

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Blue Dove Holy Spirit
Patty Donoghue

Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 15, 20223 | 10:30 am Traditional Service

Ushers

Anne Marie Stirewalt

Peggy Dean

Greer Anderson

Mobley Grace Ward

Acolyte

Graham Holland

WE GATHER TO PRAISE

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

We are glad you are with us in worship today and we ask that you silence your cell phones and other devices upon entering the sanctuary. Children are welcome in worship although a nursery is available in the children's hall at the rear of the church. Please ask an usher for guidance. Following the Word for Children those up to 2nd grade are invited to follow a staff member for Children's Chapel.

INTROIT 775

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me
Chancel Choir

African American Spiritual

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

THREE CHIMES

*The Three Chimes Represent
the Trinity-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit*

PRELUDE

Cornet Voluntary
Amy Bishop, Organist

18th Century

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Teresa Hodgdon

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God:

ALL: and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

One: Day to day pours forth speech,

ALL: and night to night declares knowledge.

One: There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;

**ALL: yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.**

One: Let us then, come before God in grateful worship.

Psalms 19: 1-4

***HYMN OF PRAISE 450**

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

* Please stand if able.

Each worship service at St. Simons Presbyterian is an opportunity for growth in our relationship with God and others. We value all people and after the service invite you to introduce yourself to those around you and get to know them.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasure we pursue lay waste on the land and pollute the sea. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Assurance of Pardon proclaims God's faithfulness. Our lives are redeemed by the saving grace of God—the Gospel in miniature. God does for us what we cannot do for ourselves.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (ALL)

- David Gambrell, 2009

I believe in God the Father, merciful and mighty Lord, maker of the earth and heavens, whom we worship and adore; and in Jesus Christ the Son, only Savior, sovereign one, by the Holy Spirit given, born of Mary, blessed virgin. Under Pilate, Jesus suffered, faithful to his final breath. He was crucified and buried, and descended into death. From the grave he did arise; he ascended through the skies; now enthroned with God in heaven, he will judge the dead and living. I believe in God the Spirit, and the church in every place; saints in glorious communion, all forgiven, full of grace; flesh and blood will live again; life in Christ will never end. Holy Spirit, Son and Father: I will praise your name forever.

*GLORIA PATRI 581

H.W. GREATORIX

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 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 children's chapel.*

FIRST READING

Psalm 40:1-11
pg 878 OT

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Open Our Eyes
Chancel Choir

MacFarlane

SECOND READING

John 1:29-42
pg 1647 NT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

The Prayer for Illumination
turns our attention to
God to ask that we hear
God's word in order to
better know God's will
for our lives. This time
also allows a moment for
the congregation to "get
settled" and ready to hear
God's word in scripture
and proclamation.

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer
Meaning of Life Series (part 2): "Come and See"

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Trumpet Tune and Ayre
Amy Bishop, Organist

J. Clarke

*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.*

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.**

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 339

LIFT EVERY VOICE

Lift Every Voice and Sing

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

à la gigue
Amy Bishop, Organist

D. Lasky

Prayer List

Birth

Marion Michael Phillips

Hospital

Terry Seierstad

Home

Joe Camp

Dee Davis

Nancy Fixx

Steve Hakala

Harlan Hambright

Jean Hurst

Linda Johnston

Mary Lewis

Dale Moffett

Wendy Stephens

Jean Sucher

Long-term Care

Joann Bobb

Kathy Chapman

Lynn Forsythe

Doris Hewell

Gail Kroeze

Bob Stanford

Hospice

Lanier Miles

Nancy Thrun



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 or fill out the friendship register, located at the end of each pew. We would love to get to know you better!



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.



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



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.



Ways to Give. Offering boxes can be found at the entrances to the sanctuary. You can also give 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 right 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).

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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.

Annie Franklin Arvin at annie@sspres.org

PAL Mentoring Program

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

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.

Children

Children's Chapel

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

KidZ Crew (*resumes January 25*)

Wednesdays: (Preschool to Grade 5)
Faith, fun, and music.

Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM.

KidZ Fellowship (Grades 3 to 5)

Monthly on Sundays: Faith and fun. Meet on the Veranda at 5PM.

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

Youth

Youth Group

Sunday evenings at 6:00PM.

Meet on the Veranda.

Breakfast Devotion (Grades 6 to 12)

Tuesdays at 7:00AM at Chick-Fil-A
Transportation to school is available for middle schoolers.

Annie Franklin Arvin at annie@sspres.org

Adults

Try Something New Ministry

A group that is all about loving, connecting, serving, learning, and celebrating together.

Nat Scott at Nat@sspres.org or 638-2220.

TGIF/Crossroads Ministry

Casual social gatherings for the 20s/30s/40s group. Location and dates vary. Kids welcome.

Madelynne Risi at Madelynne@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Discipleship

Sunday School

Begins at 9:30 AM in Various Locations

Sunday School classes are available for all ages.

Coffee will be made available for all.

:: Singing Our Faith

Led by Nat Scott - Upper Room

:: Finding My Way Home

Rejoice Class - Library

:: Cross Roads Video Discussion

Led by Madelynne Risi - John Law

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 Nat Scott every Wednesday. Visitors are always welcome.

