

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 6

8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Chapel***
8:30 AM Adult 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
5:30 PM Youth Group, **Youth Room**

Monday, August 7

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

Tuesday, August 8

9:30 AM Staff Meeting, **Youth Room**
10:00 AM Magnolia Manor Healthcare Coalition, **Thorpe Building**
10:00 AM Men's Life, **Room 203**
6:00 PM Boy Scouts, **Thorpe Building**
6:00 PM PAL Meeting, **Room 207**

Wednesday, August 9

11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**
6:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, **Choir Room**

Thursday, August 10

9:00 AM Preschool Mini-Motions, **Thorpe Building**

Friday, August 11

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

Saturday, August 12

7:30 AM Boy Scout Leadership Meeting, **Thorpe Building**

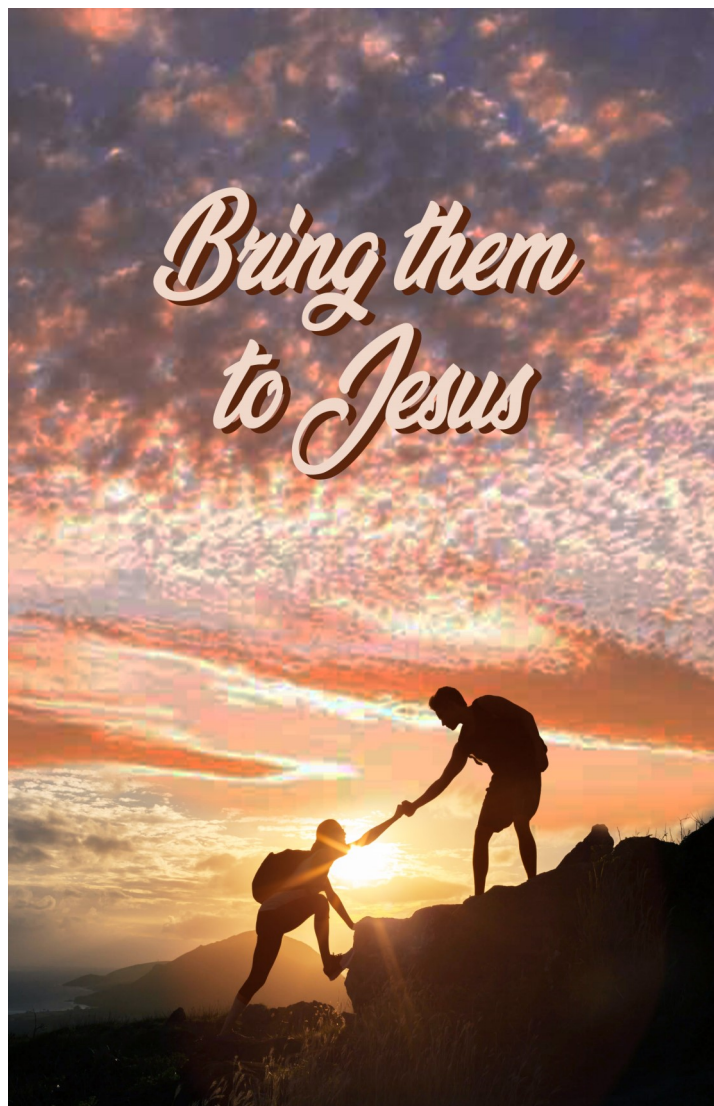
FOR ALL CALENDAR DATES

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

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

AUGUST 6, 2023

SANCTUARY • 9:45 AM

WELCOME

Rev. Tom Jones

BIBLE PRESENTATION

Bishop Graves

Tom Jones

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Open Up the Heavens

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Honey in the Rock

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Morning Prayer

Graves Into Gardens

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I Speak Jesus

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MORNING MESSAGE

Bring Them to Jesus

Matthew 14:13-21 NRSV

Bishop David Graves

Bishop South Georgia Conference
of the United Methodist Church

INVITATION

O Come to the Altar

CCLI #7051511

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CLOSING PRAYER

Bishop Graves

The Worship of God

AUGUST 6, 2023

8:30 AM CHAPEL • 11:00 AM SANCTUARY

GREETING

Rev. Tom Jones

PRELUDE

*Come Thou Fount
of Every Blessing*

Sondra Anderson

Kevin Lamb

* HYMN #529

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

Verses 1, 2, 3 & 5

* FELLOWSHIP CHORUS

Surely The Presence

KID'S MESSAGE

Chris Moncus

Bible Presentation (11:00am)

Bishop Graves

Tom Jones

Response Song

Thy Word

MORNING PRAYER

Richard Soper

THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #593

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM, LORD

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Tom Jones

OFFERTORY

The Prayer

Sondra Anderson

Kevin Lamb

THE DOXOLOGY

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

By Our Love

Chancel Choir

MORNING MESSAGE

Bishop David Graves

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Bring Them to Jesus

Matthew 14:13-21 NRSV

* INVITATION #368

*Lord, Whose Love
Through Humble Service*

BEACH SPRING

Verse 1 & 4

* BENEDICTION

Bishop Graves

POSTLUDE

Kevin Lamb

**Worshippers, please stand as comfortable*

Welcome to Bishop and Mrs. Graves

It is a joy to welcome into each of our worship services this Sunday Bishop David Graves and his wife Nancy!

