

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

OCTOBER 20, 2024

9:45 AM • CHAPEL

GATHERING

Praise

CCLI #7212077
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WELCOME

Rev. Tom Jones

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

John Bird Daniel, Lay Leader

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

House of the Lord

CCLI #7168995
©2020 Be Essential Songs

Lead On Good Shepherd

CCLI #7209206
©2023 Centricity Music Publishing

Shout to the Lord

CCLI #1406918
©1993 Wondrous Worship

PRAYER TIME

Stan Robinson

MORNING MESSAGE

Journey with Jesus

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

INVITATION

In Christ Alone

CCLI #3350395
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SENDING FORTH

The Worship of God

OCTOBER 20, 2024

8:30 & 11:00 AM • SANCTUARY

GREETING

Rev. Tom Jones

PRELUDE

My Tribute

Kevin Lamb
arr. Kartsonakis

* HYMN #529

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's Creed

Sharon Blount (8:30)
John Rentz (11:00)

* RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

John Bird Daniel
Lay Leader

* FELLOWSHIP TIME

Something Beautiful

by Gloria Gather
©1971 William Gaither

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00AM)

Victoria Fryer

MORNING PRAYER

Becky Bridges (8:30)
Mike Martin (11:00)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #591

Rescue the Perishing verses 1, 3 & 4

RESCUE

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pete Irby (8:30)
Diane Bailey (11:00)

OFFERTORY

Emri Comer

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

To Love Our God

Chancel Choir
arr. Mark Hayes
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MORNING MESSAGE

Keeva Kace

Journey with Jesus

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

* INVITATION #569

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations verses 1 & 4

MESSAGE

* BENEDICTION

Tom Jones

POSTLUDE

Emri Comer

* PLEASE STAND AS COMFORTABLE



The Ministry of the Laity: Embracing Our Call

This Sunday we celebrate the laity and the vital role that every member of our congregation plays in the mission of the church. The ministry of the laity is at the heart of who we are as a church. It stands as a testament to the vibrant and diverse ways we can serve God and each other.

The ministry of the laity is rooted in the belief that all Christians are called to participate in God's mission. This calling is not limited to ordained clergy but extends to every believer. As members of the laity, we are invited to embody God's love and grace in our daily lives, whether at home, work, or within our community.

It is in our everyday actions and interactions that we find numerous opportunities to reflect Christ's love. Whether through acts of kindness, volunteering, or simply being a listening ear, we can make a significant impact. Our daily lives move beyond being routine to being approached as avenues for ministry and service.

One of the most beautiful aspects of the laity's ministry is the way it fosters community. By engaging in various church activities, from leading a small group to organizing community outreach programs, we build strong, supportive relationships. These connections not only strengthen our faith but also create a welcoming environment for others to experience God's love.

There is transformative power in lay ministry. You don't have to have amazing gifts to be effective; you simply need to be you. Throughout the scriptures we see evidence of how God's transforming power worked in and through the lives of ordinary people for good. As true as it was then it is today – God can use ordinary us, to make extraordinary contributions to our church family and community.

As we celebrate Laity Sunday, let's recommit ourselves to being in ministry together. Let's rise up, embrace our call, and choose to serve with joy and dedication. Together, we will make a difference in our church, in the lives of others, and in our personal faith stories.

Blessings,

Tom

Welcome to our New Member!

Welcome to our newest member who joined on Sunday, October 13:

Melissa and Rod McCullum

BJ Whitaker

Join us in welcoming our newest member to our church family!

Baptism Celebration

Blessing to **Brooks Camden Brandon** and his family, who was baptized on Sunday, October 13, 2024. Brooks is the son of Falyen Brandon and Helbert Borroto and the grandson of Carla and Kevin Brandon.

Thank You for your Faithfulness!

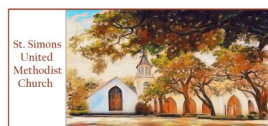
As of October 17, 2024:

Number of Cards Received to date | **153**

Number of New Cards this year | **37**

Total Amount | **\$729,628.00**

Thank you for your continued dedication and commitment to our church!



