

Weekly Events

Sunday, April 4 - EASTER SUNDAY

- 8:00am **Worship Service**, Sanctuary *
- 9:30am **Worship Service**, Sanctuary *
- 11:00am **Worship Service**, Sanctuary *
- *Nursery Available: Birth to 4 Years

Monday, April 5

- 9:00am Prayer Team, Zoom Meeting
- 9:30am Memorial Service, Chapel
- 11:00am **NO** Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 7:00pm Men's Bible Study, Gholson Room

Tuesday, April 6

- 8:00am Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor
- 10:00am Men's Life, Room 203
- 12:30pm UMW Circle 6, Thorpe Bldg.

Wednesday, April 7

- 9:00am Prayer Hedge, Parlor
- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 4:00pm Disciple Bible Study, Zoom Meeting

Thursday, April 8

Friday, April 9

- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church



EASTER

April 4, 2021

All Shook Up

Matthew 28:1-10

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United Methodist Church

Hydrangeas

Given By:

Troy Lane Bankston
The Beacon Class
Adelaide Beall
Tilman Blakely

Gerry Egger
The Giles Family
Debbie & Andy Kohler
Pam Lewis
Sherry & Mike Pickett
Mary Claire & Bill Reeves
Edward J. Reynolds, III
Gail Rivard

Patsy & Richard Soper
CJ Stahl
Mary & Benjy Varnell
Joanne Wheeler
Chris, Jamie & Kaitlin Wiles

In Honor of:

My Parents, James & Joyce Bankston
Ann & Bill Pickard
Elizabeth Daniel
Susan Blakely
To the Glory of God
Don, Karen, & Madison Lewis
The SSUMC Preschool Staff
Kori Kohler Roney
My Family
Our Children & Grandchildren
Edie & Tim Vinson
Nancy Reynolds
My Family, Jessica, Jonathan,
Madison & Tyler Williamson
Members & Staff of SSUMC
Grandad & Memaw
The SSUMC Church Staff
My Mother, Mary Stivers
Claudia & Jim Royal

Given By:

Helen Baker
Troy Lane Bankston
Becky & Lawrence Bridges
The Clarks
Gerry Egger
Beth Ewing
The Fitzgerald Family
The Fitzgerald Children & Grandchildren
Howell Jennings Fleetwood
Thomas, Jennings & Hunter Fleetwood

Dotsy & Jim Fuller
Jennifer Irion
Debbie & Andy Kohler
Pam Lewis
John Lindgren
The Maupin Family
Barbara & Chuck Milliken

Carol & Lee Norton
Marilyn Pearson
Edward J. Reynolds, III
Gail Rivard

Judy & Tom Smith
CJ Stahl
Billie & Conrad Stocks
Pam & Ken Taylor

Mary & Benjy Varnell

Edie & Tim Vinson
Marlene & Tom Walters
Susan & Lee Watkins

Joanne Wheeler
Chris, Jamie & Kaitlin Wiles
Judy & JR Wright

In Memory of:

Irene Drew
My Grandparents; Julien & Pearl Rogers,
Byron & Velma Bankston
Our Parents
Aunt Trudy
Rose & Mack McKenzie
Dwayne Segars
Sandy's Parents
Kitty & Jesse Fitzgerald
Mrs. H. F. Laramore by her Godson
Dr. & Mrs. Wood W. Lovell,
by their grandsons
Our Parents; Dorothy & Bill Gunnells,
Mary & James Fuller
Our Daughter, Nancy Fuller Kennedy
Marian & Witt Irion
Matthew Kohler
Tom Lewis
Barbara Lindgren
Mr. Charles Jones & Mr. & Mrs. Jim Maupin
Our Parents; Charles & Helen Milliken,
Katherine & Robert Tressler
Our Brother-in-Law Leonard W. Riley, Sr.
Our Nephew Robert J. Tressler
Frank Norton
My Mother, Beverly Morgan
Edward J. Reynolds Jr., Kelley Reynolds
My Parents, Ralph & Laura Lundstedt
My Grand Parents; Paul & Lelia Lundstedt,
Ivan & Mary Mattison & Charles Drouillard
Our Parents and Abraham Smith
Pa & Granny
Our Parents
Roger Taylor
Lela & Lester Kleinendorst
Dr. & Mrs. James C. Varnell
Dr. & Mrs. Clayton M. Massey
Our Parents and Brother
Our Granddaughter, Megan Rafferty
Our Parents; Lee & Mary Watkins,
Dan & Eva Lott
My Dad, Ted Stivers
Elaine Royal and Brennan Wiles
Our Parents; Dorothy & Jerry Wright
John M. and Honorable Bernice M. Gilder
Cindy Denny

