

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



St. Simons Presbyterian Table

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021



Masks are required for all adults and strongly encouraged for children over the age of two. Disposable masks are available at welcome table.



Please maintain at least 6 feet from others not in your party while sitting and standing.



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



We extend a special welcome to any visitors worshiping with us today. Please help us get to know you better by filling out the online friendship register using the QR code below or by visiting sspres.org



The Psalms served our ancestors as their book of worship, song and praise. Our forebears in the Presbyterian tradition once only sang the Psalms as their worship songs because they understood the importance of the Psalms. As an act of memory and continuity, we often begin our worship service with the words of the Psalms.

- † 8:30 Service Only
- 10:30 Service Only
- * Please stand if able.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE

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

•INTROIT

For Everyone Born
Chancel Choir

Brian Mann

GATHERING WORDS

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Alan Dyer

Welcome to outdoor worship with St. Simons Presbyterian Church. We are so glad that you are worshiping with us today. Please be sure to wear your mask throughout our worship time as well as silence your cell phones prior to the start of worship. As always, all children are welcome in worship. Following the anthem at the 10:30 AM outdoor worship, children ages Preschool (3 years) to 2nd Grade are invited to go with Children's Ministry staff for KidZ Worship. Unfortunately, at this time, an on-site nursery is not available.

PRELUDE

† *Jesus, Lead Thou On*

Manz

• *Surely the Presence of the Lord*

Hayes

Amy Bishop, Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Kate Buckley

One: I will bless the Lord at all times,

ALL: God's praise will continually be in my mouth.

One: My soul makes its boast in the Lord,

ALL: let the humble hear and be glad.

One: O magnify the Lord with me,

ALL: let us taste and see once more that the Lord is good!

-Adapted from Psalm 34

*HYMN 507 (found on page 4)

TABLE OF GRACE

Come to the Table of Grace

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

O Lord, You are the giver of every good gift. Your love is the ground of our being. You call us to listen, to feast upon Your word, and to follow in Your way. You call us to trust You with everything we are and everything we have. Yet so often we deny You - by claiming we deserve what we have, by remaining silent in the face of injustice, by keeping so busy that we fail to notice those around us who are yearning for a seat at Your table of grace. For all the ways we have failed You and fallen short in our call as disciples, forgive us, O God.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

*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

•RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

•ANTHEM

Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake
Chancel Choir

Farrant

Following the Anthem at the 10:30 worship service, children Preschool-2nd grade may leave with Ms. Frieda for KidZ Worship.

SCRIPTURE READING **Matthew 26:26-30**

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body."

Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Sacred Space: Table

Rev. Alan Dyer

After a hymn of adoration and praise, we make confession, acknowledging the reality of sin in our personal and common life. In the assurance of pardon, the gospel is proclaimed and forgiveness declared in the name of Jesus Christ. -Adapted from PCUSA Directory of Worship

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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

POST COMMUNION PRAYER 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

*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.*

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

† *Psalm XIX - The Heavens Declare*

Marcello

• *They'll Know We are Christians*

Hayes

Amy Bishop, Organist

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Ways to Give. You can give your tithes and offerings 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 left 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).

Come to the Table of Grace 507

Capo 3: (D) (A) (Bm) (D7/A) (G)
 F C Dm F7/C B \flat

1 Come to the ta - ble of grace. Come to the

(A) (D) (A) (D) (Em)
 C F C F Gm

ta - ble of grace. This is God's ta - ble; it's

(D/A) (G) (D/A) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
 F/A B \flat F/C C7 F B \flat F

not yours or mine. Come to the ta - ble of grace.

- 2 Come to the table of peace...
- 3 Come to the table of love...
- 4 Come to the table of hope...
- 5 Come to the table of joy...

The simple, formulaic nature of this song makes it especially suitable for use during the communion portion of the Lord's Supper. Because it can be learned readily and does not require reference to a printed source, it frees people to sing before and after receiving the elements.