Financial Report

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

October 13, 2024

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$17,052.00

Received YTD | \$1,001,174.49

Expenses YTD | \$959,876.51

Difference YTD | \$41,297.98

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$1,019,117.47

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$32,041.00

Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$275,130.64

thank you

Worship Attendance- October 13

8:30am : **75**

Online Worship Views: **477**

9:45am : **62**

Sunday School/Small Group: **118**

11:00am: **218**

Total In Person: **355**

Members in Ministry- October 20

Ushers:

8:30 John Goodrich, Bill Foster, Steve Stahl

11:00 John Rentz, Zdenek Kuja, Dona Colglazier, Steve Smith

Greeters:

8:30 Susan Watkins, Barbara Foster

9:45 Toni Metz, Ava White

11:00 Robbie Clark, Cheryl Murphy

Projection:

8:30 Elizabeth Daniel

9:45 Jessica Zettler

11:00 Richard Hart

Acolytes:

11:00 Smith Graffis

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Joy Coleman, **Family & friends of Suzette Fincher, Marsha Hendrix, Jimmy Langford**

New Prayer Concerns Non-Members: Gerry Bohannon, Lute Cabalquinto, Cathy Dowdy, Greg Godwin, Family & friends of Gil Erbisch, **Family & friends Jay Gregg, Watt Gregory, Angie Hayden, Harriet Morgan, Kathy & Ken Stephens**

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Di Bailey, Ron Bateman, Bob Beane, Thomas Benefield, Jim Bennett, III, Ranny Blount, Sam Bodine, Marcia Boney, Kai Booth, Cindy Bostick, Billy June Boyd, Linda Boyette, Marsha Boyette, Carlotta Budd, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Russell Cohen, Trent Cohen, Joy Cowart, Cathy Bailey Crumbley, Pat Daniels, Larry Daugherty, Nick Doster, Betsy Draughon, Eddie Echols, Sandy Fitzgerald, Dotsy Fuller, Jim Fuller, Ken Graffis, Mary McCreary George, Julie Haney, Bill Hansen, Elwanda Hopkins, Meredith Houseman, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Kevin Josey, Mitchell Kent, Rosie Koch, Holly Lamb, Gary Leggett, Ellie Leroux, Chris Lorence, Mike Martin, Jason May & family, Whitney McCarthy, Don McCoy, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Priscilla Mercer, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable Proctor, Mary Rentz, Reggie Rogers, Irene Rohan, Bob Scherer, Linda & Steve Smith, Mike Stiles, Carmen Sumpter, Robert Sumpter, Gena Paige Tolleson, Brion Trainor, Rhonda Van Liew, Dave Vandersall, Mary Vice, Bo Vice, Judy Whelan, Chuck Wilson, Bobbée Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack,

Hurricane Helene & Milton Storm Victims & Damage

Assisted Living Prayer Concerns:

Magnolia Manor: Marjorie Lawrence, Barbara Meadows, Norma Mock, Joyce Parry

Marsh's Edge Assisted: Judy Clifton, Nancy Reynolds

Vitality: JoAnne Alford, John Lindgren

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.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS



Wed. Night Dinner! 10/23-

Join us for our next Wednesday Night Dinner on Wednesday, October 23! The dinner will include **Chicken Divan with broccoli, Roasted Parmesan Potatoes, Salad and Dessert** This is a great opportunity to connect with others in our church community, and come together for fun and fellowship with a nice, warm meal! Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-12. Children 5 and under eat for free. **PLEASE register by calling the Church office, clicking the QR code or through Realm no later than noon on Monday, to guarantee your reservation!** We hope to see you there!

Clergy Appreciation Month

This month is Clergy Appreciation Month!

Join us as we honor **Rev. Tom Jones** and **Rev. Benjy Varnell**. Please bring or send a card to the church and/or email them throughout the month to show them how much we appreciate their ministry!

