

This Week’s Events

Sunday, October 31

- 8:30amTraditional Worship, Sanctuary*
- 9:30amPreschool Cookie Dough Fundraiser
- Between and After Services, Gholson Room
- 9:45amContemporary Worship, Chapel*
- 9:45amSunday School/ Small Group Classes– All Ages
- 11:00amTraditional Worship, Sanctuary*
- *Nursery Available: Birth to 4 Years
- *All Services Streamed Live

Monday, November 1

- 9:00amPrayer Team, Parlor/Zoom
- 11:00amChair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.

Tuesday, November 2

- 8:00amBiscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor
- 9:30amStaff Meeting, Youth Room
- 10:00amMen’s Life, Room 203
- 6:00pmPreschool Board Meeting, Youth Room

Wednesday, November 3

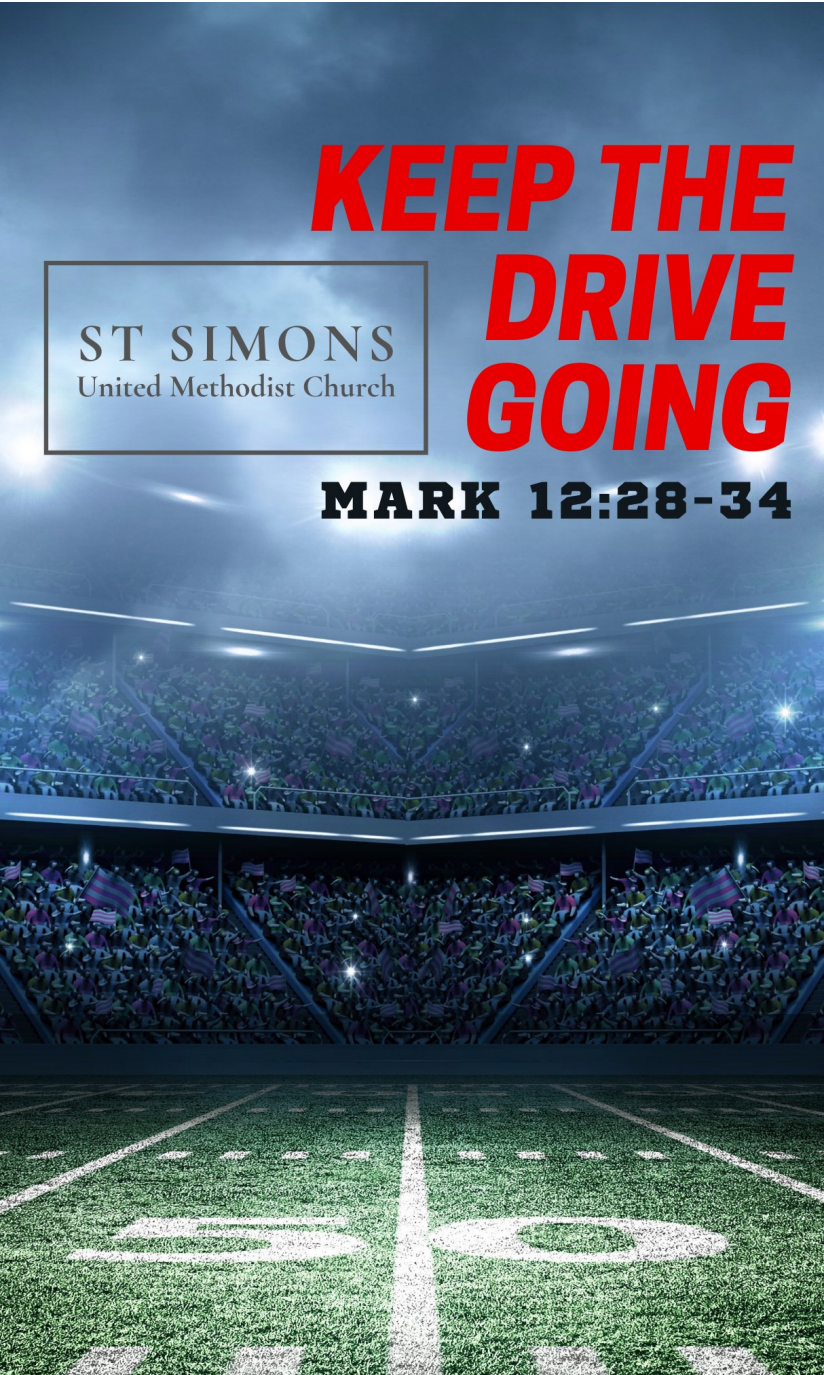
- 8:00amPrayer Hedge, Parlor
- 11:00amChair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.
- 5:30pmChildren’s Choirs
- Young Musicians (grades 1-5), Choir Room
- Music Makers (PreK-K), Room 206
- 6:00pmVery Amazing Animals and How God Used Them
- PreK-5th grade, Room 206– Pick up– Upstairs
- 6:00pmChancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:30pmDisciple Fast Track– Bible Study, via ZOOM

