

# Weekly Calendar

## Sunday, April 23

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary\***  
9:45 AM Sunday School & Small Group Classes, **Various Locations\***  
9:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service, **Sanctuary\***  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary\***  
**\*Nursery Available: Newborn- 4 yrs. for above worship services**  
**All Services Streamed Live**  
5:00 PM Kickball- Adults vs. Kids, **Mallery Park**

## Monday, April 24

- 9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**  
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**  
6:00 PM Church Council Meeting, **Thorpe Building**

## Tuesday, April 25

- 8:00 AM Biscuit Eaters Reunion Group, **Parlor**  
10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**  
1:00 PM Women's Life, **Room 204**  
2:45 PM Tall Ship Lynx, **Morningstar Marina**  
6:00 PM PAL Meeting, **Room 207**  
6:30 PM Boy Scouts, **Thorpe Building**

## Wednesday, April 26

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**  
12:00 PM SAM Council Meeting, **Parlor**  
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**  
5:30 PM The Chosen, **Thorpe Building**  
5:30 PM Men's Ensemble, **Choir Room**  
6:00 PM Kids WOW- Bible, Pizza & Fun, **Children's Room**  
6:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, **Choir Room**

## Friday, April 28

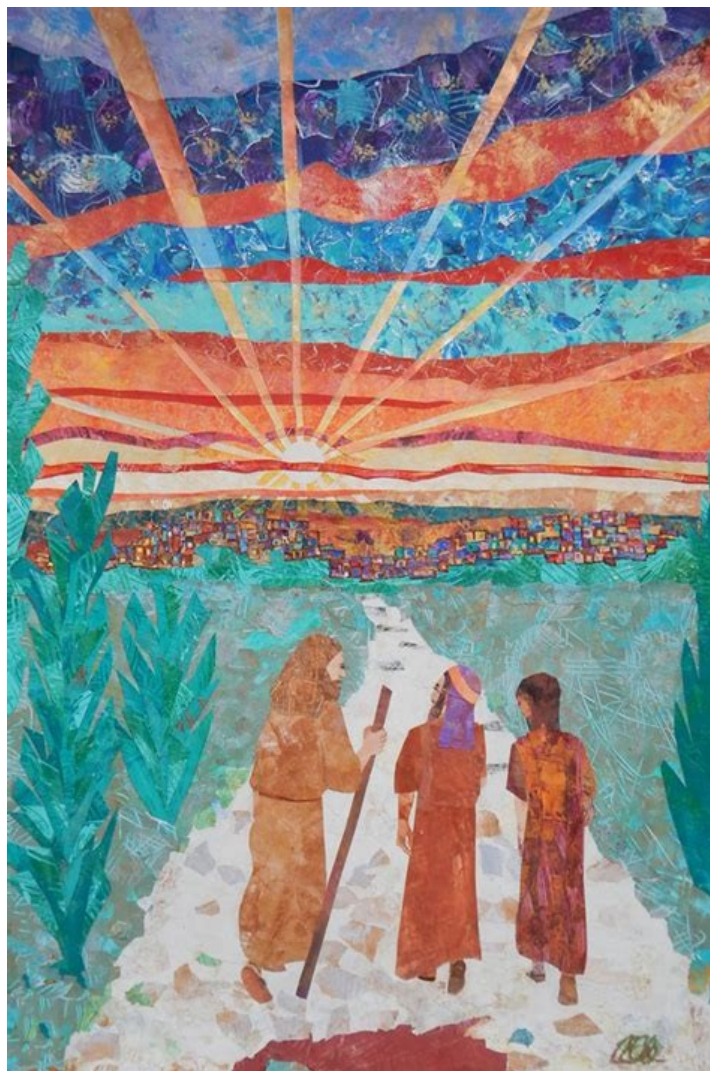
- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**

### \*\*\*FOR ALL CALENDAR DATES\*\*\*

Check out our **Online Calendar of Events** on our website at  
<https://www.stsimonsumc.com/calendar/>

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&  
The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently.*

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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