Bishop Graves serves as the episcopal leader of both the South Georgia Conference and the Alabama-West Florida Conference of The United Methodist Church. His passion is sharing Jesus, seeing the overlooked, joining God in transforming lives, and changing the world one person at a time.

Prior to being elected a bishop in 2016, Bishop Graves served as the Senior Pastor of Church Street United Methodist Church in Knoxville, Tennessee. Before that, he served six years as the district superintendent for the Kingsport District of the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church. In 2011 and 2012, he served as Dean of the Cabinet. He has been an ordained pastor in the United Methodist Church for over 32 years and previously served as Senior Pastor of Ooltewah United Methodist Church, a large-membership church in Chattanooga, Tennessee, for 11 years. Prior, he served as pastor of two Kingsport area churches, St. Matthew, and Mountain View United Methodist. He was on staff and was given his first appointment at Hixson United Methodist Church in the Chattanooga area where he served for 11 years.

Bishop Graves is a native of Knoxville, Tennessee, and graduated from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, with a Master of Divinity.

He and Nancy have shared 40 years of marriage and have two children, Casey, and Gregg. Casey is married to her husband Bryan, and they reside in Kingsport with their son Brooks and daughter Lucy. Gregg is married to Tracy and is a proud stepfather to Hannah, they reside in Chattanooga.

The bishop's leadership and his hope for the future of the South Georgia Conference are much appreciated. His challenge to those of us in the local churches has been to focus less on departure and more on reaching new people with the gospel message. The people of St. Simons UMC accepted this challenge early on and have seen God at work among us in powerful ways.

While we know there are still discussions to be held within our church family and ultimately decisions to be made about our future, let's continue to be a people of prayer as we faithfully witness to the Good News of Jesus and live out God's call to build up his church.

I look forward to being in worship with you on Sunday as we welcome Bishop and Mrs. Graves and celebrate the hope that is ours as the body of Christ, in unity together, at SSUMC!

Blessings,

Tom

Congratulations

Congratulations to Kim and Phil Belt on the birth of their granddaughter, Maddox Elizabeth Belt, who was born on Thursday, July 27, 2023 to proud parents Lauren and John Belt. She is 7lbs 7oz. and is 20.5 inches long. Baby and mom are doing well!



Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online at www.stimonsumc.com

July 30, 2023

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$17,245.56

Received YTD | \$685,780.43

Expenses YTD | \$689,264.95

Difference YTD | -\$3,484.52

Budgeted Amount YTD \$711,670.55

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$11,439.00

Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$250,367.15

thank you

Attendance~ July 30, 2023

8:30 Worship Service: **101** Sunday School/Small Groups: **115**

9:45 Worship Service: **62** Online Worship Views: **324**

11:00 Worship Service: **211**

In Person Worship Total: **374**

Members in Ministry~ August 6, 2023

Ushers:

8:30 Pete Irby, Janice Lee, Mac McLawhorn, Tom Smith

11:00 Kevin Brandon, David Miller, Ed Reynolds

Greeters:

8:30 Faye George, Helen Baker

9:45 Casey Pace, Craig Pace

11:00 Barbara Smith, June Smith

Projection:

8:30 Neva Kaye

9:45 Elizabeth Daniel

11:00 Ashley Swann

Welcome Desk:

9:30 Barbara Foster **10:30** Jana Comer **12:00** Betty Sharp

Acolytes:

8:30 Scarlett Irby **11:00** Addy Thompson

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members:

Ryan Comer, **Carol Cox**, Faye George, **Anne Rogers**, **Larry Rogers**, **Dee West**

New Prayer Concerns- Others:

Joe Barefoot, **Maddox Elizabeth Belt**, **Jo Blakely**, **Dr. Jean Cardin**, **Kelly Conner**, **Betty & Jim Daher & Family**, **Jillian Daly**, **Ernie Dewit**, **Adam Hobbs**, **The Mann Family**, **Family & friends of Dr. Hubert Manning**, **Molly Mason & parents**, **Rev. Bill Reincheld & family**, **Jenny Jensen**, **Christopher Treon**, **Gerri Williams**, **Chuck Wilson**, **Susie Wright**

