Weekly Events

Sunday, September 25

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. All Services Streamed Live			
4:00 PM	Way Forward Meeting with the Bishop, Richmond Hill			
5:30 PM	Youth Group, Youth Room			

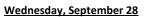
Monday, September 26

9:00 AM Prayer Team, Parlor11:00 AM Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building

Tuesday, September 27

8:00 AMBiscuit Eaters Reunion Group, Parlor10:00 AMMen's Life Group, Room 20310:00 AMOutreach Meeting, Parlor6:30 PMPAL Meeting, Room 2077:00 PMBoy Scouts, Thorpe Building





10:00 AM	Delivering Kindness Meeting, Parlor	
11:00 AM	Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building	
1:15 PM	Lightkeepers Al-Anon, Room 203	
5:30 PM	Young Musicians Children's Choir, Choir Room	
6:00 PM	Kids WOW– Bible, Pizza & Fun, Children's Room	
5:30 PM	Youth Pizza & Games, Youth Room	
5:30 PM	Parents Dinner and Conversation, Meet in Gholson Room	
6:15 PM	Chancel Choir, Choir Room	

Thursday, September 29

10:00 AM Restored Bible Study, Room 201

Friday, September 30

11:00 AM Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 CHAPEL • 9:45am

WELCOME

Rev. Richard Soper

DELIVERING KINDNESS MOMENT

Rev. Tom Jones

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Open the Eyes Of My Heart CCLI #2298355 ©1997 Integrity

FELLOWSHIP TIME

Brother CCLI #7029230 ©2013 NeedToBreathe

MORNING PRAYER

Richard Soper

Be Alright CCLI #7160689 ©2020 Capitol

Shepherd CCLI #7068442 ©2016 Simply Complex

MORNING MESSAGE

Why Church? Shepherds 2 Timothy 1:1-14

INVITATION

Shine Jesus Shine CCLI #30426 ©1987 Make Way Music

CLOSING PRAYER Rev. Tom Jones

The Worship of God

September 25, 2022

SANCTUARY • 8:30am & 11:00am

Greeting		Rev. Richard Soper				
Prelude	The Solid Rock	Sondra Anderson arr. J. Raney				
* Hymn #62	All Creatures of Our God and King Verses 1, 2, 3, & 7	LAST UNS ERFRUEN				
* Affirmation of Faith #881 The Apostles' Creed						
Delivering Kindness Moment Rev. Tom Jone Addy & Christa Thompson (11:00a						
* Passing the Peac	* Passing the Peace					
* Fellowship Chorus #176 <i>Majesty, Worship His Majesty</i>						
Children's Messa	ge	Victoria Fryer				
Morning Prayer		Richard Soper				
The Lord's Prayer						
* Hymn #714	I Know Whom I Have Beli Verses 1 & 2	ieved El NATHAN				
Offertory Prayer		Tom Jones				
Offertory	Precious Lord, Take My H	fand Kevin Lamb				
Presentation of C	Gifts DOXOLOGY					
Message in Musi	c Cornerstone	Chancel Choir Arr. Tom Fettke				
Morning Messag	e	Rev. Tom Jones				
Why Church? Shepherds 2 Timothy 1:1-14						
* Invitation #555	Forward Through the A Verses 1 & 2	ges ST. GERTRUDE				
* Benediction		Tom Jones				
Postlude						
*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable						
The Beautiful Flowers on the Altar in the Sanctuary are given today in loving memory of Margie and Don Varnadoe by Jason, Millie and Fisher Varnadoe.						



They Smell Like Sheep

The closer you are to someone the more you become like them. You find yourself talking like them, doing things like them - even smelling like them. Say what? Okay, maybe not smelling like them - but it could happen.

One of favorite books on pastoral care is titled, "They Smell Like Sheep." While the term "shepherd" produces warm images of love, care, and tenderness, it also describes a form of leadership that is protective, risky, and more than likely smelly. "Shepherd" is something that every follower of Christ is called to become. If you're going to be a shepherd, then more than likely you're going to smell like sheep.

