

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"Water Into Wine"

Richard Rice

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 25, 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.

Today we welcome to worship leadership the Rev. Dr. Alan Baroody. Rev. Baroody currently serves as the Interim General Presbyter of the Savannah Presbytery. In addition to serving interim pastorates in Texas, Alan also served as Pastor of Jekyll Presbyterian Community Church for five years and spent over thirteen years as the Executive Director of the The Fraser Counseling Center in Hinesville, GA.

- † 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

Bourée

J. S. Bach

Jason Cherne, Esther Hollingsworth, Violins;
Kylie Dallas, Viola; Matthew Pendarvis, Cello

GATHERING WORDS

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Kate Buckley

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

Elegy

R. Haan

Amy Bishop, Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let us praise the Lord!

ALL: Let us shout our songs of thanksgiving to Almighty God!

One: For God has done wonderful things for us.

ALL: God's love and blessings have been showered upon us.

One: Come, let us praise the Lord!

ALL: Let us sing songs of great joy to God. AMEN.

*HYMN 267 (found on page 4)

MADRID

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

From the very start, You have loved us, God. But there are times and circumstances in our lives when we're not always so sure where Your love is. When things become really tough, we sometimes wonder where You are, losing our sense of hope that Your love will always be there. No matter where we are today - feeling hopeful or facing despair - let Your fountain of life flow anew in our lives: bringing us and our deserts to life, watering our lives in their thirsty places.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In the Assurance of Pardon we are reminded once again that God's grace sets us free from guilt and fear. As Walter Brueggemann says, "you can keep singing. You can keep hoping. And because you sing and hope, you can act in freedom, unburdened, uncoerced, unafraid, and without cynicism. The song goes on. It is a subversive, revolutionary song. And we get to sign on to sing and to live it... unafraid!"

*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

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

• PREPARATION FOR PRAYER

HYMN CHANT

Hear My Prayer, O God
String Quartet

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.

• ANTHEM

Leonard Cohen, arr. Brydern

Hallelujah
String Quartet

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, 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

Isaiah 25:6-9

Rev. Kate Buckley

page 1095 OT

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

John 2:1-11

page 1648 NT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

“More Than Enough Wine”

Rev. Dr. Alan Baroody

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (ALL)

A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving His life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating His sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*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.*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in Classic Style
Amy Bishop, Organist

Young

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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).

267 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

1 Come, Chris - tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Like many other hymns of praise, this text was originally addressed to children but has been embraced by adults as well. Although the tune's repetitive elements suggest folk origins (possibly with alternating groups of singers), no specific source has been identified.

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. Will resume in Fall/Winter 2021.

Chris Phippat at cpihp109@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
Men's Bible Study led by Rev. 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.



Worship Online. A livestream of the 10:30A 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.

This Week | July 25 - July 30

Sunday, July 25

- All Day **BRIDGE (Forest Lake Pres)** - Youth Suite
- 8:30 am **Early Worship** - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am **Combined Sunday School** - Upper Room & Zoom
- 10:30 am **Traditional Worship** - Sanctuary

Monday, July 26

- All Day **BRIDGE (Forest Lake Pres)** - Youth Suite
- 6:30 pm **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law

Tuesday, July 27

- All Day **BRIDGE (Forest Lake Pres)** - Youth Suite

Wednesday, July 28

- All Day **BRIDGE (Forest Lake Pres)** - Youth Suite
- 1:30 pm **Hands and Heart Quilting Ministry** - Music Attic
- 6:00 pm **SSPRES Family Bingo** - Social Hall

Thursday, July 29

- All Day **BRIDGE (Forest Lake Pres)** - Youth Suite

Friday, July 30

- All Day **BRIDGE (Forest Lake Pres)** - Youth Suite

Chancel Flowers: The chancel flowers in today's worship are given by Judy Halpin in honor and celebration of the birthdays of her daughter, Karen Summers Welsh, and granddaughter, Rachel Summers. Happy Birthday week to Karen and Rachel!

Worship & Art Display: Be sure to check out the artwork on display in the Britt Room, created by our Worship & Art campers this past week at SSPRES!

Source: Parts of today's liturgy are adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual.

BINGO ROUND 2

ALL ARE WELCOME
BRING A FRIEND!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28
6PM / SOCIAL HALL / DINNER PROVIDED
>> PLEASE BE SURE TO RSVP BY JULY 26

SIGN UP AT SSPRES.ORG/BINGO

youth outing to
TOP GOLF

AUG 1ST TOP GOLF, JACKSONVILLE

6th-12th Graders & Friends!

11:30 - LUNCH IN BRITT ROOM \$15 PER PERSON
12PM - DEPART FROM SSPC
5PM - PICKUP AT SSPC

SIGNUP AT SSPRES.ORG/YOUTH

A TRY SOMETHING NEW EVENT

A MEAL WITH FRIENDS

AUG 5TH • 6PM • BARRIER ISLAND BREWERY
BE SURE TO REGISTER - LIMITED TO 20 PEOPLE

DEEPEN RELATIONSHIPS AND CREATE NEW ONES OVER GOOD FOOD AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP AS PART OF ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN'S MINISTRY TO GOD'S "OLDER CHILDREN."

SIGN UP AT SSPRES.ORG/EVENTS

August 8

10:30am WORSHIP
For Your Listening Pleasure

BLUEGRASS SUNDAY



st. simons presbyterian church

drive thru
BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

students | teachers | parents
ALL ARE WELCOME!

We will also be
Collecting Canned Goods for Sparrows Nest!

Wednesday, August 11
Stop by anytime between 3-5PM
205 Kings Way, SSI - Front Drive

To Ponder Prayerfully

Wine of Possibility

“IF I WERE TO WISH FOR ANYTHING I SHOULD NOT WISH FOR WEALTH AND POWER, BUT FOR THE PASSIONATE SENSE OF WHAT CAN BE, FOR THE EYE, WHICH, EVER YOUNG AND ARDENT, SEES THE POSSIBLE. PLEASURE DISAPPOINTS, POSSIBILITY NEVER. AND WHAT WINE IS SO SPARKLING, WHAT SO FRAGRANT, WHAT SO INTOXICATING AS POSSIBILITY?”

-Soren Kierkegaard

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