

A Deep Place of Prayer

Most of us are aware that the jury selection and trial for those accused of killing Ahmaud Arbery began this week in Brunswick. It is a case that has drawn national attention and will continue to do so until a verdict is reached. It has created different emotions and feelings in all of us. The justice system and our community are certain to be under the proverbial microscope regarding how the trial and the events surrounding the trial are handled. Considering that all of this is happening in our own backyard, the new bishop of the South Georgia Conference, David Graves, has called us - the body of Christ - to a deep place of prayer.

Bishop Graves writes: "The scripture the Holy Spirit keeps moving me to pray comes from the prophet Amos. The vision that came to Amos, used by many leaders past and present, would be fulfilled, "But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream." (Amos 5:24) Everyone wants justice. Yet we are reminded in times like these that we live in an unjust world. As followers of Jesus, we are reminded that mercy, grace, forgiveness, and love must abound amid the injustices of this world. However, we must strive to eliminate the injustices that continue to happen to people."

I invite you to respond to the challenge of our bishop and join with me in a deep place of prayer for our community and our unsettled world. May we be personally guided by the example of Christ to share his abundant mercy, grace, forgiveness, and love with others even in our differences.

Let us remember the familiar words of John 3:16, "God so loved the world." As we recall how much God loves his people, may we in turn do our part to love all - until all love God.

I look forward to being in worship with you this Sunday! Blessings,

Tom

Church Council-Charge Conference Meeting Monday, October 25, 6:00pm, Thorpe Bldg.

We will have a Church Council-Charge Conference meeting to approve the following business items of the church:

- Review and approve Charge Conference documents
- Discuss and vote on a \$100,000 Line of Credit for the modernization of our Stubbs Building elevator and A/V equipment improvements in the Sanctuary

All church members are welcome to attend.

Saints and Sinners Luncheon

Soup and Sandwiches | Lunch at 12 Noon—Sign up

here or call the church office!

Tuesday, November 9 at 12 noon in the Thorpe Bldg.

The Saints and Sinners lunch will feature a presentation about Fort Frederica National Park by Mr. Bob Lummus Reservations by Thursday, November 4 | Menu:



Financial Report

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

October 17, 2021

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$30,791.00

Received YTD | \$836,844.20

Expenses YTD | \$872,597.24

Difference YTD | -\$35,753.04 Budgeted Amount YTD | \$938,247.31

Building Fund YTD | \$13,311.00

Attendance October 17, 2021

8:30 Worship Service: 56 9:45 Worship Service: 44 11:00 Worship Service: 158 Online Worship Views: 465 Sunday School/Small Groups: 114

Members in Ministry October 24, 2021

Bill Kirby, Ward Sweat, John Vann, Tim Vinson 8:30 11:00 Joey Baldwin, Erik Kaufmann, Jimmy Maupin, David

Paulk, Clif Pease, Dwight Sweat

Greeters:

8:30 Edie Vinson, Dick & Cathie Wilton

9:45 Pam & Randall Rehberg

11:00 Kay Holmes, Marguerite Suthard, Susan Kaufmann

Projection:

8:30 Neva Kaye Ashley Swann

11:00 Ashely Swann

Acolytes:

June Humphries 11:00 Stile Robinson

Prayer Requests

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

Vicky Adams, John Alexander, Joe Camp, Ali Carlyle, The Family of Myrina Cusick, The Family of Jamice Dumas, The Family of Mike Germain, Rev. Charles Hoover, Debbie Kohler, Vernon Langford, Stan Lindgren, Jan Maguire, John Palmer, The Family of Charlotte Petty, Beverly Riley, Jim Royal, Kelly & Ben Soenksen, Evelyn Steele, The Family of Thomas Vann, Major Kathy Waddell, Dee West

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Linda Blount, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Carolyn Bruce, Beth Carey, Lanier Dobrenic, Terri Dunkle, Julia Epstein, Connie Hallowes, Ginny Holt, Elwanda Hopkins, Amelia Lasater, Ellie Leroux, Sandee Lukitsch, Ken McCauley, Nathan Meadows, Spence Mullis, Sandy & Jerry Peterson, Ann & Bill Pickard, Dick Pipe, Don Proctor, Mable Proctor, George Raiford, Bob Rewis, Irene Rohan, Dave Vandersall, Paul Wilska, Judy Whelan, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, **Beverly Zeller**

Assisted Living Prayer:

Magnolia Manor: JoAnne Alford, Marjorie Lawrence, Norma Mock, Jovce Parry, Larry Varnadoe

Marsh's Edge Assisted: Judy Clifton, Nancy Reynolds

Senior Care: Anne Pinson

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.



Thank You for your Faithfulness!

As of October 20, 2021:

Number of Cards Received to date | 121 Number of New Cards | 19

Total Amount | \$623,326.00

Please remember, you may continue to return your Estimate of Giving card. Cards can be returned through mail, brought to the **church office**, submitted on our **website**, or placed in the offering baskets on Sundays!

Thank you for your continued faithfulness to our church and for being simply faithful!

Trunk or Treat!