John Matthews at jhmatthews7@comcast.net.

Women's Bible Study/Prayer Group

Thursdays at 5:30PM in the John Law Room

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

Other Denizens of the Deep Book Study

Thursdays at 5:30PM in the John Law Room (Jan.5-Feb16.)

Brenda Haughney brh1234@gmail.com or (704)-641-2621.

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

Music

Choir

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

Handbells and Other Instrumentation

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. Steve Goyer 904-718-7777

Rev. Annie Franklin Arvin 828-443-0299

Rev. Laurie Bentley 912-580-7903

BINGO ALL ARE WELCOME
BRING A FRIEND!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18
6PM / SOCIAL HALL / TACO BAR

>> PLEASE BE SURE TO RSVP BY JANUARY 15
CHILDCARE AVAILABLE FOR AGES 3 AND UNDER

SIGN UP AT [SSPRES.ORG/BINGO](https://sspres.org/bingo)

SNOWBIRD LUNCHEON
Love One-Another

SUN, JAN 22 | 12PM | SOCIAL HALL
CATERED BY DOUG HARRIS | RSVP BY JAN 17
SIGNUP AT [SSPRES.ORG/TSN](https://sspres.org/tsn)

Presbyterian Women's
Annual Gathering

HEART & hands

JANUARY 28TH | ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN

All women of Savannah Presbytery are invited to attend. We rejoice that we will be able to come together as sisters in Christ for this special occasion.

INFO & REGISTRATION AT
[SSPRES.ORG/WOMENS-MINISTRY](https://sspres.org/womens-ministry)



Savannah Presbytery's 43rd

FAITH ENRICHMENT CONFERENCE Feb 3-4 at Epworth

with keynote speaker
REV. CECE ARMSTRONG

Event Chair: Rev. Kate Buckley
14 WORKSHOPS & 12 LEADERS, INCLUDING
Rev. Steve Goyer and Rev. Bob Brearley
KIDS CAMP & YOUTH CONNECT ALSO AVAILABLE!
NOTE: PAY SSPC DIRECTLY

LINK TO HANDBOOK & REGISTRATION AT [SSPRES.ORG](https://sspres.org)

YOUTH Connect

AT FAITH ENRICHMENT CONFERENCE

We are excited to offer our youth (6th-12th grade) an opportunity to gather for a sleepover at SSPC with mixers, games, and service projects in the local community during our annual event.

FEB 3-4 | CLICK TO EMAIL ANNIE

This Week | January 15 - 20

Sunday, January 15

- 8:30 am **Early Worship** - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am **Adult Sunday School** - Upper Room
- 10:30 am **Traditional Worship** - Sanctuary

Monday, January 16

Office Closed for Martin Luther King Day

- 4:00 pm **Congregational Life Meeting** - Upper Room
- 5:30 pm **Diaconate Meeting** - Upper Room
- 6:30 pm **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law

Tuesday, January 17

- 7:00 am **Youth Chick-fil-a Breakfast** - SSI Chick-fil-A
- 9:30 am **Staff Meeting** - Upper Room
- 4:00 pm **Session Meeting** - Britt Room

Wednesday, January 18

- 9:00 am **Grief Group** - John Law
- 10:00 am **Men's Bible Study** - Upper Room
- 3:00 pm **Sonshine for the Soul** - John Law
- 4:00 pm **Chancel Ensemble** - Sanctuary
- 5:15 pm **Early Music Ensemble** - Rhonda's Office
- 6:00 pm **Tacos and Bingo** - Social Hall
- 6:30 pm **Bell Ringers** - Bell Room
- 7:00 pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, January 19

- 10:00 am **Ladies Bible Study** - Upper Room
- 4:30 pm **Pastor Nominating Committee** - Upper Room
- 5:30 pm **ODD Book Group** - John Law

Friday, January 20

- 6:00 pm **Pajama Party** - Veranda

Christian Celebration: We share in celebration with Susan Ashburn on the birth of her grand daughter, Marion Michael (Mary-Michael) Phillips, who joined us in this world on Saturday, December 31.

Kirkin o' the Tartan on Jan 29th: We are excited to see all of your tartans decorating our sanctuary space! Please contact Suzanne Morrison at 912-996-5462 or suzanne@sspres.org by January 20 if you plan to carry your tartan at either the 8:30 or 10:30 service on January 29!

2023 Chancel Flowers Signup: It's time to signup for 2023 Chancel Flowers! We will return to using our flower signup chart this year, which can be located in the back hallway, between the social hall and the sanctuary.

Source: Parts of today's liturgy are adapted from the Book of Common Worship.

To Ponder Prayerfully

Time

“IF EACH OF US CAN BE HELPED BY SCIENCE TO LIVE A HUNDRED YEARS,
WHAT WILL IT PROFIT US IF OUR HATES AND FEARS, OUR LONELINESS AND
REMORSE, WILL NOT PERMIT US TO ENJOY THEM?
WHAT USE IS AN EXTRA YEAR OR TWO TO THE (MAN) WHO ‘KILLS’ WHAT TIME
HE HAS?”

— DRIVE NEISWANGER (1892-1963),
PRESIDENT OF THE MENNINGER FOUNDATION

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