

This Week's Events

Sunday, July 25

- 9:00am **Worship Service**, Sanctuary *
- 10:00am Sunday School & Small Groups *
- 11:00am **Worship Service**, Sanctuary *
- *Nursery Available: Birth to 4 Years
- 4:00pm Youth Beach Event

Monday, July 26

- 9:00am Prayer Team, Parlor/Zoom
- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

Tuesday, July 27

- 8:00am Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor
- 10:00am Men's Life Group, Room 203
- 4:30pm Sandra Bottjer Memorial Service, Sanctuary

Wednesday, July 28

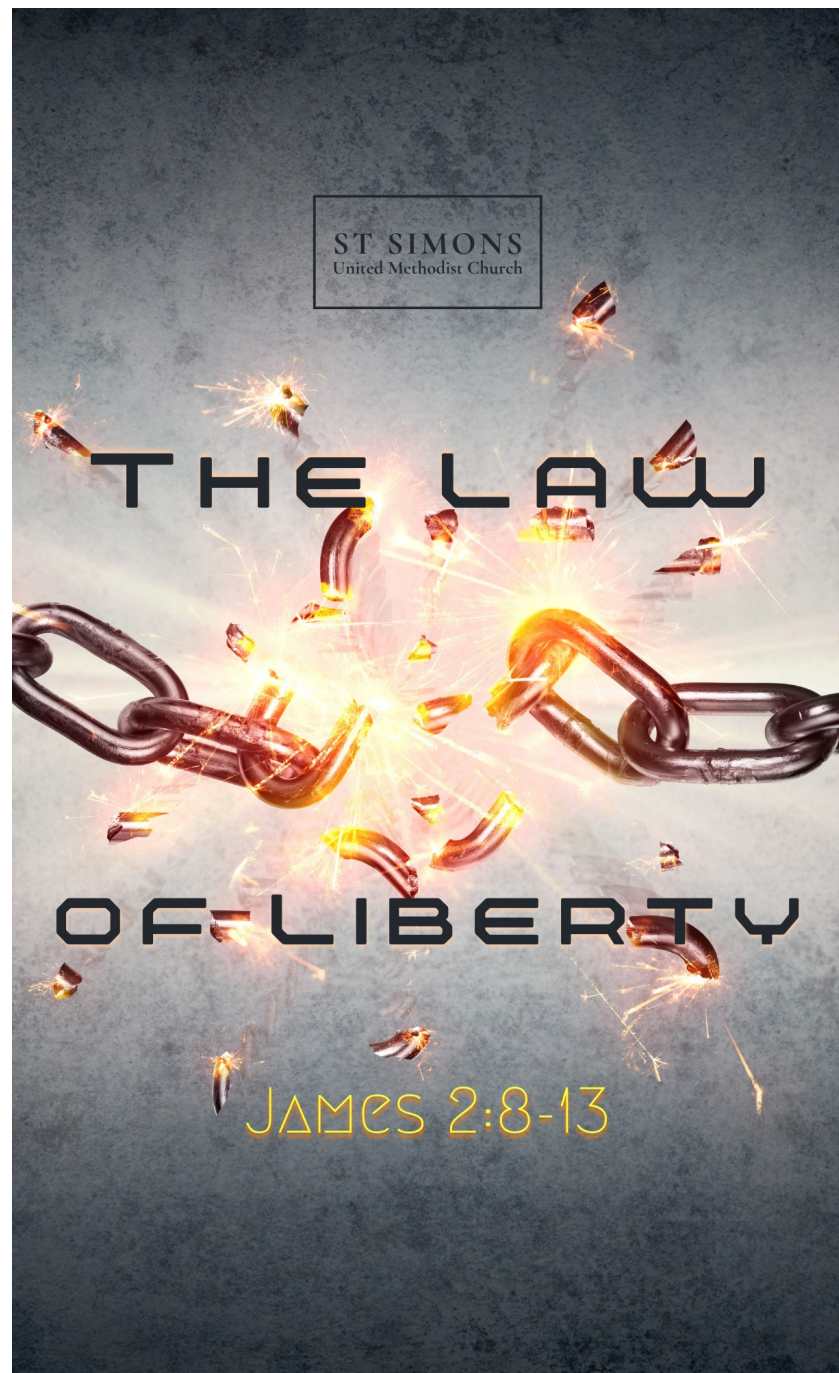
- 8:00am Prayer Hedge, Parlor
- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, July 29

- 8:00am CPR Training (preschool staff), Thorpe Bldg.
- 5:30pm Traditional Worship Committee, Thorpe Bldg.
- 6:00pm Praise Team/Tech Rehearsal, Chapel

Friday, July 30

- 11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 6:00pm Preschool Family Orientation



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July 25, 2021

Worship 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

The Worship of God

9:00 A.M.