Friday, November 5

- 11:00amChair Yoga, Thorpe Bldg.



Don’t forget to set your clocks back an hour on Saturday Night!
Time Changes: November 7, 2021



October 31, 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

WELCOME

Rev. Richard Soper

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Thrive

CCLI #7006228
2014 Be Essential Music

FELLOWSHIP TIME

God So Loved

CCLI #7138599
©2019 Capital

PRAYER TIME

Love The Lord

CCLI #4572938
©2005 Integrity

Build My Life

CCLI #7070345
©2016 Kaple

MORNING MESSAGE

Keep the Drive Going

Mark 12:28-34
Rev. Tom Jones

RESPONSE SONG

How Can I Keep From

CCLI #4822372
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CLOSING PRAYER

Tom Jones

The Worship of God

SANCTUARY • 8:30am • 11:00am

GreetingRev. Richard Soper

PreludePrelude on EIN’ FESTE BURGKevin Lamb
Arr. Payne

* Congregational Hymn #110
A Mighty Fortress
Is Our GodMartin Luther, 1529
EIN’ FESTE BURG

* Affirmation of Faith #881
The Apostles’ Creed

* Passing the PeaceEl ShaddaiMichael Card, 1981
EL SHADDAI

Children’s MessageHeather Keefer

* Congregational Hymn #408
The Gift of LoveHopson, 1972
GIFT OF LOVE

Morning PrayerRichard Soper

The Lord’s Prayer

Message in MusicGOD LEADS US ALONGChancel Choir

ScriptureMark 12:28-34Rev. Tom Jones

Morning MessageKEEP THE
DRIVE GOINGTom Jones

* Invitation #569
We’ve a Story to
Tell to the NationsNichol, 1896
MESSAGE
Verses 1 & 2

* BenedictionTom Jones

PostludeTocatta in D minorJ.S. Bach

*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable



“Keep the Chains Moving”

I’m a nervous wreck! Most of you know that I am passionate about football, especially University of Georgia football. This is the week they play the dreaded Florida Gators. Georgia is currently ranked as the number one team in the country. They haven’t been in that position for a long time. What is nerve-racking is that in the Georgia/Florida rivalry, records or rankings don’t matter. If anything, the Gators will be even more motivated to win because Georgia is ranked so high. There is nothing more they would like to do than to be the team to knock the Dawgs off their perch.

My son will be with me this weekend and we will travel to Jacksonville on Saturday to be a part of the craziness. One of the things we hope for is that the Dawgs will keep the chains moving during the game. That’s football talk for hanging onto the ball; methodically driving the ball down the field; ultimately reaching the goal line.

Football talk can translate easily into faith talk. Our faith journey is like driving the ball down the field. The important thing is to keep the chains moving. It can be easy to get frustrated at times. We feel like our journey has stalled, that there’s no way to keep moving forward. That’s when it’s important for us to remember the words of the apostle Paul: “I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 3:14)

Press on in your worship attendance. Press on in your personal devotions. Press on in small groups and Sunday School. Press on in serving others. Press on in prayer. Stay committed to the journey even when it feels like you can’t go any further. By faith, keep the chains moving. With God’s help you will reach your ultimate goal – the prize of our heavenly call in Christ Jesus!

I look forward to being in worship with you on Sunday! It’s going to be a great day no matter the outcome of a crazy football game. But still, with all my heart, I have to say yet again, “Go Dawgs!”

Blessings,

Tom

Thanksgiving Lunch

Join us for our Annual Thanksgiving Lunch! This meal will be held on Thanksgiving day, Thursday, November 25, 2021 at noon in Thorpe Building. The church will provide Turkey, Dressing, Gravy and Tea. We will ask that those who are attending bring your favorite side dish/casserole or dessert. Please RSVP by Thursday, November 18.

