

## Anger

The incident at the Oscars this week, when one individual walked on stage and slapped another during the program, has gained international attention. I am not going to defend either of the individuals or their actions, but the incident reminded me of an article I wrote recently about anger.

It’s easy for us to get angry these days. We are impatient, on-edge, worried – it doesn’t take much to set us off. Even the little things that annoy us can quickly escalate into serious confrontations.

Matthew 5:20-26 does not pull any punches regarding anger and God’s call to reconciliation. In this section of the Sermon on the Mount Jesus says, “But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment.” His instruction is clear. As good as it might feel to open the flood-gates of anger on someone who has harmed us - don’t.

It is impossible to not have angry feelings. The real concern is what we do with those feelings. There is a powerful word of instruction found in Ephesians 4:26: "Be angry, but do not sin." No one can stop anger from happening. Yet we have the power to not let our anger dictate who we are and how we behave.

Is our only option to stifle our anger? No. To do so is not healthy. Fortunately, there is another choice between the two extremes of losing our temper or stifling our feelings – we can name the anger and send it away. Claim it. Own it. Then, send it away. While anger has a legitimate purpose, our goal is to learn to dispose of it properly. In our relationships with others choose to calmly do what needs to be done to restrain our anger while putting the greater part of our energy into building understanding.

This Sunday in worship we will celebrate Holy Communion. The focus of the morning will be on extravagant love. Extravagant love is never wasted. When we choose to control our anger, we are choosing to share God’s extravagant, unconditional love with others.

Blessings,  
**Tom**

## Helpers for MAP International

MAP International is looking for groups to assist in packing Disaster Hygiene Kits for around the world. As a group we would assist on a given day each month. A group of 18 to 22 persons is needed. The packing is done in the morning from 9:00 AM until noon at the latest. If you are interested in helping contact the church office. As soon as we have the minimum of 18, MAP will give us a date for packing. You will receive notification. Thank you for considering this mission opportunity. The Mission Committee

## Easter Hydrangeas

**Order by April 10| Cost \$22**

Help place Easter Hydrangeas in the Sanctuary or Chapel to celebrate the Risen Christ. You may place a hydrangea plant in memory or honor of a loved one. Please take your hydrangea plant home with you after the 11:00am Easter Worship Service on Sunday, April 17th. Envelopes are in the pews or you may send in a check.



## Financial Report

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

**March 27, 2022**

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$13,510.20  
Received YTD | \$301,914.38  
Expenses YTD | \$273,654.53  
Difference YTD| \$28,259.85  
Budgeted Amount YTD | \$267,202.37  
Building Fund YTD | \$13,424.00

*thank you*

## Attendance~ March 27, 2022

8:30 Worship Service: 88  
9:45 Worship Service: 45  
11:00 Worship Service: 255  
Total In Person Worship: 388  
Online Worship Views: 347  
Sunday School/Small Groups: 107

## Members in Ministry~ April 3, 2022

**Ushers:**

8:30 Janice Lee, Mac McLawhorn, Tom Smith, Pete Irby  
11:00 Kevin Brandon, David Miller, Ed Reynolds

**Greeters:**

8:30 Faye George, Helen Baker  
9:45 Casey & Craig Pace  
11:00 Barbara Smith, June Smith

**Projection:**

8:30 Neva Kaye 9:45 Elizabeth Daniel  
11:00 Ashley Swann

**Acolytes:**

8:30 Ava Wilson and Eliana Moncus  
11:00 Peggy Sue Gowen and Hope Gowen

## Prayer Requests

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

**New Prayer Concerns:**

**Bonni Brandeberry, Dee Brantley, Traci Carmichael, Gary, Gerry Egger, Fryer Family, Anna Green, Katherine & Tony Hayes, Family of Jackson, Alicia Jones, Steve Keifer, Mrs. Carole Kirkland, Lindsey Lapole, Don & Mimi Lewis, Lexie Medford, Marion Moore, Eric Morris,** Family & Friends of Anne Pinson, Susan Pope, Nieves Reeves, Donald Rewis, Betty Sharp, Larry Singleton, Bo Vice & Mary Vice, Daniel Whittingslow

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Bob Black, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Linda Blount, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Beth Carey, Lanier Dobrenic, Terri Dunkle, Julia Epstein, Dotsy Fuller, Connie Hallowes, Ginny Holt, Elwanda Hopkins, Jim Jensen, Amelia Lasater, Ellie Leroux, Sandee Lukitsch, Mike Martin, Ken McCauley, Nathan Meadows, Sharon Mitchell, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Jerry Peterson, Ann Pickard, Bill Pickard, Dick Pipe, Don Proctor, Mable Proctor, Jeff Proctor, George Raiford, Bob Rewis, Irene Rohan, Bob Scherer, Dave Vandersall, Paul Wilska, Judy Whelan, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller

Our community, Hope 1312 Collective, Foster Love, Parkinson Support Group, The people of Ukraine, UM General Conference, National Day of Prayer on May 5th

**Assisted Living Prayer:**

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

**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. Names that are BOLD indicate a new addition or current concern.*



**Palm Sunday Worship | April 10 at all 3 Services**

We continue our preparation for Easter as we remember the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. All 3 service will have the Children’s palm processional. Children should meet at the front of the Sanctuary or Chapel to process!



