

Weekly Events

Sunday, October 30

Pumpkin Patch OPEN 9:30AM-5:00PM

- 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*
- 5:30 PM Youth Group, **Youth Room**

Monday, October 31

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

Tuesday, November 1

- 8:00 AM Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, **Parlor**
- 10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**
- 6:30 PM PAL Meeting, **Room 207**
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts, **Thorpe Building**

Wednesday, November 2

- 8:00 AM Prayer Hedge, **Parlor**
- 9:00 AM MAP Packing, **MAP International**
- 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**
- 5:30 PM Men's Ensemble, **Sanctuary**
- 5:30 PM Youth Pizza & Games, **Youth Room**
- 5:30 PM Parents Dinner and Conversation, **Meet in Gholson Room**
- 6:00 PM Kids WOW- Bible, Pizza & Fun, **Children's Room**
- 6:15 PM Chancel Choir, **Choir Room**

Thursday, November 3

- 1:00 PM Parkinson's Support Group, **Thorpe Building**

Friday, November 4

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**

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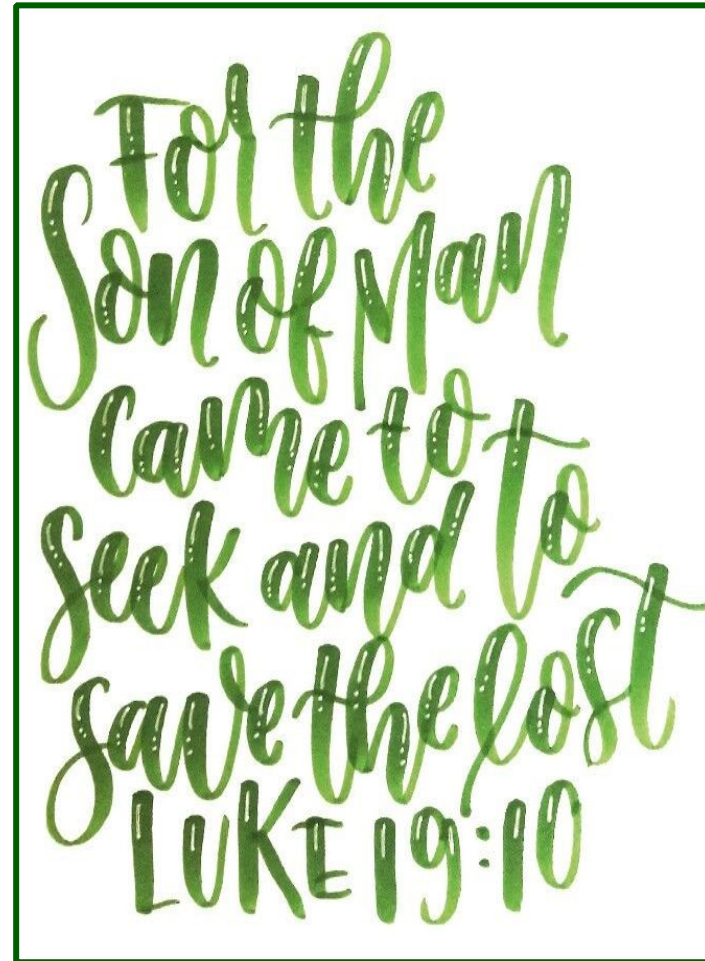
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

OCTOBER 30, 2022
CHAPEL • 9:45am

WELCOME

Rev. Richard Soper

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

This is Amazing Grace

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FELLOWSHIP TIME

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

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MORNING PRAYER

Richard Soper

King of Kings

CCLI #7127647
©2019 Hillsong Music

Jesus

CCLI #7067249
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MORNING MESSAGE Climb Up—Come Down

