

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Dedication Sunday and Reign of Christ
November 26, 2023 | 10:30 am Worship Service

Ushers

Jan Rossiter

Tate Simpson

Angie Votsis

Gail Dingerson

Acolyte

Grae Frazier

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

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Chancel Choir

MADRID

INVOCATION

One: May 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

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Hustad

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leslie Hartman

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**ALL: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of
praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great
King above all gods.**

One: Therefore let us worship the Lord.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 664

Morning has Broken

BUNESSAN

CALL TO CONFESSION

November is the season in our faith community's life when we invite every member to prayerfully consider making a financial pledge to support the mission of the church. An investment in St. Simons Presbyterian's mission is an investment in the well being of our community and beyond. We give thanks for those who, as an act of faith in response to God's grace, are making pledges this morning to support the continuing mission of our church for the year to come.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Most loving God, we can scarcely comprehend the scope of your forgiveness, we can hardly believe your amazing care for us. We confess that often we close ourselves off from your saving presence; and in our pride, we withhold forgiveness from other people. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, grant us the assurance of your love. May our hearts be filled with gratitude for your grace which overflows with love toward others.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

*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.

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.*

SCRIPTURE READING **Luke 23:33-38**
pg 1641 NT

One: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HOMILY *“Christ as King”* Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

PRAYER LIST	
Birth	
	Casein James Ryberg
Deaths	
	Anita Belcher
	Phyllis Carrigan
Members	
	Millard Allen
	Helen Castrillo
	Joyce Fendig
	Harlan Hambright
	Joyce Kitchens
	Stephen Nelms
	Dorothy Russell
	Deryl Warner
Friends and Family	
	Mike Chapman
	Ellen Fixx
	Jan Foster
	Mary Garcia
	Mike H.
	Kellie Kelly
	Holly Lamb
	Rhett Rhame
	Lisa Sims
	Nancy Smith
	Scott Smith
	Wendy Stephens
	Katie Wakeland
	Mary Whaley
Long-term Care	
	Mary Katherine Arens
	Joann Bobb
	Lillian Clarke
	James Hawkins
	Doris Howell
	Ellen Knesek Knowlton
	Gail Kroeze
	Bill Lueckel

ADVENT

HYMN 82

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus (stanza 1)

HYFRYDOL

CHRISTMAS

HYMN 134

Joy to the World (stanza 1)

ANTIOCH

EPIPHANY

HYMN 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (stanza 1 & 2)

ST.DENIO

LENT

HYMN 215

What Wondrous Love is This (stanza 1 & 2)

WONDROUS LOVE

HOLY WEEK

HYMN 221

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (stanza 1 & 3)

PASSION CHORALE

A MOMENT OF SILENCE

EASTER

*HYMN 232

Jesus Christ is Risen Today (stanza 1)

EASTER HYMN

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

My Eternal King
Chancel Choir

Marshall

*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.*

PENTECOST

HYMN 66

Every time I Feel the Spirit (stanza 1)

African American Spiritual

“To be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything He has given us – and He has given us everything.
Every breath we draw is a gift of His Love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it fimmense graces from Him.”
-Thomas Merton

ORDINARY TIME

HYMN 611

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (stanza 1)

HYMN TO JOY

CHRIST THE KING

*HYMN 268

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

COMMITMENT CARD PRESENTATION

During the singing of the last hymn you are invited to bring your commitment card to the table. If you have responded online then bring yourselves. Commitments can also be made online using the QR code to the right. Please ask an usher for assistance if so needed.



WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Old Hundredth”
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Bock

“God calls the church to join the mission of Christ in service to the world. As the church engages in that mission it bears witness to God’s reign over all life”
-Presbyterian Book of Common Worship



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 worshipping 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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Advent Calendar

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Wed, November 29
Thurs, November 30
Sat, December 2
Sun, December 3

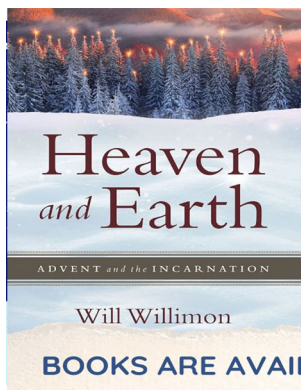
Advent Festival - 5 pm
Church Decorating Day - 10 am
Messiah (SSPC) - 3 pm
Start of Advent Sunday School

- A Charlie Brown Christmas
All Ages - Youth Suite
- Heaven and Earth
Combined Adult - Upper Room
- The Wonder of Advent
20s/30s/40s Women - Parlor

Sun, December 3
Wed, December 6
Thurs, December 7-8
Wed, December 13
Fri, December 15
Fri, December 15
Sat, December 16
Sun, December 17
Sun, December 17
Thurs, December 21
Sun, December 24

Youth Progressive Supper - 5 pm
Ladies Christmas Luncheon - 11:30 am
TSN St. Augustine Christmas Lights Tour
Caroling on the Trolley - 4 pm & 5 pm
Live Nativity - 6 pm & 7 pm
Youth Lock-In
WD Salvation Army Bell Ringing - 10 am-8 pm
Chancel Choir & Orchestra - 10:30 am
Movie Night (I Heard the Bells) - 6:30PM
Longest Night Service - 7 pm

- Worship, Carols, & Nativity Tableau - 10:30 am
- Lessons, Carols, & Candles
with Nativity Tableau - 5:30 pm
- Candlelight & Communion Service - 9 pm



COMBINED ADULT ADVENT
**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**
Watch out! God is on the way!
SUNDAYS | 9:30 AM
MEETS IN UPPER ROOM
December 3-24

A Charlie Brown Christmas
**Family Advent
SUNDAY SCHOOL SERIES**

A Class for ALL Ages!
DECEMBER 3RD - 24TH
9:30AM | Youth Suite

Isn't there anyone who knows
what Christmas is all about?





This Week | November 26 - December 2

Sunday, November 26

- 8:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am **Sunday School** - Various Locations
- 10:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary

Monday, November 27

- 6:30 pm **Messiah Practice** - Sanctuary
- 6:30 pm **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law

Tuesday, November 28

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

Wednesday, November 29

- 11:00 am **Early Music Ensemble** - Rhonda's Office
- 1:00 pm **Hands and Heart Quilting Ministry** - Music Attic
- 3:00 pm **Chancel Ensemble** - Sanctuary
- 4:00 pm **Kidz Ensemble (3-5th Grade)** - Music Attic
- 5:00 pm **Advent Festival** - Social Hall
- 6:00 pm **Wednesday Night Supper** - Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, November 30

- 4:00 pm **Building and Grounds** - John Law
- 5:30 pm **Chancel Ringers** - Bell Room

Friday, December 1

No Activities Planned for this Date

Saturday, December 2

- 3:00 pm **Messiah Concert** - Sanctuary



Chancel Flowers: The Chancel flowers this morning are given
In honor of Mary Margaret Shiver by her grateful family.

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

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