

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 2, 2024 | 10:00 am Service

Ushers

Jan Rossiter
Kathleen M Haller
Ella Kent
Pat Kent
Nicole Campbell

Acolyte

Connor Rossiter

WE GATHER TO PRAISE

Let us now prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

We are glad you are with us in worship today and we ask that you silence your cell phones and other devices upon entering the sanctuary. Children are welcome in worship although a nursery is available in the children's hall at the rear of the church. Please ask an usher for guidance. Following the Word for Children those Pre-k and under are invited to follow a staff member for Children's Chapel. Kindergarten and older are invited to remain in the sanctuary to participate in the Communion service.

INTROIT 507

Come to the Table of Grace
Chancel Choir

Barbara Hamm, 2008

GATHERING WORDS

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
ALL: And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

THREE CHIMES

*The Three Chimes Represent
the Trinity-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit*

PRELUDE

Prayer of Meditation
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. M. McDonald

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Daryl Rabert

One: Sing for joy to God our strength;
ALL: shout aloud to the God of Jacob!
One: Begin the music, strike the tambourine,
ALL: play the melodious harp and lyre.
One: Let us worship the Lord.

Psalm 81:1-2

* Please stand if able.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 157

I Danced in the Morning

LORD OF THE DANCE

Each worship service at St. Simons Presbyterian is an opportunity for growth in our relationship with God and others. We value all people and after the service invite you to introduce yourself to those around you and get to know them.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Augustine of Hippo (345-430)

O loving God, to turn away from you is to fall, to turn to you is to rise and to stand before you is to abide forever.

**Grant us Lord,
in all our sins, your forgiveness;
in all our duties your help;
in all our uncertainties your guidance;
in all our dangers you protection;
in all our sorrows your peace.**

Silence for Personal Confession

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Assurance of Pardon comes after the confession of sin in the order of worship, but in a sense it precedes and prompts us to be honest in confessing our mistakes and our selfishness. Knowing that we are forgiven by the mercy of God and that God will give us new chances to be faithful and obedient, we can trust God in naming our faults. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*GLORIA PATRI 582

GLORY TO GOD

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (ALL)

Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

WORD FOR CHILDREN

*All children are invited to come forward at the pastor's invitation.
Following the Word for Children, Preschool-age children are invited to leave for Children's Chapel in the
Children's Hall way, behind the Social Hall.
** Kindergarten and older are invited to remain in the Sanctuary to participate in the Communion Service***

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 2:23-3:6
pg 1798 NT

As people of faith following Jesus, we do not believe that the Bible fell down from heaven or that God dictated every word so that there is no human participation in the writing of the scriptures. Rather, we affirm that the Bible is written by people who were inspired by the Holy Spirit to produce a manifold witness to the holiness and mercy of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Holy Spirit. We do not worship the Bible. We trust its words to guide us in understanding our God and in living the faithful life.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"Literal or Spiritual?"

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Come Before the Table
Chancel Choir

Marretti

*DOXOLOGY (606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOLLOWED BY THE LORD’S PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your heart.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 722

CANONBURY

Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines
Amy Bishop, Organist

D. German

PRAYER LIST

Joys

Wedding of Lucy Candler and McPherson (Mac) Shelander

Deaths

Thad Truett’s mother in Vidalia

Members

- Jann Briscoe
- Helen Castrillo
- Sue Chambless
- Ellen Fixx
- Harlan Hambright
- Lynda Kennedy
- Joyce Kitchens
- Ellen Knesek Knowlton
- Arthur Owens
- Paul Ryberg
- Howard Seymour
- Page Shelton
- Jerry Spencer
- Anne Marie Stirewalt
- Thad Truett
- Frieda Warner

Friends and Family

- Robert & Cheryl McCarthy
- Donald McCullough
- Jim O’Halloran
- Phil Purdy
- Mary Vass

Long-term Care

- Mary Katherine Arens
- Joann Bobb
- Doris Hewell
- Bill Lueckel



If You Are New Here. Whether you are visiting from out-of-town, a seasonal resident, or searching for a church home, we are delighted that you are worshipping with us today. If you are interested in receiving more information about membership or the ministries of our congregation, please be sure to speak with a pastor before or after today’s worship or fill out the friendship register, located at the end of each pew. We would love to get to know you better!



