

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Jesus Calls His Disciples
He Qi

Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 22, 2023 | 10:30 am Traditional Service

Ushers

Jerry Hardiman
Angie Votsis
Ada Owens
Graham Owens
Pat Heran

Acolyte

Liz Richardson

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 469

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying
Chancel Choir

Medema

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

THREE CHIMES

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

PRELUDE

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Ashdown

God brings all things into
being by the Word. God
offers the Word of grace,
and people respond to that
divine initiative through the
language of worship. They
call God by name, invoke
God's presence, beseech
God in prayer, and stand
before God in silence and
contemplations. -PCUSA
Directory For Worship

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Jeff Roberts

One: The LORD is my light and my salvation

ALL: whom shall we fear?

One: The LORD is the stronghold of my life

ALL: of whom shall we be afraid?

Psalm 27:1

***HYMN OF PRAISE 12**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

* Please stand if able.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

O Christ, you call us by name to follow your way for fullness of life. Yet we listen instead to the cacophony of voices promising to fill our time, our egos and our pockets. Forgive us for our deafness to your call. Open our ears to the timbre of your voice and the signs of your language. Then, in hearing, let us sing with shouts of joy and walk your way with feet of faith.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

Every journey begins with a time of figuring out what to take along and what to leave behind. Similarly, the confession of sin is an opportunity to reflect on those things we're carrying around with us (anxiety, guilt, shame) that, with God's grace, we can safely leave behind.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (SUNG TOGETHER - HYMN 481) - 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.

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.*

The scriptures bear
witness to the word
of God, revealed most
fully in Jesus Christ, the
Word who 'became flesh
and lived among us'
(John 1:14).

FIRST READING

Psalm 27:1; 4-9
pg 864 OT

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Hush! Somebody's Callin' my Name
Chancel Choir, Tom Haughney, Soloist

Spiritual, arr. Dennard

SECOND READING

Matthew 4:12-23
pg 1500 NT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

Meaning of Life Series (part 3): "The Call That Gets Us Out of the Boat"

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Pastorale on "Nettleton"
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Wold

*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 69

HERE I AM

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Jubilation
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Wold

Prayer List

Deaths

Lanier Miles

Terry Seierstad

Home

Dee Davis

Nancy Fixx

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

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 - John Law

:: Cross Roads Video Discussion

Led by Madelynne Risi - Library

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

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



SAVE THE DATE

Kirkin o' the Tartan

January 29th, 2023
8:30 am & 10:30 am Worship

THE ISLAND CONCERT ASSOCIATION
2023 FEBRUARY FESTIVAL




A CONCERT EVERY TUESDAY IN FEBRUARY
SSPC-Sanctuary | 7PM
islandconcertassociation.org

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

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 22 - 28

Sunday, January 22

- 8:30 am **Early Worship** - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am **Adult Sunday School** - Upper Room
- 10:30 am **Traditional Worship** - Sanctuary
- 12:00 pm **Snowbird Luncheon** - Social Hall
- 5:00 pm **Kidz Fellowship** - Veranda
- 6:00 pm **Youth Gathering** - Youth Suite

Monday, January 23

- 4:00 pm **Narnia Book Club** - Frosty's
- 6:30 pm **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law

Tuesday, January 24

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

Wednesday, January 25

- 9:00 am **Pastoral Care Coordinating Team** - John Law
- 10:00 am **Men's Bible Study** - Upper Room
- 3:00 pm **Hands and Heart Quilting Ministry** - Music Attic
- 4:00 pm **Kidz Crew** - Veranda
- 4:00 pm **Chancel Ensemble** - Sanctuary
- 5:15 pm **Early Music Ensemble** - Rhonda's Office
- 6:00 pm **Wednesday Night Supper** - Social Hall
- 6:30 pm **Bell Ringers** - Bell Room
- 7:00 pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, January 26

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

Friday, January 27

No Actives Scheduled for Today

Saturday, January 28

- 9:00 am **PW Annual Gathering** - Social Hall

Chancel Flowers: The Chancel flowers this morning are given in memory of our parents, Jean & Glenn Rossiter and Phyllis and Thomas Laitta by Jan and Cathy Rossiter.

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!

Christian Sympathy: We extend Christian sympathy to the family and friends of Terry Seierstad, who passed away on Thursday, January 12, and Lanier Miles, who passed away on Friday, January 13. Please join us in praying for God's peace and comfort to surround Terry and Lanier's family and friends near and far who mourn their passing.

Christian Celebration: We share in celebration with Lauren and Kurt Meng on the birth of their son, Alexander, who was born on January 17, 2023. Welcome to the world Alexander!

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

Key Moments

“**I**F I WERE CALLED UPON TO STATE IN A FEW WORDS THE ESSENCE OF EVERYTHING I WAS TRYING TO SAY BOTH AS A NOVELIST AND AS A PREACHER, IT WOULD BE SOMETHING LIKE THIS: LISTEN TO YOUR LIFE. SEE IT FOR THE FATHOMLESS MYSTERY THAT IT IS. IN THE BOREDOM AND PAIN OF IT NO LESS THAN IN THE EXCITEMENT AND GLADNESS: TOUCH, TASTE, SMELL YOUR WAY TO THE HOLY AND HIDDEN HEART OF IT BECAUSE IN THE LAST ANALYSIS ALL MOMENTS ARE KEY MOMENTS, AND LIFE ITSELF IS GRACE.

— FREDERICK BUECHNER

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