The Worship of God

8:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Prelude ***Prelude on EASTER HYMN*** Kevin Lamb
Sondra Anderson
Arr. Joel Raney

* Processional Hymn #302 arr. Hal Hopson
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today ©2005 Hope Publishing

* Affirmation of Faith ***The Apostle's Creed*** Rev. Richard Soper

* Greeting Richard Soper

* Passing the Peace

Fellowship Chorus ***Because He Lives***

Children's Message Heather Keefer

* Hymn #303 ***The Day of Resurrection*** arr. Shelton Love
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Morning Prayer Richard Soper

The Lord's Prayer

Message in Music ***Crown Him with Many Crowns*** Chancel Choir
arr. Mary McDonald
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Scripture Matthew 28:1-10 Tom Jones

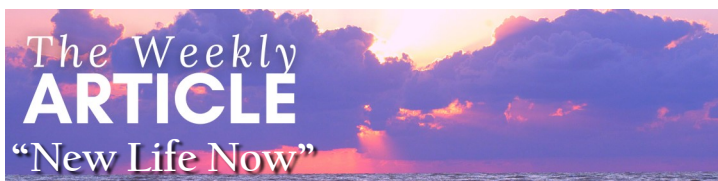
Morning Message ***ALL SHOOK UP***

* Invitation #310 ***He Lives*** HYMN TO JOY
Verses 1 & 3

* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude ***Fanfare on RESSURECTION*** arr. Joel Raney
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**Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*



In the Gospel of John, Jesus said,

**"I am
THE RESURRECTION
&
THE LIFE."**

Jesus spoke these words to a woman named Martha after the death of her brother Lazarus. He tried to comfort her by assuring her: "Your brother will rise again."

Martha assumed that Jesus was referring to the resurrection of the dead at the end of time, and so she replied, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day," a day in her mind that was in the distant future. She completely missed the point that Jesus tried to make - the true source of life was standing right in front of her. He had something more immediate in mind. He had not said, "he was" or "he will be." Jesus had said, "I am."

We can often get stuck between the "was" and the "will be" of what it means to experience the resurrection power of Jesus. But it's in two simple words, "I am", that Jesus gives us the assurance of new life now. The Apostle Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 5:17, "This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!"

The great Easter truth is not that we're to live newly after death, but that we're to live newly in the moment by the transforming, life-giving, death-defeating resurrection power of Jesus Christ our Lord. Because he lives, we also will live – today and for all eternity.

I look forward to our being together in-person and online on Easter Sunday. We will have three identical services at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00am. Remember to wear your masks as you enter and leave the Sanctuary. We will do our best to practice social distancing, but we also want to be as accommodating as possible to all who want to worship with us. The service will be simulcast in the Chapel as an additional option for those who want to attend worship in person. It's going to be an incredible day of worship! I can't wait!

Anne and Croft join with me in wishing you and your families a joyful and happy celebration of Easter!