Child Care. Children of all ages are welcome in worship. If you prefer, a nursery is available for children, birth through age five. The nursery is located in the Children’s Wing at the rear of the church.



To Aid in Worship. Advanced listening technology is available for those with a hearing impairment. Please locate an usher for assistance.



If You Are in Need of Prayer. Please let us know how we can be praying for you by visiting with a pastor or staff member before or after worship, or by visiting sspres.org/prayer.



Worship Online. A livestream of the 10:00A worship service is available every Sunday at sspres.org/livestream. A recording of the worship is available immediately afterwards for viewing anytime. To hear sermons online, visit sspres.org/sermons or subscribe to the St. Simons Presbyterian Podcast on iTunes or Google Play.



Ways to Give. Offering envelopes can be found in the pews of the sanctuary. You can also give electronically through text messaging or Venmo. Text the code “SSPC” and send to the number: 73256. Or give with Venmo by scanning the QR code on the right or by searching for @sspres. You can also mail or drop off checks or cash offering to the church office anytime M-F from 9A-4P (205 Kings Way).

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SPIRITUAL FORMATION AT ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN

Mission

Manna House

First Monday of Every Month.

1408 G Street, Brunswick, GA

Help prepare, serve, and cleanup a meal for guests at "Manna House," a local soup kitchen ministry.

Joe Wills at willsjoe@gmail.com

PAL Mentoring Program

Mentor children in Brunswick elementary schools as part of Positive Adult Leadership (PAL) Mentoring.

Richard Hathaway at rshssi24@gmail.com

Community & Global Missions

Share God's love with service locally and globally. Missions include Angel Tree Christmas Gifts, Hunger Action Team, and summer mission trips.

Children

Children's Chapel

Sundays: following the "Word for Children" during worship. (Pre K-2nd)

KidZ Crew *(will resume in the fall)*

Wednesdays: (Preschool to Grade 5)

Faith, fun, and music.

Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM.

KidZ Ensemble (Grades 3 to 5)

Monthly on Sundays: Before KidZ Fellowship

Meet in the Music Attic at 4PM.

Use the Veranda Door *(will resume in the fall)*

KidZ Fellowship (Grades 3 to 5)

Monthly on Sundays: Faith and fun.

Meet on the Veranda at 5PM.

(will resume in the fall)

Frieda Warner at frieda@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Youth

Youth Ensemble *(will resume in Aug.)*

Sunday evenings at 5:15 PM 8-12 grade;

6:30PM 6 & 7 Grade..

Meet in the Music Attic -

Use the Veranda Door.

Youth Group *(will resume in Aug.)*

Sunday evenings at 5:00PM 6 & 7 grade;

6:30PM 8-12 grade.

Dinner for all grades at 6:00 PM

Meet on the Veranda.

Breakfast Devotion (Grades 6 to 12)

Tuesdays at 7:00AM at Chick-Fil-A

Transportation to school is available.

(will resume in Aug.)

Adults

Try Something New Ministry

A group that is all about loving, connecting, serving, learning, and celebrating together.

Nat Scott at Nat@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Discipleship

Sunday School

Begins at 9:00 AM in the Social Hall

Sunday School classes are available for all ages.

Coffee will be in the Britt Room.

:: Ecclesiastes

Engaging with God

Lead by Nat and Frieda

Social Hall

Frieda Warner at frieda@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays at 10:00AM in the Upper Room

Men's Bible Study led by Nat Scott every Wednesday.

Visitors are always welcome.

Will resume in Sept.

John Matthews at jhmatthews7@comcast.net.

Women's Bible Study/Prayer Group

Thursdays at 10:00AM in the John Law Room

Women's Bible Study led by Nat Scott every Thursday.

Will resume in Sept.

Gwen Mayberry gwenmayberry@gmail.com or 638-8711.

Presbyterian Women (PW)

All women are invited to join a PW Circle.

Circles meet for Bible Study each month. See

Something for Everyone for more group activities.

Ginny Connors at ginnyconnors1@gmail.com

or (912) 672-1916

Music

Choir

Choirs for all ages are available. See Children and Youth for graded choir schedule. Adults meet in the Sanctuary on Wednesday nights.

