Weekly Events

Sunday, May 23

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

Monday, May 24

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

Tuesday, May 25

8:00am	Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor
10:00am	Men's Life, Room 203

Wednesday, May 26

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

Thursday, May 27

9:15am SAM Event: A Dog in a Log, Southern Forest World

<u>Friday, May 28</u>

11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

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May 23, 2021 Worship 9:00 & 11:00 AM Nursery Available

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Worship Notes

The Worship of God 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.

Welcome	Rev. Richard Soper	
 Prelude	Here I Am	Sondra Anderson Emri Comer
Call to Worship	At the Name Of Jesus	Cindy Berrry ©1985 Word
 Prayer		Richard Soper
* Hymn #539	O Spirit of the Living God	FOREST GREEN VERSES 1,2 & 4
 * Affirmation of Faith	The Apostle's Creed	Richard Soper
 Mission Moment	Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Rev. Tom Jones
 * Passing the Peace #334	Sweet, Sweet Spirit	Richard Soper ©1986 Word Music
Children's Message		Heather Keefer
 * Hymn	Pentecostal Power	OLD-TIME POWER
 Morning Prayer		Richard Soper
 The Lord's Prayer		
 Message in Music	O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing	Chancel Choir Arr. Mark Hayes ©2015 Beckenhorst
 Scripture	Acts 2:1-8, 12-21	Tom Jones
 Morning Message	LET'S FLY!	
* Invitation	We Praise Thee, O God!	REVIVE US AGAIN verses 1,2 & 4
 * Benediction		Tom Jones
Postlude		Emri Comer



"The Wind Blows"

This Sunday we will celebrate Pentecost! Pentecost means "fiftieth day", representative of the 50th day after Easter. It commemorates the birth of the church through the gift of the Holy Spirit. As a part of our celebration of Pentecost you are invited to wear the colors red, orange, or yellow to worship this Sunday - symbolic of the fire of the Holy Spirit!

The Holy Spirit is often referred to as the breath or the wind of God. Jesus refers to this when he says, "You know well enough how the wind blows this way and that. You hear it rustling through the trees, but you have no idea where it comes from or where it's headed next. That's the way it is with everyone 'born from above' by the wind of God, the Spirit of God." (John 3:8)

Invisibility makes the Spirit no less real, no less powerful, no less present. The Spirit is like the wind - the wind that blows where it pleases and chooses. If we want to catch the wind, we must position ourselves where the wind is blowing. When we do God moves us; God transforms us; God makes things happen!

There is no reason for our faith journeys to be dull and lifeless. When we trust in God and the wind of the Holy Spirit to empower us, God will renew our strength. We will soar on wings like eagles; we will run and not grow weary; we will walk and not be faint. (Isaiah 40:30)

I look forward to this Sunday as we celebrate the fresh wind of the Holy Spirit that is blowing through our church!

> Blessings! **Tom**

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 are being accepted in the Gholson Room. Accepted Items Include:

Diapers • Bottles • Pacifiers • Backpacks/Suitcases • Toothbrush/ Toothpaste • Toiletries for all Ages • Any kind of Baby Gear such as Bouncy Seats, Swings etc.

Visit our website for a full list of needed items: www.stsimonsumc.com/foster-love

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Anne Jones | 770.312.0365 or Anna Wilson | 706.975.6989

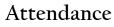
Financial Report

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

thank you

May 16, 2021

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$18,201.10 Received YTD | \$399,462.29 Expenses YTD | \$408,329.18 Budgeted Amount YTD | \$444,411.27 Building Fund YTD | \$930.00



May 16, 2021 Total In-Person Worship | 300 9:00am | 103 11:00am | 197 Total Online Worship Views| 430 9:00am | 185 11:00am | 245 Sunday School/Small Groups | 131

Members in Ministry this Sunday

May 23, 2021 Ushers:

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- 9:00 Bill Kirby, Ward Sweat, John Vann, Tim Vinson
- 11:00 Joey Baldwin, Erik Kaufmann, Jimmy Maupin, David Paulk, Clif Pease, Dwight Sweat

Greeters:

9:00 Barbara Hill, Dick and Cathie Wilton
11:00 Kay Holmes, Marguerite Suthard
Projection:
9:00 Robin Parmelee 11:00 Ashley Swann
Acolytes:
9:00 Croft Jones

11:00 June Humphries, Stiles Robinson

Pew Information Team:

May: Jenny Hicks, Barbara Hill

Prayer Requests

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

Jeff Allen, Steve Copeland, Jane Dunn, Catherine Fleetwood, Hattie Louise Grizzel, Danny Hill, Jim Jensen, Philip Kaye, Abigail Morris, Mathew North, Dale Pierson, Marilyn Pearson, Lori Quigley, Ann Rogers, Ana Smith, Westy Westmoreland

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 Hallowes, **Ginny Holt**, 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.

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 13th.

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

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.

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

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 | anne@stsimonsumc.com

Greeters welcome everyone who enters our Church. Sign up for One Sunday a month. Contact Anne Frazier: anne@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 our website to Register Now! <u>www.stsimonsumc.com/vbs2021</u> heather@stsimonsumc.com

Sympathy

Our Christian Love and Sympathy is extended to **Libby Sweat** upon the death of her sister, Suzanne Swann Laws.

Memorials

A Gift has been given to the church in Honor of **Greg Green** by: **Ray & Wanda Segars**

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Realm is Here!

This is an exciting, new tool to help us all stay connected! You have received an invitation if we have a current email on file, and you don't already have an account.



If you do not have an invitation, please contact our Church Office for more info.

www.stsimonsumc.com/realm-connect | 912.638.3317

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

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

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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