

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Christ and Nicodemus
Anoniem

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2024 | 10:30 am Worship Service

Ushers

Gail Dingerson

Tim Gilsrud

Linda Gilsrud

Doug Tingle

Acolyte

Mary Ellis Shiver

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

Inner Peace

Sandra Eithun

Chancel Ringers; Suzanne Morrison, Director

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

O Lord, Throughout These Days
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Rowland-Raybold

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Fred Griffith

One: By grace we have been saved,

**ALL: and God raised us up to be seated with
him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.**

One: So now, let us raise our hearts to him in
praise and worship.

Ephesians 2:5-6

*HYMN OF PRAISE 462

I Love to Tell the Story

HANKEY

In the early church, the
forty days of Lent were a
time of preparation for the
celebration of baptism of
new believers at the Easter
Vigil. In many communities
of faith it remains a time
to equip and nurture
candidates for baptism and
confirmation and to reflect
deeply on the theme of
baptismal discipleship.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Laurie Bentley

"A Call to Confession is a call to further love, which God does with a reassurance of divine good intentions towards us so that we're not afraid to confess our shortcomings in the light of God's love."
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Paul Tillich

Almighty God! Ground of all truth and father of those who are of the truth! As people seeking this truth we come before you asking your help from our despair and loss of the meaning of life. We confess we live in a time where truth has become a rare and precious good. We are surrounded by something in us and by many in this world who do not care for the light of truth, choosing instead to live in the darkness of lies. Break in upon us with your truth in Jesus Christ and forgive the textures of truth and untruth, half-truth and lie we use to cover ourselves. Then, by your uncovering grace, let us stand again under the light of your truth, which is love incarnate.

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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (ALL)

Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER LIST

Deaths

Judy Genung

Members

Jim Bishop

Harlan Hambright

Joyce Kitchens

Ellen Knesek Knowlton

Bob Miles

Sally Miles

Marie Richardson

Lisa Sims

Jerry Spencer

Karlene Thompson

Frieda Warner

Friends and Family

Linda Borrelli

Ellen Fixx

Bill Ford

Bill Goeldner

Peter Kuderewski

Edward Lochstampfor

Rhett Rhame

Kay Stratton

Mary Whaley

Long-term Care

Mary Katherine Arens

Joann Bobb

Lena Cooper

Doris Hewell

Bill Lueckel

Wendy Stephens

Joalice Patterson Welton

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

Ephesians 2:1-10

pg 1818 NT

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Moses

Hyun Kook

Chancel Choir; Tom Haughney, soloist

SECOND READING

John 3:14-31

pg 1650 NT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"The Way, the Truth, and the Life"

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus
Chancel Ringers

arr. Cathy Mocklebust

*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 726

KELVINGROVE

Will You Come and Follow Me

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fanfare on Christ is Made the Sure
Amy Bishop, Organist

arr. Laskey

The Charge distills the message of the sermon into a brief exhortation that empowers congregants as they go out into the world to live the Gospel. The Benediction, meaning “good words,” is a blessing reminding congregants of God’s providence and care as they do so.



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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Holy Week

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, March 24
NO COMMUNITY SERVICE

10:30 AM | SSPC PROCESSION OF PALMS

DAY OF AUTHORITY **COMMUNITY EVENT**

Monday, March 25 | 12 PM

St. Simons United Methodist | Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer
Lunch at 12:30 | Donation \$5
Glynn Academy Chamber Choir - 11:45 AM

DAY OF CONFLICT **COMMUNITY EVENT**

Tuesday, March 26 | 12 PM

First Baptist Church | Rev. Mike Murray
Lunch at 12:30 | Donation \$5

DAY OF WITHDRAWAL **COMMUNITY EVENT**

Wednesday, March 27 | 12 PM

Wesley Church at Frederica | Rev. Dr. Steve Miller
Lunch at 12:30 | Donation \$5
Glynn Academy Chamber Choir - 11:45 AM

DAY OF INTIMACY Thursday, March 28 **NO COMMUNITY SERVICE**

ST SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Communion & Tenebrae | 7:00 PM

