

# Merry Christmas!

## Sunday, December 19

8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary\***  
9:45 AM Sunday School and Small Group Classes, **Various Locations\***  
9:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service, **Chapel\***  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary\***  
**\*Nursery Available: Birth - 4 Years for above worship services**  
**All Services Streamed Live**

## Monday, December 20

9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**  
11:00 AM Chair Yoga- \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**

## Tuesday, December 21

8:00 AM Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, **Parlor**  
10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**  
10:00 AM Faithful- Advent Study, **Room 201**

## Wednesday, December 22

11:00 AM Chair Yoga- \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**  
6:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, **Sanctuary**

## Thursday, December 23

Church Office Closed

## Friday, December 24- Christmas Eve

11:00 AM NO Chair Yoga- \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**  
4:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion, **Sanctuary**  
11:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion, **Sanctuary**

## Saturday, December 25- Christmas Day

12:00 PM Christmas Lunch, **Thorpe Building**



*Merry Christmas*

***From your Church Staff!***

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## December 19, 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

## ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Sandee & Bill Lukitsch

## PRAISE AND WORSHIP

*Joy to the World/Unspeakable Joy*

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## FELLOWSHIP TIME

## HOLY BAPTISM

Richard Atlas Zettler and Elliot Bonnell Zettler

*Your Name*

CCLI # 7005511 ©2006 Integrity

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

CCLI #7014589 ©Public Domain

## PRAYER TIME

## MORNING MESSAGE

*Wake-Up to The Good News*

*I'm Dreaming*

Matthew 1:18-25

Rev. Tom Jones

## INVITATION

## RESPONSE SONG

*Go Tell It on the Mountain*

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## CLOSING PRAYER

Tom Jones

# The Worship of God

SANCTUARY • 8:30am • 11:00am

Greeting

Rev. Richard Soper

Prelude

Kevin Lamb

Call to Worship

*This Joyful  
Christmas Day*

Chancel Choir

Advent Candle Lighting

Warren Family, 8:30  
Bailey Family 11:00

\* Congregational Hymn #238

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

Verses 1,3 & 4

Hyfrydol

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (11:00)

Maupin James Morrison

\* Passing the Peace *Sing We Now of Christmas*

Verses 1

FRENCH CAROL

Children's Message

Heather Keefer

\* Congregational Hymn

*God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen*

Verses 1, 2 & 5

Offertory Prayer

Richard Soper

Offertory

Kevin Lamb

\* Response #95

DOXOLOGY

Message in Music

**MARY DID YOU KNOW?**

Pam Taylor

Mark Lowry

Buddy Greene

Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25

Rev. Tom Jones

Morning Message

Tom Jones

**Wake-Up to The Good News**

*I'M DREAMING!*

\* Invitation #217

*Away in a Manger*

AWAY IN A MANGER

\* Benediction

Tom Jones

Postlude

*\*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*



## “Wake-Up Call”

When you check into a hotel the person at the front desk will often ask, “Would you like a wake-up call?” It’s a service that is provided to help us rest more peacefully because we know that at the appointed we will receive the wake-up call we need.

The news we receive daily is troubling at best. Peace on earth? No way. Peace in our hearts? Not even close. There is a reason we so often feel anxious and uncertain. We find ourselves anticipating the next wave of bad news.

Christmas is the wake-up call we need in a place in time that seems so unsettled. “Do not be afraid; for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people.” (Luke 2:10) This 2000-year-old message is as relevant today as it was when the shepherds first heard it. Do not be afraid! Christ has come – Christ is with us – Christ will come again!

Do you want to experience peace? Maybe you need a wake-up call. Open your heart to receive the message of the angel.

Wake up to good news of great joy! Rest in the assurance that in the name of Jesus there is peace. Peace that is more than just a fleeting feeling, but perfect peace that goes beyond our understanding. Perfect peace left with us by Christ alone.

