Service for the Lord's Day

St. Simons Presbyterian Church

"The Temptation of Christ"
Hans Schäufelein, 1517
Woodcut (hand-colored)

1st Sunday in Lent

March 5, 2017 | 8:45 & 11:00am Worship

Greeter
8:45 am
Warren Jansen
11:00 am
David Stewart

Ushers
8:45 am
Stacy Wills
Joe Wills
Barbara Wilsher
John Wilsher
11:00 am
Alex Binkney
Ron Binkney
Nora Sue Spencer
Jerry Spencer

Acolyte
Emmeline Griffith

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Welcome

Welcome to worship at St. Simons Presbyterian Church. As you enter the sanctuary, please silence your cell phones. All children are welcome in worship. If you prefer, a nursery (located in the children's hall at the rear of the church) is available for children from birth to five years. Worship resources for children are available at the sanctuary entrances.

† Introit (618) *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High* DEO GRACIAS
Chancel Choir

Greeting & Announcements Rev. Bob Brearley
Please sign and pass the friendship register.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE

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

Worship begins with God. God takes the initiative and calls us into being. In the name of Christ we answer God's call and assemble as the community of faith. As the people gather, they may informally greet one another as members of the household of faith. They may pray silently or engage in quiet meditation. We are thankful for the brothers and sisters in Christ who gather to worship with us and who bring God's love to us on this Lord's Day.

Prelude *Prayer* Boellman
Amy Bishop, Organ

*Call to Worship Warren Jansen • David Stewart †

One: O Christ, out of your fullness we have all received grace upon grace.

ALL: You are our eternal hope; You are patient and full of mercy; You are generous to all who call upon you.

One: We, who bear his name, seek to follow the example He gave us.

ALL: May our faith, hope, and charity turn hatred into love, conflict into peace, and death to eternal life.

One: Give us lips to praise and voices to sing the goodness of our God.

*Opening Hymn 41 LYONS
O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

* Please stand if able.
• 8:45 Service Only
† 11:00 Service Only

*Prayer of Confession (All) — Rev. Alan Dyer

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness, even as we bring to you the petitions of our hearts and the needs of our lives.

Silence for Personal Confession

In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen**.

For the health of our souls we confess the reality of sin and selfishness in our personal and common life. We are not the perfect people of God, but we are the forgiven followers of Christ. God is merciful beyond all expectations, and we are given new chances to live the kind and generous life of faith. We accept God's forgiveness, confident that in dying to sin, God raises us to new life. God is not finished with us yet.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri 581 — H.W. GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

Minute for Mission — Leigh & Charlotte Truett •, Ellie Watkins †

Day of Service

Joys and Concerns of the Church

† Preparation for Prayer (533) — BREAD OF PEACE

In the Singing

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer (All)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory

• *Jesus, How Art Thou* — P. Manz
Amy Bishop, Organ

† *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* — Gilbert M. Martin
Chancel Choir

*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.

*Prayer of Dedication

†Word for Children

All children please come forward at the pastor's invitation.
Following the Word for Children, children Preschool-2nd grade may leave for KidZ Worship.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Lesson — Warren Jansen •, David Stewart †

Psalm 32
Page 869 OT, Pew Bible

One: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 4:1-11
Page 1499 NT, Pew Bible

Prayer for Illumination

When the Bible has been read, its message is proclaimed in a sermon. The God who speaks in scripture speaks to us now. The God who acted in biblical history acts today. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the sermon, offering grace and calling for obedience.

Sermon — Rev. Bob Brearley

"Tempted to Be Faithful"

*Affirmation of Faith (All) — The 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 GATHER AT THE TABLE

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

The practice of receiving communion by intinction is an ancient one. When taking Communion by intinction, the body of the Church acts together, moving as a community towards the Table. Worshippers are invited to come forward, take a piece of bread, and intinct or dip it in the cup, place it in their mouth, and return to their seats. Gluten free bread is available for those with gluten allergies. Additionally, an elder is available to bring communion to you where you are seated.