Thank you for helping us celebrate our amazing Pastors!



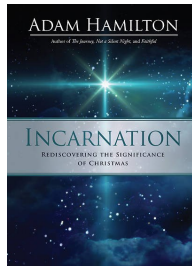
United Women in Faith PECAN SALE

Pecans can be ordered Sunday, October 13 & 20! We will be selling halves, pieces, salted and roasted, chocolate, and glazed pecans. Cost is

\$12 with delivery before Thanksgiving, hopefully! Proceeds of pecan sales will benefit Red Bird Mission and Local Missions! If you are unable to order in person you may call Pat Carmichael at 912-638-4541 or the church office to place your order.

Advent Bible Study

Join us for a 6 week Advent Study, ***Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas***, by Adam Hamilton, facilitated by Rev. Jay Hodges and Rev. Ron Flowers. This study will be held on Thursdays at 10:30am in Room 201, starting on Thursday, November 7 through December 19. Please register on Realm or by calling the church office. Books are available for \$12.00 in the church office.



Honorariums & Memorials

**A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF JEAN BRYAN TO
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY BY:**

Mimi & Donnie Revels, Terri & Bruce Flexer

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF JEAN BRYAN BY:
John Knight

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF JIM JENSEN BY:
Becky & Lawrence Bridges

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF BRIAN SMITH BY:
Dr. Emri & Jana Comer

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF CAROLYN VANN BY:
Libby & Ward Sweat

PUMPKIN PATCH HOURS!

Mon.- Fri.- 2:00pm-8:00pm

Sat. & Sun.- 9:30am-8:00pm

Come support our Youth Ministry, purchase your pumpkins and enjoy the Pumpkin Patch!



Trunk or
Treat
is almost here
and we'd love
to have each
of you be a
part of it!



Sign Up for a Trunk- ASAP!

We're kicking off on October 27 at 5:00pm in the church parking lot with trunks filled with candy and hotdogs for dinner! Come in your favorite costume, sign up for a parking spot for your trunk at the welcome desk this Sunday!

Candy Donations Needed Too!

We will be accepting candy donations until Sunday, October 27 in the Gholson room!

Bring the Family and Invite Your Friends

This is a wonderful outreach event and can be the perfect way to introduce your friends and family to our church.

Paid Nursery Workers- Needed!

We are hiring paid nursery workers to work Sunday mornings during all services! Contact Anne at anne@stsimonsumc.com

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 (adult only) & 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.
- Kid's Clubhouse (**5 years old - 5th grade**), leave together after the Kid'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**



Join Our Email List or Update Your Contact Info:
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Weekly Calendar

Sunday, October 20

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary***
8:30 AM Adult Sunday School, **Room 202***
9:30 AM Pumpkin Patch Open— 8:00 PM
9:45 AM Clubhouse Jam, **Kid's Clubhouse**
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. for above worship services
All Services Streamed Live
12:00 PM Rise Against Hunger- Lunch and Packing, **Thorpe Building**

Monday, October 21

- 9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
2:00 PM Pumpkin Patch Open— 8:00 PM
2:00 PM Stephen Ministry Meeting, **Parlor**
5:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting, **Room 203**

Tuesday, October 22

- 10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**
1:00 PM Women's Life, **Room 209**
2:00 PM Pumpkin Patch Open— 8:00 PM
5:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting, **Room 203**

Wednesday, October 23

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
12:00 PM SPR- Staff Appreciation Lunch, **Youth Room**
1:15 PM Lightkeepers AI-Anon, **Room 203**
2:00 PM Pumpkin Patch Open— 8:00 PM
3:00 PM W.A.V.E.S. ~ Children's Afterschool Program, **Kid's Clubhouse**
4:30 PM Children's Choir, **Choir Room**
5:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinner, **Thorpe Building**
6:00 PM Chancel Choir, **Choir Room**