Luke 19:1-10
Rev. Tom Jones

INVITATION

10,000 Reasons

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CLOSING PRAYER

Tom Jones

The Worship of God

OCTOBER 30, 2022

SANCTUARY • 8:30am • 11:00am

Greeting Rev. Richard Soper

Prelude **Concerto on EIN' FESTE BURG** Sondra Anderson
Kevin Lamb

* Hymn #110 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

* Affirmation of Faith **Apostles' Creed** Richard Soper

Celebration of Holy Baptism (11:00 am) Rev. Tom Jones
Leigh Ann Watson

* Passing the Peace Tom Jones

* Fellowship Chorus *Surely the Presence*

Children's Message Chris Moncus

Morning Prayer Richard Soper

* Hymn #340 *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor & Needy* RESTORATION
Verses 1 & 3

Offertory Prayer Tom Jones

Offertory *O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing* Chancel Choir
Arr. Mark Hayes

Morning Message Rev. Tom Jones

Climb Up—Come Down

Luke 19:1-10

* Invitation #419 *I Am Thine, O Lord* I AM THINE
Verses 1 & 2

* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude

**Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*

Today is **Reformation Sunday**. Celebrated universally in the Lutheran faith, but it is an important part of our Protestant history. Martin Luther, a German monk, is credited with being the driving force behind the Protestant Reformation. Reformation Sunday is the anniversary of the day that Martin Luther nailed his famous 95 Theses to the door of the church at Wittenberg, Germany, in the year 1517. On **Reformation Sunday** we are brought back to the most important thing - the thing that compelled Luther and others to risk their lives. On **Reformation Sunday**, we return to the core of our faith: God loved us first, and God continues to shower us with grace and mercy. **Reformation Sunday** challenges us to do better. We are called to be more loving and grace-filled, because God was gracious and merciful to us. We start the service today with an exuberant prelude. This organ & piano duet blends classic themes with the hymn tune EIN' FESTE BURG. The well known theme from Widor's Toccata is woven with the hymn tune for A Mighty Fortress Is Our God that Martin Luther penned. The prelude is extensive and difficult, please use this time to prepare as worship has begun.

A Single Voice

I am a little nervous about Sunday! I am nervous because the day before I will be at a football game. Maybe you've heard about it. The University of Georgia plays the University of Florida. If you attend the game you yell – you yell a lot. This goes on for three hours or more depending on if the Bulldogs, the team I have been known to pull for, are winning.

I actually believe that the difference between the Bulldogs winning or losing the game depends on how loud I yell. Can it really make a difference? When it's combined with 40,000 to 50,000 other Bulldog fans, it sure can!

On any given Sunday when we gather to worship, our single voice combines with the voices of millions of Christians around the world. We may feel like our single voice makes little difference – but does it ever! When you are present in worship your voice demonstrates your solidarity with other Christians. Your single voice when joined with others is a witness that we choose to live victoriously in Jesus Christ.

You may wonder why am I nervous about Sunday? I'm supposed to preach three sermons and my voice may not be in the best of shape. But while my single voice could potentially be weak, our combined voices will make this Sunday yet another great day of worship as together we offer our praise and thanksgiving to God!

Blessings,

Tom

The Way Forward

FAQ on Disaffiliation

What is the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference?

The Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference will be held November 2-4, at Lake Junaluska Conference Center in North Carolina. The primary business of the session will be the election and assignment of bishops. There are nine nominees for bishop.

Originally set for July 15-17, 2020, the SEJ Conference was postponed due to COVID-19. The Council of Bishops has called for the five Jurisdictional Conferences across the U.S. to meet November 2-4, 2022.

The Southeast Jurisdiction is comprised of fourteen Annual Conferences. Each conference sends a delegation of an equal number of clergy and lay to the Jurisdictional Conference. The size of the delegation is based on the number of members in a conference. The South Georgia Conference will have ten total delegates.

More information, including information on bishop nominees, a proposed agenda, and the Advance Daily Christian Advocate can be found at www.sejumc.org/sej-conference-2022. A live stream of the conference will be available on the SEJ website beginning Nov. 2.

Financial Report

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

October 23, 2022

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$14,279.00

Received YTD | \$953,665.76

Expenses YTD | \$921,318.72

Difference YTD | \$32,347.04

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$974,550.74

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$17,119.00

Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$124,887.00

Thank you

Attendance- October 23, 2022 | Church in the Park

Thank you for all who attended and made this gathering possible!

