Weekly Calendar

Sunday, April 6

8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary*	
8:30 AM	Adult Sunday School, Room 202*	
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	
Monday, April 7		

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9:00 AM	Prayer Team, Parlor
11:00 AM	Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building
5:30 PM	Trustees Meeting, Room 203

Tuesday, April 8

9:30 AM	Staff Meeting, Youth Room
10:00 AM	Healthcare Coalition, Thorpe Building
10:00 AM	Men's Life, Room 203
1:00 PM	Women's Life, Room 209

Wednesday, April 9

11:00 AM	Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building
12:00 PM	Footprints Widow's Support Lunch, Delaney's Bistro
1:15 PM	Lightkeepers Al-Anon, Room 203
4:30 PM	Children's Choir, Choir Room
5:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, April 10

10:30 AM	Lenten Bible Study, Room 201
4:00 PM	Esther Circle, Christ Church Labyrinth
5:30 PM	Staff Parish Relations Meeting, Parlor

Friday, April 11

9:00 AM	John Williams Symphonic Tribute, Leave for JAX
11:00 AM	Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building

Saturday, April 12

12:00 PM Hope 1312 Egg Hunt, Thorpe Building



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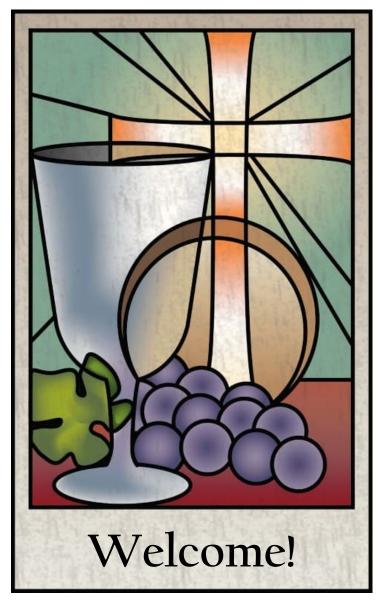
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

APRIL 6, 2025 9:45 AM • CHAPEL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kevin Lamb Director of Music Ministries

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Hallelujah CCLI #3091812 ©2000 Thankyou Music

FELLOWSHIP TIME

I'm So Blessed CCLI #7167000 ©2023 Brian and Jenn Publishing

Honey in the Rock CCLI #7191257 ©Be Essential Songs

PRAYER TIME

Find Us Faithful CCLI #18259 ©2014 Bethel Music Publishing

MORNING MESSAGE

Now I Remember!

Judges 2:10; Hebrews 12:1-2 **Rev. Benjy Varnell** Assistant Pastor

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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SENDING FORTH

The Worship of God

April 6, 2025 SANCTUARY • 8:30 & 11:00 AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kevin Lamb Director of Music Ministries

CONFESSION & PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we do not want to be challenged by the cross. We set our minds on human thingswe long for the security from our possessions; we prefer our own comfort; Forgive us, we pray. Through your Son's example; Let us take up His cross in service to the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. The Mighty One has sent his deliverance for all people! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

CENTERING PRELUDE

Sondra Anderson Music Associate—Pianist

BEACON HILL

* HYMN #530

Are Ye Able Verses 1, 2 & 4

* FELLOWSHIP TIME #394 (11:00 AM) Something Beautiful

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00 AM)

Victoria Fryer Director of Children's Ministries

* HYMN #156 **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

I Love to Tell the Story HANKEY

Benjy Varnell Assistant Pastor Kevin Lamb

OFFERTORY

RESPONSE

Doxology

Verses 1, 2 & 4

MESSAGE IN MUSIC When I Survey **Chancel Choir** arr. Joy Rouse

MORNING MESSAGE

Benjy Varnell

Now | Remember!

Judges 2:10; Hebrews 12:1-2

HOLY COMMUNION The Great Thanksgiving The Lord's Prayer Sharing of the Bread and Cup

* INVITATION #419

I Am Thine, O Lord Verses 1 & 2

I AM THINE

POSTLUDE

* BENEDICTION

Sondra Anderson

*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable



A Grateful Heart

I am so grateful for this loving and caring church family of friends. When I started working here at St. Simons UMC 15 years ago, I was a mom of one daughter, Francie, who was turning 4 that May. Little did I know all the blessings and plans God had for my life personally and professionally. After that first year working here at St. Simons UMC God blessed me and my husband with a second baby, Eliza, who is now 14 and Francie is now in her freshman year of college, and almost 19. As a working mom I am so grateful for this loving church. I have been blessed by knowing so many of you for the 15 years I have been working here and for others just getting to know after the last few months or years. This experience and time has been about doing the work of the church and being in ministry, but more about serving God, and the amazing relationships I have made along the way!