Handbells and Other Instrumentation

Handbells, chimes and instruments remain an important part of the ministry of St. Simons Presbyterian. For more information about the music ministry, please contact Rhonda Hambright or Suzanne Morrison.

Rhonda Hambright at rhonda@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Suzanne Morrison at suzanne@sspres.org

Pastoral Care

Pastoral Care

To notify the church of illness, hospitalization, births, deaths, or prayer request, contact the church office at 912-638-2220. If you need pastoral care after hours please contact one of our pastors.

Rev. Steve Goyer 904-718-7777

Rev. Jim Jackson 864-680-4318

Rev. Laurie Bentley 912-580-7903

Ecclesiastes

ENGAGING WITH GOD

A COMBINED VIDEO SS SERIES
Beginning June 2 | 9AM | Social Hall
Come early for coffee and donuts

NO PREP! NO BOOK! ALL ARE INVITED!

SUMMER 2024

VBS VOLUNTEERS

JUNE 11-13 | [SSPRES.ORG/VBS](https://sspres.org/vbs)

School Year 2024-2025
GRADES 2-12

CAMP MONTGOMERY SUMMER CAMP 2024

8-12 JULY

A SUMMER CAMP THROUGH THE SAVANNAH PRESBYTERY AND CAMP MONTGOMERY, A PC(USA) CONFERENCE CENTER IN STARKE, FLORIDA!

REGISTRATION: [SSPRES.ORG/MONTGOMERY](https://sspres.org/montgomery)

SAVANNAH PRESBYTERY'S

School of the Laity

JUNE 21-23 AT EPWORTH OR ONLINE

- Intro to the Bible
- Intro to Reformed Theology
- Practical Ministries

Register by May 25th
INFO & REGISTRATION AT [SSPRES.ORG/LAITY](https://sspres.org/laity)

ONLINE DIRECTORY

WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF UPDATING OUR ONLINE DIRECTORY.

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO PROVIDE YOUR INFO USING THE LINK BELOW.

THE INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE WILL BECOME PART OF THE CHURCH'S RECORDS, BUT WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

LINK TO DIRECTORY UPDATE
[SSPRES.ORG/MEMBERSHIP](https://sspres.org/membership)

Feel free to call the church office with Questions: 638-2220

This Week | June 2 - 7

Sunday, June 2

9:00 am **Combined Sunday School** - Social Hall

10:00 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary

Monday, June 3

9:00 am **Manna House** - 1408 G Street

6:30 pm **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law

Tuesday, June 4

9:30 am **Staff Meeting** - Upper Room

10:00 am **PW Joint Circle** - Britt Room

8:00 pm **Codependents Anon** - John Law

Wednesday, June 5

6:45 pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, June 6

No Activities Planned for This Date

Friday, June 7

No Activities Planned for This Date

Chancel Flowers: Chancel Greenery is given to the glory of God by the Greenery Committee.

Christian Celebrations: We celebrate the holy matrimony of McPherson (Mac) Shelander and Lucy Candler, who were married on Saturday, May 25.

Chancel Flower Donations: There are a few spaces available in July through October to donate Chancel flowers. This is a beautiful opportunity to honor or remember friends and family. Please visit the bulletin board outside of the social hall or email Donna Purdy at donna@sspres.org.

Elders

Class of 2025

Chris Bone
Mary Bryson
Mary Gash
Jeff Roberts
Philip Saussy
Anne Marie Stirewalt
Will Tsai

Class of 2026

Sandi Goeldner
Kevin Lokey
Lee Malone
Bryan Neill
Daryl Rabert
Tate Simpson
Carrie Wessel

Class of 2027

Taylor Brooks
Fred Griffith
Becky Livingston
Molly Macaulay
Bettye Russell
Mary Margaret Shiver
Doug Tingle

Deacons

Class of 2025

Kelsi Brooks
Anna Henry
Sandy Kilgore
Graham Owens
Joe Wills

Class of 2026

Anne Aspinwall
Judy Benjamin
Jackie Griffin
David Keen
Lowell Korb
Katie Rossiter
Linda Seierstad

Class of 2027

Pattie Boykin
Randy Ellis
Portia Hendrick
Drew Holland
Bunnie Lynn
Judy Scarlett
Kathy Wade

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