Communion Hymn 215 — WONDROUS LOVE

What Wondrous Love Is This

Post Communion Prayer

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn of Dedication 724 — ANGEL'S STORY

O Jesus, I Have Promised

*Benediction

†Choral Response (568) — AMEN (HAUGEN)

Amen

Postlude — R. Haan

Trumpet Tune

Amy Bishop, Organ

"It is called Holy Communion because when feeding at this implausible table, Christians believe that they are communing with the Holy One, God's spirit enlivening their spirits, heating the blood and gladdening the heart. They are also, of course, communing with each other. To eat this particular meal together is to meet at the level of our most basic humanness, which involves our need not just for food but for each other. I need you to help fill my emptiness just as you need me to help fill yours."

-Fred Buechner

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 worshiping with us today. If you are interested in receiving more information about membership or the ministries of our congregation, please indicate that on the Friendship Register as it is passed down your pew at the beginning of worship so that we can be in touch with you soon.

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.

If You Are in Need of Prayer. You may fill out a prayer request card (available in the pews) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

To Aid in Worship. A "Rocking Room" with live video of the service is available in the chapel located outside of the front right doors of the sanctuary. Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals and Bibles may be obtained from the ushers.

Sermons Online. To hear sermons online, visit www.sspres.org/sermons.

Spiritual Formation at St. Simons Presbyterian

Mission

Manna House
First Monday of every month
Help prepare, serve, and cleanup a meal for guests at "Manna House," a local soup kitchen ministry.

Marie Dodd at mariewdodd@bellsouth.net.

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

Richard Hathaway at thehathaways2@comcast.net.

Habitat for Humanity
Join us for local Habitat for Humanity home construction. Builds happen each fall and winter.

Alan Dyer at alan@sspres.org or 638-2220.

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.

Alan Dyer at alan@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Children

Sunday School
Begins at 9:30AM in the Social Hall with breakfast

WeeKidZ (3 Years to Grade 2)
Sundays: Wee Worship/KidZ Worship following the "Word for Children" during 11AM worship.

Wednesdays: Faith, fun, and music. Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM. WOW supper at 6PM.

KingdomKidZ (Grades 3 to 5)
Second Sundays: Faith and fun. Meet in the Britt Room for supper at 6PM.

Chimes and Choir (Grades 3 to 5)
Wednesdays: Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM.

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

Youth

Sunday School
Begins at 9:30AM in the Social Hall with breakfast

Fellowship
Sunday evenings in the Youth Suite
Dinner at 6PM
Mid & Senior High at 6:30PM (Grades 6 to 12)

Breakfast Devotion (Grades 6 to 12)
Tuesdays at 7:00AM at Chick-Fil-A
Transportation to school is available for middle schoolers.

Music (Grades 6 to 12)
Sundays: Youth Ensemble meets at 5PM in Music Attic

Meg Johnson at meg@sspres.org

Young Adults

Faith on Tap
Monthly Thursday (usually 2nd Thursdays) at 7PM
A casual young adult Bible Study for 20 and 30-somethings meets monthly. Location varies. Childcare available.

Alan Dyer at alan@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Discipleship

Sunday School
Begins at 9:30AM in the Social Hall with breakfast
Sunday School classes are available for all ages. Please come for breakfast and a time of fellowship each week in the Britt Room prior to class.

Britt Class - *Upper Room*
Come & See - *Social Hall*
Rejoice - *Chapel*
Trinity - *Parlor*

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

Men's Bible Study
Mondays at 12PM in the Britt Room
Come for lunch and Men's Bible Study led by Alan Dyer every Monday. Visitors are always welcome.

Thursdays at 7:15 AM in the Britt Room
Come for breakfast and Community Men's Bible Study led by area pastors every Thursday.

John Matthews at jhmatthews7@comcast.net.

Ladies' Video Bible Study
Wednesdays at 10:30AM in the Youth Suite
Gather for prayer and discussion each week using a video study. All women are invited!

Gail Ledbetter at gbledbetter@att.net.

Women's Bible Study/Prayer Group
Thursdays at 10AM in the Upper Room (Sept.-May)

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

Presbyterian Women (PW) Circles
All women are invited to join a PW Circle. Circles meet for Bible Study each month.

