

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Fishers of Men II
Cynthia McLean

Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 21, 2024 | 10:30 am Worship Service

Ushers

Jerry Hardiman
Lynda Bisher
Pattie Boykin
Chris Bone
Lowell Korb

Acolyte

Chase Callaway

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 276

Sing a New Song Unto the Lord
Chancel Choir, Mark Lochstampfor, Director

Daniel Schutte

GATHERING WORDS

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

THREE CHIMES

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

PRELUDE

Praising
Amy Bishop, Organist

G. Martin

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Mike Kellar

One: Our souls find rest in God;

ALL: Our hope comes from him.

Truly he is our rock and our salvation;

He is our fortress, we will not be shaken.

One: Let us worship the Lord.

Psalm 62

*HYMN OF PRAISE 49

The God of Abraham Praise

LEONI

In our life of worship,
music can be a powerful
presentation and
interpretation of the
scripture, a response to the
gospel, or a
prayer offered.

* Please stand if able.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Laurie Bentley

Having praised the holiness of God, we must also face the sinful state of the world and of our lives, confessing our unworthiness to enter into God's presence. Nevertheless we approach God with confidence, trusting in the mercy of Jesus Christ. -PC(USA) Directory for Worship

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Forgive us, Lord, for the fortresses we build or buy to hide behind. Forgive us for our idols of power and might, our lies of blame and contempt, our hubris of righteousness and race. Then open our souls to you, our mighty fortress of love, forgiveness, and hope, that we may truly find rest in you through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (SUNG)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, vs. 1-2

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing. Our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he. Lord Sabaoth is his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

PRAYER LIST

Members

Millard Allen

Tom Baltzell

Harlan Hambricht

Joyce Kitchens

Roger Schoneker

Lisa Sims

Jerry Spencer

Karlene Thompson

Friends and Family

Tom Barksdale

Ellen Fixx

Jack Huddleston

Sandra Power

Phil Purdy

Rhett Rhame

Wendy Stephens

Mary Whaley

Long-term Care

Mary Katherine Arens

Joann Bobb

Doris Hewell

Ellen Knesek Knowlton

Bill Lueckel

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 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 62:5-6

pg 898 OT

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

God is My Strong Salvation
Chancel Choir

arr. Lloyd Pfautsch

SECOND READING

Mark 1:14-20

pg 1552 NT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"Our Vocation..."

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

By Streams of Everlasting Love
Amy Bishop, Organist

R. Powell

*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

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 721

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Recessional in C
Amy Bishop, Organist

R. Powell

What are you taking from worship? A new thought, a deep feeling, a glimpse of grace, a challenge? Where will you see God today? A hope or a prayer for the week?



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 envelopes can be found in the pews of 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-Th 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.

Joe Wills at willsjoe@gmail.com

PAL Mentoring Program

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

Richard Hathaway at rshssi24@gmail.com

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

Wednesdays: (Preschool to Grade 5)

Faith, fun, and music.

Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM.

KidZ Ensemble (Grades 3 to 5)

Monthly on Sundays: Before KidZ Fellowship

Meet in the Music Attic at 4PM.

Use the Veranda Door

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 Ensemble

Sunday evenings at 5:00PM.

Meet on the Music Attic - Use the Veranda Door.

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.

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.

Discipleship

Sunday School

Begins at 9:30 AM in Various Locations Sunday School classes are available for all ages.

Coffee will be in the Britt Room.

:: Revelation/Extravagant Hope by Margaret Feinberg

"20/30/40s" Women - Parlor

:: Revive Us by Robby Gallaty

"20/30/40s" Men - Ashantilly Room

:: The Gospel of Mark by Amy-Jill Levine

Discussion Class - Book Study - Upper Room

:: Prayer in the Night by Tish Harrison Warren

Rejoice Class - Book Study - John Law

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

Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays at 10:00AM 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 10:00AM in the John Law Room

Women's Bible Study led by Nat Scott every Thursday.

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

Presbyterian Women (PW)

All women are invited to join a PW Circle.

Circles meet for Bible Study each month. See *Something for Everyone* for more group activities.

