

# Weekly Events

## Sunday, May 16

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

## Monday, May 17

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

## Tuesday, May 18

- 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, May 19

- 7:00am 707 Bible Study, Thorpe Bldg.
- 8:00am Prayer Hedge, Parlor
- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

## Thursday, May 20

- 5:30pm Mom's In Prayer, Parlor

## Friday, May 21

- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

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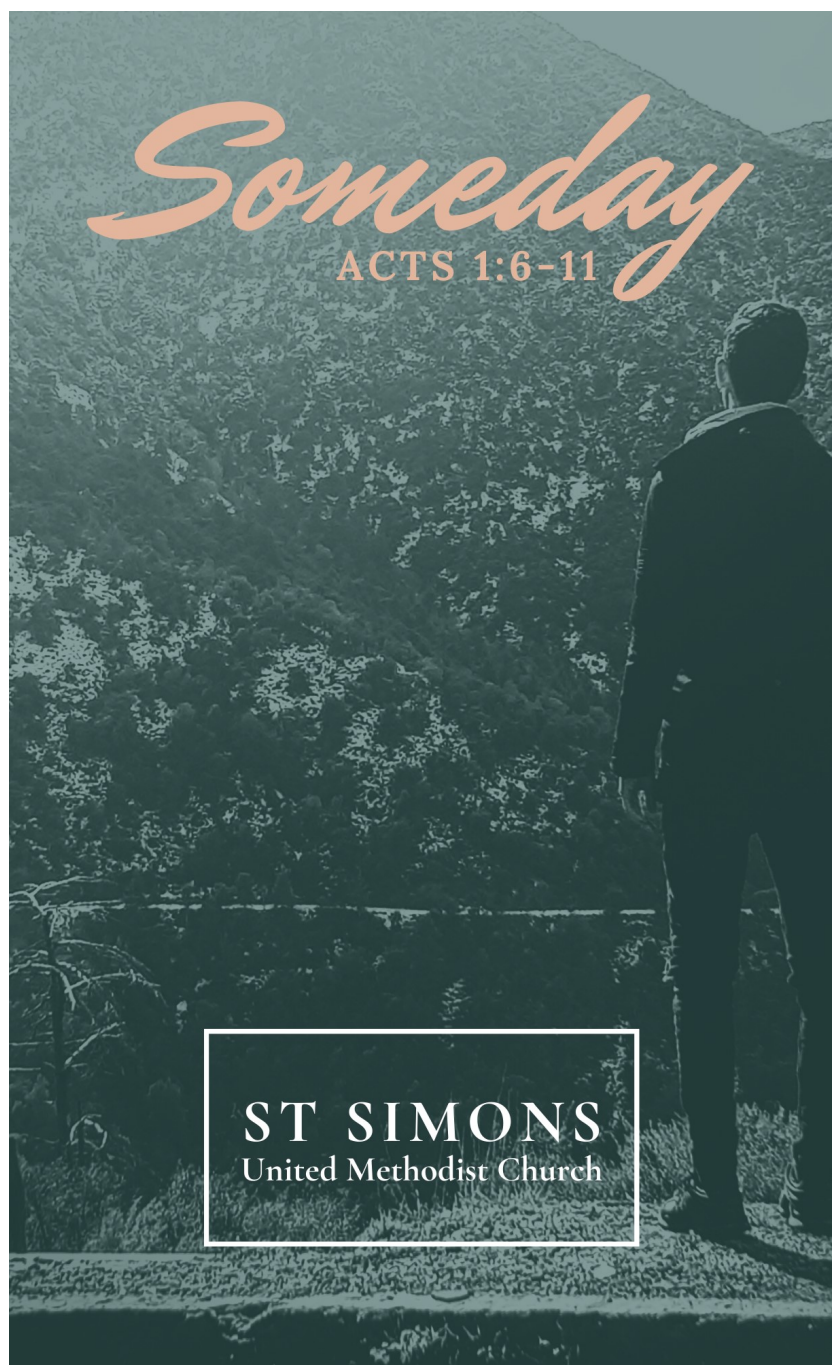
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May 16, 2021

Worship 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Nursery Available

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Service is Celebrated Enthusiastically  
The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently*

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

The Worship of God

9:00 AM

Greeting		Rev. Richard Soper
* Worship in Song		
<i>Here I Am To Worship</i>		CCLI #3266032   Tim Hughes
		© 2000 Thankyou Music
<i>How Great Thou Art</i>		©public domain
Ministry Highlight	Realm	Rev. Tom Jones
Morning Prayer		Richard Soper
* Morning Praise		
<i>Graves Into Gardens</i>		CCLI #7138219   Brandon Lake
		©2019 Elevation Worship
<i>Blessed Assurance</i>		©Public Domain
Children’s Message		Heather Keefer
Special Music		
<i>In Christ Alone</i>		CCLI #3350395   Stewart Townsend
		©2001 Thankyou Music
Scripture	Acts 1:6-11	Tom Jones
Morning Message	SOMEDAY	Tom Jones
* Invitation		
<i>Spirit Song</i>		John Wimber
		©Mercy Publishing
* Benediction		Tom Jones
Postlude		Sondra Anderson

\*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable

The Worship of God

11:00 A.M.