Thursday, October 24

- 2:00 PM Pumpkin Patch Open— 8:00 PM**

Friday, October 25

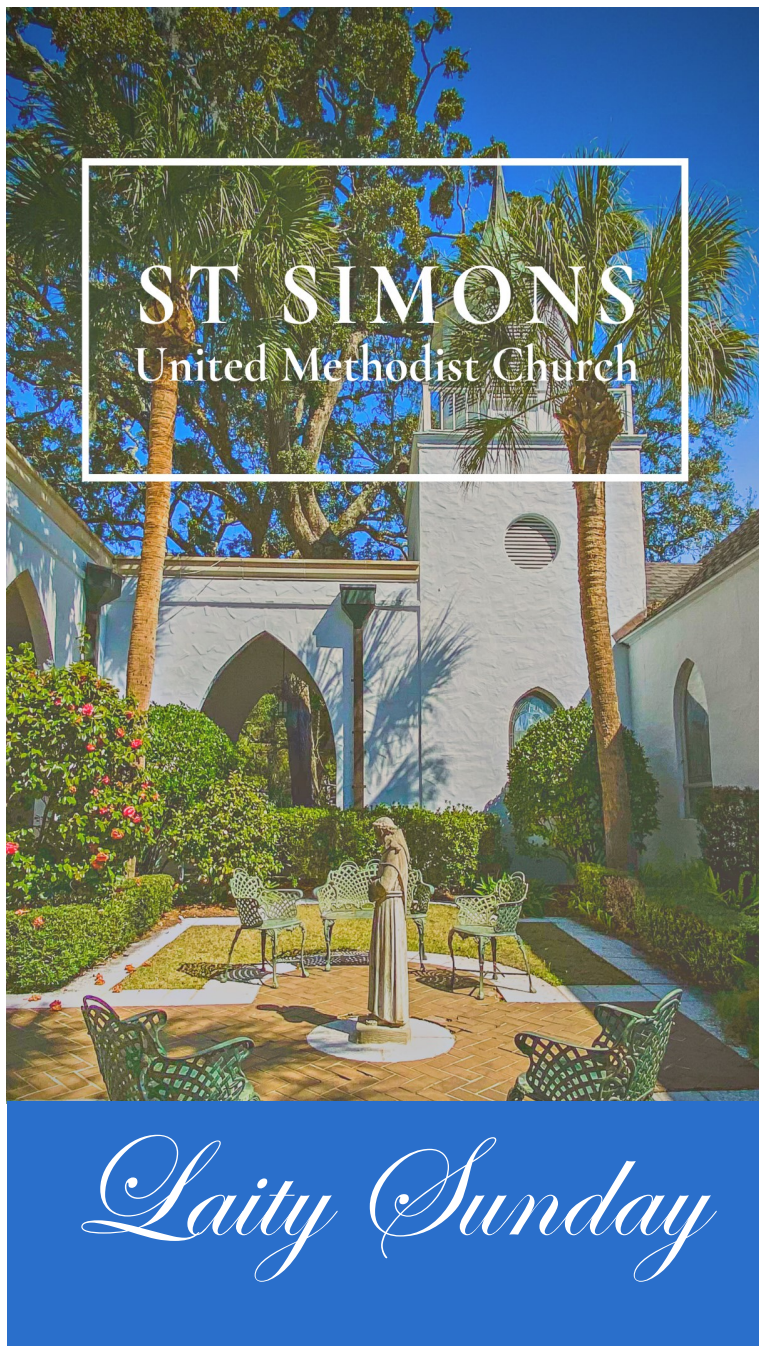
- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
1:00 PM Memorial Service for Suzette Fincher, **Chapel**
2:00 PM Pumpkin Patch Open— 8:00 PM

Saturday, October 26

- 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Gil Erbsch, **Chapel**
11:45 AM Reception for Gil Erbsch, **Gholson Room**
9:30 AM Pumpkin Patch Open— 8:00 PM

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The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently.*

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