

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, April 19

- 8:30 AM Nursery for Newborn- 4 yrs., **8:30-12:00**
- 8:30 AM The Class- Sunday school, **Room 202**
- 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**
- 5:00 PM Youth Group and Dinner, **Youth Room**

Monday, April 20

- 9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**
- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
- 4:00 PM Stephen Ministry, **Parlor**
- 5:30 PM Finance Meeting, **Room 203**

Tuesday, April 21

- 10:00 AM Men's Life, **Room 203**
- 1:00 PM Women's Life Group, **Room 203**
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts, **Thorpe Building**
- 6:30 PM UWF SIS Circle, **Parlor**

Wednesday, April 22

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

Thursday, April 23

- 6:00 PM Men's Low Country Boil, **Thorpe Building**

Friday, April 24

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
- 5:30 PM Festival Chorus Rehearsal w/Cameron Cody, **Sanctuary**

Saturday, April 25

- 9:00 AM Festival Chorus Rehearsal w/Cameron Cody, **Sanctuary**

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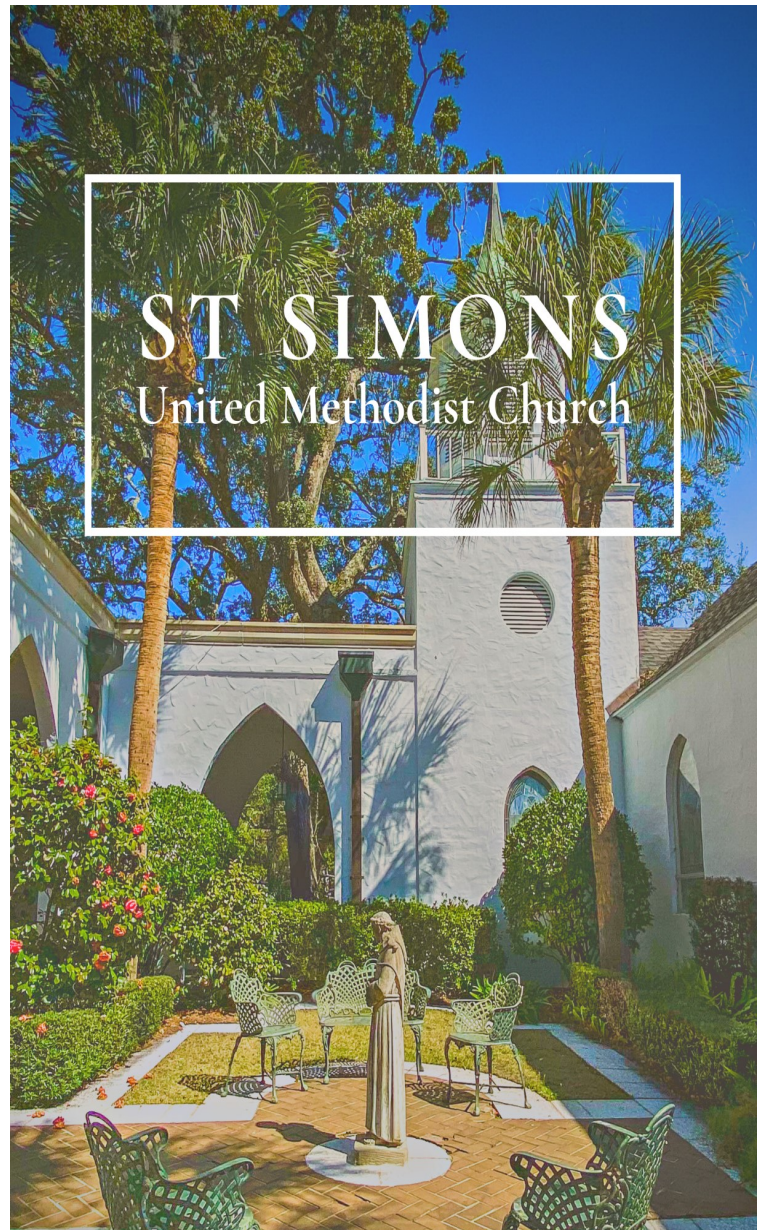
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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

WORSHIP

April 19, 2026

Chapel • 9:45 AM

WELCOME

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Holly Lamb, Contemporary Worship Leader

Here I Am to Worship

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FELLOWSHIP TIME

Beautiful Life

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I Love You, Lord

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PRAYER TIME

TODAYS MESSAGE



SUNDAY SCHOOL
STORIES REVISTED

*Samson: It's Not About
The Haircut*

Judges 14:1-9
Rev. Tab Miller

INVITATION

Who You Say I Am

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BENEDICTION

WORSHIP

April 19, 2026

Sanctuary • 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Benjy Varnell
Interim Senior Pastor

PRELUDE

* HYMN OF PRAISE #96 *Praise the Lord* AMSTERDAM
Who Reigns Above

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Rev. Benjy Varnell
The Apostles Creed

* FELLOWSHIP TIME

* FELLOWSHIP SONG *He Is Lord*

KID'S MESSAGE

MORNING PRAYER

Rev. Benjy Varnell

THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #156 *I Love to Tell the Story* HANKEY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Benjy Varnell

OFFERTORY

RESPONSE DOXOLOGY

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

Give Me Jesus

Chancel Choir

MORNING MESSAGE

Are We Ready?