Jesus once asked Peter, "Do you love me?" Peter responded, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep." Three times Jesus asked Peter the same question. Three times Peter responded with the same answer. Three times Jesus gave him the same command.

How would we respond? Do you love, Jesus? Then feed his sheep. Be strong in the face of temptation and let your witness be a light to others. Do you love Jesus? Then feed his sheep. "Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Do you love Jesus? Then feed his sheep. "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another."

This Sunday I will complete the sermon series, "Why Church?" One of the reasons we do church is because we, like sheep, need to be a part of the flock. We, like sheep, need a shepherd. But we are also called to be shepherds. Let's continue to be a church that draws closer to Christ and closer to each other as we offer our care, our encouragement, and our support to the flock.

Blessings,

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SSUMC Preschool is Hiring **Preschool Director**

St. Simons United Methodist Church is seeking a qualified and experienced candidate for a full time Preschool Director to help teach, lead, and

care for our youngest children as they begin their Christian journey. This position is responsible for leading and overseeing staff and daily operations to meet and exceed the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning's Quality Rated standards for child development and care. Candidates must be 21 and hold current, qualifying certification. Resumes will be accepted until October 21, 2023. Please send resumes to: casepace0824@gmail.com

Welcome to our Newest Members!

Please join us in welcoming our newest members who joined on Sunday, September 18, 2022: Janie and Fred Alexander We welcome you to our church family!

Memorials

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF RAY TARRANT

By: Edward Collins Frances & Dave McLean



For your convenience you may give online by visiting our website at www.stimonsumc.com and click on the Giving tab. September 18, 2022

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$18,768.00 Received YTD | \$854,660.23 Expenses YTD | \$880,089.08 Difference YTD | -\$25,428.85 Budgeted Amount YTD | \$860,315.20 Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$16,219.00 Maintaining the Mission | \$82,170.00



Attendance- September 18, 2022

8:30 Worship Service: 88 9:45 Worship Service: 45 11:00 Worship Service: 197 Total In Person Worship: 330

Online Worship Views: 331 Sunday School/Small Groups: 149

Members in Ministry- September 25, 2022

Ushers:

8:30 Bill Kirby, Ward Sweat, John Vann, Tim Vinson 11:00 Joey Baldwin, Erik Kaufmann, David Paulk, Clif Pease Greeters:

- 8:30 Charlene McManamy, Dick & Cathie Wilton
- 9:45 Pam Rehberg, Randall Rehberg Phillis Harrell, Max Harrell 11:00 Projection: 8:30 **Robin Parmelee** 9:45 Carol Conner
- 11:00 Neva Kaye

Acolytes:

11:00 Croft Jones 8:30 Pete Irby

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Praver Concerns:

Edwina Bankston Family & Friends, Vanessa Bell, Keri Brittain, Monique Cauthan, Laurie Ellison, Teri Gerry, Laura Johnson, Pam Melton, Sally Piccione, Rocky Racca, Mary Rentz, Hunter Rozier, Ana Smith & Family, Ray Tarrant Family & Friends

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Vicky Adams, Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Linda Blount, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Beth Carey, Ed Clark, Vicki Certain, Lanier Dobrenic, Terri Dunkle, Sam Friedman, Dotsv Fuller, Connie Hallowes, Ginny Holt, Elwanda Hopkins, Ellie Leroux, Jack Lindgren, Sandee Lukitsch, Marcia Maguire, Mike Martin, Ken McCauley, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Sharon Mitchell, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Jerry Peterson, Ann Pickard, Bill Pickard, Dick Pipe, Don Proctor, Mable Proctor, Jeff Proctor, Bob Rewis, Irene Rohan, Bob Scherer, Sandy Thornberry, Dave Vandersall, Bo Vice & Mary Vice, Paul Wilska, Judy Whelan, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack

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.