DAY OF SACRIFICE **COMMUNITY EVENT**

Friday, March 29 | 11:30 AM

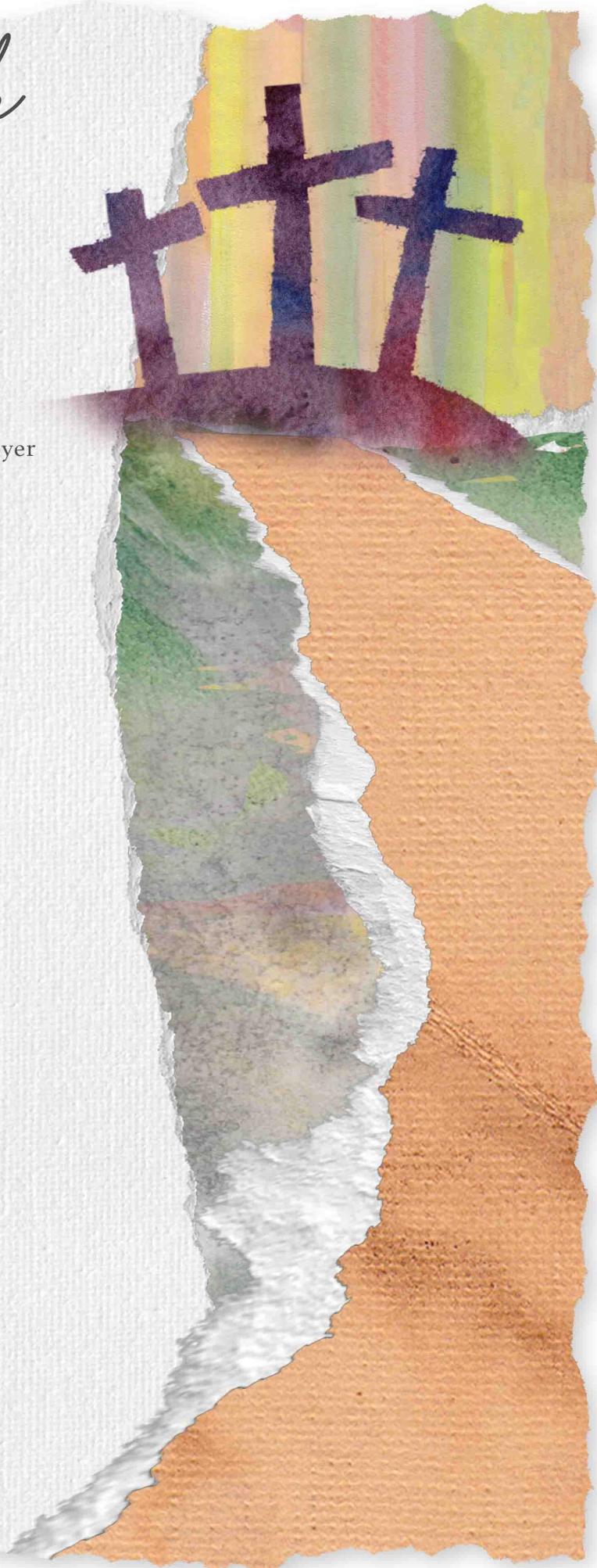
St. Simons Presbyterian Church
Lunch at 11:30am | Donation \$5
Three-Hour Vigil beginning at 12:30pm
Glynn Academy Choir Members and the Community

EASTER SUNDAY **COMMUNITY EVENT**

Sunday, March 31

Sunrise Worship Service | 6:30 AM
St. Simons Pier | Pastor Lucas Ramirez

ST SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Full Worship Service | 8:30 & 10:30 AM
Potluck Luncheon | 11:45 AM
Easter Egg Hunt | 12:30 PM



Easter FLOWERS

EASTER HYDRANGEAS ARE NOW
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT \$25 EACH.

Please fill out the dedication form online by
visiting the link below or by filling out an easter
flowers envelope located in our church pews.

