

Weekly Events

Sunday, March 12– Confirmation Sunday

- 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
- 12:00 PM Confirmation Lunch for Confirmands/Family, **Thorpe Bldg.**
- 4:00 PM UMW Circle 5, **Parlor**
- 5:30 PM Youth Group, **Youth Room**

Monday, March 13

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

Tuesday, March 14

- 8:00 AM Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, **Parlor**
- 9:30 AM Staff Meeting, **Youth Room**
- 10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**
- 1:00 PM Women's Life, **Room 204**
- 4:00 PM Handbells, **Handbell Room**
- 6:00 PM PAL Meeting, **Room 207**
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts, **Thorpe Building**

Wednesday, March 15

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
- 1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**
- 5:30 PM The Chosen, **Thorpe Building**
- 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**
- 6:00 PM Kids WOW– Bible, Pizza & Fun, **Children's Room**
- 6:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, **Choir Room**

Friday, March 17

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, **Sanctuary**

Saturday, March 18

- 9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal, **Sanctuary**
- 4:00 PM Mary McDonald Concert, **Sanctuary**

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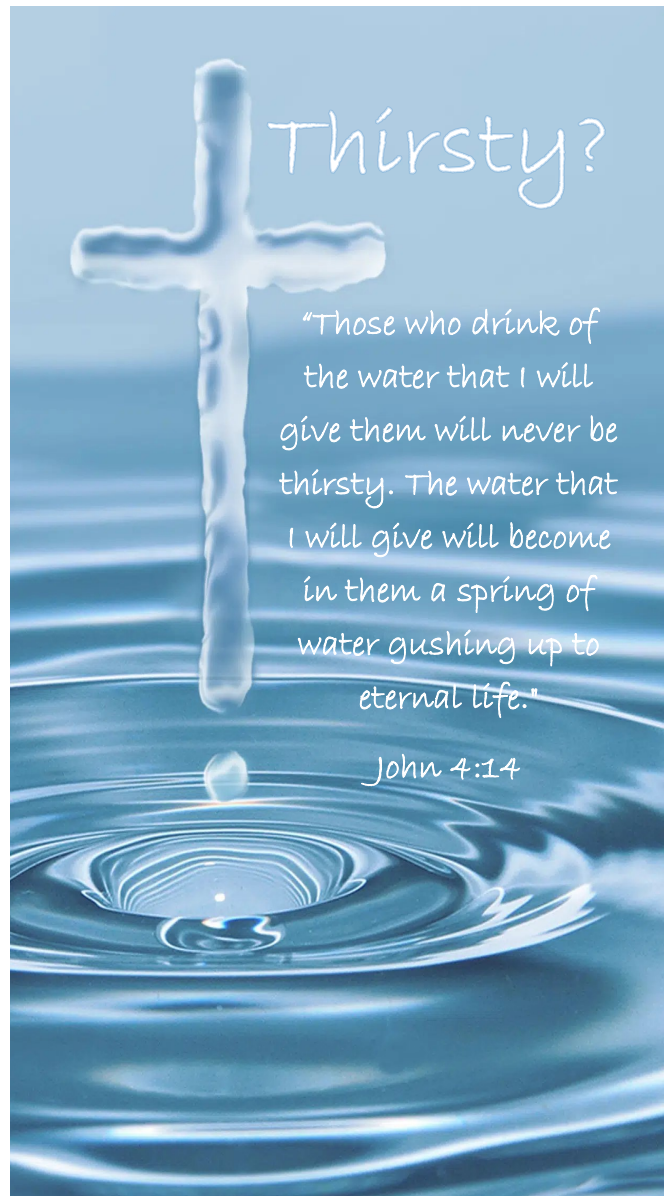
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

MARCH 12, 2023

CHAPEL • 9:45am

WELCOME

Rev. Richard Soper

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Great Things

CCLI #7111321
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FELLOWSHIP TIME

Deep Cries Out

CCLI #5858156
©2010 Bethel Music

MORNING PRAYER

Richard Soper

Holy Water

CCLI #7136448
© 2019 Capitol

MORNING MESSAGE

Thirsty?

