

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 10

8:30 AM Nursery for Newborn- 4 yrs., **8:30-12:00**
8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary**
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**

Monday, August 11

9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**

Tuesday, August 12

10:00 AM Men's Life, **Room 203**
10:30 AM Al-Anon Group, **Room 201**

Wednesday, August 13

11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**
4:30 PM Fall Kickoff and Cookout, **Thorpe Building and yard**
6:00 PM Chancel Choir Christmas Preview, **Choir Room**

Thursday, August 14

Friday, August 15

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

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Welcome!

We are 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

Worship Notes

The Worship of God

Contemporary Worship

August 10, 2025

Chapel • 9:45

Welcome and Announcements

House of the Lord

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Fellowship Time

Blessing of the Backpacks

Today we offer a special blessing for students, teachers, and school staff as a new school year begins. Students are invited to bring their backpacks forward. Teachers and school staff are invited to stand with students as we pray for a year filled with learning, growth, and God's presence in every classroom and hallway.

Build A Boat

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Today's Message

You're Safe at the Zoo

Jeremiah 22:1-5 NRSV

Rev. Tab Miller

Step By Step

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Invitation

I Give You My Heart

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Blessing

What's Really Important?

Take a moment and see how many of these questions you can answer. Can you name:

Who has been a Nobel Peace Prize winner in the past five years?

Who won the Oscar for Best Actor or Actress last year?

Who was named Major League Baseball's Most Valuable Player in 2024?

Hard to do, isn't it? Unless you're a trivia buff, most of us struggle to come up with these answers. Yet these were no small feats - each one represents the pinnacle of achievement in a field. Still, the applause fades. Awards gather dust. Greatness can be quickly forgotten.

Now try this. Can you name:

Three people you love being around?

Two people you know you can always count on?

Your favorite teacher growing up?

That's easier, isn't it? It's because what lingers in our hearts isn't the sound of applause or the glow of a trophy. It's the impact of people who shared their time, their presence, and their care. They didn't just pass through our lives - they helped shape them.

This Sunday we will take time in worship to celebrate the people who do exactly that - shape lives. We will recognize our teachers, school staff, administrators, and Preschool staff - all those who give of themselves to guide and nurture our children and youth.

We also invite all of our children and students, kindergarten through 12th grade to bring their backpacks to church for a Blessing of the Backpack. This will serve as a meaningful reminder that God's love and the support of our church family goes with them wherever they learn.

The world often measures success by accolades and titles. But what is really important? It's hearing someone say, "Thank you. I'll never forget what you did for me."

Blessings,

Tom

Fall Kick Off & Cook Out! SIGN UP NOW!!!

Wed. August 13, 2025

4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

Dinner will be served at 5:00 PM! Join us for a fun -filled evening!

- ◆ Bounce houses & yard games
- ◆ Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, drinks & an Ice Cream Truck!
- ◆ Bingo and Prizes



All Church family and friends are welcome to this complimentary event but please let us know you plan to attend! Register on Realm, scan the QR code or call the church office!

Financial Report

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

August 3, 2025

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$22,693.00

Received YTD | \$724,010.53

Expenses YTD | \$721,005.22

Difference YTD | \$3,005.31

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$789,657.00

Trustees Maintenance Fund YTD | \$14,118.00

thank you

Attendance ~ August 3, 2025

8:30 AM Worship Service: **77**

Online Worship Views: **518**

9:45 AM Worship Service: **79**

Sunday School/Small Group: **117**

11:00 AM Worship Service: **205**

Total In Person Attendance: **361**

Members in Ministry ~ August 10, 2025

Ushers:

8:30 Steve Tucker, Richie Sipe, Thornton Willingham, Gary Krabill

11:00 Mike Fitzgerald, PJ Hamilton, Cindy Simpson, Jordan Graffis, Nancy Jenkins

Greeters:

8:30 Nancy Krabill, Sharon Blount

9:45 Carol Conner, Laura Weldy

11:00 Kari Cooper, Christiana Weisberg

Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee

9:45 Jim Weldy

11:00 Neva Kaye

Acolytes:

11:00 Addy Thompson, June Humphries

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Family & friends of Wayne Land

New Prayer Concerns Non-Members: **Trudy Budd**, Darlene Cramer, Eliza Frazier, **Ava Grace Goode**, Hope Hall, Jane Hall, Bob Hochwald, Peyton Johnson, Jade & Charlotte Keith, Fanna Love, Ralph Lundstedt, **Family & friends of Bill Markert**, Angie Perry, **Tye Pipkin**, Eugene Ramba

