

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, October 27

- 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
5:00 PM Trunk or Treat, **Back Parking Lot**



Monday, October 28

- 9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
2:00 PM Pumpkin Patch Open— 8:00 PM

Tuesday, October 29

- 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

Wednesday, October 30

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
12:00 PM SPR- Staff Appreciation Lunch, **Youth Room**
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-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**

Friday, November 1

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

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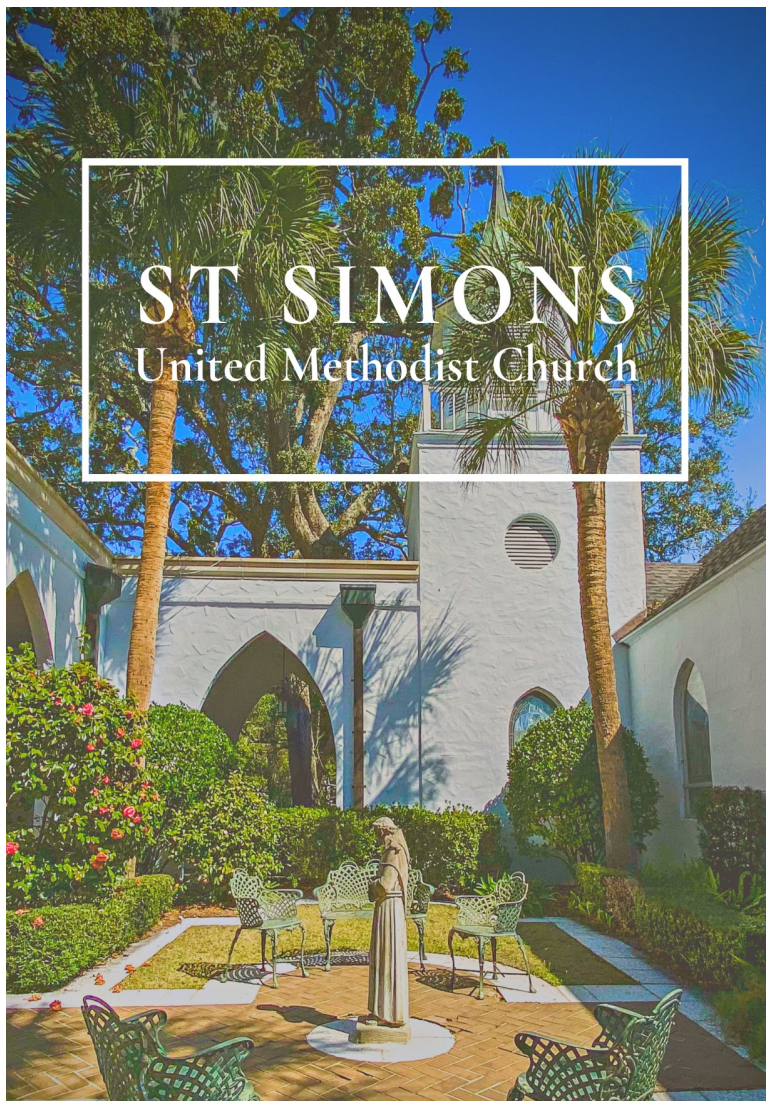
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United Methodist Church

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here!

*Where Love is Unconditional,
Service is Celebrated Enthusiastically,*



The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently.

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

OCTOBER 27, 2024

9:45 AM • CHAPEL

GATHERING

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

CCLI #2430948
©1998 Vineyard Songs

WELCOME

Rev. Tom Jones

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

It's Yours

CCLI #7200544
©Be Essential Songs

I See Grace

CCLI #7202043
©Fair Trade Global Songs

Holy Spirit

CCLI #6087919
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PRAYER TIME

Rev. Benjy Varnell

MORNING MESSAGE

Seeing the Truth

Mark 10:46-52

INVITATION

Glory to God Forever

CCLI #5384338
©sixsteps songs

SENDING FORTH

The Worship of God

OCTOBER 27, 2024

8:30 & 11:00 AM • SANCTUARY

GREETING

Rev. Tom Jones

PRELUDE

Sondra Anderson
arr.

SPECIAL MUSIC

I'm So Blessed (11:00AM)

Young Musicians

* HYMN #66

*Praise, My Soul,
The King of Heaven*
verses 1, 3 & 4

LAUDA ANIMA

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Apostle's
Creed*

Rev. Benjy Varnell

* RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

* FELLOWSHIP TIME

*Jesus, Name Above
All Names*

by Naida Hearn
©1974 Scripture in Songs

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00AM)

Celia Eisentraeger

MORNING PRAYER

Benjy Varnell

THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #368

My Hope Is Built
verses 1, 3 & 4

THE SOLID ROCK

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Benjy Varnell

OFFERTORY

*Just A Closer
Walk With Thee*

Chancel Choir
arr. Lloyd Larson
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MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Tom Jones

Seeing the Truth

Mark 10:46-52

* INVITATION #600

Wonderful Words of Life
verses 1 & 4

WORDS OF LIFE

* BENEDICTION

Tom Jones

POSTLUDE

Kevin Lamb

* PLEASE STAND AS COMFORTABLE

Think Small

One day my daughter noticed that I had some change in my hand. She was only three at the time, so she had a poor concept about the value of money – something we continue to work on in her teen years. In that moment she asked if she could have the money in my hand. I had a nickel and a dime. I was curious to see what would happen if I offered her a choice to take just one of the two coins. She chose the nickel. I asked her why. Her response was not a surprise: “It was bigger than the other one.” I tried to explain that the dime, as small as it was, had more value. That didn’t matter to her, she wanted the larger of the two coins.