John 4:5-15
Rev. Tom Jones

INVITATION

In Christ Alone

CCLI #3350395
©2001 Thankyou Music

CLOSING PRAYER

Tom Jones

The Worship of God

MARCH 12, 2023

SANCTUARY • 8:30am & 11:00am

GREETING

Rev. Richard Soper

PRELUDE

Abide With Me

Chancel Bells
arr. Valerie

* HYMN #89

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Verses 1, 3 & 4

HYMN TO JOY

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostle's Creed

Confirmation (11:00am Only)

* FELLOWSHIP CHORUS #2226

Bind Us Together

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Chris Moncus

MORNING PRAYER

* HYMN #731

*Glorious Things
of Thee Are Spoken*
Verses 1 & 2

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Tom Jones

OFFERTORY

*Every Time I
Feel The Spirit*

Sondra Anderson
arr. Brad Nix

RESPONSE #95

Doxology

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

Down By The Riverside

Chancel Choir
By: Mary McDonald

MORNING MESSAGE

Thirsty?

John 4:5-15

Tom Jones

* INVITATION #642

Fill My Cup, Lord

FILL MY CUP

* BENEDICTION

Tom Jones

POSTLUDE

**Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*



Confirmation

Over the past four weeks ten of our youth have participated in Confirmation Classes. They have had the opportunity to learn more about the basics of our Christian faith and practices, the history and traditions of the United Methodist Church, and the meaning of worship and the sacraments.

In addition, they attended a confirmation retreat where they joined with young people across the South Georgia Conference at Epworth By The Sea for a weekend of spiritual growth. Their confirmation journey concludes this Sunday at the 11:00am worship service when we receive each of the confirmands into full membership of the church.

Confirmation is a time when youth in the fifth grade or older, choose to confirm the grace and acceptance that God offered to them at their baptisms. They confirm their personal decisions to faithfully follow Christ and to grow in their personal faith journeys. This week the youth will stand before our congregation as witnesses of God's grace and their decision to enter into personal relationships with Jesus Christ.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time with this group of youth as they explored their commitment to Christ during confirmation. I appreciate the leadership offered by Chris Moncus and Victoria Fryer as they organized, planned, and facilitated the class sessions. The confirmands are an energetic, enthusiastic group of youth! We look forward to celebrating their confirmation with each of them and their families.

The 2023 Confirmation Class includes:

Grant Brian Coolidge

Hope Wynelle Gowen

Pearman (Pete) Massey Irby, IV

Jonathan Walker Meyers

Eliana Christine Moncus

McKinney Stiles Robinson

Cathryn Jayne (CJ) Stahl

Sarah Catherine Sipe

Jax Monroe Tate

Sam Alexander Tate

Congratulations to our confirmands on this accomplishment! Please join with me in welcoming them as the newest members of our amazing church!

Blessings,

Tom

Welcome to our Newest Members

Welcome to our newest members who joined Sunday, March 5, 2023:

Helen and Freddie Crenshaw

Amanda and Brian Walker

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

Financial Report

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

March 5, 2023

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$25,004.55

Received YTD | \$254,266.11

Expenses YTD | \$199,815.05

Difference YTD | \$54,451.06

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$220,749.48

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$1,244.00

Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$231,330.15

Thank you

Attendance- March 5, 2023

8:30 Worship Service: **123** Sunday School/Small Groups: **168**

9:45 Worship Service: **77** Online Worship Views: **321**

11:00 Worship Service: **228**

In Person Worship Total: **428**

Members in Ministry- March 12

Ushers:

8:30 Steve Tucker, Richie Sipe, Carolyn Vann, Thornton Wilingham

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

Greeters:

8:30 Pat Carmichael, Sharon Bount

9:45 Carol Conner, Laura Weldy

11:00 Cindy Simpson, Fran Jones, Nancy Jenkins

Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee

9:45 Ashley Swann

11:00 Elizabeth Daniel

Acolytes:

8:30 Pete Irby

11:00 Evie Stephenson

Welcome Desk:

9:30 Barbara Foster

10:30 Rosemary Longmire

12:00 Linda Weldy

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns:

Mary Allen, Sharon Berkenmeyer, Karen Cope, Boyd Cope, Linda Denman, Family & Friends Mark Edwards, Kara Endsley, Anna Green, Lamar Hardwick, Joyce Harris, Bill Harris, Family & Friends of Anne Hodnett, Tom Macik, Mary McCardell, Catherine McCrary, Spencer Meadows, Debbie Moffitt, Tom Morris, Eileen Morgan, Phil Needham, Don Proctor, Phil Shinall, Diane Tyneski, Lois Vogelmann, Daniel Whittingslow

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 Fuller, Jim Fuller, Connie Hallows, Elwanda Hopkins, Barbara Jensen, Jim Jensen, Ellie Leroux, Sandee Lukitsch, Mike Martin, Ken McCauley, Mike McMillan, Barbara Meadows, Nathan Meadows, Carol Meeks, Sharon Mitchell, Louise Mofield, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable 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.

Women's Life Small Group

Please join us for our Women's Life Small Group. We will be meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 1:00pm in Room 204. We will use the Upper Room Devotional and will have fellowship and prayer time together! All are welcome to join!

Love Offering & Retirement Well Wishes!

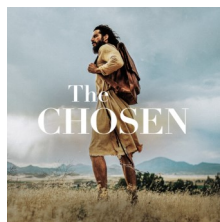
Please join us in honoring Mary Brittain with a love offering honoring her 10+ years faithfully serving as our Preschool Director here at SSUMC. Mary's last day is March 17. Checks and cards may be mailed to the church office or placed in the offering plate on Sundays.

Thank you in advance for your part in appreciating Mary, we will certainly miss her smile, her energy and her wonderful commitment to our Preschool children, families and teachers.

Wishing you much joy & happiness as you begin a new chapter in your life.



Join us for this amazing concert of word and song. With over 70 voices from St. Simons UMC, Frederica Baptist and First Baptist that will inspire and lift your soul. Composer Mary McDonald will share her faith journey through music. She is a prolific writer, arranger and musician. Bring a friend and share this free and meaningful opportunity with our community.



The Chosen

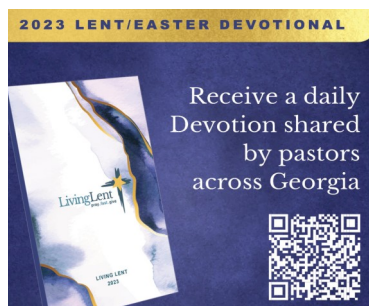
You are invited to join us for a group study of "The Chosen." This award-winning, first-ever multi-season series about the life of Christ and his followers will help us to experience the life of Jesus through the eyes of those who lived with and knew him.

Join us on Wednesdays at 5:30 - 7:00pm, in the Thorpe Building. There will be sixteen sessions. Each evening will consist of an episode approximately 1-hour in length followed by a brief discussion. You are invited to attend as much as you can, whenever you can during the 16-week series. All are welcome!

Easter Hydrangeas

Order by April 3 | 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 9. Envelopes are in the pews or you may drop a check by the office.



2023 Lent/Easter Devotionals

You may copy the link or scan the QR code to receive a daily email devotional from Morningstar.

morningstarcofs.org/you-can-help/living-lent-campaign

Nutrition in Parkinson's Disease Seminar

Join us for this informational seminar on Nutrition and Parkinson's.

Date: Friday, March 24, 2023 · **Time:** 10 AM – 1 PM

Location: Sea Palms Resort, 515 N. Windward Drive, SSI

Register at: Parkinson.org/GeorgiaEdu ****Lunch will be provided.**

This program is free, but registration is required.

Graveside Service - Betty Henderson

Our deepest Sympathy and Christian love are extended to the Family and Friends of Betty Henderson who passed away on November, 28, 2022. A graveside memorial service was held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 11, 2023, at Brunswick Memorial Park Cemetery, 4407 U.S. Highway 17 North.



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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