**Maundy Thursday | April 14 | 6:00pm**

Join us as we experience the last hours of Christ’s earthly ministry. We will celebrate Holy Communion during the service as Christ’s disciples gathered with Him in the upper room. We complete our Lenten journey to the cross in darkness as we leave to contemplate Good Friday and anticipate the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.



**Join us Easter Sunday- 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am**

On Easter Sunday three identical worship services will be offered to celebrate the Risen Lord in our Sanctuary! Join us as we celebrate the Resurrection with beautiful music, scripture, and the Easter sermon “Gotcha!”. Come celebrate the Resurrection with us at one of these three services! Please note the time changes for two early services.

## Donations needed for Foster Family Easter Egg Hunt

SSUMC will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16 with Hope 1312 Collective and FosterLove Ministries for Glynn County foster families. We are in need of donations of plastic eggs and candy to fill the eggs for this event. Please drop off donations in the FosterLove basket in the Gholson Room. We appreciate your support!

## Memorials and Honorariums

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

**Anne Pinson by:** Robin & Cathy Siegel, Susan Dunwody, Kitty & Cpt. Larry Kemper, Mr. & Mrs. Darryl Jones, Patrick Hardie, Jeffrey Martin, Nancy & Fred Newton, Piedmont Construction Group

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

**Barbara Hill by:** Maggie Gallagher, Dotsy & Jim Fuller

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

**Sandy Rewis by:** Bob Rewis

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

**John Barton by:** Bob Rewis

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

**Jimmy Bankston by:** Bob Rewis

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

**Rev. Gene Caricker by:** Bob Rewis

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

**Rev. Richard Soper & Rev. Marcia Cochran by:** Bob Rewis

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

**Barbara Meadows by:** Sara Bankhead

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

**Rev. Jim Jensen by:** Sara Bankhead

## Easter Egg Hunt

Join us for a Church Family Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16 starting at 2:00pm in the Thorpe Building and the Thorpe side yard. Invite your friends and family to join us!

**CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED!**

**Donations can be left in the Gholson room!**

Contact Chris for more info at [chris@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:chris@stsimonsumc.com)



**Register for Vacation Bible School!**  
**June 5 - 9**

Sign up to participate and volunteer on our website at <https://www.stsimonsumc.com/childrens-ministry/>

## Guest Information

- **First time guests** please fill out the yellow, “Welcome Card” located in your pew. Please drop in the offering plate or bring to the Welcome Desk for a free gift!
- Restrooms are located through the exit doors nearest the altar to your right or left.
- Sunday School for children & adults meets at 9:45am.
- A nursery is available for children **4 years old and under**, located through the exit door to the right of the altar, 1st floor in the Stubbs Building.
- Children’s Church (**5 years old - 5th grade**), leave together after the Children’s Message (except on the first Sunday of the month— Communion Sundays) for lessons, crafts, and games, and may be picked up on the 2nd floor in the Stubbs Building.

## 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 or 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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# Weekly Events

**Sunday, April 3**  
8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary\***  
9:45 AM Sunday School & Small Group Classes, **Various Locations\***  
9:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service, **Chapel\***  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary\***  
**\*Nursery Available: Newborn- 4 yrs. for above worship services**  
**All Services Streamed Live**

**Monday, April 4**  
**PRESCHOOL CLOSED FOR SPRING BREAK April 4-8**  
9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**  
11:00 AM Chair Yoga- \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**  
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**

**Tuesday, April 5**  
8:00 AM Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, **Parlor**  
10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**

**Wednesday, April 6**  
8:00 AM Prayer Hedge, **Parlor**  
11:00 AM Chair Yoga- \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**  
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**  
6:15 PM Chancel Choir, **Choir Room**  
6:30 PM Disciple Fast Track– Bible Study, **via ZOOM**

**Thursday, April 7**  
10:00 AM Lenten Bible Study, **Room 201**

**Friday, April 8**  
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**  
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**



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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

APRIL 3, 2022  
CHAPEL • 9:45am

### WELCOME

Rev. Richard Soper

## PRAISE AND WORSHIP

### Everlasting God

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## FELLOWSHIP TIME

### BAPTISM

RILEY JACKSON VAUGHN

### Let It Rise

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## MORNING PRAYER

### Even So Come

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### Even If

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## MORNING MESSAGE

### What a Waste

John 12:1-8  
Rev. Tom Jones

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

### INVITATION

### You Make Me Brave

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## CLOSING PRAYER

Tom Jones

## The Worship of God

APRIL 3, 2022  
SANCTUARY • 8:30am • 11:00am

Greeting Rev. Richard Soper

Prelude Emri Comer

\* Hymn #298 **When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** HAMBURG

Invitation to Holy Communion  
Confession and Pardon

\* Passing the Peace

\* Fellowship Chorus #394  
**Something Beautiful**

Children's Message Chris Moncus

\* Hymn #170 **Oh How I Love Jesus** O HOW I LOVE JESUS

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Emri Comer

\* Response #95 **DOXOLOGY**

Message in Music **Thy Will Be Done** Chancel Choir  
Arr. Craig Courtney

Morning Message Rev. Tom Jones  
**What a Waste**  
John 12:1-8

Sacrament of Holy Communion  
The Great Thanksgiving  
The Lord's Prayer

\* Invitation #172 **My Jesus, I Love Thee** GORDON  
Verses 1 & 2

\* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude Emri Comer

*\*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*

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