Prelude *Love Lifted Me* Sondra Anderson
Kevin Lamb

Greeting Rev. Richard Soper

* Call to Worship

Hallelujah

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* Passing the Peace

Holly Lamb

Children's Message

Heather Keefer

Morning Prayer

Richard Soper

* **Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

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* **Is He Worthy**

CCLI #7108951 | Andrew Paterson
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Scripture

Rev. Benjy Varnell

Morning Message

Benjy Varnell

* Invitation

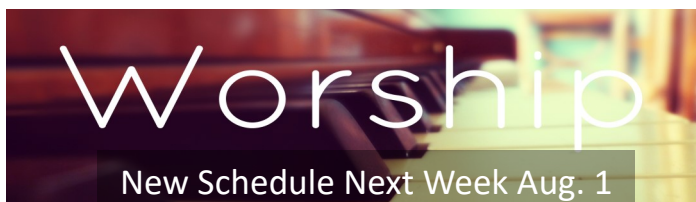
I Give You My Heart

CCLI #1866132 | R. Morgan
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* Benediction

Postlude

**Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*



8:30am Traditional, Sanctuary

9:45am Contemporary, Chapel

11:00am Traditional, Sanctuary

**Sunday School remains at 9:45am and coffee and
doughnuts between services**

The Worship of God

11:00 A.M.

Prelude *Love Lifted Me* Sondra Anderson
Kevin Lamb

Call to Worship **Great Gettin' Up Morning** Chancel Choir

Greeting

Rev. Richard Soper

* Hymn #98

To God Be the Glory

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

* Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

Richard Soper

* Passing the Peace

My Tribute

Children's Message

Heather Keefer

* Hymn #337

Only Trust Him

STOCKTON
Verses 1,3 & 4

Morning Prayer

Richard Soper

The Lord's Prayer

Message in Music

Speak O, Lord

Hope Lamb

Scripture

Rev. Benjy Varnell

Morning Message

Benjy Varnell

* Invitation #374

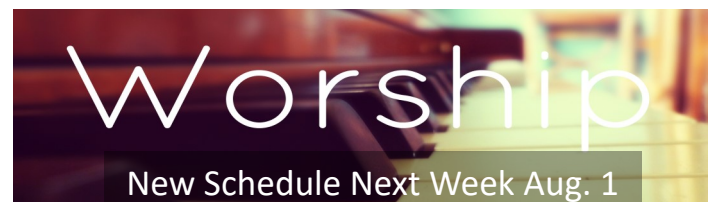
Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

* Benediction

Postlude

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What a great Sunday we shared last week! Like Richard, I love the old songs we sang in the service. Holly and I often discuss how blessed we are to be able to enjoy the old hymns and the new songs every week in our traditional and contemporary services. Recently, I was reading an article about hymn writers of the past and present. Charles Wesley was a prolific hymn writer. He wrote more than 10,000 hymn texts. Fanny Crosby comes close with approximately 9000 texts. These days, we only sing a few of those texts but, at some point, I'm sure they tried those songs out to a congregation for the first time. What was their response to *O For A Thousand Tongues* or *Blessed Assurance* the first time? I'm sure Wesley and Crosby probably received positive and negative comments about their new work.

We have some great modern hymn and worship song writers. I recently found a new hymn from an English composer named David Evans who wrote *Be Still* which is a powerful call to worship. Time is the ultimate filter, but I think this hymn will be like *O For A Thousand Tongues* and *Blessed Assurance*. I look forward to you singing this hymn very soon. The last verse has a powerful line: "No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him". His Grace covers all.....no matter what or how bad our sin, He is greater and we don't have to do anything except receive it.

*Be still for the presence of the Lord the Holy One is here.
Come bow before Him now with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found. We stand on holy ground.
Be still for the presence of the Lord the Holy One is here.*

*Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.
He burns with holy fire. With splendor He is crowned.
How awesome is the sight. Our radiant King of Light.
Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.
Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.
He comes to cleanse and heal to minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him in faith receive from Him.
Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.*

I look forward to worshipping with you this coming Sunday with some great old and new songs. - Kevin



Make plans to join with us on August 1 as we begin a 6-week sermon series, "I am! So What?" We will explore the "I am" sayings of Jesus and the rich meaning and purpose these powerful words still have on our lives and faith journeys today.

August 1	John 6:35-39	"I am the Bread of Life"
August 8	John 8:12-19	"I am the Light of the World"
August 15	John 10:1-10	"I am the Gate"
August 22	John 10:11-18	"I am the Good Shepherd"
August 29	John 11:24-27	"I am the Resurrection and the Life"
September 5	John 14:1-6	"I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life"

Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online by visiting our website at www.stimonsumc.com and click on the Giving tab.