I am so grateful for such a wonderful opportunity where I get to work in unison with so many wonderful Christians and loving people. It was so special to me and still is so meaningful to me that we start and end almost all meetings here at St. Simons UMC with a prayer. It seems normal for a church but just think if our country and all businesses started and ended all their meetings in prayer. We would be living in a much better world! How refreshing and sweet to honor God with all things we do! This has meant so much to me! We/God does good work when meetings start and end in prayer!

These past few weeks I have been reflecting on how truly blessed my life has been, especially by y'all and working at St. Simons UMC. Thank you for the kindest and most generous love offering I received this week and the cards and notes. I am truly grateful for your support and generosity. I am also so thankful for the prayers, smiles, cards and hugs, or members just saying they care or appreciate me! Working at St. Simons UMC truly has been a gift in my life! It is my prayer that I will be here working and serving this wonderful church for another 15 years or more! Thank you to everyone who has made this journey and time so meaningful to me and my family. I am grateful!

In His love.

Anne Frazier

Weekly Bible Reading Highlights -March 24 - March 30

What did you highlight in your Bible last week? A few of the verses that stood out for Benjy were:

Joshua 6:20- "When the people heard the rams' horns, they shouted as loud as they could. Suddenly the walls of Jericho collapsed!"

Joshua 21:45- "Not a single one of all the good promises the Lord had given to Israel was left unfulfilled; everything he had spoken came true."

Joshua 23:6- "So be very careful to follow everything Moses wrote in the Book of Instruction. Do not deviate from it, turning either to the right or to the left!" Keep reading!

Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online at www.stimonsumc.com March 30, 2025

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$28,528.28 Received YTD | \$328,420.66 Expenses YTD | \$273,650.81 Difference YTD | \$54,769.85 Budgeted Amount YTD | \$330,186.06 Trustees Maintenance Fund YTD | \$2,431.00

thank you

Maintaining the Mission (Given To Date) | \$284,885.35

Attendance ~ March 30, 2025

8:30 AM Worship Service: 78 9:45 AM Worship Service: 78 11:00 AM Worship Service: 176 Total In Person Worship: 332

Online Worship Views: 432 Sunday School/Small Group: 119

Members in Ministry ~ April 6, 2025

Ushers:

- 8:30 Pete Irby, Tom Smith, Caryn Riggs, Pat Carmichael
- Kevin Brandon, Garrett Brandon, Dylan Brandon, David Clark, 11:00 Ed Reynolds

Greeters: 8:30 Carole Barton, Helen Baker 9:45 Judy & JR Wright 11:00 Barbara Smith, June Smith Projection: 8:30 Neva Kaye 9:45 Jessica Zettler 11:00 Richard Hart Acolytes:

11:00 TBD **Communion Servers: Communion Prayers:** 8:30 Linda & Jay Hodges Sharon Blount, Mike Martin 9:45 Laura & Jim Weldy Toni Metz, Judy Wright 11:00 Yvonne & Ron Flowers Becky Bridges, Edie Payne

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals: New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: JoAnne Alford, Tom Jones, Jenna Kennedy, Anne Rogers, Beverly Trainor

New Prayer Concerns Non- Members: Katherine Applin, Family & friends of Ed Anderson, Nancy Coleman, Allie Dickson, Georgia, Family & friends of Grayson Gaitten, Paxton Glaude, Sheila Green, Angie Hayden, Nancy McRae, Kristen Merrill, George Mickalis, Bill Reincheld, Liz Saynor, Holly Wiles Smith, Holly & Bill Wagner, Jimmy Waters, Jr., Staci White **Ongoing Prayer Concerns:** Di Bailey, Ron Bateman, Bob Beane, Thomas Benefield, Jim Bennett, III, Ranny Blount, Sam Bodine, Kai Booth, Cindy Bostick, Billy June Boyd, Carlotta Budd, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Russell Cohen, Trent Cohen, Cathy Bailey Crumbley, Betty Daher, Pat Daniels, Larry Daugherty, Mark Daugherty, Cathy Dowdy, Betsy Draughon, Geoff Fields, Sandy Fitzgerald, Dotsy Fuller, Jim Fuller, Barbara & Bob Golding, Mary McCreary George, Joe Gonzalez, Ken Graffis, Julie Haney, Bill Hansen, Jennifer & Tom Higdom, Elwanda Hopkins, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Kevin Josey, Mitchell Kent, Holly Lamb, Wayne Land, Jimmy Langford, Gary Leggett, Ellie Leroux, Chris Lorence, James McBride, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Priscilla Mercer, Megan & Blake Moore, Neil Mullis, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable Proctor, Mary Rentz, Irene Rohan, Bob Scherer, Bonni Smith, Brion Trainor, Rhonda Van View, Dave Vandersall, Mary Vice, Bo Vice, Judy Whelan, Chuck Wilson, Audrey Wood, Betsy Worthy, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack

Assisted Living Prayer Concerns:

Heritage Oaks: Marjorie Lawrence, Barbara Meadows, Norma Mock Marsh's Edge Assisted: Nancy Reynolds

Vitality: Judy Clifton

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.

Easter Hydrangeas

Order by April 16 | Cost is \$22

Help place Easter Hydrangeas in the Sanctuary or Chapel to celebrate the Risen Christ. You may place a hydrangea plant in memory or honor of a loved one on Easter Sunday. Please take your hydrangea



plant home with you after the 11:00am Easter Worship Service on Sunday, April 20. Order Envelopes are in the pews or you may drop a check by the office.

Easter Egg Hunt & Lunch

Join us for a Church Family Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 13 starting at 12:00pm after church in the Thorpe Building and Thorpe side yard. Please bring a covered



dish to share! Invite your friends & family to join us! NON-**CHOCOLATE- Candy Donations can be left in the Gholson room!** Contact Victoria for more info at victoria@stsimonsumc.com.

Hope 1312~ Easter Candy Needed!

Our church is hosting an Egg Hunt for Hope 1312 and we are collecting Easter Egg Candy donations for them in the Gholson room this Sunday! NON- Chocolate candy, please! Please mark your donation for Hope 1312!

Meaningful Mission Opportunity

Join us for this opportunity to participate in a mission trip to Wewahitchka, FL to work with Square Foot Ministry in building a home for those in the most need. This is an area of poverty which is still recovering from past storms. The trip and build is April 27-30. with the wall raising on April 28 at 8:00am. Long Avenue Baptist Church, in Port Saint Joe, FL is providing meals and a place to stay with air mattresses or cots. No expense for us and we will take the church van.

This is a great chance to work on a build that is already funded and organized and to see how Square Foot operates. Who knows, Jesus may call us to do this closer to home. For more info contact David Clark at 770-639-0346 or dfclark929@gmail.com

Volunteer for our Pew Information Team!

The Pew Information Team "PIT Crew" keeps the printed materials in the Sanctuary and Chapel up to date. They serve in one month rotations. Please email Anne Frazier if you would like more information or to volunteer at anne@stsimonsumc.com.

Footprints – Widow's Support Lunch

The Footprints Widows Support Group will be meeting Wednesday April 9 at 12:00 at Delaney's Bistro. If you would like to join us, please contact Susan Hoshall at (912) 399-5454.

Oatland Island Wildlife Center



Thursday, May 1 | Cost is \$11.00 Explore the natural beauty of

OATLAND ISLAND Oatland Island Wildlife Center in with its 95+ species of animals, birds, and reptiles. Enjoy a scenic two-mile loop, then a Dutch treat

lunch in Savannah. We will leave the church at 8:30am and return around 2:00pm. Please make your reservation on Realm or by calling the church office by April 17.



Palm Sunday Worship-

Sunday, April 13 – We continue our preparation for Easter as we remember the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Children will be waving palms and singing at the 11:00am service.

Holy Week Community Service and Lunch-

Monday, April 14 at 11:45am – Join us for our Holy Week Service and Lunch. The Glynn Academy Choir will be here to sing at 11:45am for a beautiful beginning of the service. Get here early to hear them! Sign Up to bring salads, sandwiches or desserts to share or to help serve at the luncheon. Use our signup genius link at www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4EAFAF2AA3FB6-holy1#/ or call the church office.

Tenebrae Service-

Thursday, April 17 at 6:00pm - Join us as we experience the last hours of Christ's earthly ministry. We will celebrate Holy Communion during the service as Christ's disciples gathered with Him in the upper room. We complete our Lenten journey to the cross in darkness as we leave to contemplate Good Friday and anticipate the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

Easter Sunday Worship Services-

Sunday, April 20 at 8:15am, 9:30am, & 11:00am -On Easter Sunday, there will be three worship services to celebrate the Risen Lord in our Sanctuary! Join us as we celebrate the Resurrection with beautiful music, scripture, and the Easter service. Come celebrate Easter with us at one of these meaningful three services! Please note the time changes for these **THREE services!**

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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