Welcome		Rev. Richard Soper
Call to Worship	<i>In Christ Alone</i>	CCLI #3350395 Stewart Townsend
		©2001 Thankyou Music
Opening Prayer		Richard Soper
* Hymn	<i>All Hail the Power Of Jesus’ Name</i>	CORONATION
		VERSES 1,2,4 & 6
* Affirmation of Faith	<i>The Apostle’s Creed</i>	
Ministry Highlight	Realm	Rev. Tom Jones
Graduate Recognition		Heather Keefer
* Passing the Peace		Tom Jones
#328	<i>Surely the Presence</i>	©1986 Word Music
Children’s Message		Heather Keefer
* Hymn #701	<i>When We All Get To Heaven</i>	HEAVEN
		verses 1,3 & 4
Morning Prayer		Richard Soper
Message in Music	<i>Press On</i>	Chancel Choir
		Arr. Robert Sterling
		©1983 Belwin
Scripture	Acts 1:6-11	Tom Jones
Morning Message	SOMEDAY	
* Invitation #347	<i>Spirit Song</i>	John Wimber
		©Mercy Publishing
* Benediction		Tom Jones
Postlude		Emri Comer

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## “Graduation ”

Graduation day at high schools and colleges will soon be here. It is a much-anticipated day for the graduating seniors and their families. I am certain that they feel an extra measure of excitement because they know this year's graduation ceremonies will be somewhat back to normal.

As a part of the ceremonies the graduates will hear talks and commencement speeches. They will hear words that encourage them to give of their best, to live meaningful lives, and to make a difference. My hope is that the graduates will listen carefully; that they will be affirmed of their God-given abilities; that they will recognize the potential they have to accomplish incredible things for God and others.

So many of us, no matter our age or season of life, tend to focus more on our limitations and less on our abilities. We convince ourselves that “we can’t” before we even try. Give yourself permission to hear and accept how special you are. Open your eyes to see God's blessings. Open your ears to believe the encouragement you receive from others. Open your hearts to respond to God's love and his hope-filled direction for your lives.

The following are the 2021 graduates who attend St. Simons United Methodist Church:

<b>Will Lewis</b>	<b>The University of Georgia</b>
	BA in Business
	Administration and
	Marketing
<b>Rachel Johnson</b>	<b>Glynn Academy</b>
<b>Sky Daniel</b>	<b>Glynn Academy</b>
<b>Ella Culver</b>	<b>Glynn Academy</b>

As a part of the 11:00 worship service this Sunday we will celebrate these graduates and announce the recipient of the Louis and Millie Gholson Scholarship.

Congratulations graduates! Your church family is proud of you. We will always be here for you. Know without a doubt that you are in our prayers as you move ahead in your life journeys,

*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**

**May 9, 2021**

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$21,837.00

Received YTD | \$381,261.19

Expenses YTD | \$379,808.78

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$422,251.99

Building Fund YTD | \$830.00

*thank you*

## Attendance

**May 9, 2021**

**Total In-Person Worship | 264**

9:00am | 107      11:00am | 157

**Total Online Worship Views | 331**

9:00am | 143      11:00am | 188

**Sunday School/Small Groups | 78**

## New Members

Please Welcome to SSUMC, our Newest Members:

**Ed Reynolds and Cindy Simpson**  
**Eileen Deer**

## Members in Ministry this Sunday

**May 16, 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

**Acolytes:**

11:00      June Humphries, Stiles Robinson

## Prayer Requests

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

**New Prayer Concerns:**

**Jeff Allen**, Ranny Blount, Family of Peggy Capes, Johnny Capes, Linda Cardwell, **Steve Copeland**, Brenda Fields, Catherine Fleetwood, Dusty Graham, **Hattie Louise Grizzel**, Rev. Richard Johnson, **Philip Kaye**, Linda Kelcher, Family of Suzanne Laws, **Ana Smith**, Kay Wiggins

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Diana Bailey, John Barton, Lauren Belt, Tilman Blakely, Marcia Boney, Sandy Bottjer, Billy June Boyd, Beth Carey, **Lanier Dobrenic**, Terri Dunkle, Julia Epstein, Connie Hollowes, Elwanda Hopkins, Amelia Lasater, Shannon Lemmon, Ellie Leroux, Nathan Meadows, Spence Mullis, Jimmy Orr, Sandy & Jerry Peterson, 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. BOLDED names indicate a new addition or current concern.**

## New Member Gathering

**Sunday, May 23 | 4:00 - 5:00pm | Church Parlor**

A New Member Gathering, for all members who have joined the church since January 2020, will be held in the Church Parlor. This will be a casual time together to help you get to know the senior pastor and to meet some of the newest members of the church. Light refreshments will be served. Please contact Tom Jones by Thursday, May 20 if you plan to attend. Tom and his wife, Anne, look forward to being with you!