VISIT [SSPRES.ORG/EASTERFLOWERS](https://sspres.org/easterflowers)



KEEP GOLDEN ISLES BEAUTIFUL MARSH MADNESS

Volunteer with SSPC
Missions to Cleanup with
KGIB on the following dates:

MARCH 2 | **MARCH 11** | **MARCH 19**
10:30AM 5:00PM 10:00AM

locations and additional volunteer
opportunities available using the link below

signup at
sspres.org/outreach



day of SERVICE

MAR 16, 2024 | 8:00AM-1PM

Worksites: Safe Harbor, Habitat for
Humanity (ReStore or Warehouse),
Hand-in-Hand, KGIB, Congregational Care
Visits, Coastal Outreach Soccer,
& Church Campus

SIGNUP AT [SSPRES.ORG/DOS](https://sspres.org/dos)



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

STUBA
diving into friendship with God

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN TO MEMBERS!

Will open to the public on April 1st

JUNE 11-13 | [SSPRES.ORG/VBS](https://sspres.org/vbs)



School Year
2024-2025
GRADES
2-12

CAMP MONTGOMERY
SUMMER CAMP
2024

8-12
JULY

A SUMMER CAMP THROUGH THE SAVANNAH
PRESBYTERY AND CAMP MONTGOMERY, A PC(USA)
CONFERENCE CENTER, IN STARKE, FLORIDA!

REGISTRATION: [SSPRES.ORG/MONTGOMERY](https://sspres.org/montgomery)

This Week

March 10- March 16

Sunday, March 10

8:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary
9:30 am **Sunday School** - Various Locations
10:30 am **Worship Service** - Sanctuary
4:00 pm **KIDZ Ensemble** - Music Attic
5:00 pm **Youth Ensemble/Group** - Various Locations
5:00 pm **KIDZ Fellowship (3/5 Grades)** - Veranda

Monday, March 11

12:00 pm **Worship and Music** - Upper Room
3:00 pm **Congregational Life** - Upper Room
6:30 pm **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law

Tuesday, March 12

7:00 am **Youth Chick-Fil-A Breakfast** - Chick-Fil-A
9:30 am **Staff Meeting** - John Law
10:00 am **PW Morning Glories** - Upper Room
12:00 pm **PW Lunch Bunch** - Upper Room
4:00 pm **PW Ladies of the Night** - Upper Room
8:00 pm **Codependents Anon** - John Law

Wednesday, March 13

10:00 am **Men's Bible Study** - Upper Room
11:00 am **Early Music Ensemble** - Rhonda's Office
3:00 pm **Chancel Ensemble** - Sanctuary
4:00 pm **Kidz Crew** - Veranda
6:00 pm **Wednesday Night Dinner** - Social Hall
6:45 pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, March 14

9:00 am **Congregational Care Team** - John Law
10:00 am **Ladies Bible Study** - Upper Room
4:00 pm **Building and Grounds** - John Law
5:30 pm **ODD Book Study** - John Law
5:30 pm **Chancel Ringers** - Bell Room

Friday, March 15

No Activities Scheduled for this Date

Saturday, March 16

8:00 am **Day of Service** - Various Locations

Chancel Flowers: Chancel flowers are given today in
loving memory of Al Ledingham by his daughter, Lorene
Reid.

Girl Scout Sunday: We are celebrating Girl Scout Sunday
today in honor of Girl Scout Troop 072, which meets at St.
Simons Presbyterian. The purpose of this special day is to
emphasize that we take the Girl Scout Promise seriously
- "On my honor, I will try to serve God." It is a time for Girl
Scouts to reflect upon the importance of the words, "to
serve God."

Elders

Class of 2024

Lee Dillard
Fred Griffith
Leslie Hartman
Buddy Jones
Mike Kellar
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
Tom Haughney
Denise Hidalgo
Michael Johnson
Jan Rossiter
Andrew Turner

Class of 2025

Kelsi Brooks
Anna Henry
Sandy Kilgore
Graham Owens
Joe Wills

Class of 2026

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Lowell Korb
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Linda Seierstad

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