Congratulations

Class of 2021

High School Graduates

-  **Ben Aspinwall**, North Atlanta High School, will be attending University of Alabama.
-  **John Alden Beimler**, Frederica Academy, will be attending Auburn University Aviation Program.
-  **Jack Fendig**, Glynn Academy, will be attending Texas A & M Galveston.
-  **Riley Harper**, Heritage High School, will be attending the University of North Carolina.
-  **Virginia Anne Tennant**, Frederica Academy, will be attending Georgia Tech for Aerospace Engineering.
-  **Camden Truett**, Frederica Academy, will be attending Georgia College & State University.
-  **Ellie Watkins**, Glynn Academy, will be attending University of Georgia.

College Graduates

-  **Victoria Carlino**, Georgia State, Masters Degree in Bio Sciences.
-  **Collier Lokey**, University of Georgia, Degree in Public Relations.
-  **Mary Scarlett**, Georgia College and State University, Degree in Political Science.
-  **Eliza Warner Ours**, Belmont University, Degree in Business Admin in Entrepreneurship.

A Try Something New Event

KAYAK MEETUP

SATURDAY, MAY 22 | 9AM
ALL ARE WELCOME

INFO & SIGNUP AT SSPRES.ORG



A NEW COMBINED

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginning May 2

SUNDAYS | 9:30AM

Gather in Social Hall or on Zoom

BOOKS AVAILABLE IN OFFICE FOR \$10
OR CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE

JOIN AT SSPRES.ORG/ZOOM

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN

ALL ABOARD FOR FUN AT

VBS

REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!
JUNE 8-10



REGISTER AT
SSPRES.ORG

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

JUNE 8-10

VOLUNTEER AT SSPRES.ORG

SAVANNAH PRESBYTERY

SUMMER Camps

YOUTH &
ELEMENTARY
CAMPS
June 21-24



FAMILY CAMP
June 24-25

VISIT SSPRES.ORG
FOR INFO & REGISTRATION

This Week | May 2 - 7

Sunday, May 2

- 8:30 am **Indoor/Livestream Worship** - Sanctuary
- 9:00 am **Combined Sunday School** - Zoom
- 9:00 am **Britt Class** - Online
- 10:30 am **Outdoor Worship** - Ashantilly Lawn at SSPRES
- 6:30 pm **Youth Gathering** - Youth Suite

Monday, May 3

- 10:00 am **Chancel Ensemble** - Location Varies

Tuesday, May 4

- 9:30 am **Staff Meeting** - Zoom
- 10:00 am **PW Planning Committee** - John Law

Wednesday, May 5

- 10:00 am **Men's Bible Study** - Zoom
- 1:30 pm **Hands & Heart Quilting Ministry** - Youth Suite
- 4:00 pm **Final Kidz Crew** - Veranda
- 6:00pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm **Chancel Ringers** - Social Hall

Thursday, May 6

- 10:00 am **Ladies Bible Study** - Upper Room

Friday, May 7

- 5:30 pm **Meal With Friends** - Reids Apothecary

Meal Delivery: One way to offer our Christian love and care is by providing a warm meal to our family and friends in Christ during their time of need. Members of our congregation who could use a meal this week include: Thomas, Annie, and Molly Claire Arvin.

You can find their meal link at
TakeThemAMeal.com/XSNP7197

If you or someone you know could use some help with meals, don't hesitate to reach out! We're here for you. Contact Molly Macaulay for assistance:
mmmpr@bellsouth.net

To Ponder Prayerfully

Table

“WE DON’T COME TO THE TABLE TO FIGHT OR TO DEFEND. WE DON’T COME TO PROVE OR TO CONQUER, TO DRAW LINES IN THE SAND OR TO STIR UP TROUBLE. WE COME TO THE TABLE BECAUSE OUR HUNGER BRINGS US THERE. WE COME WITH A NEED, WITH FRAGILITY, WITH AN ADMISSION OF OUR HUMANITY. THE TABLE IS THE PLACE WHERE THE DOING STOPS, THE TRYING STOPS, THE MASKS ARE REMOVED, AND WE ALLOW OURSELVES TO BE NOURISHED, LIKE CHILDREN.”

-Shauna Niequist

During our “Sacred Spaces” sermon series, we are exploring the Biblical and practical importance of the different pieces of liturgical furniture in our newly renovated sanctuary. What is it about our pews, chancel, organ, table, font, pulpit, and cross that make this space something more than just a room? What story do they tell about who we are as a church - past, present, and future? And most important, how does this sacred space give shape to the way we live out our faith in the world?



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