APRIL 23, 2023  
CHAPEL • 9:45am

## WELCOME

Rev. Tom Jones

## PRAISE AND WORSHIP

### *Open Up the Heavens*

CCLI #6304702  
©2012 Curb Songs

### *Gonna Be Alright*

CCLI #7134008  
©Capitol CMG

### *Peace*

CCLI #7149280  
©Capitol CMG

### *Open Our Eyes*

CCLI #2437367  
©1976 CCCM

## MORNING MESSAGE

### **A Walk of Transformation**

Luke 24:13-18, 28-32  
Rev. Tom Jones

## INVITATION

### *Shine Jesus, Shine*

CCLI #30426  
©1987 Make Way Music

## CLOSING PRAYER

Rev. Tom Jones

# The Worship of God

APRIL 23, 2023  
SANCTUARY • 8:30am & 11:00am

GREETING

Rev. Tom Jones

Call to Worship

*At the Name of Jesus*

Chancel Choir  
arr. Berry

\* HYMN #103

*Immortal, Invisible,  
God Only Wise*

ST. DENIO

\* Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

Chris Moncus

\* FELLOWSHIP CHORUS #349

*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Victoria Fryer

MORNING PRAYER

Chris Moncus

THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* HYMN #133

*Leaning on the  
Everlasting Arms*

SHOWALTER

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Tom Jones

OFFERTORY

Sondra Anderson  
Kevin Lamb

\* RESPONSE #95

*Doxology*

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

*In the Garden*

Holly Lamb

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Tom Jones

### **A Walk of Transformation**

Luke 24:13-18, 28-32

\* INVITATION #451

*Be Thou My Vision*

SLANE

\* BLESSING

Rev. Tom Jones

POSTLUDE

Kevin Lamb

*\*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*



## Surprise

We are in the season of Easter on the Christian Calendar. Often referred to as Eastertide it includes the 50 days between Easter and the celebration of Pentecost.

If you were asked to define Easter in a word what would that word be? There are numerous words that come to mind but one that stands out to me is the word "surprise." Easter was without a doubt a surprise to many. But the surprises continued in the days following the resurrection. The disciples are surprised when Jesus appears in the room where they are gathered. Thomas who doubted that the resurrection had happened is surprised when Jesus shows him his nail-scarred hands and wounded side.

This Sunday we will turn our attention to the scripture in Luke 24 which includes the story of the road to Emmaus. It was on that road where two of Jesus' followers encountered the resurrected Christ, but they didn't recognize who he was. Their minds were clouded with doubt, confusion, and fear. Jesus was dead. His ministry was finished. There was nothing left for them to do but go home and contemplate their lives without Jesus. But when they got home, Jesus stayed with them and joined them for dinner. When he broke the bread, the men realized they were in the presence of Jesus. They had been walking, talking, and eating with the man they had seen crucified. Surprise! Jesus was, and still is, alive!

Have you ever encountered Jesus in a surprising way? Jesus has a way of showing up when we least expect it. Receive the surprising strength and courage you need to face any challenge. His resurrection power will transform your life. Welcome the Living Christ into your heart!

Blessings,

Tom

## Memorials & Honorariums

**A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF DON PROCTOR TO THE SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY BY:** Debbie and Clif Pease

**A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF DON PROCTOR BY:** John Lindgren

**A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF BILL PICKARD TO MAINTAINING THE MISSION BY:** Anonymous

**A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF BILL PICKARD TO THE CHILDREN MINISTRY 3RD GRADE BIBLES:** Anonymous

## Order Your Name Tag- ASAP!

Have you ordered your name tag? They are \$10 a piece and can be ordered by completing one of the envelopes located in the Gholson room or by going to the church website. If you have ordered a name tag and have yet to pick it up, it is located on a table in the Gholson Room. Going forward we will send out the church order on the last Monday of each month. To have a name tag by the end of April, please submit your order by Sunday, April 23.

## Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online at [www.stimonsumc.com](http://www.stimonsumc.com)

April 16, 2023

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$18,736.00

Received YTD | \$411,983.24

Expenses YTD | \$335,164.07

Difference YTD | \$76,819.17

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$360,887.10

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$2,154.00

Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$239,227.15

*thank you*

## Attendance- April 16, 2023

8:30 Worship Service: **92** Sunday School/Small Groups: **113**

9:45 Worship Service: **72** Online Worship Views: **467**

11:00 Worship Service: **219**

In Person Worship Total: **383**

## Members in Ministry- April 23, 2023

### Ushers:

8:30 Bill Kirby, Ward Sweat, John Vann, Tom Smith

11:00 Joey Baldwin, Erik Kaufmann, David Paulk, Clif Pease

### Greeters:

8:30 Edie Vinson, Cathie & Dick Wilton

9:45 Pam & Randall Rehberg

11:00 Kay Holmes, Marguerite Suthard, Susan Kaufmann

### Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee 9:45 Carol Conner 11:00 Neva Kaye

