Weekly Events

Sunday, January 24

9:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary *

10:00am Sunday School & Small Groups, Various Locations

11:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary *

*Nursery Available: Birth to 4 Years

5:30pm MYF-Methodist Youth Fellowship, Youth Room

Monday, January 25

9:00am Prayer Team, Zoom Meeting11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

12:00pm SAM Council Meeting, Thorpe Bldg.6:00pm Church Council Orientation/LRP Review,

Thorpe Bldg.

7:00pm Men's Bible Study, Gholson Room

Tuesday, January 26

7:00am 707 Bible Study, Youth Room

8:00am Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor

9:00am Handbell Rehearsal, Chapel 10:00am Men's Life, Room 203

7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 248, Thorpe Bldg.

Wednesday, January 27

7:00am 707 Bible Study, Thorpe Bldg. 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

4:00pm Disciple Bible Study, Zoom Meeting

5:30pm Gospel of John, Thorpe Bldg.5:30pm Moms in Prayer, Parlor

5:30pm Children's Ministry Wednesday Nights,

Choir Room (Check-in) & Children's Area (Pickup)

6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Friday, January 29

11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

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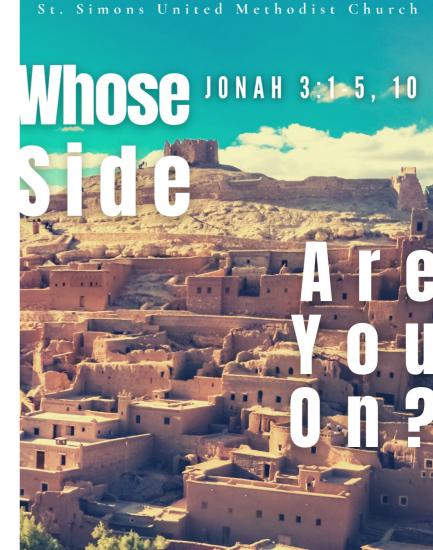
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St. Simons United Methodist Church 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Nursery Available

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anuary 24, 2021

This is a Stephen Ministry Church

The Worship of God

9:00 AM

Prelude Worthy of Worship Sondra Anderson

Arr. Pethel

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Greeting Rev. Richard Soper

* Call to Worship

Here I Am To Worship CCLI #25321 | Tim Hughes

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* Passing the Peace Holly Lamb

Jesus CCLI #7067249 | Chris Tomlim

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Children's Message Heather Keefer

Morning Prayer Richard Soper

The Lord's Prayer

Worship

Who You Say I Am CCLI #7102401 | Ben Fielding

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Scripture Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Rev. Tom Jones

Morning Message WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON?

* Invitation

Go Light Your World CCLI #1829337 | Chris Rice

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* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude

*Worshippers, please stand as able

The Worship of God

11:00 AM

Prelude Worthy of Worship Sondra Anderson

Arr. Pethel

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Greeting Rev. Richard Soper

* Hymn #98 To God Be the Glory TO GOD BE THE GLORY

* Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed* Richard Soper

* Passing the Peace

* Fellowship Chorus ©1984 Benson | Dearman

We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise

Children's Message Heather Keefer

* Hymn Grace Greater Than Our Sin MOODY

Verses 1 & 4

Morning Prayer Richard Soper

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music *Praise the Father,* Chancel Choir

Praise the Son

Arr. Kingsmore

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Scripture Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Rev. Tom Jones

Morning Message WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON?

* Invitation I Surrender All SURRENDER

Verses 1 & 3

* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude

*Worshippers, please stand as able











RSVP originates from the French phrase "Répondez s'il vous plaît," which translates, "Please respond." While some of us are diligent in our efforts to RSVP to any invitation we receive, others choose to wait until the last minute to respond. We may hold off on our response because of the uncertainty of our schedules. In some instances, we don't want to commit too quickly because a better offer may come along. Then there are those who choose not to RSVP – they simply don't respond.

The same can often be said as it relates to our faith journeys. Jesus' invitation includes the words, "Follow me." There of those of us who find reasons why we should delay our response. Others of us choose to ignore the invitation. We miss out on the blessings and the opportunities that God provides when we accept his invitation — an invitation that is always open.

This week in worship we will focus on the story of Jonah. Jonah chose not to respond to God's invitation. In fact, upon receiving the invitation he dismissed it completely; he ran from God. Jonah's story serves to remind us of the persistence of God's invitation and of how he extends his invitation to all people – even to the people of Nineveh who were enemies of God and God's people.

Have you accepted Jesus' invitation to follow him? He is waiting for you to RSVP. How will you respond?

Blessings,

Tom

Building and Grounds Master Plan Team Meeting

The Building and Grounds Master Plan Team will meet on Tuesday, February 2, 5:30-6:30pm, in the Sanctuary. This team has been formed based on a recommendation from our Long Range Plan. Over the course of the next year this group will work to develop a building and grounds master plan that will serve as a roadmap for new construction, renovations, maintenance, and funding for the next 5-10 years.

The committee will be chaired by John Bird Daniel and includes the following members:

Phil Belt, Emri Comer, Gerry Egger, Lee Giles, Debbie Kohler, Jennifer Lewis, Mike Martin, Clif Pease, Jeff Piccione, John Rentz, Jennifer Robinson, Richie Sipe, Tom Smith, Tommy Stroud, Beverly Trainor, Greg Walbridge, Judy Wright, and members of the church staff.

