

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Allegoria della Trinità
Giovanni Dall'Orto

Trinity Sunday

May 30, 2021



Per CDC guidance, vaccinated individuals are not required to wear a mask indoors. Adults and children (age 5+) who are not fully vaccinated are asked to please wear a mask while inside the building.



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 located in the pew racks.

On Trinity Sunday we proclaim the mystery of our faith in the triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, One-in-Three and Three-in-One. Unlike other festivals in the church's liturgical calendar, Trinity Sunday centers on a doctrine of the church, rather than an event. It celebrates the unfathomable mystery of God's being as Holy Trinity. It is a day of adoration and praise of the one, eternal, incomprehensible God.

- † 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

This is the Day
Chancel Choir

Wagner

GATHERING WORDS

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Alan Dyer

Welcome to worship at St. Simons Presbyterian Church. We are so glad that you are worshiping with us today. We ask that you please 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 worship, children ages Preschool (3 years) to 2nd Grade are invited to go with Children's Ministry staff for Children's Chapel. A nursery (located in the children's hall at the rear of the church) is also available for children from birth to five years.

PRELUDE

He Leadeth Me
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Payne

*CALL TO WORSHIP

† David Burch
● Meg Mimbs

One: The voice of the Lord flashes flames of fire.

ALL: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

One: The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness!

ALL: Worship the Lord in holy splendor.

One: The Lord sits enthroned as sovereign forever.

ALL: In God's congregation, all say, "Glory!"

-Adapted from Psalm 29

*HYMN 1 (found on page 4)

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Holy God, we know that You are always there to lead us, yet we somehow lose our way and fall back into fear. We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize our need for You to lift us up and help us start again. Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and reconcile us with You, ourselves, and each other, through the power of Christ and the gift of Your Spirit.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI 581

H.W. GREATOREX

Glorify 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

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

• PREPARATION FOR PRAYER

arr. Kidd

Eternal Father, Strong to Save
Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

“Prayer is essentially an act of solidarity – an expression of our own need, a yearning for a better world, a commitment to belonging together. We pray not only with our lips but with our lives. And every little act of justice, caring and generosity counts.”
–Norman Shanks

• ANTHEM

God So Loved the World
Chancel Choir

Stainer

Following the Anthem at the 10:30 worship service, children Preschool-2nd grade may leave with Ms. Frieda for Children's Chapel.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 3:1-17
page 1649 NT

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.” Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.” “How can someone be born when they are old?” Nicodemus asked. “Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother’s womb to be born!”

Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.”

“How can this be?” Nicodemus asked. “You are Israel’s teacher,” said Jesus, “and do you not understand these things? Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.”

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Alan Dyer

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (ALL)

A Declaration of Faith

We affirm the unity of God’s being and work. We may not separate the work of God as Creator from the work of God as Redeemer. We may not set the Son’s love against the Father’s justice. We may not value the Holy Spirit’s work above the work of the Father and Son. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are one God. We affirm richness and variety in God’s being and work. We may not deny the real distinctions in God’s unity. In his eternal being and in all his activity, the one God is always and at the same time the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

*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

Now Thank We All Our God
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Behnke

“God calls the church to join the mission of Christ in service to the world. As the church engages in that mission it bears witness to God’s reign over all life.”
- The Book of Common Worship

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1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant

4 Ho - - - ly,

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

ho - - - ly,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

ho - - - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

SPIRITUAL FORMATION AT ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN

Mission

Manna House

(start date TBD)

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

Chris Pippart at cpipp109@gmail.com.

PAL Mentoring Program

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

Richard Hathaway at thehathaways2@comcast.net.

COVID Relief Fund

Direct assistance grants available to any resident of Glynn County financially impacted by the pandemic.

Annie F. Arvin at annie@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.

Annie Arvin at annie@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Children

Children's Chapel (Preschool to Grade 5)

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

Wednesdays: Faith, fun, and music.

Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM.

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

Youth

Youth Group

Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

Meet on the Veranda.

Annie Franklin Arvin at annie@sspres.org

Young Adults

TGIF/Faith on Tap

Casual social gatherings for the 20s/30s/40s group.

Location and dates vary. Kids welcome.

Ada Owens at ada@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Discipleship

Sunday School

Begins at 9:30 AM in the Social Hall and on Zoom

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 (Traditional)

Come & See (Discussion)

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

Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays at 10AM in the John Law Room

Come for lunch and Men's Bible Study led by Alan Dyer every Wednesday. Visitors are always welcome.

John Matthews at jhmatthews7@comcast.net.

Women's Bible Study/Prayer Group

Thursdays at 10AM in the Upper Room at SSPRES

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

Presbyterian Women (PW) Circle

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

Nardis Kellar at nardisk@gmail.com or (912) 230-2254

Ginny Connors at ginnyconnors1@gmail.com or (608) 220-8481

Music

Choir, Handbells and Other Instrumentation

Choirs for all ages, 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. Alan Dyer 937-623-7963

Rev. Annie Franklin Arvin 828-443-0299

Rev. Kate Buckley 912-222-1757



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 be sure to speak with a pastor before or after today's worship. We would love to get to know you better.



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.



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

COMBINED SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL
May 30 - June 13

GREAT
STORIES
FROM THE
GOOD BOOK
ELIJAH & ELISHA



led by
REV. DR. JOANNA ADAMS

FINAL MEETING

Presbyterian Women Joint Meeting

Wednesday, June 2 :: 10AM

MEETING IN THE GATHERING SPACE
Just outside of the choir loft in sanctuary

ALL ARE WELCOME!

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

WORSHIP & ART CAMP

July 19-23 :: 9-1PM

Ages: Rising 1st - 6th Graders

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ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN

ALL ABOARD FOR FUN AT

VBS

REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!

JUNE 8-10



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SSPRES.ORG

Usher Ministry

PRAY
OBSERVE
INITIATE
SMILE
SERVE

We are always recruiting good people who love to deal with people and make sure they feel welcome at St. Simons Presbyterian Church.

VISIT SSPRES.ORG FOR MORE INFO
OR TO JOIN OUR USHER MINISTRY!

This Week

May 30 - June 4

Sunday, May 30

- 8:30 am **Indoor Worship** - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am **Sunday school with Joanna Adams** - Social Hall
- 9:30 am **Last Britt Class** - Ashantilly Room
- 10:30 am **Indoor/Livestream Worship** - Sanctuary

Monday, May 31

Office Closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday, June 1

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

Wednesday, June 2

- 10:00 am **Men's Bible Study** - Zoom
- 10:00 am **PW Joint Meeting** - Gathering Room
- 1:30 pm **Hands and Heart Quilting Ministry** - Music Attic
- 6:00pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, June 3

No Activities Planned for This Day

Friday, June 4

No Activities Planned for This Day

Christian Sympathy: With thanksgiving for life and trust in Christ's resurrection, we share with you the news of the death of church member Lee Brand on May 22. Please join us in praying for God's peace and comfort to surround Lee's wife, Janella, his daughter, Jennifer, and the many other friends and family in our community and beyond who mourn his passing.

Congregational Meeting: The session has called a congregational meeting to take place following the 10:30A worship service on Sunday, June 6. The purpose of the meeting is to consider a recommendation from the session to adjust the Senior Pastor's Terms of Call for FY2021. More details will be provided in this week's congregational eNewsletter.

Chancel Flowers: The chancel flowers in today's worship are given to the Glory of God and In honor of Ruling Elder Leslie Hartman, by Jack and Susan Hartman.

To Ponder Prayerfully

More Than Anything

“**M**ORE THAN ANYTHING I WANT TO TRUST A JOURNEY THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND.”

-Anonymous

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