### Acolytes:

8:30 CJ Stahl

11:00 Stiles & Harlow Robinson

### Welcome Desk:

9:30 Barbara Foster 10:30 Laura Weldy 12:00 David Paulk

## Prayer Requests

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

### New Prayer Concerns:

**Fred Alexander**, Sue & Bill Bagwell, **Sam Bodine**, Andrew Bode, Don Brewer, **Victoria Brogdon**, Bill Byington, **Family & Friends of Jessica Childress**, David & Patricia Cloud, Lisa Crocker, Col. Dee Daugherty, **Edo Douglas**, The Fell Family, Judy Calhoun Hayslett, Jan Heymann, **Lori Huntley**, The Hyers Family, **Stuart Johnson**, Charlotte Lancaster & her father, **Emily Anne Morris**, Family & Friends of Don Proctor, Beverly Riley, Russell & Family, Marta Schreiber, Blake & Blaire Simpson, **Sonja**, Dr. Frank & Anne Spelt, Charles Taylor, Addy Thompson, Lois Vogelmann, **Amanda White**, **Nick Wilt**, Cathie Wilton

### Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Betsy Alexander, Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Linda Blount, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Don Brewer, Beth Carey, Ed Clark, Vicki Certain, Sandy Fitzgerald, Annette Flagella, Karen Flagella, Sam Friedman, Dotsy & Jim Fuller, Dianna Giannotti, Chris Gonzalez, Kristin Gonzalez, Savannah Gonzalez, Connie Hallows, Elwanda Hopkins, Barbara & 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 & 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.*

Sunday, June 11—Thursday, June 15

## Stellar VBS

Shine a light on Jesus' love! Take off on a cosmic quest where you'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Each day at Stellar VBS, kids launch to rotating stations that reinforce Bible Points and immerse kids in new adventures. Kids and leaders register at [stsimonsumc.com/childrens-ministry](http://stsimonsumc.com/childrens-ministry)



**The Class**—A new Sunday School Class will start on May 7, 8:30am in Room 202. It is called, "The Class." The Class is open to all, but a special invitation is extended to those who attend the 9:45 service. The first session of classes will be an Andy Stanley video series and will be facilitated by Don Dooley. Please contact the church office if you are interested in attending The Class.

## Church Directory Info

We are working on compiling all the photos and accurate information for our Church Directory. Please let us know if any of your information has changed or you want to update your email or cell number! Also, let us know if you have an updated photo of you and or your family, if you were unable to have one taken by the Dark Room photographers. Feel free to email Anne Frazier [anne@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:anne@stsimonsumc.com) or call the office at 912-638-3317.

## Baby Recognition

**Sponsored by the United Methodist Women**

We will be celebrating all of the babies born in our Church Family during the past year on Mother's Day - Sunday, May 14, 2023. Please contact Anne Frazier if your baby was born after Mother's Day 2022, so we may include them in this celebration! [anne@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:anne@stsimonsumc.com)



## Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation

Thursday, May 11 at 9:00am

Come and explore a piece of Glynn County history often overlooked by local residents. Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation represents the history and culture of Georgia's rice coast. Now a State Historic Site, visitors can tour the antebellum home, see the remaining buildings and enjoy a brief film on the plantation's history. Cost is \$8 and we will enjoy a Dutch treat lunch after our visit. Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes. Reservations are due by Thursday, May 4, 2023. Register on Realm or by calling the church office.



## The Chosen

The video series continues on Wednesdays at 5:30pm, in the Thorpe Building. Each evening consists of an episode approximately 1-hour in length followed by a brief discussion.

## Adults vs. Students Kickball



Everyone is invited to play or to cheer the teams on as the adults face off against the students on the diamond on April 23 at 5:00pm at Mallery Park's CT "Lefty" Butler Field. Our concession stand will serve hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, drinks, and dessert—all provided! Wear your favorite team shirt or jersey and enjoy the evening. Don't forget to invite a friend or two!

## Louis and Millie Gholson Scholarship

The Louis and Millie Gholson Scholarship Fund was created to award a graduating high school senior who is an active member of St. Simons United Methodist Church. The Pastor, Director of Student Ministries and Church Administrator were appointed to determine who would receive the scholarship. Please contact Chris Moncus for an application at [chris@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:chris@stsimonsumc.com). Application and letters of recommendation must be received by Monday, May 8. The scholarship will be presented on Sunday, May 21 during the Graduate Recognition at the 11:00am service!

## Graduate Recognition Sunday~ 5/21

If you are a High School or College senior graduating this spring, or the parent of one, please email to let us know! Graduate Recognition Sunday will be during the 11:00am worship service on Sunday, May 21! Please email [chris@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:chris@stsimonsumc.com) for details and to be included.



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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 Bldg.
- 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](mailto:tom@stsimonsumc.com)