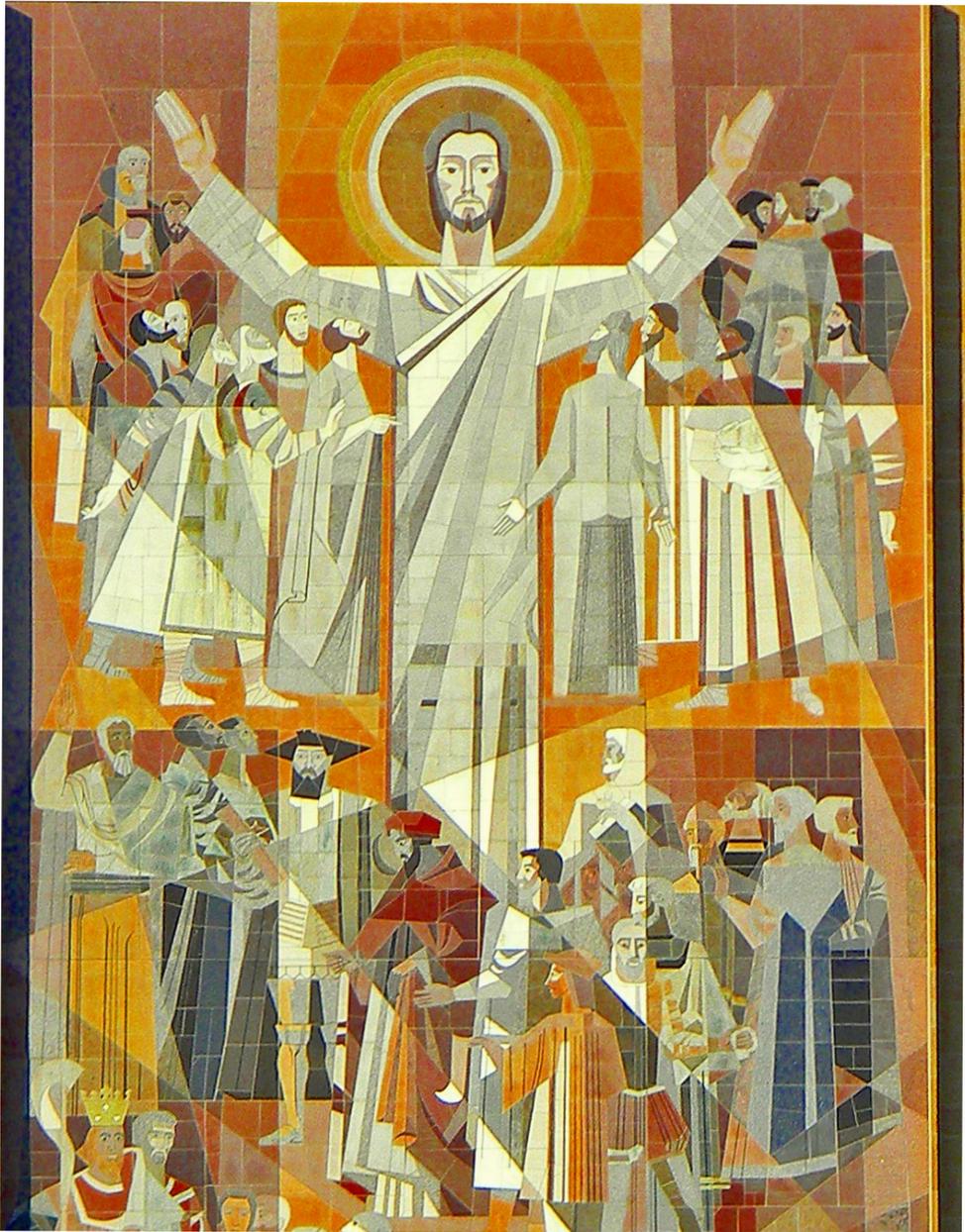


Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“Word of Life”