Please keep this team's work and each individual member in your prayers as they turn to God for guidance in this process.

Financial Report

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

January 17, 2021

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$12,994.06

Amount Given YTD | \$52,605.06

Expenses YTD | \$36,376.72

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$53,871.60

Building Fund YTD | \$50.00

Attendance

January 17, 2021

Members in Ministry This Sunday

January 24, 2021

Ushers:

9:00 Jimmy Beasley, Ranny Blount, Janice Lee, Tom Smith11:00 Mike Fitzgerald, Phil Shinall, Robert Jenkins, Jeff Parker

Greeters:

9:00 Barbara Hill, Dick and Cathie Wilton11:00 Kay Holmes, Marguerite Suthard

Projection:

9:00 Robin Parmelee 11:00 Neva Kaye

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals: New Prayer Concerns:

Lynn Bolin, Peggy Capes, **Christy Carter**, Debra Clark, Myrina Cusick, James Gunn, Jamie Hamilton, Raleigh Kitchens, Bob Largin, **Beverly Trainor**

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Diana Bailey, John Barton, Lauren Belt, Sandy Bottjer, Billy June Boyd, Lanier Dobrenic, Terri Dunkle, Connie Hallowes, Elwanda Hopkins, Jim Jensen, Shannon Lemmon, John Lindgren Jeff Martin, Nathan Meadows, Spence Mullis, Jimmy Orr, Sandy & Jerry Peterson, Bill and Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Don Proctor, Jeff Proctor, George Raiford, Mary Stivers, Stephanie Watson, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, 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

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. BOLDED names indicate a new addition or current concern.

Wednesday Night Programming Returns January 27, 2021

Children's Ministry K-5th Grade:

Drop off in Choir Room | 5:30pm Pickup in Children's Ministry Area | 6:30pm

Children's Choir Wednesdays | 5:30pm | Choir Rm

Join Ms. Holly in the choir room for music time. We will be playing hand chimes, rhythm buckets, music games, and limited singing at this time. After Choir you will move upstairs with Ms. Heather.

Children's Bible Lesson | Children's Ministry Area Kindergarten - 5th Grade | 6:00-6:30pm

We will be learning about "Very Big Mistakes People Made in the Bible, and what God Did About Them". Everybody makes mistakes... even Bible characters that had Jesus to hang around with! We can learn good lessons from others' bad choices, so join us for some fun.

Adult Discipleship Opportunities

The Gospel of John Class

A Session Study Group | Led by Rev. Tom Jones Wednesdays | 5:30-6:30pm | Thorpe Bldg.

Tom Jones will facilitate a Bible Study the Gospel of John. All are welcome to participate. This class will be hosted in the Thorpe Building. The only material you will need is your Bible. An Email address is required for registration.

Registration | www.stsimonsumc.com Information about Study | tom@stsimonsumc.com

Moms In Prayer

Wednesdays | 5:30-6:30pm | Begins January 27

As a mom the best thing you can do for your child is pray. You are invited to attend "Moms in Prayer", a new group, facilitated by Anne Jones, for moms of children in K-12. The group will meet in the church parlor. Masks are required and social distancing will be practiced. "Moms in Prayer" is a structured hour of prayer for your children and their schools.

For more info. Text/call Anne Jones | 770-312-0365

Chancel Choir | 6:00-7:00pm | Sanctuary

Choir is always open for those who would like to join!

Walk for Life | Skylark

Annual Fundraiser | Join our Team!

Walk for Life is an annual fundraising event to support the mission of Skylark. The outreach ministries who directly benefit from the Walk for Life are our Medical Clinics, Mobile Unit, BRAVEheart Teen Initiative Program, and Post Abortion Recovery Program. This year's Walk for Life is being held on March 6, 2021, but you do not have to walk to be a part of this fundraiser! We would LOVE for you to join our SSUMC Walk for Life Team! Glynn County | North Glynn Recreation Complex Walking Track heather@stsimonsumc.com | www.helloskylark.com



Confirmation 2021

Reimagined | Sign Up by Jan. 31

We are excited to announce Confirmation 2021: ReImagined! Each student will participate in 3 Sessions led by Heather Keefer and Tom Jones, as well as a Day Long "ReImagined" Event on Saturday March 6, 2021. Confirmation is a continuation of the faith journey for students and the beginning of a lifetime commitment to the church. Information/Signup form is available on our Church Website or by emailing Heather Keefer.

heather@stsimonsumc.com | www.stsimonsumc.com

Church Council Orientation & Long Range Plan Update

January 25, 2021 | 6:00pm | Thorpe Building

Church Council Members of 2021 should make plans to attend our 2021 Orientation meeting Monday. We will be going over our Long Range Plan and Updating - please be prepared to address your particular areas. Thank you for the gift of your service to the Church.

Information about Meeting | tom@stsimonsumc.com

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.

912.638.3317 | anne@stsimonsumc.com



Please Wear Masks During Worship



In discussion with our staff and consultation with the church leadership, we are asking everyone inside the church building to wear masks. This is a change from our asking you to wear masks only until seated in worship. We ask this in order for our Church to continue In-Person gatherings, and because of the increase in number of local cases. Thank you for your help!





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