

# Weekly Calendar

## Sunday, June 25

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Chapel\***  
8:30 AM "The Class" Sunday School, **Room 202**  
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**  
12:30 PM Pinball Palace and Pizza, **Meet at SSUMC**  
5:15 PM Youth to Dinner and Gathering Place, **Meet at SSUMC**

## Monday, June 26

- 9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**  
11:00 AM No Chair Yoga  
6:00 PM Church Council Meeting, **Thorpe Building**

## Tuesday, June 27

- 10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**  
6:00 PM PAL Meeting, **Room**

## Wednesday, June 28

- 8:00 AM Prayer Hedge, **Parlor**  
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**  
12:00 PM VBS Leaders Recap Lunch, **Chick-fil-a**  
12:00 PM SAM Meeting, **Parlor**  
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**  
6:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, **Choir Room**

## Friday, June 30

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

## Saturday, July 1

- 8:00 AM Student Ministries Trip, **St. Augustine Alligator Farm**

\*\*\*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 WORSHIP OF GOD

JUNE 25, 2023  
9:45 AM SANCTUARY

## WELCOME

Rev. Tom Jones

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

Lawrence Bridges

## MISSION MOMENT

**FaithWorks**

Ashley Swann

## PRAISE AND WORSHIP

***This Is Amazing Grace***

CCLI #6333821  
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Fellowship Time

***King of Kings***

CCLI #7127647  
©2019 Hillsong Music

Prayer Time

***Grace Flows Down***

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## MORNING MESSAGE

**Me And My  
Big Mouth**

**Gossiping**

Proverbs 21:23 (NLT)  
Proverbs 16:28 (NLT)  
James 3:1-12 (The Message)

## INVITATION

***I Could Sing of Your Love Forever***

CCLI #1043199  
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## CLOSING PRAYER

Rev. Tom Jones

# The Worship of God

JUNE 25, 2023  
8:30 AM CHAPEL • 11:00 AM SANCTUARY

PRELUDE

Sondra Anderson

***When We Walk with the Lord***

ARR. PAGE

GREETING

Rev. Tom Jones

\* HYMN #98

***To God Be the Glory***

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

Lawrence Bridges  
Lay Leader

\* FELLOWSHIP CHORUS

***God's Wonderful People***

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Chris Moncus

MISSION MOMENT

**FaithWorks**

Ashley Swann

MORNING PRAYER

\* HYMN #140

***Great Is Thy Faithfulness***  
Verses 1 & 3

SHOWALTER

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Tom Jones

OFFERTORY

***Be Strong in the Lord***

Kevin Lamb  
ARR. PAGE

RESPONSE #95

**Doxology**

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

***Give Me A Song***

Chancel Choir

MORNING MESSAGE

**Me And My  
Big Mouth**

Rev. Tom Jones

**Gossiping**

Proverbs 21:23 (NLT)  
Proverbs 16:28 (NLT)  
James 3:1-12 (The Message)

\* INVITATION #156

***I Love to Tell the Story***  
Verse 1

HANKEY

\* BENEDICTION

Rev. Tom Jones

POSTLUDE

Kevin Lamb

*\*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*



## In the Name of Jesus

There's a verse in Paul's letter to the Colossians, a sort of blessing: "Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (3:17) Do everything - everything - in his name.

Think about the implications of that. Think about what it means to not only go to church in the name of Jesus - to not only serve as a Sunday school teacher, an usher or do any of those other churchy things - but to go to work in the name of Jesus; go to school in the name of Jesus; live in a family in the name of Jesus; conduct business, buying and selling in the name of Jesus.

What would it mean if we chose to do and say everything in his name?

Could we have road rage in the name of Jesus?

Could we be unfaithful in a relationship in the name of Jesus?

Could we consistently complain about everything in the name of Jesus?

Could we be overly critical of our neighbor in the name of Jesus?

Could we ever tell a lie in the name of Jesus?

This Sunday we conclude the series of sermons, "Me and My Big Mouth." We will turn our attention to gossip. We often end the stories we choose to tell about other people with the words, "Bless his or her heart." It has become our way of putting the stamp of approval on everything we've just said about the person.

There are times it is simply better to leave things unsaid. In doing so it protects the name of the person you're talking about, as well as protects your good name. The next time you are tempted to gossip consider the question, could we ever gossip in the name of Jesus? It matters in whose name we choose to live our lives. Do everything - everything - in the name of Jesus.

Blessings,

**Tom**



## Welcome to our New Members

Welcome to our newest members who joined Sunday, June 18:

**Laura Edenfield**

**Dave Howe**

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

## Congratulations & Best wishes!

Congratulations to **Kim Church** and **Dave Howe** who were married here at St. Simons UMC on Friday, June 16, 2023. Best wishes to **Mrs. & Mrs. Howe!**

## Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online at [www.stimonsumc.com](http://www.stimonsumc.com)  
June 18, 2023

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$11,686.82

Received YTD | \$566,984.04

Expenses YTD | \$555,785.64

Difference YTD | \$11,198.40

Budgeted Amount YTD \$571,972.24

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$6,939.00

Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$247,602.15

*thank you*

## Attendance- June 18, 2023

8:30 Worship Service: **106** Sunday School/Small Groups: **182**

9:45 Worship Service: **85** Online Worship Views: **422**

11:00 Worship Service: **246**

In Person Worship Total: **437**

## Members in Ministry- June 25, 2023

### Ushers:

8:30 Bill Kirby, Ward Sweat, John Vann

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

### Greeters:

8:30 Edie Vinson, Cathy & 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 Stiles Robinson, Harlow Robinson