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

## SAM Trip: A Dog In A Log

**May 27 | 9:15am - 3:30pm | Southern Forest World \$6.00**

Join us for a trip to Southern Forest World. They are dedicated to telling the past & present story of forestry in SE Georgia. We will have lunch on our own and then an exciting shopping expedition to "Ollies" where there is "Good Stuff Cheap". Join the fun and see the world famous "Stuckie" the dog in a log.

[www.stsimonsumc.com/sam-a-dog-in-a-log/](http://www.stsimonsumc.com/sam-a-dog-in-a-log/)

## A Few Extra Singers

**Chancel Choir | "Sing America's Song" | Sunday, July 4**

The choir is presenting "Sing America's Song"  
Celebrating Our Heritage, Honoring Our Faith.

Join us at the beginning of rehearsal (Wednesday 6 PM) now until the presentation on Sunday, July 4th at 10:30 am.

Contact Kevin for more info.

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

## VBS 2021: Treasured

**REGISTER NOW | June 27 - July 1, 2021**

We are so excited to announce dates for VBS 2021! VBS is returning to SSUMC and will look more like what we are used to! Visit the website to Register Now!

[www.stsimonsumc.com/vbs2021](http://www.stsimonsumc.com/vbs2021)

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

## Foster Love Closet

**Donations Basket in Gholson Room**

Foster Love Ministries serves the Golden Isles and surrounding counties by forming collaborative partnerships to solve our community's foster care crisis. It is a Christ-Centered Child Placing Agency that helps meet the needs of vulnerable children in need of loving and safe temporary homes while their parents work to rebuild the family unit. Our Missions Committee has agreed to be a partner with Foster Love Ministries and provide space for a foster parent closet and space for training potential foster parents. Donations to help stock the Foster Love Closet will be accepted beginning Sunday, May 9, in the Gholson Room.

Visit our website for a list of needed items.

[www.stsimonsumc.com/foster-love](http://www.stsimonsumc.com/foster-love)

**Anne Jones | 770.312.0365 or Anna Wilson | 706.975.6989**

## Ushers & Greeters Needed

**Sunday Mornings | 9:00 & 11:00am**

Ushers Serve once a month. Please join us to serve our Church.

For more information, please contact Phil Shinall or Anne Frazier:  
[rpshinall@gmail.com](mailto:rpshinall@gmail.com) | [anne@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:anne@stsimonsumc.com)

Greeters welcome everyone who enters our Church. Sign up for One Sunday a month. Contact Anne Frazier:

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

## Realm is Here!

This is an exciting, new tool to help us all stay connected! More details this Sunday, May 16! You will receive an invitation if we have a current email on file. If you do not have an invitation, contact our Church Office - 912.638.3317



## Gathering Place Intern Donations

The Gathering Place Interns serve throughout the summer in a variety of ways. Our church has agreed to help provide food for one week in their house kitchen. This helps the students through the summer have items available while they're here serving! Here are some items they have requested, but feel free to add your own: Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Mac-n-cheese, Bottled water, soft drinks, chips, dip/salsa, snack bars, pop tarts, etc. There will be a box for collecting these items in the Gholson Room. Donations should be received by June 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Skylark Baby Bottle Drive

Support Skylark's work meeting physical and spiritual needs. Pick up a bottle and fill it with change! Return bottles to the Church at any time on or before Father's Day, June 20, 2021.

## Needed: Driver with CDL

SSUMC is seeking to expand its pool of authorized drivers. Our new bus was a great success on our most recent trip. If you know of someone or would like to be approved, SSUMC will pay for your licensing. Contact our Church Office.

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

## Hope 1312 Collective

**Foster Child Backpack Project**

Mary Varnell is spearheading a backpack project to provide all the foster kids a backpack. Often these kids move from place to place using small grocery sack. \$25 per backpack or ANY donation would be greatly appreciated. You may give a check to Mary Varnell in person or send a check (made out to her) to 100 Militia Hill Way, SSI. Thank you for helping these kids in hard places and giving them HOPE!

## 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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