Ginny Connors at ginnycconnors1@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. Laurie Bentley 912-580-7903

SSPC MISSIONS & OUTREACH

TOUR & INFO SESSION AT GRACE HOUSE

January 23 | 10:30AM
1107 Gloucester St

Grace House provides a safe place for women struggling with addiction to encounter Jesus and the freedom found in recovery through the 12 steps.

CARPPOOLING AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED!

signup at sspres.org/outreach




Wednesdays at Church

Programming Resumes **Jan 24th**

4PM - KIDZ CREW - Veranda

6PM - SUPPER - Social Hall

SUPPER SIGNUP AT sspres.org SUPPER



SAVE THE DATE

Kirkin o' the TARTAN

January 28th, 2024

8:30 am & 10:30 am Worship

Signup to carry at Tartan
at sspres.org/kirkin



THE ISLAND CONCERT ASSOCIATION 2024 FEBRUARY FESTIVAL



A CONCERT EVERY TUESDAY IN FEBRUARY

SSPC Sanctuary | 7PM

islandconcertassociation.org

YOUTH MISSION TRIP

CROSS MISSIONS
CHARLOTTE, NC

INFO & SIGNUP

[SSPRES.ORG/YOUTH](https://sspres.org/youth)

SUMMER, 2024

JUNE 23-28

This Week | January 21-26

Sunday, January 21

- 8:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am **Sunday School** - Various Locations
- 10:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary
- 5:00 pm **KIDZ Fellowship Flip Zone** - Veranda
- 5:00 pm **Mid-High (6/7) Youth Group** - Britt Room
- 6:00 pm **Youth Group Dinner** - Britt Room
- 6:30 pm **Senior High(8-12) Youth Group** - Britt Room

Monday, January 22

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

Tuesday, January 23

- 7:00 am **Youth Chick-Fil-A Breakfast** - Chick-Fil-A
- 9:30 am **Staff Meeting** - Upper Room
- 1:00 pm **Chancel Ensemble** - Sanctuary

Wednesday, January 24

- 10:00 am **Men's Bible Study** - Upper Room
- 11:00 am **Early Music Ensemble** - Rhonda's Office
- 1:00 pm **Hands and Hearts Quilting Ministry** - Music Attic
- 4:00 pm **KIDZ Crew** - Veranda
- 6:00 pm **Wednesday Night Dinner** - Social Hall
- 6:30 pm **Chancel Ensemble** - Sanctuary
- 6:45 pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, January 25

- 9:00 am **Congregational Care Committee** - John Law
- 10:00 pm **Ladies Bible Study** - Upper Room
- 5:30 pm **Chancel Ringers** - Bell Room

Friday, January 26

Rock the Universe Youth Trip - Universal

Chancel Flowers: Chancel flowers are given today in memory of Scott and Pat Shewell by their daughter Elizabeth Shewell.

Chancel Flowers Calendar: Please look for the new 2024 flower sign up list on the bulletin boards outside of the Social Hall.

Elders

Class of 2024

Lee Dillard
 Leslie Hartman
 Buddy Jones
 Mike Kellar
 John Matthews
 Meg Mimbs
 Jerry Spencer

Class of 2025

Chris Bone
 Mary Bryson
 Mary Gash
 Jeff Roberts
 Philip Saussy
 Anne Marie Stirewalt
 Will Tsai

Class of 2026

Sandi Goeldner
 Kevin Lokey
 Lee Malone
 Bryan Neill
 Daryl Rabert
 Tate Simpson
 Carrie Wessel

Deacons

Class of 2024

Lynda Bisher
 Nancy Fixx
 Tom Haughney
 Denise Hidalgo
 Michael Johnson
 Jan Rossiter
 Andrew Turner

Class of 2025

Ami Bishop
 Kelsi Brooks
 Anna Henry
 Sandy Kilgore
 John LaBoone
 Graham Owens
 Joe Wills

Class of 2026

Anne Aspinwall
 Judy Benjamin
 Jackie Griffin
 David Keen
 Lowell Korb
 Katie Rossiter
 Linda Seierstad

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