
* Scripture Lesson	Jeremiah 17:5-10 NKJV	Rev. Richard Soper
Message in Music	<i>Untitled Hymn</i>	Chancel Choir Chris Tomlin Arr. Patti Drennan
Morning Message	A SHRUB IN THE DESERT	Richard Soper
* Hymn of Invitation #467	<i>Trust and Obey</i>	John H. Sammis Verses 1 & 2
* Benediction		Richard Soper
Postlude		

**Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*

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We Simply Need to Pray

As you read this article we may, or may not, know the outcome of the presidential election. Some are certain to be happy; others, not so much. But no matter the outcome, one thing I hope we can all agree on is that we need to pray for ourselves, our neighbors, and our country.

Below are excerpts from a prayer, written by United Methodist Bishop Ken Carter, that I pray will help guide your prayer life in these challenging times:

**Almighty and gracious God
You are the source of every blessing,
The judge of every nation
And the hope of earth and heaven.**

**Call to mind the best that is within us:
That we live under God,
That we are indivisible,
That out of many, we are one,
That liberty and justice extend to all.**

**Let those who follow your Son Jesus Christ
be a peaceable people in the midst of division.
Give us a passion for peace, justice and freedom
that breaks down walls of political partisanship.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour, and the living of these days.
Amen.**

There are times when we simply need to pray. This is one of those times. Even when it seems our country is on the brink of chaos, through our faith we are reminded that God is sovereign, God is holy, God is faithful, and Jesus Christ is Lord!

May God's blessing be upon our nation, and may the assurance of his abiding presence be with us all.

God, in your great mercy, hear our prayers!

Blessings,

Tom



As of November 4, 2020:

Number of Cards Received to date | 137

Number of New Cards | 16

Total Amount | \$670,760.00

Please remember you may still return your Estimate of Giving card: bring to the church office, submit online, or place it in the offering baskets on Sundays!

If you have not received your card by mail, please call the church office.

Submit Online: www.StSimonsUmc.com

Financial Report

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

November 1, 2020

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$18,446.00

Amount Given YTD | \$839,514.21

Expenses YTD | \$878,514.99

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$979,658.89

Building Fund YTD | \$7,455.00

thank you

Attendance

November 1, 2020

Total In-Person Worship | 172

9:00 am | 88 11:00 am | 84

Total Online Worship Views | 444

9:00 am | 168 11:00 am | 276

Sunday School/Small Groups | 116

Members in Ministry

November 8

Ushers:

9:00 Steve Tucker, Ed Gossage, Richie Sipe, Carolyn Vann

11:00 Mike Fitzgerald, Bill Hansen, Robert Jenkins, Jeff Parker, Randall Rehberg, Phil Shinall, Charles Taylor

Greeters:

9:00 Ranny and Sharon Blount, Carol Conner

11:00 Susan Pope, Nancy Jenkins, Jamie Wiles

Projection:

9:00 Robin Parmelee

11:00 Ashley Swann

Congratulations!

Congratulations to JoAnn and Jim Hurley on the birth of their first grandchild! Carys LeAnn Kwan was born

November 2, 2020, weighing 7lbs, 12oz, and 20 1/4 in long!

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns:

Mary Lou Lamb, Ronald Bell, Jeff Carmichael, Nicolas Case, Barbara Duffey, Mike Germain, Hunt & Lori Huntley, Jessica Milliken, **Lynn Mulligan**, Robin Parmelee, **Jeff Proctor**, Katy Vice

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Diana Bailey, John Barton, Lauren Belt, Sandy Bottjer, Lanier Dobrenic, Irene Drew, Terri Dunkle, Glenn Etheridge, Tom George, Connie Hallows, Elwanda Hopkins, Barbara and Jim Jensen, Shannon Lemmon, Jeff Martin, Nathan Meadows, Jimmy Orr, Sandy & Jerry Peterson, Dick Pipe, Don Proctor, George Raiford, Bob Rewis, Mary Stivers, Stephanie Watson, Bobb'e Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, the US Election, Our Nation.

