

# Weekly Events

## Sunday, March 21

- 9:00am **Worship Service**, Sanctuary \*
- 10:00am Sunday School & Small Groups \*
- 11:00am **Worship Service**, Sanctuary \*
- \*Nursery Available: Birth to 4 Years
- 12:00pm Confirmation Luncheon, Thorpe Bldg.
- 5:30pm MYF-Methodist Youth Fellowship, Thorpe Bldg.

## Monday, March 22

- 9:00am Prayer Team, Zoom Meeting
- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 1:00pm Women's Group, Thorpe Bldg.
- 7:00pm Men's Bible Study, Gholson Room

## Tuesday, March 23

- 7:00am 707 Bible Study, Youth Room
- 8:00am Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor
- 9:00am Handbells, Choir Room
- 10:00am Men's Life, Room 203
- 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 248, Thorpe Bldg.

## Wednesday, March 24

- 7:00am 707 Bible Study, Thorpe Bldg.
- 8:00am Prayer Hedge, Parlor
- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 12:00pm SAM Meeting, TBD
- 4:00pm Disciple Bible Study, Zoom Meeting
- 5:30pm Moms In Prayer, Parlor
- 5:30pm Children's Ministry Wednesday Night,  
Choir Room and Children's Ministry Area
- 5:30pm Gospel of Mark, Room 207
- 6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

## Thursday, March 25

- 10:00am 24 Hours That Changed the World, Room 201
- 5:30pm Traditional Worship Committee, Thorpe Bldg.

## Friday, March 26

- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

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# PRAYER Problems



St Simons United Methodist Church

March 21, 2021

9:00 & 11:00 AM

Nursery Available

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

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

## Worship Notes

# The Worship of God

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

## Prelude

### ***Toccata on “And Can It Be?”***

Kevin Lamb

Arr. John Innes  
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## Greeting

Rev. Richard Soper

\* Call to Worship

### *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

CCLI #32273 | William Walford

## Reckless Love

CCLI #7089461 | Cory Asbury  
©2017 Bethel Music

\* Affirmation of Faith

## Apostle's Creed

Richard Soper

## New Doxology

CCLI #7089461 | Cory Asbury  
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**Celebration of Confirmands (11:00 AM Only)**

*A sacred day of commitment and celebration  
to live out the baptismal and membership covenant.*

*Spencer Everett Clark*

*Marley Kathryn Ginn*

*Wilson Mak Ginn*

*Pearce Adams Vinson*

\* Passing the Peace

Holly Lamb

***Praise God***

CCLI #7089461 | Cory Asbury  
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## Children's Message

Heather Keefer

## Morning Prayer

Richard Soper

## Special Music

## Rise Up

CCLI #7146618 | Logan & Taylor Cain  
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## Scripture

Matthew 6:5-15

Rev. Tom Jones

## Morning Message

## PRAYER PROBLEMS: PRAYING FOR OURSELVES

Tom Jones

\* Invitation

### *Spirit Song*

CCLI #27824 | John Wimber  
©1979 Mercy/Vineyard Publishing

\* Benediction

Tom Jones

## Postlude

*\*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*



This Sunday in the 11:00 worship service, four of our youth will confirm the grace and acceptance into the church that God offered them at their baptisms. They will also confirm their decision to follow Christ and the desire to begin their personal journeys of faith.

In turn, we are reminded that God confirms his love and forgiveness through the power of the cross. It was Christ's sacrifice that makes it possible for our confirmands and each of us to receive the gift of forgiveness, to have a personal relationship with God, and to claim the promise of abundant, even everlasting life.

Heather Keefer and I had a great time meeting with the youth for the past four weeks of in-person and virtual classes. Their confirmation journey included exploring the history and beliefs of the United Methodist Church; worship; the sacraments; the Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; the meaning of church membership; and what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ.

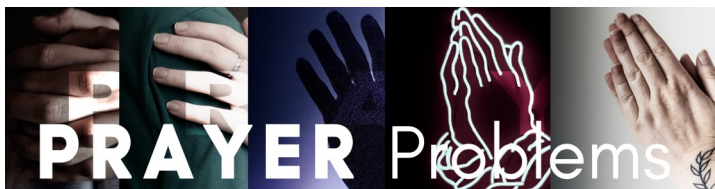
The 2021 Confirmation Class includes:

Spencer Everett Clark  
Marley Kathryn Ginn  
Wilson Mak Ginn  
Pearce Adams Vinson

Congratulations to our confirmands!

This Sunday we complete the sermon series, "Prayer Problems." We will end the series with a close look at how to overcome the challenges you may have when you pray for yourself. I hope you will make plans to join us in-person or online as we worship together.

*Blessings,*  
**Tom**



## Sermon Series – "Prayer Problems"

**March 21 Matthew 6:5-15 "Praying for Ourselves"**

Please continue to pray that God will speak to us and that we will be open to his direction as we explore how to reenergize and go deeper in our prayer lives.