Matthew 28: 16-20 RSV
Rev. Benjy Varnell

* INVITATION #571 *Go, Make of All Disciples* LANCASHIRE
Verses 1 & 4

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* *Stand As Able*



For Hearing Assist- Please see an usher.

More to Come

I remember watching the old Tonight Show with Johnny Carson way back in the early 1970's. Johnny always started the show with a monologue, and he was able to make people laugh even when his jokes didn't work. Strangely enough, I liked the breaks in the show, because they would put up some neat artwork, and the fantastic Tonight Show band would play. Somewhere on the screen would be the words "MORE TO COME." Many nights I was content to just listen to the band play and look at the screen! What a meaningful Lenten journey we went on together as we started to focus on the season with the always meaningful Ash Wednesday services way back on February 18. There is always something humbling about the imposition of ashes as we begin to think about our sin and our need to "repent and believe the Gospel." We then learned much about life and the Bible as we participated in several Lenten studies. The high moment of Confirmation came next as young people accepted Christ and joined the church as full members. We then waved the palm branches as we celebrated the arrival of the King who serves and were all blessed richly by the voices of our Young Musicians! That same day, we watched as children hunted Easter eggs which symbolized new life! Palm Sunday carried us into the majesty and mystery of Holy Week, and Tenebrae took us to the Last Supper and the darkness of the Cross.

The journey then finally led us to the glorious Day of Days! The Day of Resurrection came powerfully with the loud proclamation of "He Is Risen! He Is Risen Indeed!" Our Easter music showed once again the glory of the Empty Tomb, as more than 900 worshipers filled the Sanctuary in three services! We were all rejoicing as our choir, praise team, and musicians ushered us to the throne of grace! What a marvelous and majestic Easter celebration! What a grand and glorious culmination of our Lenten journey!

Now comes the time when we get to live out our Easter faith! Now comes the opportunity to do something about the Easter experience! This is not the end of the story. This is the beginning of sharing the new life that Jesus is offering to us all. There is indeed MORE TO COME, and we are the ones who are called to live out and proclaim the Easter message. As witnesses to the Resurrection power of God in Jesus Christ, we now are called to "tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love." May we receive power from on High to do just that, because we know He lives! How do we know it? Because "He lives within our hearts!" He Is Risen! He Is Risen Indeed!

Benjy

Financial Report

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

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$31,500.00
Received YTD | \$341,800.98
Expenses YTD | \$334,022.46
Difference YTD | \$7,778.52
Budgeted Amount YTD | \$352,958.05
Trustees Maintenance Fund YTD | \$9,135.00

April 12, 2026

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$17,175.00
Received YTD | \$358,975.98
Expenses YTD | \$341,488.76
Difference YTD | \$17,487.22
Budgeted Amount YTD | \$378,965.39
Trustees Maintenance Fund YTD | \$9,965.00

Attendance

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

8:00AM Worship Service: **184**
9:30 AM Worship Service: **348**
11:00 AM Worship Service: **435**
Total In Person Worship: **967**

April 12, 2026

8:30AM Worship Service: **82**
9:45 AM Worship Service: **78**
11:00 AM Worship Service: **166**
Total In Person Worship: **326**

Members in Ministry~ April 19, 2026

Ushers:

8:30 Bill Foster, Joy Coleman, Mike Presley, Elden Carmichael
11:00 Dona Colglazier, Cyndy Franklin, Zdenek Kuja, Steve Smith, John Rentz, Buddy Brand

Greeters:

8:30 Susan Watkins, Barbara Foster
9:45 Toni Metz, Ava White
11:00 Sherry Pickett, Cheryl Murphy

Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee
11:00 Elizabeth Daniel
9:45 Jessica Zettler

Acolytes:

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Baylor Baird, Kim Belt, Ranny Blount, Family & friends of Trent Cohen, Mary Evelyn Cook, Family & friends of Sonny Doehring, Jimmy Long

New Prayer Concerns Non-Members: Ruth Brown, Family & friends of James Caldwell, Family of Harold & Mary Chambers, Gail Earle, Trey Hall, Corb Hankey, Family & friends of Preston Lawrence, Donna McCollough, Boden Sciarra, Maxwell Smith

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Di Bailey, Ron Bateman, Dianne Beisel, Jim Bennett III, Ranny Blount, Sam Bodine, Kai Booth, Cindy Bostick, Carlotta Budd, Trudy Budd, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Russell Cohen, Trent Cohen, Cathy Bailey Crumbley, Betty Daher, Pat Daniels, Larry Daugherty, Mark Daugherty, Betsy Draughton, Brenda Fields, Geoff Fields, Sandy Fitzgerald, Karen Flagella, Dotsy Fuller, Mary McCreary George, Barbara Golding, Joe Gonzales, Ken Graffis, James Gregory, Martine Haynes, Jennifer & Tom Higdome, Elwanda Hopkins, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Holly Lamb, Ellie Leroux, Randy Little, Chris Lorence, Mike Martin, James McBride, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Nathan Meadows, Kristen Merrill, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Ann Pickard, Mary Rentz, Dawn Roberts, Anne Rogers, Irene Rohan, Jo Ann Segars, Bob Scherer, Bonni Smith, Brion Trainor, Rhonda Van View, Dave Vandersall, Mary & Bo Vice, Holly & Bill Wagner, Judy Whelan, Benjamin Wiggins, Chuck Wilson, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack

Missionaries & Christians in Middle East and abroad

Assisted Living Prayer Concerns:

Heritage Oaks: Jackie Brand, Marjorie Lawrence, Norma Mock, Mel Rozier
Marsh's Edge: Nancy Reynolds, Ellen Thrift, Ray Thrift
Sears Manor: Joan Harris
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.

Saint Simons
Festival Chorus
with Cameron Cody

Saint Simons UMC
April 26th at 4:00pm

Featuring choirs from the Golden Isles
and special guest musicians
(to be announced soon)

Visit cameroncodymusic.com/ssi
to sign up to be in the festival chorus.

Men's Low Country Boil!

SSUMC MEN: join us on Thursday, April 23 for a **Low Country Boil** at 6:00PM in the Thorpe building and yard! Mark your calendars for an evening of camaraderie, connection, and flavor for only \$10. Please register early and bring friends! Register on Realm, or by calling the office.



THURSDAY, APRIL 23
AT 6:00 PM
REGISTER ON REALM!
\$10 PER MAN

Alhambra Dinner Theater



When: Thursday, May 14

Departure: 10:30 AM- Cost: \$60

1776 is a musical chronicling the debates of the Second Continental Congress during the sweltering summer of 1776. The story follows John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, and Thomas Jefferson as they work to persuade delegates to declare independence from Britain, culminating in the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Sign up on Realm or through the Church office.

Name Tags & Photos and Info in Realm

If you don't already have a name tag, please order one and be sure to wear it when you're here! With new members joining and a new pastor coming, we want to make sure everyone can easily recognize one another and greet each other by name. Also, if you don't have an updated photo in our Realm database, please send one so we can update your profile and always let us know if your information needs to be updated! Thank you so much!

We Are Hiring

Join our team as a part-time Property Maintenance and Event Setup Assistant. We are looking for someone with a flexible schedule to help care for our church facilities, handle small repairs, and assist with setting up for events and special activities. If you are interested in this flexible position, please contact Anne Frazier at anne@stsimonsumc.com.

Honorariums & Memorials

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF GERRY EGGER

Diane & Jim Bailey	The Katz-Helen & Ray Whittle Foundation
Joyce & Buzzy Pickren	James Lewis Glenn
Mr. & Mrs. Lane	Elizabeth & John Bird Daniel
Cathy Kyker	Barbara & Chuck Milliken
Debbie & Clif Pease	Donna & Pat Godbey
The Downey Family	May Alice & Will White
Dr. Mario & Joy Corti	Penelope & Clif Jones

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF GERRY EGGER TO THE PRESCHOOL

Pam Lewis

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF GERRY EGGER CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Libby & Ward Sweat

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF DICK PIPE

Dianne Searcy Smoot Susan & William Coleman
Judith Shadron

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF JIMMY LANGFORD

June & Bob Bowers

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF NANCY STODDARD

Tammy Langford



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

VBS is HERE! Get ready for an unforgettable adventure as we head deep into the Amazon to discover more about who God is!
June 8-12 from 9:00AM-12:00PM
Open to rising Kindergarten through rising 5 grade. Spots are waiting—sign up using the link or QR code!
We can't wait to spend this AMAZING week with your kids full of fun, faith,

and adventure... but we need your help to make it happen!

We're looking for VOLUNTEERS for all kinds of roles throughout the week. Students rising 6 grade and up can jump in as Crew Leader Assistants or Station Assistants. Let's make this the best VBS yet!

If you would like to volunteer use the link or QR code below or the sign up link <https://vbspro.events/p/3ac6a4>

If you have any questions please contact Victoria Fryer victoria@stsimonsumc.com



Graduate Sunday!

Graduation Sunday is coming up fast! This year we will celebrate our high school graduates on May 17th during the 11:00 service. We would love to have all of our graduates involved in worship that morning. In order for us to honor your graduate, please contact Bill at bill@stsimonsumc.com so that we can have an accurate list of our participants.

The Louis & Millie Gholson Scholarship

The Louis and Millie Gholson Scholarship Fund was created to award a graduating high school senior who is an active member of St. Simons United Methodist Church. The Pastor, Youth Director and Church Administrator were appointed to determine who would receive the scholarship. Please contact Bill for an application at bill@stsimonsumc.com. Application and letters of recommendations must be received by Wednesday, May 13 2026. The scholarship will be presented on Sunday, May 17 during the Graduate Recognition in the 11:00am service!

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:

Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ, Transfer from another United Methodist congregation or Transfer from another denomination
If you are interested in more information about becoming a member contact Rev. Benjy Varnell at benjyv@stsimonsumc.com | 912.393.4566