Alison Schueneman at schueneman@gmail.com.
Nancy Harper at nanhbasket@aol.com.

Music

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

Handbells and Other Instrumentation
Handbells, chimes and instruments are an important part of the music ministry for children through adults.

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

Pastoral Care

Stephen Ministry
Stephen Ministry offers confidential one-on-one Christian care to those experiencing difficult life circumstances.
Jann Briscoe at jannbriscoe@gmail.com or 269-0212.

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.

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Rev. Bob Brearley at 912-399-5957
Rev. Alan Dyer at 937-623-7963
Rev. Jann Briscoe 912-269-0212

girl scouts sunday

We are celebrating Girl Scout Sunday today in honor of Girl Scout Troop 072, which meets at St. Simons Presbyterian. The purpose of this special day is to emphasize that we take the Girl Scout Promise seriously - "On my honor, I will try to serve God." It is a time for Girl Scouts to reflect upon the importance of the words, "to serve God."

Day of Service

Throughout Community
All Ages & Abilities
8:30 AM - 1 PM
Register Online!

Sat, March 11

Manna House
March 6th

Mondays 1st

9:30 am - Cook
11:00 am - Serve
1:00 pm - Clean

"Try Something New" presents:
Lenten Learning Series

Wednesdays in March
5PM | Social Hall
Free & Open to Public

March 8
Dr. Kenyon Meadows
"Cancer Screenings"

This Week | Mar 5 - Mar 11

Today, Mar 5

8:45 am	**Early Worship** - Sanctuary
9:30 am	Breakfast - Social Hall
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	**Worship** - Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Worship & Music Ministry Team Mtg - Britt Room
5:00 pm	Youth Ensemble - Music Attic
6:00 pm	Youth Supper & Activities - Britt Room/Youth Suite

Monday, Mar 6

9:30 am	Manna House - 1408 G. Street Brunswick
12:00 pm	Men's Noon Day Bible Study - Britt Room
8:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting - John Law Room
8:00 pm	AA Meeting - Britt Room

Tuesday, Mar 7

7:00 am	Youth Breakfast Devotion - SSI Chick-fil-a
10:00 am	PW Leadership Meeting - Upper Room

Wednesday, Mar 8

10:30 am	Ladies Video Bible Study - Youth Suite
4:00 pm	KidZ Programs - Playground Veranda
5:00 pm	Confirmation Class - Chapel
5:00 pm	Lenten Learning Series - Social Hall
6:00 pm	WOW Supper - Social Hall
6:30 pm	Chancel Ringers - Bell Room
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir - Choir Room

Thursday, Mar 9

7:15 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study - Britt Room
10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study & Prayer Group - Upper Room
1:00 pm	Grief Counseling - John Law Room
4:00 pm	Yoga - Youth Suite
8:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting - John Law Room
8:00 pm	AA Meeting - Britt Room

Friday, Mar 10

10:00 am	Book Discussion & Prayer - Jann's Office

Saturday, Mar 11

8:30 am	Day of Service - Meet at Church

Chancel Greenery: The Chancel greenery this morning is given to the glory of God by Anne Aspinwall in honor of our Ministry Teams.

Christian Sympathy: We extend Christian sympathy to church member Barbara Dieterman and family upon the passing of her father, Clifton Hawkins, who entered into rest on March 2. We also extend Christian sympathy to church member Jean Sucher upon the passing of her granddaughter, Grace Evans, who entered into rest last weekend.

WOW Supper Menu (Mar. 8): Grilled chicken, mac-n-cheese, green beans, salad, rolls, and dessert.

To Ponder Prayerfully

Time to Take the Time

"Lent is a time to take the time
to let the power of our faith story take hold of us,
a time to let the events get up and walk around in us,
a time to intensify our living unto Christ,
a time to hover over the thoughts of our hearts,
a time to place our feet in the streets of Jerusalem
or to walk along the sea and listen to his word,
a time to touch his robe and feel the healing surge through us,
a time to ponder and a time to wonder . . .
Lent is a time to allow a fresh new taste of God."

— Ann Weems

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