

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

CHAPEL • 9:45am

The Worship of God

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

SANCTUARY • 8:30am & 11:00am

WELCOME

Rev. Richard Soper

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Blessed Be Your Name

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This Is Amazing Grace

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MORNING PRAYER

Richard Soper

10,000 Reasons

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The Blessing

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MORNING MESSAGE

It's the Climb

Matthew 17:1-9
Rev. Tom Jones

INVITATION

I Give You My Heart

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CLOSING PRAYER

Tom Jones

Greeting Rev. Richard Soper

Prelude Emri Comer
Arr. Kevin McChesney

* Hymn #152 *I Sing the Almighty Power of God* FOREST GREEN

* Affirmation of Faith Apostle's Creed Richard Soper

* Fellowship Chorus #349 *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* LEMMEL

Children's Message Chris Moncus

Morning Prayer Richard Soper

* Hymn #371 *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* MY SAVIOR'S LOVE
Verses 1, 4 & 5

Offertory Prayer Rev. Tom Jones

Offertory *Speak to My Heart* Sondra Anderson
Arr. Nancy L. Smith

Response #95 *Doxology*

Message in Music (11:00 am) Chancel Choir
Holy, Holy, Holy

Morning Message Tom Jones

It's the Climb

Matthew 17:1-9

* Invitation #348 *Softly and Tenderly* THOMPSON
Verses 1 & 4

* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude

**Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*



“Serve Saturday” – The Hands and Feet of Christ

To be the hands and feet of Christ is a call to action to be like Christ in our service and not just in name only; that all that we do is done with a heart poured out for others.

On Saturday, March 11, our church has an incredible opportunity to be the church. We will spread out across our community to be the hands and feet of Jesus on “Serve Saturday.” “Serve Saturday” offers us a variety of projects to choose from as we prepare to serve. The projects include opportunities for the youngest to the oldest to participate. It includes opportunities for families to participate together. It is a day our church family will focus on mission and on how we can serve Christ and others together.

Here are four things you can do as we prepare for this amazing day:

- 1) **Register!** It is extremely important that everyone registers prior to the day of the event. An email with a link to Sign-Up Genius was sent out this past week. You can also find the link on Realm. Or call the church office for assistance. But please register! The deadline is February 27 but the sooner you register the better!
- 2) **Contribute.** If you are not able to attend on the 11th and still want to be a part of the day, or if you want to offer further support, your financial gift is much appreciated. Your donation will help cover the costs of supplies for the projects as well as help provide the t-shirts for the project participants. Please note on your check, “Serve Saturday.” Thank you for your generosity!
- 3) **Pray.** Pray for God’s blessings on this day and upon those who are served and those who serve.
- 4) **Register!** Yes, it’s essential. Please register soon!

Saint Teresa of Avila, who lived in the 16th century, left us with these powerful words; "Christ has no body on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which Christ's compassion for the world is to look out; yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good; and yours are the hands with which He is to bless us now."

“Serve Saturday” is a day for us to be the hands and feet of Christ. My prayer is that you will make this event a priority and plan to join with our church family as together we “let our light shine before others, so that they may see our good works and give glory to our Father in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16)

Blessings,

Tom

Welcome to our Newest Members

Welcome to our newest members who all joined on Sunday, February 12, 2023:

Danielle and Matthew Baird
Nancy and John Dobrenic

Join us in welcoming these new members to our church family!

Memorial

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF RITA BARFORD BY:

Marcia Maguire, Jean Bryan, Becky & Lawrence Bridges
Jane and Moye Walker, John Lindgren

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF BILL PICKARD BY:

Claudia and Jim Royal, June Smith, Becky & Lawrence Bridges

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF STEVE MONCUS BY:

Rev. Benjy and Mary Varnell

Financial Report

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

February 12, 2023

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$21,472.28

Received YTD | \$187,464.56

Expenses YTD | \$100,918.37

Difference YTD | \$86,546.19

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$145,911.09

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$874.00

Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$220,765.15

Thank you

Attendance- February 12, 2023

8:30 Worship Service: **96** Sunday School/Small Groups: **129**

9:45 Worship Service: **78** Online Worship Views: **433**

11:00 Worship Service: **314**

In Person Worship Total: **488**

Members in Ministry- February 19

Ushers:

8:30 John Goodrich, Bill Foster, Steve Stahl, Tom McConnell

11:00 Jamie Wiles, Mike Suthard, John Rentz, Zdenek Kuja,
Dona Colglazier

Greeters:

8:30 Susan Watkins, Barbara Whitney

9:45 Toni Metz, Ava White

11:00 Claudia Royal, Jennifer Irion

Projection:

8:30 Elizabeth Daniel 9:45 Neva Kaye

11:00 Carol Conner

Acolytes:

8:30 CJ Stahl 11:00 Stiles Robinson, Harlow Robinson

Welcome Desk:

9:30 Barbara Foster 10:30 Jana Comer

12:00 Betty Sharp

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns:

The Family & Friends of Rita Barford, Family & Friends of Ray Beimler, Andy Blackmon, Deborah Blackmon, Susan Blakely, **Billy Byington**, **Don Chapman**, Debbie & Ray Croslyn, **Jean Deal**, Dewey Hayes, **Debbie Hudlow**, Lori Huntley, Carolyn Ivey, Sister of Fran Jones, Dick Maly, Bobby May, **The Family and Friends of Brooks McDonald**, **Madge McKenzie**, Chris O’Quinn, **Jeannine Patrick**, **Brenda Sharp**, George Shrive, **Family & Friends of Dave Wright**, Jennifer Welch

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Betsy Alexander, Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Linda Blount, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Beth Carey, Ed Clark, Vicki Certain, Lanier Dobrenic, Sandy Fitzgerald, Annette Flagella, Karen Flagella, Sam Friedman, Dotsy & Jim Fuller, Connie Hallows, Elwanda Hopkins, Barbara Jensen, Jim Jensen, Ellie Leroux, Sandee Lukitsch, Mike Martin, Ken McCauley, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Carol Meeks, Sharon Mitchell, Louise Mofield, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable Proctor, Don Proctor, Mary Rentz, Bob Rewis, Irene Rohan, Bob Scherer, Dave Vandersall, Bo Vice, Mary Vice, 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.

God Knows Your Name...But What About the Rest of Us?

God is blessing us with so many new faces! To help us better connect to one another we are taking orders for SSUMC name tags. The name tags will have our names engraved on heavy plastic with magnetic backs. Each name tag will cost \$10.00 and you will keep it in your possession to wear on Sundays and at church events. We are an incredible church that does an amazing job of offering hospitality and care to others. Let's take that to the next level. Please order your name tag today with the envelopes in the pew racks that say SSUMC Name Tags. Please print clearly the name of each person exactly how you would like the name tag to read and place your envelope with payment in the offering plate.

Ash Wednesday Services

Join us on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 for two meaningful Ash Wednesday services in the Sanctuary at 12:00 noon and 5:30pm. A nursery will be provided for the 5:30pm service.



Preschool Fundraiser—Domino's Pizza



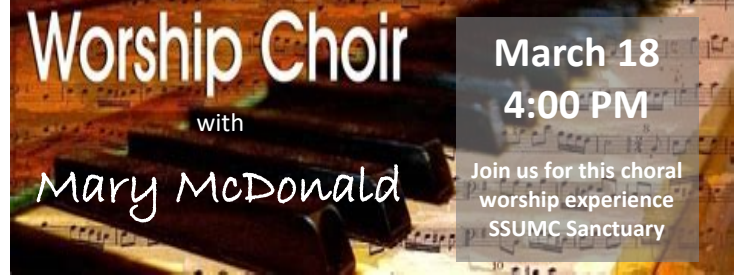
The fundraiser purpose is to continue developing and updating our playground for our little scholars. Fundraising is essential to meet our budget and generate income for special projects. Fundraisers require "community." It takes staff, parents, grandparents, the church and the community for this ministry to exist. Each card is \$15: It allows you to buy 1 large Domino's Pizza and Get one free. If you buy 5 you get 5 free etc. Every \$15 you spend the Preschool gets \$7.50. Our goal is \$6,000. Share it with everyone you know. Please register for the fundraiser with the link below and help us update our playground. The link also has a short video that details the information on how the card works and what to expect.

"Slice the Pie Team Card" Church Members /Friends: Please use this link Store: <http://stpcards.com/39253>

After you register, please forward your personal link or the general store link to every contact in your phone via text. You can also forward that link to all contacts in your email.

Thank for this wonderful partnership. If you have any questions, you may call me directly.

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The Island Players presents FIREFLIES

By Matthew Barber

From the Novel Eleanor and Abel by Annette Sanford
A Humorous and Hopeful Love Story for feisty women!

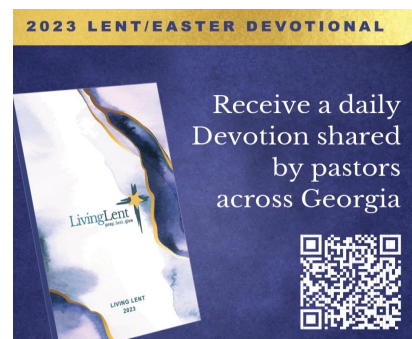
Directed by our own Pam Taylor and starring Ken Sausedo.