Total Approximate In-Person Worship | 227

Members in Ministry- October 30, 2022

Ushers:

8:30 Phil Shinall & TBD

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

Greeters:

8:30 Charlene McManamy, Barbara Whitney

9:45 JR Wright, Judy Wright

11:00 Marlis Kiser, Bob Kiser

Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee 9:45 Elizabeth Daniel

11:00 Ashley Swann

Acolytes:

8:30 Pete Irby 11:00 Croft Jones

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns:

Vicky Adams Family & Friends, Becky Blalock, Marsha Boyette, Jim Connah, Rebecca Corn, Mary Dobbs & the Byrd Family, Anna Green, **Caitlin Harvey**, Jim Lee, Barbara Milliken, Bill Thomas, Anne Vanderlaan, **Mary Varnell**, Jamie Vernon, JR Wright

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Linda Blount, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Beth Carey, Ed Clark, Vicki Certain, Lanier Dobrenic, Sam Friedman, Dotsy Fuller, Connie Hallows, Ginny Holt, Elwanda Hopkins, Barbara & Jim Jensen, Ellie Leroux, Sandee Lukitsch, Marcia Maguire, Mike Martin, Ken McCauley, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Sharon Mitchell, **Spence Mullis**, Kirk Nowery, Ann & Bill Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable & Don Proctor, Jeff Proctor, Mary Rentz, 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,

Those affected by Hurricane Ian

Assisted Living Prayer:

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

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.

Thank You for

your Faithfulness!

stewardship

As of October 26, 2022:

Number of Cards Received to date | 117

Number of New Cards | 23

Total Amount | **\$619,225.00**

Please remember, you may continue to return your Estimate of Giving cards. Cards can be returned via **mail**, brought to the **church office**, placed in the **offering plates** on Sundays or submitted on our **website!** Click the QR Code to pledge online!

Thank you for your continued faithfulness!



Thanksgiving Lunch

Join us for our Annual

Thanksgiving Lunch! This meal will be held on Thanksgiving day, Thursday, November 24, at noon in the 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 Wednesday, November 17. Register on Realm or call the church office at 912.638.3317.



Parkinson's Fitness Class

The Parkinson's Support Group meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM in the Thorpe Building. They are now offering a fitness class free of charge to Parkinson's patients and their caregiver twice weekly at The Club on Demere Road. For more info: glynncountyparkinsons@gmail.com

Senior Adult Ministries Events

Register online or call the office for upcoming Senior Adult Ministries events! Event details can be found in our S.A.M. brochures.

- ◆ Jacksonville Zoo & Gardens: **November 17** (4 spots available)
- ◆ Many other fun events and trips in the New Year! Sign up on Realm or call the church office to inquire!



Fill a Shoebox. Spread the Gospel!

NOVEMBER PACKING & PREPARING

Churchwide Packing Party
Nov 6
5:30pm
Youth Room

Charlotte, NC Processing Center
Nov 25-26
8AM Fri – 10PM Sat
Ages 13+

MORE INFO & ITEM DROPOFF IN GHOLSON ROOM



RESTORE · RENEW · REJOICE

Restore today. Renew tomorrow.

Rejoice for the future. You can

be a part of this meaningful

opportunity of Maintaining the

Mission of St. Simons United Methodist

Church. To **PLEDGE** or to **GIVE ONLINE** you

may go to our website stsimonsumc.com or scan the QR code.

Our Maintaining the Mission GOAL is \$450,000 by February 28, 2023!

As of October 27, \$142,740.00 has been received in onetime gifts and pledged commitments. We are above 30% of our Goal!

You may still pledge or donate today!



Thank you!

Thank you for an awesome Church in the Park on Sunday, October 23! We are grateful to all the many people who came to worship, brought food, helped set-up, clean-up, and served! We couldn't make it happen without the many volunteers and members who make it such a special time of worship overlooking the water and the beauty of this island! What a great Sunday!

Do we have your Picture and Info?

Please email us a recent picture of you and your family to update our records in Realm. Also, if you have moved or have a new email or phone number, please let us know!

Email– ashley@stsimonsumc.com or come by the office!



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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.

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