It can be easy to overlook the value of small things. Jesus reminds us of this in Matthew 13 when he tells stories about a mustard seed, yeast, treasure hidden in a field, and a pearl of great value. These parables serve to teach us that the kingdom of heaven often reveals itself in small and surprising ways, and that small things can ultimately have a considerable influence on the world.

The first step to doing bigger things for God is to think small. Our small acts of kindness, caring, and understanding can lead to great things being accomplished. It’s in sharing our simple gifts that others experience the tremendous value of God’s love and grace in their lives.

In my younger days I played church league softball. I will always remember that anytime one of us came up to bat our teammates would encourage us, almost beg us, to just get a hit. It was a good reminder because too often our approach at the plate was to swing for the fences wanting to knock the ball out of the park. Too often the end result of our big swing was an easy out, when if we had focused on simply getting a hit we would have helped set-up the team to score more runs.

Too many of us become discouraged in our faith journeys because we constantly try to hit homeruns when Jesus is encouraging us to just get a hit. Our call is to not worry so much about doing remarkable things, but to give of our best in all things – even if they seem small.

Think small. In doing so you will be doing your part to help the kingdom of heaven grow and prosper. Working together, the seemingly insignificant things we accomplish will be transformed into greater things for our church, for our community, and for God.

Blessings,

Tom

Thank You for your Faithfulness!

As of October 24, 2024:

Number of Cards Received to date | **157**

Number of New Cards this year | **38**

Total Amount | **\$738,728.00**

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 20, 2024

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$25,581.00

Received YTD | \$1,026,755.49

Expenses YTD | \$993,109.27

Difference YTD | \$33,646.22

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$1,043,548.43

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$32,511.00

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

thank you

Worship Attendance- October 20, 2024

8:30am : **76**

Online Worship Views: **418**

9:45am : **70**

Sunday School/Small Group: **115**

11:00am: **212**

Total In Person: **358**

Members in Ministry- October 27, 2024

Ushers:

8:30 Ward Sweat, Chip Higginbotham, Bob Swinehart, Jeff Zoul

11:00 Clif Pease, Erik Kaufmann, David Paulk, Rick Denman

Greeters:

8:30 Pat Carmichael, Barbara Whitney

9:45 Pam & Randall Rehberg

11:00 Susan Kaufmann, Cherie DeMarco

Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee

9:45 Carol Conner

11:00 Neva Kaye

Acolytes:

11:00 Claire Kase

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Family & friends of Suzette Fincher, Marsha Hendrix, **Laura Johnson**, Jimmy Langford, **John Lindgren**, **Nancy Rozier**

New Prayer Concerns Non- Members: **Mitchell Bohannon**, **William Burke**, Lute Cabalquinto, **Cathy Dowdy**, **Mark Daugherty**, Family & friends of Gil Erbis, Greg Godwin, Family & friends Jay Gregg, Watt Gregory, Angie Hayden, **Family & friends of Charles Houston**, **Jan Keahon**, **Family & friends of Keith Meyers**, Harriet Morgan, **Caroline Plyler**, **Family & friends of Camille Powell**, **Joanna Ross**, 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, **Cathy Bailey Crumbley**, Pat Daniels, Larry Daugherty, Nick Doster, Betsy Draughton, 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, Mike Stiles, Carmen Sumpter, Robert Sumpter, Gena Paige Tolleson, Brion Trainor, Rhonda Van Liew, Dave Vandersall, Mary Vice, Bo Vice, Judy Whelan, Chuck Wilson, Bobbé 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

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! 10/30-

Join us for our next Wednesday Night Dinner on Wednesday, October 30! The dinner will include **Spaghetti and Homemade Meat Balls, Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread 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!

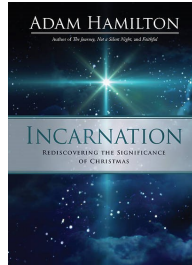
Clergy Appreciation

This month is Clergy Appreciation Month! Join us as we honor **Rev. Tom Jones** and **Rev. Benji 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!



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.



The Journey

Immerse yourself in the true spirit of the season with Compassion Christian Church's biennial event, The Journey, on December 6th. We'll start our evening with a scenic drive to the Savannah area, followed by a delightful Dutch treat dinner. Then, we'll embark on a mesmerizing 1 1/2 to 2-hour walking tour, where illuminated scenes and characters bring the story of Jesus' birth to life. Cost is \$10.00 per person, and space is limited to 24 participants. Register in Realm or call the church office.

Honorariums & Memorials

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF JEAN BRYAN TO

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY BY:

Anne & F. Marshall Brown

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF REV. JIM JENSEN BY:

Carole Barton, Gail Rivard

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF GIL ERBISCH BY:

Carole Barton, Pam Lewis

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF REV. JIM JENSEN TO STEPHEN MINISTRY BY:

Edith Payne

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF MARLIN HOFFER BY:

Carole Barton

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF CAROLYN VANN BY:

Tish Searcy

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
THIS
SUNDAY!**

Sign Up for a Trunk- ASAP!

We're kicking off this evening 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- its not too late to join the fun!

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.

Email Victoria Fryer to register or for more info!
victoria@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**



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