I hope to see you at one of our three services this Sunday as we continue the sermon series, “Wake-Up to Good News!” We will turn our attention to Joseph; a dream that he had; and the wake-up call he received. I also look forward with great anticipation to being with you on Christmas Eve at 4:00pm and 11:00pm.

Anne and Croft join with me in wishing each of you a Merry Christmas! Our prayer is that your Christmas will be peace-filled and that the good news of Christ’s birth brings you great joy!

Blessings,

Tom

## Annual Christmas Lunch

**Saturday, December 25 | 12:00noon | Thorpe Building**

Please join us for our Annual Christmas Meal on Christmas Day in the Thorpe Building.

The turkey, ham, dressings and tea will be provided. Please bring a dish to share— either a side dish, casserole or dessert! Please let us know you and your family or friends are coming by Wednesday, December 22. All are welcome to join us!

Register on Realm or email [anne@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:anne@stsimonsumc.com).

You may also call the church office 912.638.3317.



## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING MEANINGFUL SERVICES!

**December 26 10:30 Blessing of the Toys**

**January 2 10:30 Holy Communion**



## Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online by visiting our website [www.stimonsumc.com](http://www.stimonsumc.com) and click on the Giving tab.

**December 12, 2021**

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$31,061.00

Received YTD | \$1,037,472.36

Expenses YTD | \$1,042,463.69

Difference YTD | -\$4,991.33

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$1,118,687.31

Building Fund YTD | \$18,721.00

*thank you*

## Attendance– December 12, 2021

10:30 Worship Service: 398

Online Worship Views: 387

## Members in Ministry

### December 19, 2021

#### Ushers:

8:30 John Goodrich, Bill Foster, Lynda Sterrett, Lee Watkins

11:00 Dona Colglazier, John Rentz, Mel Rozier, Mike Suthard, Jamie Wiles

#### Greeters:

8:30 Susan Watkins, Barbara Hill

9:45 Toni Metz

11:00 Claudia Royal, Jennifer Irion

#### Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee

9:45 Carol Connor

11:00 Neva Kaye

#### Acolytes:

8:30 Ava Wilson

11:00 Croft Jones

## Prayer Requests

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

#### New Prayer Concerns:

Vicky Adams, Leslie Cardin, **Greg Cook**, **Beth & David Dykes**, Garrison Delaney, Gerry Egger, **Mel Fishman**, **Dotsy Fuller**, **Valerie Harrison**, Jonathan Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Land, **Ed Land**, Maggie & Myla Luken, **Paris Malemezian**, Marna McGahan, Kitty McKinstry, Sharon Mitchell, Mary Morrell, Lynn Mulligan, Donald Rewis & Family, Margot Rhea, Bonnie Roberts, **Ward Sweat**, **Lois Vogelmann**, Friends & Family of Dawn West

#### 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 Hallowses, Ginny Holt, Elwanda Hopkins, **Jim Jensen**, Amelia Lasater, Ellie Leroux, Bill Lukitsch, Sandee Lukitsch, Mike Martin, 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

**Tornado victims & loved ones**, Our community, Hope 1312 Collective, Foster Love, Parkinson Support Group, SSUMC Church Staff and programs

#### 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. **BOLDED** names indicate a new addition or current concern.*



# Poinsettias 2021



## Given by:

Diane & Jim Bailey  
Troy & Joyce Bankston  
Becky & Lawrence Bridges  
Dona & Ray Colglazier

Gayle Disque  
Gerry Egger  
Howell Jennings Fleetwood  
Thomas, Jennings &  
Hunter Fleetwood  
Dotsy & Jim Fuller

Linda & Jay Hodges  
Margot Howard  
Glenna Lorence Humphries  
Pam Lewis

Barbara & Chuck Milliken

Cheryl & Mike Murphy  
Barbara Orr

Bob Rewis  
Anne & Larry Rogers  
Pam & Ken Taylor

Mary & Benjy Varnell

Susan & Lee Watkins

Jamie, Chris and Kaitlin Wiles

## Given by:

Diane & Jim Bailey  
  
Troy Bankston  
Beacon Sunday School Class  
Gerry Egger  
By your Family  
From a Friend  
Barbara Hill  
Linda & Jay Hodges  
Pam Lewis  
Judy & Tom Smith  
Mary & Benjy Varnell  
Jamie, Chris & Kaitlin Wiles