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Di Bailey, Ron Bateman, Bob Beane, 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, Betsy Draughon, Geoff Fields, Sandy Fitzgerald, Karen Flagella, Dotsy Fuller, Jim Fuller, Barbara & Bob Golding, Mary McCreary George, Joe Gonzalez, Ken Graffis, Julie Haney, Jennifer & Tom Higdom, Elwanda Hopkins, Tom Humphries, Pete Irby, Barbara Jensen, Kevin Josey, Mitchell Kent, Holly Lamb, Jimmy Langford, Gary Leggett, Ellie Leroux, Chris Lorence, James McBride, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Kristen Merrill, Megan & Blake Moore, Neil Mullis, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable Proctor, Mary Rentz, Dawn Roberts, Anne Rogers, Jimmy Rogers, Irene Rohan, Jo Ann Segars, Bob Scherer, Bonni Smith, Brion Trainor, Rhonda Van View, Dave Vandersall, Mary Vice, Bo Vice, Holly & Bill Wagner, Joel West, Judy Whelan, Chuck Wilson, Audrey Wood, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack

Assisted Living Prayer Concerns:

Heritage Oaks: Jackie Brand, 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.

Christmas Preview Night – August 13 6:00 PM

Yes, it's only August—but Christmas is coming sooner than you think in the Music Ministry! Join us on

Wednesday, August 13 at 6:00 PM in the Choir Room for our **Christmas Preview Night**—a fun, festive evening

where you'll get a first listen at this year's Christmas music and see how you can be involved.

We'll start with **dinner in the Thorpe Building at 5:00 PM**, and **kid's activities begin at 4:30 PM**, so bring the whole family!

This is especially for all our **part-time singers**—those who may not sing year-round but want to be a part of something meaningful and joyful during the Christmas season. Come see what we're preparing and how your voice can help make it special.

Let's get ready to rejoice, sing, and celebrate the good news—together!

Calling all **part-time singers**—come see how you can be part of the celebration this season!



Weekly Bible Reading Highlights

What did you highlight in your Bible August 3-9? These are a few verses that stood out to Tom:

Jeremiah 22:2-3 – Listen to this message from the Lord, your king of Judah, sitting on David's throne. Let your attendants and people listen, too. This is what the Lord says: "Be fair-minded and just. Do what is right!"

Jeremiah 26:8-9 – But when Jeremiah had finished his message, saying everything the Lord had told him to say, the priests and prophets and all the people at the Temple mobbed him. "Kill him!" they shouted. What right do you have to prophesy in the Lord's name that this Temple will be destroyed like Shiloh?"

Jeremiah 26:16 – Then the officials and the people said to the priests and the prophets, "This man does not deserve the death sentence, for he had spoken to us in the name of the Lord our God."

Jeremiah 46:27 – "But do not be afraid, Jacob, my servant; do not be dismayed, Israel. For I will bring you home again from distant lands, and your children will return from their exile."

Daniel 1:17 – And God gave Daniel the special ability to interpret the meanings of visions and dreams.

Daniel 2:47 – The king said to Daniel, "Truly, your God is the greatest of gods, the Lord over king, a revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this secret."

Welcome to Macey Gibbs

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is excited to announce that Macey Gibbs has joined our staff and is our new Media and Administrative Associate. Macey and her husband Jackson have four children, Mason, Hank, Woods, and Goldie and both grew up in Brunswick. We are excited to have Macey join our team. Feel free to stop by the church office and welcome Macey to our church family or send her a welcoming email at macey@stsimonsumc.com.

New Young Adult Sunday School Class!

We're excited to announce the launch of a brand-new Sunday School class designed especially for young adults - both singles and couples - who are looking to grow in their faith, build meaningful relationships, and find a welcoming space within our church community. This new class will begin Sunday, September 7, at 9:45 AM, and is part of our growing commitment to support and connect young adults and their families in this season of life. To help kick things off, we'll also be hosting a Young Adult Social/Parent's Night Out in the coming weeks - a great chance to meet others and enjoy some time together. Watch for more details soon! We can't wait to see how this new ministry grows - and we'd love for you to be a part of it.

SSUMC Manna House Team

Our First Thursday of the month Manna House team is looking for a team captain. If you would like to lead this well established group please reach out to Anne Frazier in the church office. We are looking for someone to start serving in this capacity by September!

Volunteer for Sunday Projection Team!

Join our team on Sunday mornings! We are in need of a volunteer to help with our projection during the 11:00 AM service a few Sundays a month! Please email Kevin Lamb for more information or if you are interested in this vital ministry opportunity at kevin@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.
- 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.

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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