Millard Sheets

Reformation Sunday & All Saints' Day

October 29, 2017 | 11:00 am Traditional Service

Greeter

Jean Sucher

Ushers

Molly Macaulay

Bob Macaulay

Nancy Harper

Ben Harper

Acolyte

Brayden Neill

WE GATHER TO PRAISE

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

INTROIT (624)

TOULON

I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Chancel Choir

GATHERING WORDS

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Bob Brearley

Welcome to worship at St. Simons Presbyterian Church. During the announcements please take a moment to sign and pass the friendship register located at the end of the pew. As you enter the sanctuary, please silence your cell phones. All children are welcome in worship. If you prefer, a nursery (located in the children's hall at the rear of the church) is available for children from birth to five years. Worship resources for children are available at the sanctuary entrances.

PRELUDE

arr. Page

Holy, Holy Is the Lord

Amy Bishop, Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jean Sucher

One: Welcome to the worship of God in this place.

ALL: Greetings to our brothers and sisters in the faith on this All Saints' Sunday.

One: We come to celebrate God's presence with us now and forever.

ALL: We are thankful for all who have gone before us in following Jesus, our Lord.

One: Our service this day freshens our sorrow but also renews our hope in God.

ALL: We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.

One: Our hope is in no other save in Thee. Let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN 275

EIN' FESTE BURG

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

All Saints' Day is a time to rejoice in all who through the ages have faithfully served the Lord. The day reminds us that we are part of one continuing, living communion of saints. It is a time to claim our kinship with the "glorious company of apostles ... the noble fellowship of prophets ... the white-robed army of martyrs" (Te Deum). It is a time to express our gratitude for all who in ages of darkness kept the faith, for those who have taken the gospel to the ends of the earth, for prophetic voices who have called the church to be faithful in life and service, for all who have witnessed to God's justice and peace in every nation.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Kate Buckley

Most gracious God, Giver of Life, who loves and forgives us though we are unworthy, we confess that we are burdened by excess baggage as we travel the roads you send us down. We are caught up too soon in the trappings of religion, rather than rejoicing in the life of the Spirit. We seek too quickly to be a successful organization rather than a church on a mission. Too often we wish to be served rather than to serve. For all this, forgive us, and free us to walk the paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, the Way. Our hearts bring our burdens to you.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

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 (250)

PROMISE

Hymn of Promise

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)

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.

OFFERTORY

My Lord! What a Morning
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Diemer

During our prayer of thanksgiving this morning we will say the names of those church members who have died since last All Saints' Sunday and toll a bell in their memory. We are saddened when we remember those who have loved us and are now gone from us, but we are thankful that our lives have been graced by their lives. We renew our faith in the God who welcomes us home at the last.

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDRETH

*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.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jean Sucher

Psalm 34:1-10

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One: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Throughout the year 2017 we are recognizing the 500th anniversary of the dramatic beginning of the 16th century Reformation of the church when Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses on the door of the church in Wittenberg, Germany. He hoped to start a discussion about how the church could be more faithful to Jesus Christ. It ended up being the spark that ignited the Reformation and the birth of Protestant demoninations, an outcome that none of the reformers intended or imagined. The church needs to be changing always toward greater faithfulness to our Lord.

ANTHEM

A. Crouch

Soon and Very Soon

Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Bob Brearley

"Here I Stand"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (ALL)

A Declaration of Faith

We live in tension between God's warnings and promises. Knowing the righteous judgment of God in Christ, we urge all people to be reconciled to God, not exempting ourselves from the warnings. Constrained by God's love in Christ, we have good hope for all people, not exempting the most unlikely from the promises. Judgment belongs to God and not to us. We are sure that God's future for every person will be both merciful and just.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 326

SINE NOMINE

For All the Saints

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE (561)

AMEN (Harling)

Amen

POSTLUDE

Marcelo

Psalm 19
Amy Bishop, Organist

Following worship you are invited to take a Paperwhite bulb to plant in memory of someone. Don't worry if you don't have a green thumb - instructions are provided with each bulb. When the days are getting shorter this winter, you'll be surprised one day to see those tiny tips of green pushing up through the ground. We hope you'll pause in that moment to express a thought, a prayer, a wish, or a feeling of gratitude and give thanks to God for that person.