## In Memory of:

Dr. William Disque  
Jimmy Bankston  
Our Parents  
Our Parents; Ray & Dolly Colglazier  
Hyle & Mary Webb  
Dr. William Disque  
Rose & Mack McKenzie  
Mrs. H. F. Laramore by her godson  
Dr. & Mrs. Lovell by their grandsons

Our Parent's; Mary & James Fuller,  
Dorothy & Bill Gunnells  
Nancy Fuller Kennedy, our daughter  
Betty Hodges  
Billy Ellington  
Joan Lorence & Ed Lorence  
Tom Lewis  
Bonnie Langford  
Becky Outlaw  
Our parents;  
Charles & Helen Milliken  
Robert & Katherine Tressler  
Our nephew, Robert J. Tressler  
Betty Murphy & Jordan Reyes  
Jimmy Orr  
My grandson, Griffin Moody  
Sandy Rewis  
Rebekah Rogers  
Mr. & Mrs. Lester Kleinendorst  
Roger Taylor  
Dr. & Mrs. J. C. Varnell  
Dr. & Mrs. C. M. Massey  
Our parents Lee & Mary Watkins  
Dan & Eva Lott  
Brennan Wiles & Elaine Royal

## In Honor of:

Champ, Liza, Coe, Henry, Kendall  
& George  
Joyce Bankston  
Ann & Bill Pickard  
Don, Karen & Madison Lewis  
Martine & John Haynes  
June Smith  
My Family  
Yvonne & Ron Flowers  
My Family  
Our grandchildren; Lucy & Lucas  
SSUMC Church Staff  
Claudia & Jim Royal

## Memorials | Honorariums to SSUMC

### A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF :

#### Margie & Don Varnadoe by :

Nancy P. Wainwright, Mary & Richard Stager

### A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN HONOR OF :

#### Heather Keefer-- for the Youth Ministry by:

Kylee & Travis Glaser

## JOIN US FOR CHRISTMAS EVE AT

4:00 PM & 11:00 PM

CAROLS • CANDLELIGHT • COMMUNION

## Volunteers needed for Children's Sunday School and Children's Church

January 2022 is right around the corner, and we are in need of teachers for Sunday school with a one-month commitment. The curriculum "Simply Loved" is easy to use and fun for all ages (including teachers!). It uses one continuing Bible story, Bible buddy and memory verse every four weeks, so it is perfect for a one-month commitment.

Children's church teachers do not require a one-month commitment, and there is no specific curriculum used. Come play games with the kids, do a craft and play a music video or two. A once per month commitment would be helpful and a great way to get to know our awesome children!

## World War II Museum- January 20

### PLEASE NOTE THERE HAS BEEN A DATE CHANGE

Please join us as we visit the World War II Home Front Museum in the historic Coast Guard Station on St. Simons. The museum explains the important contributions of Brunswick and the Golden Isles during the War in the Atlantic. We will meet at the Home Front at 9:45am for our museum visit. We will have lunch together at a local restaurant. Reservations by January 13 | \$9 per person

## Disaster Response:

### How You Can Respond to the Tornado Outbreak-

You may make a check to SSUMC referencing Tornado Relief Ref. #901670 or you may send a check to Conference Advance Special #6798 to Administrative Services, PO Box 7227, Macon, GA 31209. You may also visit the South Georgia Conference website at [www.sgaumc.com](http://www.sgaumc.com) to donate online and for more information.

## 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!

There are many ways to connect with SSUMC. Fill out a blue Prayer Card, a yellow Welcome Card, Sign the Pew Pad as they are passed (and pass it back when it reaches the end of your pew). Call or Email us to join REALM – our online community where you can stay connected.

Thank you for joining us!

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