*Blessings,
Tom*

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 28, 2021

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$21,015.79
Received YTD | \$254,597.14
Expenses YTD | \$238,162.60
Budgeted Amount YTD | \$286,130.51
Building Fund YTD | \$430.00

thank you

Attendance

March 28, 2021

Total In-Person Worship | 362
9:00am | 102 11:00am | 260
Total Online Worship Views | 488
9:00am | 200 11:00am | 288

Sunday School/Small Groups | 97

Members in Ministry this Sunday

April 4, 2021

Ushers:

8:00 Janice Lee, Tom Smith, Mel Rozier
9:30 Phil Shinall, Mike Fitzgerald, Charles Taylor, Robert Jenkins
11:00 Kevin Brandon, David Miller, Don Varnadoe, Evans Williams

Greeters:

8:00 Pat Carmichael, Barbara Hill
9:00 Edie Vinson, Helen Baker, Sherry Pickett
11:00 Barbara Smith, June Smith, Stella Avret

Projection:

8:00 Elizabeth Daniel
9:30 Ashley Swann
11:00 Neva Kaye

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns:

Ray Acosta, Andria Andrew, Clarence Belt Family, Ranny Blount, Linda Cardwell, Lukas Fortunato, Judeann Frank, Bob & Paula Gallard, Brad Gallard, **Joan Harris, Jonathan Hutchison, Amelia Lasater**, Peggy Lindsey, Madden Maroney, Marilyn Mathney, Andrea Millsap, **Theresa Philip, Mary Ann Stewart**, Bess Thomas, **Kevin Wallace**

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 & Mable 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, Pat Miller, Norma Mock, Joyce Parry, Charlotte Petty, Larry Varnadoe

Senior Care: Anne Pinson

Marsh's Edge Assisted: Judy 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.

Wednesday | April 21 | Dinner 5:30, Seminar 6:00-7:00pm

SSUMC Student Ministry Presents a Seminar for Parents about understanding and coping with your child or youth's anxiety. Special Guest Speaker, Ally Christianson, Founder/Director of Hope 1312 Collective will lead this Event. Please register in advance for this special event in the Thorpe Building.

www.stsimonsumc.com/helping-our-kids-with-anxiety



Ushers Needed

Sunday Mornings | 9:00 & 11:00am

Serve your church family as an Usher on Sunday mornings. We are looking for volunteers as our numbers continue to grow, to join the team!

For more information, please contact Phil Shinall or Anne Frazier.

rpshinall@gmail.com | anne@stsimonsumc.com

Acolyte Training

April 25 | After 11:00am Worship | Thorpe Bldg.

We are inviting Children grades 3-5 to join us in the Thorpe Building after 11:00 Worship on April 25 to learn about serving as an Acolyte. The student Acolyte and at least one parent is required to attend this training for students to be able to participate in worship during the month of May. Additional trainings will be offered in August for the new school year. Signups to participate in May Worship Services will be available at the meeting.

Lunch will be served for those staying for the training.

Contact Heather Keefer for more info:

heather@stsimonsumc.com



Join in and Support our School!

The Preschool's 2021 Spring Fundraiser looks delicious! Butter Braid pastries are available in many varieties. You can pick up an order form in the Preschool office, or download a copy from the website. Order forms should be returned with payment (cash or check) to the Preschool office or the Dropbox at the rear entrance of the church. You may also order in person after each Worship Service, on Sunday, April 11.
www.StSimonsUMC.com/Preschool maryb@stsimonsumc.com

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 maryb@stsimonsumc.com

Honorariums

A Gift has been given to the Church from **Bob Rewis**, honoring **Rev. Marcia Cochran & Rev. Richard Soper**, who officiated the Funeral Service for his wife Sandy.



Sunday, April 18 | Neptune Park | 10:30am

Lunch Served after Worship

Bring your favorite lawn chair! It's time for Church in the Park - we will have a meaningful Worship service in Neptune Park.

Michael Hulett will be joining us!

Lunch in the Park - After Church in the Park:

Fried Chicken with sides.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Setup, Serve, and Cleanup.

Contact anne@stsimonsumc.com to be a volunteer.

TO REGISTER for Lunch (no need to register for Worship!)

Go to the following website, or scan the QR code.



Baby Recognition

Sponsored by the United Methodist Women

We will be celebrating all of the babies born in our Church Family during the past year on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9, 2021. Please contact Anne Frazier if your baby was born after Mother's Day 2020, so we may include them in this celebration!

anne@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 GUESTsumc 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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