11:00 Evie Stephenson, Reese Stephenson

### 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 - Church Members:

Terri Dunkle, **Laura Johnson**, **Barbara Meadows**, Barbara Milliken, Family & friends of Jim Outlaw, **Ann Rogers**, **Tim Vinson**

### New Prayer Concerns- Others:

Darlene Cramer, Joe Cramer, **Family & friends of Mykal Ellis**, **Gil Erbish**, Faye Gowen, **Martine Haynes**, Les Jackson, Danny Langford, Dede McCullough, Irene Michaud, Roy Neal, Donald Rewis, Beverly Riley, Family & friends Ron Santmyer, **Eric Schoch**, **Tomee Sellers**, Paula Spaulding, Carlton Sumner, Joe & Stephanie, Terry West, **Cal Yudin**, **Patricia Zankman**

### Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Betsy Alexander, Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Jim Bennett, III, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, Linda Blount, Sam Bodine, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Sandy Fitzgerald, Annette Flagella, Karen Flagella, Sam Friedman, Dotsy Fuller, Jim Fuller, Dianna Giannotti, Chris Gonzalez, Kristin Gonzalez, Savannah Gonzalez, Connie Hallows, Elwanda Hopkins, Tom Humphries, Barbara & Jim Jensen, Ellie Leroux, Sandee Lukitsch, Ken McCauley, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Barbara Meadows, Nathan Meadows, Carol Meeks, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, SSUMC Preschool teachers, Mable Proctor, Mary Rentz, Bob Rewis, Irene Rohan, Nancy Rozier, Mel Rozier, Bob Scherer, Dee Taylor, 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

**Vitality Assisted:** Jim Jensen

*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.*



## 9 to 5 The Musical

The Senior Adult Ministry invites you to join them for the stage production of 9 to 5. Amelia Community Theater presents the musical version of the

1980's hit film. The church van will leave after worship on August 13. We will not stop for lunch, so bring a bagged lunch or attend one of our early services so you are ready to go around noon (immediately after worship) Cost is \$35 and currently limited to 24. Get your tickets ASAP! We only have a few spots left!

## Lost Emails! Save us in Your Contacts!

Please save our emails in your contacts so that they don't go to junk! Especially, Rev. Tom Jones— [tom@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:tom@stsimonsumc.com) and Rev. Richard Soper [richard@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:richard@stsimonsumc.com) and our Info email that we use for communications from [info@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:info@stsimonsumc.com)! Let's stay in touch and out of Junk Email Folders!

## Order Your Name Tags!

Have you ordered your name tag? They are \$10 each 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.

## St. Augustine Alligator Farm & Zip Line

All students and their families are invited to join us for this fun trip to the Alligator Farm in St. Augustine, FL on Saturday, July 1st! We will meet at the church at 8:00am and aim to arrive by 10:30am. The cost is \$20.00 not including lunch. Zip lining over the wildlife may be booked on your own. Contact Chris Moncus for more info and to reserve your spot via email [chris@stsimonsumc.com](mailto:chris@stsimonsumc.com)



## Gathering Place Main Event

Calling all Middle School and High School Youth! Every Sunday night between June 4 — July 16

Join hundreds of other youth in praise and worship, play games, and hear a great speaker. Replaces Youth Group. Bring \$\$ for dinner on the way. 5:15-9:00pm.

**6/25 — Community Church Brunswick— Meet at SSUMC**

**7/2 — Community Church St. Simons— Meet at SSUMC**

**7/9 — Community Church Brunswick— Meet at SSUMC**

**7/16 — Community Church St. Simons— Meet at SSUMC**



## Honorariums & Memorials

**A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN HONOR OF THE MUSIC MINISTRY TO MUSIC MINISTRY BY:**

Clara & Dewey Hayes, Jr.

**A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF FRED ALEXANDER:**

Carol & Edgar Moore

## Maintaining the Mission Update!

In August of 2022 the capital fund-raising project, **"Maintaining the Mission"** was introduced to our church. It was determined that our facilities and grounds needed some love and attention for us to effectively continue our ministries and to fulfill our mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ.

A goal of **\$450,000** was established to provide funds for the initial phase of proposed projects. To reach our goal the congregation was asked to give above and beyond their normal financial support of the church. Through your generosity we have raised almost **\$247,602.15** to date. We had set a target date of February 28 to end the campaign, but we want to extend the opportunity for you to contribute, trusting that with the additional time we will reach our goal.

Progress can already be seen as a result of the initial funds that have been raised. This includes:

- **A new roof on the Sanctuary, Chapel & Adult Education Bldg.**
- **Paid off the line of credit that was used to repair the elevator.**
- **Established a maintenance reserve fund. In addition, a line item has been included in the operating budget that will supplement the maintenance reserve fund moving forward.**
- **New doors have been installed in the Gholson Room.**
- **Painting in the Gholson room and Stairwells.**
- **Elastomeric Painting and Sealing of All Church Buildings.**
- **Improve drainage at the front of the church**

New Projects that need to be completed:

- **New windows for the front of the Stubbs Children's Education Building**
- **AC/Heat Pump repairs and replacement**
- **Replace windows at the Church Parsonage**
- **Replace the ice machine in the Parlor**
- **Update design and lighting in the Children's Room**
- **Repair and replace irrigation system lines and heads**

The Maintaining the Mission campaign will continue through **August 2023**. Please consider your one-time gift, or you may choose to make a monthly gift over the next few months. Please mark in the memo **"Maintaining the Mission."**

**Thank you** for your generous giving. Through your gifts our facilities and grounds will receive the attention they need now to be better equipped to maintain the mission of our church for years to come.

## 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 8:30 & 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 Bldg.

## 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)**