**Show Dates and Times: March 3-4, 10-11, 17-18 | 7:30 p.m.
March 5, 12, 19 | Sunday Matinee 3 p.m.**



UMW Reading Group

The UMW Reading Group will meet on Tuesday, February 21 at 10:00am in the Parlor!



2023 Lent/Easter Devotionals

A limited number of books will be available for pick up after our Ash Wednesday Services or you may click the QR code to receive a daily email.



**Join Our Email List or Update Your Contact Info:
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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@stsimonumc.com**



• **SATURDAY** •
MARCH 11

Join us on Saturday, March 11 for our first annual Serve Saturday! Volunteers will meet at the church at 8:00am for breakfast and a devotional. You will be given Serve Saturday t-shirt by submitting your size when you register. Volunteers will depart at 8:45am wearing our matching Serve Saturday t-shirts to go out and serve in our community!

You may sign up through the Sign-Up Genius link or call the church office at (912) 638-3317 to choose your area to serve!

Weekly Events

Sunday, February 19

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary***
9:30 AM Pictorial Directory Photos, **Parlor**
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 New Member Gathering, **Thorpe Building**
4:00 PM Confirmation Class, **Youth Room**
5:30 PM Youth Group, **Youth Room**

Monday, February 20

- 9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
5:00 PM Finance Committee New Member Orientation, **Room 203**
5:30 PM Finance Meeting, **Room 203**

Tuesday, February 21

- 8:00 AM Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, **Parlor**
10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**
10:00 AM UMW Reading Group, **Parlor**
4:00 PM Handbells, **Handbell Room**
6:00 PM PAL Meeting, **Room 207**
6:30 PM UMW Circle 1, **Parlor**
6:30 PM Boy Scouts, **Thorpe Building**

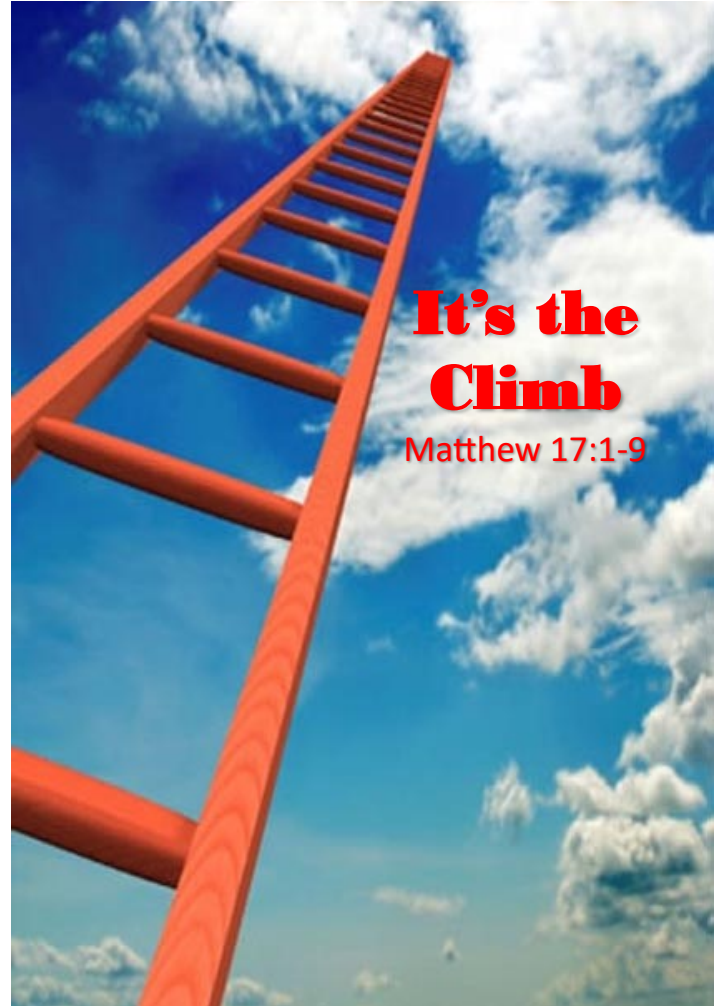
Wednesday, February 22

- 8:00 AM Prayer Hedge, **Parlor**
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
12:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service, **Sanctuary**
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**
5:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service, **Sanctuary**
6:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, **Choir Room**

Friday, February 23

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

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*Where Love is Unconditional,
Service is Celebrated Enthusiastically,
&
The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently.*

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