

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Jesus Sends Out the Apostles
Raquel Lushenko

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

July 4, 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.

We gather in worship to attend to the presence of God in our lives. In worship we see the world in light of God's grace, and go forth with a vision and power for living in the world as God's people. The rhythm of the life of the believer moves from worship to ministry, from ministry to worship.

-Presbyterian Church (USA) Directory for Worship

WE GATHER TO PRAISE

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

•INTROIT

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord
Chancel Choir

Callahan

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 worshipping with us today. We ask that you please 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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Hamlin

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is mighty in word and deed.

ALL: God's mercy is everlasting.

One: Blessed be the one holy and living God.

ALL: Glory to God forever.

One: Let us worship God.

ALL: Let us worship God together!

† Jeff Bennett
• Albert McCaffrey

*HYMN 65 (*found on page 4*)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

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*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Holy God, we confess that we do not always live as if we believe that You have overcome sin and death. We are too often more in touch with the pangs of our own weakness than we are with the power of Your love. In fear, we worship idols; in despair, we collapse in hopelessness; in rage, we seek to tear down others. O God, forgive us and grant us peace. Restore and send us with the good news that nothing can withstand the victory of the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

† 8:30 Service Only

• 10:30 Service Only

* Please stand if able.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI 581

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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

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

• PREPARATION FOR PRAYER

FINLANDIA

This is My Song
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

Once to Every Man and Nation
Chancel Choir

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

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

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.

CHILDREN'S LITANY OF PARTING

Leader: We now go our separate ways.

Congregation: May God be with you there.

Children: May God be with you here.

FIRST READING

Psalm 123
page 966 OT

† Jeff Bennett
• Albert McCaffrey

SECOND READING

Mark 6:1-13
page 1560 NT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Alan Dyer

*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

*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

Trumpet in D
Amy Bishop, Organist

G. Martin

SUPPORT ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

This creed is called the Apostles' Creed not because it was produced by the apostles themselves but because it contains a brief summary of their teachings. It sets forth their doctrine "in sublime simplicity, in unsurpassable brevity, in beautiful order, and with liturgical solemnity." In its present form it is dated no later than the fourth century. More than any other Christian creed, it may justly be called an ecumenical symbol of faith.

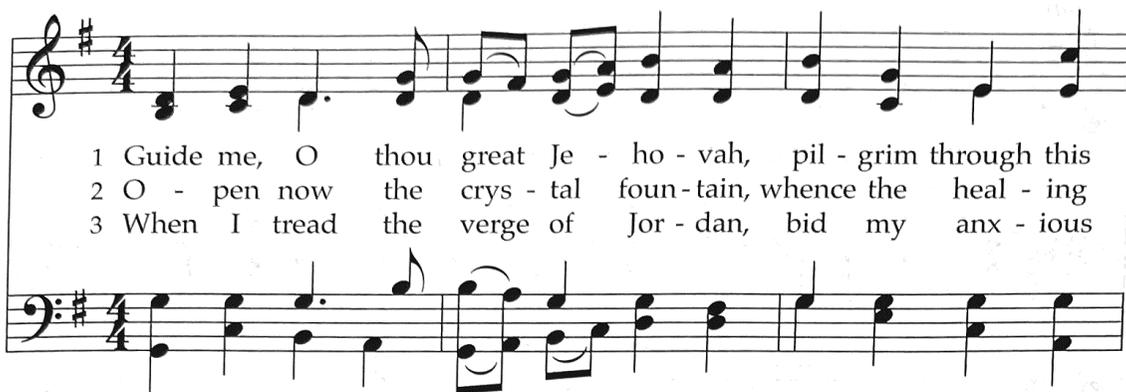
Following the 10:30 worship service, the Chancel Ensemble invites you outside the church on the lawn for a patriotic sing-a-long, weather permitting.

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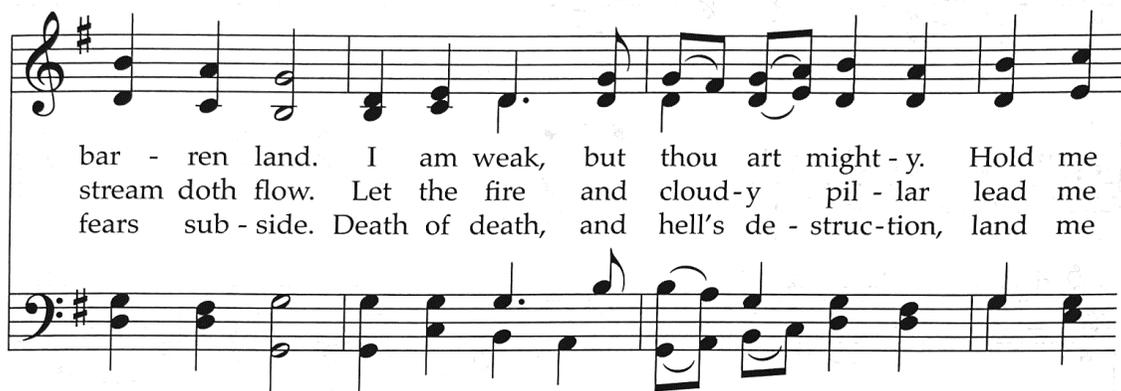


Ways to Give. You can give your tithes and offerings electronically through text messaging or Venmo. Text the code "SSPC" and send to the number: 73256. Or give with Venmo by scanning the QR code on the left or by searching for @sspres. You can also mail or drop off checks or cash offering to the church office anytime M-F from 9A-4P (205 Kings Way).