Assisted Living Prayer:

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

Senior Care: Anne Pinson

Marshes Edge Assisted: Nancy Reynolds

When a name is added to the New Prayer Concerns they will remain for TWO weeks unless the office is notified of an ongoing prayer concern. BOLDDED names indicate a new addition or current concern.

Welcome to our Church Family:

Jessica Zettler along with her son Atlas joined the church this past Sunday, November 1, 2020. We are so happy to have you in our Church Family!

UMW PECANS

November 15 & 22 | Gholson Room

The pecans are arriving and will be available for pickup Sunday November 15 & 22 before, between, and after the 9:00am and 11:00am Worship Services.

The UMW is very thankful for your support! There will be some extra bags available for purchase - inquire below!

Contact: Stella Avret | 912-638-9825



Wednesday Night Programing | Next 2 Weeks Through November 18

Children's Ministry Wednesday Nights: The Art of Thankfulness

Wednesdays | 5:30-6:30pm | Children's Ministry Area

Children's Ministry and Music Ministry presents a 5 week progressive Art Project. We are learning about Thankfulness while we create with local artist, Katherine Vineyard. Each Wednesday is a different stage of the project, so make plans to attend each remaining week! Projects will be sent home on the final night.

Free for children Kindergarten-5th Grade.

Unafraid: Living with Hope in Uncertain Times

A 5 Session Study Group | Led by Rev. Tom Jones

Wednesdays | 5:30-6:30pm | Thorpe Building

Jesus tells us, "Do not be afraid," but with everything going on in the world, how is it possible not to be anxious? In this 5 week study, Adam Hamilton explores the worries and fears most of us experience. The group is learning to identify our fears and discover practical steps for overcoming them...all in the light of Scripture and a faith that promises again and again that we can live with courage and hope. The study book is not required but is available for purchase at Cokesbury or Amazon.

Advent Bible Study

Incarnation:

Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas

Rev. Richard Soper | Tuesdays | 10:00am

November 17 - December 22

"His parents gave him the name Jesus. But the prophets, the shepherds, the wise men, and angels addressed him by other names. They called him Lord, Messiah, Savior, Emmanuel, Light of the world, and Word Made Flesh."

Books \$15, Contact the Church Office

What's Next?

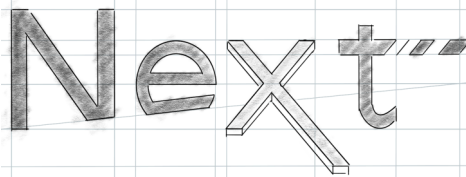
Well, we have been wondering that as well. Next is a valuable commodity in our current world, isn't it? We hope for what is Next. We also wonder and worry for what is Next. But we have decided to claim that Next is what we need.

Next is what is new, because it has not yet happened.

Next has its eye on the goal, where God is beckoning us onward - to Jesus. Join us Sunday and stay tuned for more info.

Next begins November 15, 2020

10:00am | Thorpe Building



Thanksgiving Meal

November 26 | 12:00noon | Thorpe Building

We are going to continue our tradition of our Thanksgiving and Christmas meals! Our Thanksgiving meal will be on Thanksgiving Day, November 26 at noon in the Thorpe Building. **We will be providing all food items this year** due to Covid-19. **There will be a fee and reservations will be taken** through the church office.

Space will be limited due to social distancing.

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Preschool Cookie Fundraiser



Last Sunday to Purchase |

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Frozen cookie dough orders will be taken beginning on Sunday, for arrival before Christmas.

Order in person on Sundays or at the Preschool.

Prepay | 912.634.8557

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 contact Rev. Tom Jones **678.343.3767 | tom@stsimonsumc.com**

Connect With Us!

Send GUESTssumc to 31996 to Connect With Us

Open a new text message on your phone and send the words above 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.

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