

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 13

8:30 am The Class- Sunday school, **Room 202**
8:30 am Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary**
9:30 am Nursery for Newborn- 4 yrs., **9:30-12:00**
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**
12:00 pm Children's Ministry Information Meeting, **Thorpe Building**
5:00 pm Youth Group Hangout & Dinner, **Thorpe Building**

Monday, September 14

9:00 am Prayer Team, **Parlor**
11:00 am Chair Yoga \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**

Tuesday, September 15

6:00 am Men's Bible Study, **Thorpe Building**
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 Meeting, **Parlor**

Wednesday, September 16

9:30 am MOMS Walking Group, **Thorpe Building**
11:00 am Chair Yoga \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**
12:00 pm Footprints- Widows Support Lunch, **Fiddlers**
1:15 pm Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**
6:00 pm Half Truths Bible Study, **Thorpe Building**
6:00 pm Seamless- Women's Study, **Room 201**
6:00 pm Chancel Choir, **Choir Room**

Thursday, September 17

10:00 am Half Truths Bible Study, **Thorpe Building**
12:00 pm UWF Sunshine Circle, **Tramici Restaurant**

Friday, September 18

11:00 am Chair Yoga \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**

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*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



St. Simons
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Chapel • 9:45 AM

WELCOME

MISSION MOMENT

Rise Against Hunger

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Holly Lamb, Contemporary Worship Leader

This Is Amazing Grace

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FELLOWSHIP TIME

Jesus

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In Christ Alone

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PRAYER TIME

TODAYS MESSAGE

God's Math

Acts 2:42-47
Rev. Tab Miller

They'll Know We Are Christians

CCLI #26997

BENEDICTION

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Sanctuary • 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

PRELUDE

Kevin Lamb
Director of Music Ministries

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. David Blackwood
Senior Pastor

* HYMN OF PRAISE #560 *Help Us Accept Each Other*

LOBE DEN HERREN

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES CREED

MISSION MOMENT RISE AGAINST HUNGER

* FELLOWSHIP TIME

* FELLOWSHIP SONG *Goodness Of God*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00 AM)

Victoria Fryer
Director of Children Ministry

MORNING PRAYER

David Blackwood

THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #496 *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

SWEET HOUR

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Sondra Anderson
Music Associate, Pianist

* RESPONSE DOXOLOGY

MESSAGE IN MUSIC *Prayer for Peace*

Chancel Choir

MORNING MESSAGE

Prayers and Presence

Acts 2:42-47
Rev. David Blackwood

* INVITATION *They'll Know We Are Christians*

* BENEDICTION

David Blackwood

POSTLUDE

* Stand As Able

*The beautiful flowers on the altar today are given in memory of
Dick Pipe in honor of his birthday on September 17.
The arrangement was given by Elizabeth and Edward.*

A Season of Faithfulness

This Sunday, we begin a special season in the life of our church—a stewardship series that will lead us toward Celebration Sunday September 27.

When we hear the word *stewardship*, we often think about money. And certainly, our financial gifts are an important part of sustaining the ministry of St. Simons United Methodist Church. But stewardship is about something much bigger than what we put in an offering plate. Stewardship is about how we offer our whole lives to God.

As United Methodists, we are reminded of this every time we make our membership vows. We promise to support the church with our:

Prayers. Presence. Gifts. Service. And Witness.

Over the next several weeks, we are going to look at each of these promises—not simply as obligations we have made, but as opportunities to participate in what God is doing through our church.

We will talk about what it means to give ourselves to God in prayer. We will consider the importance of our presence—of actually gathering together for worship, fellowship, study, and community. We will reflect on our gifts and the ways our generosity makes ministry possible. We will explore the joy of serving others. And we will remember that our lives themselves are a witness to the good news of Jesus Christ.

These five promises give us a beautiful picture of Christian stewardship because they remind us that God doesn't simply want something from us—God wants us.

Our time.

Our resources.

Our abilities.

Our presence.

Our hearts.

Our lives.

And when we offer these things to God, something remarkable happens. God takes what we bring and uses it to advance the mission of Christ.

Your Co-Worker in Ministry,

Pastor David

Footprints– A Widow's Support Group

Join us Wednesday, September 16, at noon at Fiddlers for our monthly luncheon. Call or text Susan Hoshall to RSVP at 912-399-5454. We would love to have you join us!

Honorariums & Memorials

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF ADELAIDE BEALL BY:

M. Jeffrey Martin

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF VIRGINIA "GIGI" O'CONNOR TO THE MUSIC MINISTRY BY:

Judy & JR Wright

Financial Report

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

September 6, 2026

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$42,930.00

Received YTD | \$866,298.76

Expenses YTD | \$888,007.45

Difference YTD | -\$21,708.69

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$913,975.40

Trustees Maintenance Fund YTD | \$29,075.00

thank you

Attendance

September 6, 2026

8:30AM Worship Service: **81**

Worship Views Online: **410**

9:45AM Worship Service: **62**

Sunday School/Small Group: **135**

11:00AM Worship Service: **194**

Total In Person Worship: **337**

Members in Ministry~ September 13

Ushers:

8:30 Gary Krabill, Thornton Willingham, John Vann, Joanie Meeks

11:00 Cindy Simpson, Mike Fitzgerald, PJ Hamilton, Marcus Griffin, Jim Peterson, Nancy Jenkins

Greeters:

8:30 Nancy Krabill, Helene Magee

9:45 Carol Conner, Laura Weldy

11:00 Barbara Raines, Franny Robinson

Projection:

8:30 TBD

9:45 Jessica Zettler

11:00 Elizabeth Daniel

Acolytes:

9:45 Atlas Zettler

11:00 Savannah Smith, Natalie Smith

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Robert Carroll, Sally Tinsley

New Prayer Concerns Non-Members: Terri Archibaud, Jeanie Barte, Rocky Bodree, **Scott Carter**, Joe Cramer, **Family & friends of Jake Cunningham**, Gerry Gardner, Brooks Harvey, **Dustin Horne & wife**, Jon Langford & Family, Madison Langford, Sandra Langford, Zach Langford & Family, Don Ray, Caitlin Langford Sheffield

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Di Bailey, Dianne Beisel, Jim Bennett III, Sam Bodine, Kai Booth, Cindy Bostick, Carlotta Budd, Trudy Budd, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Russell Cohen, Cathy Bailey Crumbley, Pat Daniels, Betsy Draughon, Brenda Fields, Geoff Fields, Sandy Fitzgerald, Butch Frye, Dotsy Fuller, Mary McCreary George, Barbara Golding, Sara, Jeff & Juniper Heath, Jennifer & Tom Higdom, Elwanda Hopkins, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Holly Lamb, Ellie Leroux, Randy Little, Chris Lorence, James McBride, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Nathan Meadows, Kristen Merrill, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Mary Rentz, Dawn Roberts, Anne Rogers, Irene Rohan, Jo Ann Segars, Bob Scherer, Bonni Smith, Brion Trainor, Betty Tomlin, Rhonda Van View, Dave Vandersall, Mary & Bo Vice, Holly & Bill Wagner, Judy Whelan, Benjamin Wiggins, Sarah and Hannah Wood, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack

Assisted Living Prayer Concerns:

Heritage Oaks: Jackie Brand, Jean Cardin, Marjorie Lawrence, Norma Mock, Mel Rozier

Marsh's Edge: Linda May, Ann Pickard, Nancy Reynolds, Ellen 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.

Saints & Sinners Luncheon

Senior Adult Ministries invites you to join us for our luncheon on **Thursday, September 24, 12–1 pm**

Bring a dish to share and enjoy a wonderful lunch, warm fellowship, and an inspiring program presented by Debbie Craig, a local and well-known potter and a dear friend to many in our church.

For our program, Debbie will bring her electric potter's wheel and give a demonstration of wheel-thrown pottery. She will also share samples of her work and talk about the role of creativity in our lives.

Come enjoy good food, fellowship, and a fascinating look at the art of pottery. We hope you'll join us! Register on Realm or by calling the church office.



Pumpkins are Coming to the Patch!



Pumpkin Patch season is almost here! Important dates to know!

- Parent & Kids scheduling meeting on **Sunday, September 27**
- The pumpkins are scheduled to arrive at the church on **Saturday, October 3!** Wear your work clothes and gloves!

We need volunteers to help unload, set up, and spread the word, so bring your family and friends to join in!

We are also looking for volunteers to help with school field trips in the patch throughout the season. If you're interested in assisting, please contact Bill directly and I will provide more details. Contact Bill for more info at bill@stsimonsumc.com

United Women in Faith– General Meeting

On Sunday, September 20, we will have our annual general meeting and luncheon in the Thorpe Building immediately following the 11:00 am service. Our guest speaker will be our very own and very new Jessica Blackwood! If you are not a member of a UWF circle you are welcome to join us!

MAP—Missions Connect

Join **MAP International** for a behind-the-scenes experience where you'll discover the people, partnerships, and processes that make the "Supply Chain of Hope" possible.



Tuesday, September 29, 2026

8:30 AM–2:30 PM

MAP International Headquarters

4700 Glynn Parkway | Brunswick, GA

Missions Connect includes:

- A behind-the-scenes look at the Global Distribution Center
- The journey of donated medicine from warehouse to patient
- Stories of impact around the world and right here at home
- An opportunity to learn how churches can engage through prayer, volunteering, advocacy, and giving
- [Register at maporg.jotform.com/261803389420053](https://maporg.jotform.com/261803389420053)

Rise Against Hunger

Help Us Pack 20,000 Meals for Rise Against Hunger!

Sunday, October 18, 12:00 PM

First Baptist Church – St. Simons Island

Lunch will be provided by First Baptist Church!

Join our church family, First Baptist Church, and St. Simons Presbyterian Church as we come together to pack 20,000 meals and make a meaningful difference in the lives of people around the world.

Everyone is welcome! This is a wonderful opportunity for the whole family. Bring your children, grandchildren, friends, and neighbors and help us reach our goal!

Come Pack a Meal. Make a Difference. Change Lives!



A colorful poster for SSUMC Children's Music & Sunday Ministry. At the top, it says "SSUMC CHILDREN'S MUSIC & SUNDAY MINISTRY" in large, colorful letters. Below this, it says "LAUNCHING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026!". The poster is divided into three columns for different worship times: 8:30 AM Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary, 9:45 AM Contemporary Worship in the Chapel, and 11:00 AM Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary. Each column lists features like "NO NURSERY" or "NURSERY AVAILABLE". At the bottom, it says "KIDS GROW FAITH & MUSIC!" and "CHILDREN'S MUSIC & WORSHIP INCLUDES: CHOR, WORSHIP MUSIC, MUSIC FUNDAMENTALS, BIBLE CONNECTION, WORSHIP LEADERSHIP". A guitar is shown on the right side.

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. David Blackwood at david@stsimonsumc.com **678.787.0331**