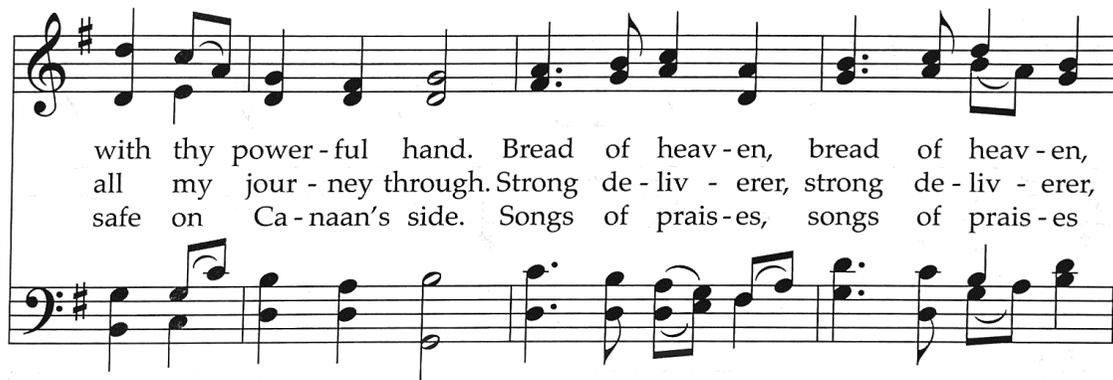
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65



1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

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. Will resume in Fall/Winter 2021.

Chris Pippart at cpipp109@gmail.com.

PAL Mentoring Program

Mentor children in Brunswick elementary schools as part of Positive Adult Leadership (PAL) Mentoring. Will resume in Fall/Winter 2021.

Richard Hathaway at thehathaways2@comcast.net.

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: (Resuming this Fall)

Faith, fun, and music.

Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM.

Youth

Youth Group

(Resuming this Fall)

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.

Resuming this Fall.

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

Discipleship

Sunday School

Begins at 9:30 AM in the Upper Room and on Zoom

Sunday School classes are available for all ages.

Coffee will be made available for all.

Joint Summer Sunday School

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

Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays at 10AM in the Upper 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

(Resuming This Fall)

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.

Sunday, July 11th
**NEW MEMBER
SUNDAY**

If you are interested in joining the church, we would love to recognize you at either service on Sunday, July 11!

Please contact Alan (alan@sspres.org) with any questions

RESUMING JULY 5!



First Monday of
Every Month | 9AM

1408 G Street, Brunswick

SIGN UP AT SSPRES.ORG/MANNAHOUSE

BINGO

ALL ARE WELCOME
BRING A FRIEND!

JULY 14 & 28

6PM / SOCIAL HALL / DINNER PROVIDED

>> PLEASE BE SURE TO RSVP BY JULY 12 & 26

SIGN UP AT SSPRES.ORG/BINGO

July 16-18

**YOUTH +
BRIDGE MISSION**

KAYAKING & FISHING BOAT EXCURSION

Friday: 3:45pm - 7pm

Saturday: 9:30am - 3:45 pm

Sunday: 9:30am - 10:30am

REGISTER BY JULY 4

INFO & SIGN UP @
SSPRES.ORG/EVENTS

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

**WORSHIP
& ART CAMP**

July 19-23 :: 9-1PM

Ages: Rising 1st - 6th Graders

This Week | July 4 - July 9

Sunday, July 4

8:30 am **Indoor Worship** - Sanctuary

9:30 am **Combined Sunday School** - Upper Room & Zoom

10:30 am **Indoor/Livestream Worship** - Sanctuary

11:30 am **Music on the Lawn** - Front Lawn

Monday, July 5

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

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

Tuesday, July 6

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

Wednesday, July 7

10:00 am **Men's Bible Study** - Upper Room

6:00pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, July 8

1:00 pm **Hospice Grief Group** - John Law

Friday, July 9

No Activities Planned for this Day

Chancel Flowers: The chancel greenery is given to the glory of God by the greenery committee.

Happy 4th of July! We wish you and your family a happy and safe Independence Day weekend.

Source: Parts of today's liturgy are adapted from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion.

To Ponder Prayerfully
At Home

“**A**ND THE WORLD CANNOT BE DISCOVERED BY A JOURNEY OF MILES, NO MATTER HOW LONG, BUT ONLY BY A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY, A JOURNEY OF ONE INCH, VERY ARDUOUS AND HUMBLING AND JOYFUL, BY WHICH WE ARRIVE AT THE GROUND AT OUR OWN FEET, AND LEARN TO BE AT HOME.”

-Wendell Berry

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St. Simons Presbyterian Church is a member of the Savannah Presbytery and the Presbyterian Church (USA) and is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

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