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Betsy Alexander, Diana Bailey, Lauren Belt, Jim Bennett III, Tilman Blakely, Ranny Blount, **Sam Bodine**, Marcia Boney, Billy June Boyd, June Boyette, Marsha Boyette, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Sandy Fitzgerald, Annette Flagella, Karen Flagella, Sam Friedman, Dotsy & Jim Fuller, Chris Gonzalez, Kristin Gonzalez, Savannah Gonzalez, Connie Hallowes, **Ronda Hansen**, **Bill Hansen**, Elwanda Hopkins, Merideth Houseman, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, **Jim Jensen**, Ellie Leroux, Sandee Lukitsch, Ken McCauley, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Barbara Meadows, Nathan Meadows, Carol Meeks, Louise Mofield, Spence Mullis, Phil Needham, Kirk Nowery, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable Proctor, Mary Rentz, Bob Rewis, Irene Rohan, Nancy Rozier, Mel Rozier, Bob Scherer, **Kenneth A. Smith**, Dee Taylor, Dave Vandersall, Bo & Mary Vice, Terry West, 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

Senior Care Center: Jerry Winsness

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.

Senior Adult Ministry 2023-24 Brochure



Our new brochure is available starting this Sunday. You can make reservations online or call the church office during office hours. We are excited about our activities this year! Our August 13 event is already sold out. Check

out the Jacksonville Symphonic Movie Night scheduled for September 22. You will experience the masterpiece movie E.T. on a giant screen above the Jacksonville Symphony playing the award winning musical score written by masterful writing of John Williams.

Kid's Clubhouse Opening Soon!

On August 13, our refreshed and enhanced Kids Clubhouse will make its debut alongside our two new Kids services—Clubhouse Jam (9:45am) and the Action Lab (11:00am). This treehouse-themed space will give our Kindergarten through 5th graders a place to celebrate God's goodness, experience His love, and learn His amazing plan for their lives. And you... yes YOU... can be a part of this! The hands-on leadership of our faith family will be crucial to its success and effectiveness. We all want to see this generation come to know the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. (2 Corinthians 13:14). Will you be a part of this mission?

Look out for photos and more details as we continue to press on in this new season of Kid's Ministry! Keep us in your prayers.

Contact Chris Moncus for more info or to help—chris@stsimonsumc.com



Student Ministry Move-Up Sunday: 8/13

It's that time! We're ready to welcome our rising Kindergarten to Kid's Ministry and our rising 6 graders to

Youth Group on Sunday, August 13! Kids meet in the Kid's Clubhouse at 9:45am. At 11:00am service we will start in the Sanctuary, then go up to the Kid's Clubhouse after the Kid's Message and you can pick up there! On Sunday mornings, Youth can enjoy the worship service with their families or serve in Kid's Ministry. Sunday evenings, Youth Group is at 5:30pm with food, games, and Bible discussion in the Youth Room. We are planning something special to kick off Youth Group, so look out for details soon! Our age breakdowns are as follows: Nursery is Infant-Pre-K. Kid's Ministry is K-5. Youth is 6-12. Welcome back and UP!



Honorariums & Memorials

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF TIM VINSON BY:

Judy & Tom Morris
Bobbie & Terry Duncan
Mary & Arthur Walters

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF TERRI DUNKLE BY:

Mable Proctor

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF JOSH DAHER BY:

Janie Alexander

Christmas Cantata 2023

Join us on August 23 for our annual Christmas Preview. If you are interested in singing in the cantata on December 10 for morning worship. This is the first introduction to the music. This is an exiting collection of songs with varied styles and genres. Once again our kid's choir will be participating and of course we will have a full orchestra.



BBQ & Bingo Bash!

Join us on Wednesday, August 16 to kick off the fall programming at SSUMC with a fun evening of BBQ and Bingo! We will gather in the Thorpe Building for dinner

at 5:30 pm and then enjoy a fun few rounds of bingo! There will be prizes for the winners!! All of our church family is welcome to attend! Please RSVP by Monday, August 14 on Realm or by emailing Ashley at ashley@stsimonsumc.com or by calling the church office!



Sparrows Nest—1st Sunday Collection

Thank you for those who are bringing Sparrows Nest food for our first Sunday collection. They are in need of more food every month and suggested the following

items: Canned Chicken, Vienna Sausage, Canned corn, peas or mixed vegetables, Instant mashed potatoes, Soups, Chili, Pork N Beans or Baked Beans, Ramen Noodles, Ravioli and SpaghettiOs, Mac N Cheese, Kid Snacks, Canned Fruit and Fruit Cups, Cereal and Oatmeal, Boxed Powdered or Canned Milk, Baby Wipes, Toilet Paper, Toothpaste, Plastic or paper grocery store bags. Thank you also to the volunteers who deliver the food and help at Sparrows Nest.

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



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