July 18, 2021

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$27,487.00
Received YTD | \$583,747.22
Expenses YTD | \$601,017.73
Budgeted Amount YTD | \$647,010.75
Building Fund YTD | \$2,736.00

thank you

Attendance

July 18, 2021

Total In-Person Worship | 248

9:00am | 116 11:00am | 132

Total Online Worship Views | 430

9:00am | 195 11:00am | 235

Sunday School/Small Groups | 93

Members in Ministry this Sunday

July 25, 2021

Ushers:

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

Pew Information Team:

July: Sarah Ellerbee, Cyndy Franklin, Susan Pope, June Smith

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns:

Vicky Adams, The Family of John Barton, Becky Blalock, Rev. David Bohannon, Linda Cardwell, Shirley Christensen, Darlene Cramer, Dennis Fabel, Virginia Fortunato, Helen Garity, The Rev. Joyce & Bill Harris, Tyler Harvey, Kay & Richard Hart, Teresa Helf, Barbara Hill, Jay Hodges, Kay Holmes, Nathan Johnson, Jones Lindgren, Lynn Moges, Cindy Murdocca, Carleigh O'Connor, Jimmy Orr, Janet Parmelee, Cindy Prigg, Donald Rewis, Tennille Sanders, Faye Traynellis, Scott Waddell, David Whitworth, Nancy Roundtree Williams, Stan Wilson

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Carolyn Bruce, Beth Carey, Lanier Dobrenic, Terri Dunkle, Julia Epstein, Connie Hallows, Ginny Holt, Elwanda Hopkins, Amelia Lasater, **Shannon Lemmon**, Ellie Leroux, Nathan Meadows, Spence Mullis, Jimmy Orr, Sandy & Jerry Peterson, Dick Pipe, Don Proctor, Mable Proctor, George Raiford, Bob Rewis, Irene Rohan, 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.*



All are welcome and invited to our **Back to Church Cookout!** We will enjoy a time of fun and fellowship on Wednesday, August 18 from 5:00-6:00pm in the Thorpe Building. Complimentary Hotdogs, Hamburgers, Chips and Dessert will be served. Bring your family and friends and let us know you are coming by registering today! Looking forward to seeing our church family together again!

[Visit our website to Sign Up! www.StSimonsUMC.com](http://www.StSimonsUMC.com)

Blessing of Backpacks & Bibles for all Rising 3rd Graders

Sunday, August 8 | 8:30am and 11:00am Services

Back-to-School is right around the corner! Kids, plan to bring your backpack to church to have them blessed for the new school year and all rising 3rd graders will receive a new Bible from the church! Please let Heather know if you will be here to receive a Bible during the 8:30am or 11:00am service.

www.stsimonsumc.com | heather@stsimonsumc.com

Congratulations

Matt and Tara Kirkland and big sister, Mattie on the birth of twin boys. Jaxon Cain and Reece Pollock were born July 15th in Brunswick. Grandparents are Randall and Pam Rehberg.

Check out these Youth Events!

Beach Day to Welcome New 6th Graders!

**Sunday, July 25
4:00 – 7:00pm**

- Beach access by the church
- Subway subs and beach games
- Bring your own chair & towel



End of Summer Bash at Summer Waves!



**Friday, August 6
10:30am—5:00pm**

Ride the church bus or get your own ride to/from Jekyll.

Cost is \$18 on Summer Waves' Website or \$20 at the gate.

Realm: Church Connection

Groups, like the Seekers Sunday School Class, have been encouraging each other to connect with Realm. We have sent another reminder email to those of you who have not yet created a login. Follow the link in the Realm Invite email to create your login. When you are connected: find a new group to connect with, send someone a message of encouragement, update your directory photo (Realm calls this your profile). Contact our Church Office for more info.

www.stsimonsumc.com/realm-connect | 912.638.3317

Hark! The Herald..... It's Christmas Rehearsal Time



I want you to be a Herald! Come be a messenger. Be a person who proclaims the birth of Christ by singing in the Christmas Spectacular. The music is bought, orchestra hired, and now I need you. Every Wednesday starting August 18 at 6:15pm for the first 15 minutes of adult choir rehearsal we will practice Christmas. If you have kids they will be in programming and be taken care of till you pick them up around 6:30 pm. My goal is to have 60 vocalist this year. Let me know if you have any questions. Kevin@stsimonsumc.com

Our Deepest Sympathies

To Carole Barton and the family of John Barton, who passed away on Wednesday, July 21, 2021. His service arrangements and details will follow.

To the Reverends Joyce and Bill Harris, whose grandson, Mason Harris, passed away on July 18, 2021.

Honorarium

Gifts have been given:

In Honor of **Barbara and Rev. Jim Jensen** by, Dewey Hayes, Jr.

Looking for a place to serve?

Ushers, Greeters, Sunday School and Small Group Leadership (Adult and Student), PEW Information Team, Production (Computer Graphics for all Service Times)

Most of these ministry opportunities have a once a month commitment. Call us for information! 912.638.3317



Visit our website to Sign Up!

www.StSimonsUMC.com/Serve

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

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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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