## Financial Report

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

**March 14, 2021**

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$18,712.65

Received YTD | \$219,531.35

Expenses YTD | \$201,245.58

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$241,811.85

Building Fund YTD | \$430.00

*thank you*

## Attendance

**March 14, 2021**

Total In-Person Worship | 277

9:00am | 79 11:00am | 198

Total Online Worship Views | 472

9:00am | 233 11:00am | 239

Sunday School/Small Groups | 93

## Members in Ministry this Sunday

**March 21, 2021**

**Ushers:**

9:00 John Goodrich, Bill Foster, Lynda Sterrett, Lee Watkins

11:00 Dona Colglazier, David Lewis, Jimmy Orr, John Rentz,  
Mel Rozier, Mike Suthard, Jamie Wiles

**Greeters:**

9:00 Susan Watkins, Toni Metz

11:00 Claudia Royal, Jennifer Irion

**Projection:**

9:00 Neva Kaye

11:00 Ashley Swann

## Prayer Requests

**Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:**

**New Prayer Concerns:**

Dick Baumgarten, **Tilman Blakely**, Ranny Blount, Mary Braswell, Elizabeth Daniel, Richard Dean Family, **Caroline Fleetwood**, **Lukas Fortunato**, Greg Green, Porter Harp, Rachel Hicks, Vina Josey, **Peggy Lindsey**, **Pat Miller**, **Art & Dale Pearson**, Deborah Schoch, Judy Smith, Stroud/Downey Family, Jamar Taylor

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Diana Bailey, John Barton, Lauren Belt, Marcia Boney, Sandy Bottjer, Billy June Boyd, Peggy Capes, Beth Carey, Lanier Dobrenic, Terri Dunkle, Julia Epstein, Connie Hallows, Elwanda Hopkins, Shannon Lemmon, Ellie Leroux, Nathan Meadows, Spence Mullis, Jimmy Orr, Sandy & Jerry Peterson, Bill and Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, **Don Proctor**, George Raiford, Bob Rewis, Mary Stivers, Dave Vandersall, Paul Wilska, 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:** Judy Clifton, Anne Pinson

**Marsh's Edge Assisted:** Judi Clifton, 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. BOLD names indicate a new addition or current concern.**



### **Palm Sunday Worship | March 28 | 9:00am & 11:00am**

We continue our preparation for Easter as we remember the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. The 11:00am service will have the children's palm processional and the Children's Choir will sing. There will be lunch for our church family and an Easter Egg Hunt for the children following the 11:00am service.



### **Palm Sunday after 11:00am Worship | March 28**

Please join us for our Kid Friendly Cookout and Annual Easter Egg Hunt after the 11:00am worship service on Palm Sunday, March 28! Family and friends are welcome! REGISTER HERE for Lunch and/or Egg Hunt! [StSimonsUmc.com/Easter-Egg-Hunt](http://StSimonsUmc.com/Easter-Egg-Hunt)



### **Maundy Thursday | April 1 | 6:00pm**

Tenebrae Service: A service of darkness. Join us as we experience the last hours of Christ's earthly ministry. We will celebrate Holy Communion during the service as Christ's disciples gathered with Him in the upper room. We complete our Lenten journey to the cross in darkness as we leave to contemplate Good Friday and anticipate the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.



### **3 Services | In-Person & Online | 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am**

On Easter Sunday three identical worship services will be offered to celebrate the Risen Lord! Join us as we celebrate the Resurrection with Brass, Handbells, Scripture, and the Easter Sermon "All Shook Up". We will not require any registration for these services, but will continue to ask you to socially distance and respect and love those around you. If possible, please choose the early service time so our guests may have more room at the later services.

## **Preschool is Growing!**

The Preschool is hiring one full-time and one part-time position. The application can be found on our website. Please contact Mary Brittain, Preschool Director for more information.

[www.StSimonsUMC.com/Preschool](http://www.StSimonsUMC.com/Preschool) [maryb@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:maryb@stsimonsumc.com)

## **The Louis and Millie Gholson Scholarship Fund**

The Louis and Millie Gholson Scholarship Fund was created to award a graduating high school senior who was an active member of St. Simons United Methodist Church. The Pastor, Administrator, and Director of Student Ministries were appointed to determine who would receive the scholarship. Please contact Heather Keefer for an application at [heather@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:heather@stsimonsumc.com). Application and letters of recommendation must be completed by April 30, 2021. The scholarship will be presented in May during Senior Recognition Sunday.



This Sunday we celebrate our confirmands as they publicly commit to live out their baptismal and membership covenant. The Worship Team leads in worship with some favorites from the hymnal and a new song titled "Rise Up". Have you told yourself, or maybe others have told you, that you're not good enough or able to do something. "Rise Up" like Lazarus, because through the power of the Holy Spirit, we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us.

## **Easter Hydrangeas**

### **Order by March 28 | Cost \$22**

Help place Easter Hydrangeas in the Sanctuary to celebrate the Risen Christ. You may place a hydrangea plant in memory or honor of a loved one. Please take your plant home after the 11:00am Easter Worship Service on April 4. Envelopes are in the pews for your convenience.

## **Update Your Photo**

We are updating our database and would like you to send a recent photo of you or your family to us! We want to help our pastors, staff and members keep in touch with you. Please send your photo to Anne Frazier via email.

[anne@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:anne@stsimonsumc.com)

## **Welcome Our Newest Member!**

Please welcome our newest member:

**Glenna Humphries** who joined our church during our 9:00am Worship Service March 7, 2021.

## **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](mailto: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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