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 indicate that on the Friendship Register as it is passed down your pew at the beginning of worship so that we can be in touch with you soon.

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.

If You Are in Need of Prayer. You may fill out a prayer request card (available in the pews) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

To Aid in Worship. A "Rocking Room" with live video of the service is available in the chapel located outside of the front right doors of the sanctuary. Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals and Bibles may be obtained from the ushers.

Sermons Online. To hear sermons online, visit www.sspress.org/sermons.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION AT ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN

Mission

Manna House

First Monday of every month

Help prepare, serve, and cleanup a meal for guests at "Manna House," a local soup kitchen ministry.

Marie Dodd at mariewdodd@bellsouth.net.

PAL Mentoring Program

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

Richard Hathaway at thehathaways2@comcast.net.

Habitat for Humanity

Join us for local Habitat for Humanity home construction. Builds happen each fall and winter.

Alan Dyer at alan@sspres.org or 638-2220.

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.

Alan Dyer at alan@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Children

Sunday School

Begins at 9:30AM in the Social Hall with breakfast

KidZ Crew (Preschool to Grade 5)

Sundays: KidZ Worship following the "Word for Children" during 11AM worship. (*Pre K-2nd*)

Wednesdays: Faith, fun, and music. Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM. WOW supper at 6PM.

KidZ Fellowship (Grades 3 to 5)

Monthly on Sundays: Faith and fun. Meet in the Britt Room for supper at 6PM.

Chimes and Choir

Wednesdays: Meet on the playground veranda at 4PM.

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

Youth

Sunday School

Begins at 9:30AM in the Social Hall with breakfast

Sunday Night Fellowship

Sunday evenings in the Youth Suite

Dinner at 6PM

Mid & Senior High at 6:30PM (Grades 6 to 12)

Breakfast Devotion (Grades 6 to 12)

Tuesdays at 7:00AM at Chick-Fil-A

Transportation to school is available for middle schoolers.

Music (Grades 6 to 12)

Sundays: Youth Ensemble meets at 5PM in Music Attic

Meg Johnson at meg@sspres.org

Young Adults

Faith on Tap

Monthly Thursday (usually 2nd Thursdays) at 7PM

A casual young adult Bible Study for 20 and 30-somethings meets monthly. Location varies. Childcare available.

Alan Dyer at alan@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Discipleship

Sunday School

Begins at 9:30AM in the Social Hall with breakfast

Sunday School classes are available for all ages.

Please come for breakfast and a time of fellowship each week in the Britt Room prior to class.

Britt Class - Upper Room

Come & See - Social Hall

Rejoice - Chapel

Trinity - Parlor

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

Men's Bible Study

Mondays at 12PM in the Britt Room

Come for lunch and Men's Bible Study led by Alan Dyer every Monday. Visitors are always welcome.

Thursdays at 7:15 AM in the Britt Room

Come for breakfast and Community Men's Bible Study led by area pastors every Thursday.

John Matthews at jhmatthews7@comcast.net.

Ladies' Video Bible Study

Wednesdays at 10:30AM in the Youth Suite

Gather for prayer and discussion each week using a video study. All women are invited!

Gail Ledbetter at gbledbetter@att.net.

Women's Bible Study/Prayer Group

Thursdays at 10AM in the Upper Room (Sept.-May)

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.

Anne Aspinwall at anneaspinwall@gmail.com.

Terri Simpson at tsimp57@yahoo.com or 912-580-8754.

Music

Choir

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

Handbells and Other Instrumentation

Handbells, chimes and instruments are an important part of the music ministry for children through adults.

Rhonda Hambright at rhonda@sspres.org or 638-2220.

Suzanne Morrison at suzanne@sspres.org

Pastoral Care

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministry offers confidential one-on-one Christian care to those experiencing difficult life circumstances.

Jann Briscoe at jannbriscoe@gmail.com or 269-0212.