Candy donations and trunks needed for Trunk or Treat! Please leave them in the Gholson room in the marked container. There is also a sign-up for trunks if you would like

vednesday, oct.27 to claim your spot. Come enjoy some Fall fun by dressing up, playing games, collecting candy and eating hotdogs! Register

here to attend with your children AND/OR register here to decorate your own (car or truck) trunk and hand out candy!

Thank you!!!



TRUNK OR

TREAT

Preschool Cookie Fundraiser!



YESSSSS!!! Cookies are coming! The SSUMC Preschool will be taking orders beginning on Sunday, October 31st between services and again on Sunday, November 7th. Proceeds will go to updating the playground!

3:00pm-9:00pm

9:00am-9:00pm

10:00am-7:00pm

The Pumpkins are HERE!!!

Come shop for pumpkins, gourds, take family-fun photos and enjoy the pumpkin patch! This is the main SSUMC Youth group fundraiser of the year and they appreciate the support of their church family and community so much!



Monday - Thursday 1:00pm-7:00pm Friday Saturday Sunday

Memorials | Honorariums to SSUMC

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF:

Jimmy Bankston by:

Evelyn & Wayne Murphy Barbara Whitney Deborah & Peter Murphy Mary & James Gash

Carole Barton Jean & Marlow Potter Porter Langfitt, II

Pat Miller by:

Sherry Taylor

Margie & Don Varnadoe by:

Anne & Bernard Gray South Coast Bank & Trust Teri & Marion Moore Sally & Patrick Gaffney Guerry Lumber Co.

Irma Hatcher Dr. Emri & Jana Comer Evelyn & Wayne Murphy Catherine & Clay Jackson

Heartfelt Thank you

Our Church Family,

Thank you for your prayers, love, cards, and gifts for Jimmy. We love and cherish each one of you.

God Bless You,

Joyce and the Bankston Family

Altar Flowers

The Flowers on the Altar in the Sanctuary are given in Loving Memory of Mary & Ted Stivers by Claire & Leon Jorgensen.

Chair Yoga

Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday | 11:00am | Thorpe Bldg. \$5/person

* Please note Chair Yoga is now available on Fridays again!

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. 912.638.3317 | anne@stsimonsumc.com









This Week's Events

Sunday, October 24

8:30am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary* 9:45am Contemporary Worship, Chapel*

Sunday School/ Small Group Classes— All Ages 9:45am

Pumpkin Patch – Open until 7:00pm 10:00am 11:00am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary*

*Nursery Available: Birth to 4 Years

*All Services Streamed Live

Monday, October 25

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

Pumpkin Patch—Open until 7:00pm 1:00pm

Church Council/Charge Conf. Mtg., Thorpe Bldg. 5:30pm

Tuesday, October 26

Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor 8:00am

Men's Life, Room 203 10:00am

Pumpkin Patch—Open until 7:00pm 1:00pm

Wednesday, October 27

11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

Pumpkin Patch—Open until 7:00pm 1:00pm

5:30pm Trunk or Treat, Chapel/Pumpkin Patch Parking Lot

Disciple Fast Track-Bible Study, via ZOOM 6:30pm

Thursday, October 28

1:00pm Pumpkin Patch—Open until 7:00pm

Friday, October 29

11:00am Chair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

3:00pm Pumpkin Patch—Open until 9:00pm

Saturday, October 30

Pumpkin Patch—Open until 9:00pm



St. Simons United Methodist Church

October 24, 2021

Traditional Worship 8:30am & 11:00am • Sanctuary

Contemporary Worship 9:45am • Chapel

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

CHAPEL • 9:45am

The Worship of God

SANCTUARY • 8:30am • 11:00am

WELCOME

Rev. Richard Soper

Prelude Emri Comer

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Blessed Be Your Name

CCLI #3798438 ©2002 Thankyou Music

* Affirmation of Faith #881

* Congregational Hymn #451

Greeting

The Apostles' Creed

Be Thou My Vision

FELLOWSHIP TIME Sacrament of Holy Baptism (11:00am) **God of Wonders**

Holland Reynolds Culpepper

* Passing the Peace Something Beautiful

SOMETHING BEAUTFIUL

Rev. Richard Soper

Ancient Irish Text

SLANE

PRAYER TIME

CCLI #3118757 ©2000 Never Say Never Songs

Open the Eyes of My Heart

CCLI #2298355 ©1997 Integrity

Beautiful One

CCLI #3915912 ©2002 Thankyou Music

MORNING MESSAGE

Help!

Mark 10:46-52 Rev. Tom Jones

RESPONSE SONG

I Give You My Heart

CCLI #1866132 ©1995 Hillsong Music

CLOSING PRAYER

Tom Jones

Gaither, 1971

Children's Message Heather Keefer

* Congregational Hymn #452

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Verses 1,2, & 3

Richard Soper

Chancel Choir

Palmer, 1875

OLIVET

The Lord's Prayer

Morning Prayer

Message in Music

MORE PRECIOUS

THAN SILVER

Mark 10:46-52

Rev. Tom Jones

Morning Message

Scripture

HELP!

Tom Jones

Whitfield, 1855

* Invitation #170 O How I Love Jesus

O HOW I LOVE JESUS

* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude

*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable

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