Register here or call the church office at 912.638.3317.



Financial Report

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

October 24, 2021

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$14,237.88

Received YTD | \$851,082.08

Expenses YTD | \$893,778.62

Difference YTD | -\$42,696.54

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$960,406.44

Building Fund YTD | \$13,761.00

thank you

Attendance October 24, 2021

8:30 Worship Service: 91

9:45 Worship Service: 45

11:00 Worship Service: 161

Online Worship Views: 558

Sunday School/Small Groups: 89

Members in Ministry October 31, 2021

Ushers:

8:30 Phil Shinall, TBD

11:00 Mike Fitzgerald, Bill Hansen, Robert Jenkins, Jeff Parker, Randall Rehberg, Charles Taylor

Greeters:

8:30 Steve Tucker, Barbara Whitney

9:45 Tracie Beane

11:00 Jennifer Lewis, Dona & Ray Colglazier

Projection:

8:30 Neva Kaye 9:45 Elizabeth Daniel

11:00 Ashley Swann

Acolytes:

8:30 CJ Stahl 11:00 Croft Jones

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns:

Vicky Adams, John Alexander, **Richard Bosh**, **Justin C.**, Joe Camp, **The Family of Tony Flagella**, **Lee Garrison**, **Shirley Gibbs**, Rev. Charles Hoover, **Bessie Howell**, Debbie Kohler, Stan Lindgren, **Angie M.**, Jan Maguire, **Major Gary Miller**, **Donad Rewis**, **The Family of Evelyn Steele**, **Margie V.**, **Doug Van Eeckhout**, Major Kathy Waddell

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Linda Blount, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Carolyn Bruce, Beth Carey, **Madge Comer**, Lanier Dobrenic, Terri Dunkle, Julia Epstein, Connie Hallows, Ginny Holt, Elwanda Hopkins, Amelia Lasater, Ellie Leroux, Sandee Lukitsch, Ken McCauley, Nathan Meadows, Spence Mullis, **Kirk Nowery**, 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 Hope 1312, Parkinson Support Group, Our Nation

Assisted Living Prayer:

Magnolia Manor: JoAnne Alford, Marjorie Lawrence, Norma Mock, Joyce 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. BOLDDED names indicate a new addition or current concern.



Thank You for your Faithfulness!

As of October 27, 2021:

Number of Cards Received to date | **129**

Number of New Cards | **22**

Total Amount | **\$664,066.00**

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!

Saints and Sinners Luncheon

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:

Soup and Sandwiches | Lunch at 12 Noon.

Sign up here or call the church office!



Savannah Dinner

Theater

Sunday, December 5 | 1:00pm

In its 20th consecutive year,

“A Christmas Tradition” brings you holiday glitz and glitter with a 2-hour production. The theater is transformed into a perfect holiday picture, sharing all of your Christmas favorites. Sprinkle in a little comedy and Santa and his dancing reindeer for the greatest event of the season. The bus will leave at 1:00pm from the church. The cost is \$38/person. All are welcome! **Your payment needs to be made by November 18 to reserve your seat.**

Sign up Here—>

or call the church office at 912.638.3317.



Preschool Cookie Fundraiser!

YESSSSSS!!! Cookies are coming!



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

Memorials | Honorariums to SSUMC

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF :

Jimmy Bankston by:

Theresa Alexander

Bob Rewis

Judy & Richard Lyons

John Barton by :

Bob Rewis

Margie & Don Varnadoe by :

Vicki & Fred Coolidge

Anita & Tommy Oliver

Susan & Jack Hartman

Rev. Gene Cariker by :

Bob Rewis

Footprints-Widows Support Group

Please join us for our next gathering at Delaney’s Restaurant on Wednesday, November 10 at 12:00 noon. Please contact Susan Hoshall at 912.399.5454 with questions. All are welcome!

Thank you from Student Ministry

The pumpkin patch and Trunk or Treat were such a great successes because of our church family sharing their time, donations and buying almost 5,000 pumpkins! The Trunks and volunteers did and awesome job Wednesday night! Thank you to the Mike Martin and the Hospitality team for a great meal! We could not have done it all without the support of our church family and community.

Heartfelt thanks,

Heather Keefer

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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