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.

St. Simons Presbyterian 638-2220

Rev. Bob Brearley at 912-399-5957

Rev. Alan Dyer at 937-623-7963

Rev. Jann Briscoe 912-269-0212



Dedication SUNDAY

Giving. Forgiving. Thanksgiving.

November 19th

Dedication of Pledge Cards & Celebration of Ministry for 2018

A DAY WITH RODIN SAVANNAH DAY TRIP

Tuesday, November 7
\$40 per person

Space is limited
so sign up
online today!

*Deadline to
register is
Oct 31st!*



YOUTH

lock-in
saturday, november 4th
grades 6 - 12



The group will attend 8:30A worship together on Sunday.
No youth fellowship that evening (Nov 5).

Questions? Contact Meg (meg@sspres.org)

**Stay informed by subscribing
to our weekly eNewsletter!**
Sign up on our website:
www.sspres.org

This Week | Oct 29 - Nov 4

Today, Oct 29

8:30 am **Chapel Service** - Sanctuary
9:00 am **Coffee Hour**- Social Hall
9:30 am **Sunday School** - Various Locations
11:00 am **Traditional Service** - Sanctuary
5:00 pm **Youth Ensemble** - Music Attic
6:00 pm **Youth Fellowship** - Youth Suite

Monday, Oct 30

10:00 am **Instrumental Ensemble** - Sanctuary
12:00 pm **Men's Noonday Bible Study** - Britt Room
3:00 pm **Congregational Life Meeting** - John Law Room

Tuesday, Oct 31

7:00 am **Youth Breakfast Devotion** - Chick-fil-a

Wednesday, Nov 1

10:30 am **Ladies Video Bible Study** - Youth Suite
4:00 pm **KidZ Crew & Choir** - Veranda
5:00 pm **Confirmation Class** - Chapel
6:00 pm **WOW Supper** - Social Hall
6:30 pm **Chancel Ringers** - Bell Room
7:00 pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, Nov 2

7:15 am **Men's Breakfast Bible Study** - Britt Room
10:00 am **Ladies Bible Study** - Upper Room
4:00 pm **Free Flow Yoga** - Youth Suite
5:30 pm **Stephen Ministry** - Parlor

Friday, Nov 3

10:00 am **Book Discussion & Prayer** - Jann's Office

Congregational Meeting Today: Session has called a congregational meeting to take place today following the 11AM worship. The purposes of this meeting will be to elect church officers, elect an Associate Pastor Search Committee and approve the pastor's terms of call for 2018.

Chancel Flowers: The Chancel flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of our church members who have died this past year.

Christian Celebration: We share in congratulating our former youth intern, Trey Haddon, upon his ordination this evening at First Presbyterian Church in Brunswick at 6 PM. Trey recently graduated from Austin Theological Seminary in Austin, TX and has received a call from a church there. All are invited to attend his ceremony!

Christian Sympathy: We extend Christian sympathy to Rev. Alan Dyer and his family upon the death of his grandfather, Joseph Busken, Jr. who entered into rest last week in Cincinnati, OH.

WOW Supper Menu (Nov 1) // RSVP online or call the office!
Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, dessert.
KidZ Friendly Menu: Chicken tenders, mac-n-cheese, oranges

Officer Nominees Class of 2020

ELDER

Fred Griffith*
Judy Benjamin
Marianna Elias
Faye Foster
Michael Johnson
Bob Killian
Lee Malone
Tadd Wessel

DEACON

Harry Moffett*
Ben Bryson
Kathleen Haller
Nancy Harper
Mike Kellar
Bunnie Lynn
Barbara Powers
Cathy Rossiter

TRUSTEE

Sally Miles

**Nominated to fill a vacated term*

Associate Pastor Search Committee

Mary Bryson
Ellen Fleming
Rich Goeldner
Sean Hidalgo

Anne Marie Stirewalt
Greer Ward
Ellie Watkins
Stephen George

St. Simons Presbyterian Church

Ministers: All members of the church

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