United Methodist Women's PECAN SALE



Pecans can be ordered every Sunday starting September 18 – October 9. We will be selling halves, pieces, salted and roasted, chocolate, and glazed pecans. Cost is \$11 with delivery before Thanksgiving. Proceeds of the sale will benefit Red Bird Mission and Local Missions! If you are unable to order in person you may call Pat Carmichael at 912-638-4541 or the church office to place your order.

Windsor Park Walking Tour

Monday, October 17 at 9:00am - 1:00pm

Join Sandy White of the Coastal Historical Society (CHS) for a walking tour exploring the historic Windsor Park neighborhood of Brunswick. This tour includes stops outside the original Brunswick Golf Clubhouse and homes designed by noted local architects. There is no seating available during the approximate 1.5 mile walk. We will be leaving the church at 9:00 AM. The cost is \$20 per person. There will be a Dutch treat lunch following the walk. Reservations must be made by Monday, October 10.

Charleston Wrap - Fall Fundraiser

St. Simons UMC Preschool is selling Charleston Wrap- wrapping paper and gifts just in time for the Gift Giving Season! Look for the table in the Gholson room between services, starting on October 2 through October 16 to make your purchases!

Pumpkins are Arriving!



6,000 Pumpkins will arrive by tractor trailer on Saturday, October 8 and we need your HELP! All ages are welcome to "pass the pumpkins" as we unload and place them in the Patch. Please bring a pair of gloves! Email Chris Moncus chris@stsimonsumc.com Thank you!

Foot Prints - Widow Support Group

Join us for lunch at Fiddlers on Wednesday, September 28 at noon! Please let Susan Hoshall know you are coming by calling her cell at 912-399-5454.

Save the Date Church In The Park ~ Sunday, October 23

We will gather at Neptune Park at 10:30am for one of the congregations favorite Sundays. Bring your blanket or chair for this time of fellowship and worship. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided, but please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Anne Frazier will send out an email to sign up to help set up, serve and clean up soon!

Delivering Kindness

A visit to a church member is a wonderful gift that you can give. If you would like to be a part of the SPECIAL TOUCH team, we will have an organizational meeting on September 28 at 10:00 am in the Church Parlor – located on the 1st floor across from the hallway entrance to the Chapel (near the Choir Room).

As committee chair, I welcome your involvement. Come! Be a part of this caring team. - Judy Smith - jasmith321@hotmail.com





Restore today. Renew tomorrow. Rejoice for the future. You can be a part of this MAINTAINING meaningful opportunity of Maintaining the Mission of St. Simons United Methodist Church. To PLEDGE ONLINE or to GIVE RESTORE · RENEW · REJOICE ONLINE you may go to our website

stsimonsumc.com or scan the QR code here and click on the Maintaining the Mission photo and choose the Fund in the fund drop down Fund Maintaining the **Mission**. You may also pledge to this campaign online now too! This campaign will run from September 1,



2022 thru February 28, 2022! You may give weekly, monthly or with a one time gift. Thank you to those who have already made a one time contribution or pledge. See our progress here in our Giving Tree!



Our Maintaining the Mission GOAL is \$450,000 by February 28, 2023! As of September 18 we have received \$82,170. With \$9,160 more in pledges. We are above 20% of our Goal! Join us in turning the tree GREEN in the next 6 months!

The Way Forward-Meet Bishop Graves

The invitation remains open to anyone who wants to attend the meeting with Bishop David Grave today. He will meet with the laity and clergy of the Coastal District this afternoon from 4:00-6:00pm, at Richmond Hill United Methodist Church. The address is Richmond Hill UMC, 9050 Ford Ave., Richmond Hill, GA 31324. If you want to ride the bus or carpool, please meet at 2:15 pm in the back parking lot of the church.

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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 to receive a 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 1st Sunday of the month-Communion Sundays) for lessons, crafts, and games, and may be picked up on the 2nd floor in the Stubbs Building.

Ioin 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