

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Living as a Pilgrim, 2019
Shai Azoulay

Communion Sunday
March 5, 2023 | 10:30 am Service

Ushers

Tim Gilsrud

Linda Gilsrud

Judy Benjamin

Doug Tingle

Acolyte

Sierra Seymour

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 Pre-k and under are invited to follow a staff member for Children's Chapel. Kindergarten and older are invited to remain in the sanctuary to participate in the Communion service.

INTROIT

Wondrous Love

arr. Peery

Chancel Ringers, Suzanne Morrison, Director

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

THREE CHIMES

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

PRELUDE

Allegro

Cynthia Dobrinski

Chancel Ringers, Suzanne Morrison, Director

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Jerry Spencer

One: We lift up our eyes to the hills, from where will
our help come?

**ALL: Our help comes from the Lord who made
heaven and earth.**

One: Let us worship the Lord.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 49

The God of Abraham Praise

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Each worship service at
St. Simons Presbyterian
is an opportunity for
growth in our relationship
with God and others. We
value all people and after
the service invite you to
introduce yourself to those
around you and get to
know them.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jerry Spencer

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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Almighty and merciful God, restore our souls in Jesus Christ, that we may be merciful and kind even as you are. Let your forgiveness make us willing to forgive all wrong which we have suffered, as we now ask forgiveness for every wrong which we have done. Give us the spirit of Christ who lived among us in great humility, and was meek and lowly of heart. Let the same mind be in us that was also in him.

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 (ALL)

Psalm 121

**We lift up our eyes to the hills—
from where will our help come?
Our help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
He will not let our foot be moved;
he who keeps us will not slumber.
He who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is our keeper;
the Lord is our shade at our right hand.
The sun shall not strike us by day,
nor the moon by night.
The Lord will keep us from all evil;
he will keep our life.
The Lord will keep
our going out and our coming in
from this time on and for evermore.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Day of Service

Will Tsai

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, Preschool-age children are invited to leave for children's chapel.

*** Kindergarten and older are invited to remain in the Sanctuary to participate in the Communion Service***

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:1-4

pg 17 OT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

The Prayer for Illumination
turns our attention to
God to ask that we hear
God's word in order to
better know God's will
for our lives. This time
also allows a moment
for the congregation to
"get settled" and ready
to hear God's word in
proclamation.

SERMON

"Faithful Uncertainty"

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley
Chancel Choir; Kate Buckley, Flute

arr. Hornibrook

*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.*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOLLOWED BY THE LORD'S PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 815

FESTAL SONG

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

How Majestic is Your Name

arr. J. Carter

Amy Bishop, Organist

Prayer List

Hospital

Tom Baltzell

Mac Carlton

Harlan Hambright

Evan Nicholson

Home

Melanie Barger

Jim Farish

Mike Fixx

Nancy Fixx

Linda Johnston

AnnMarie Morrison

Ann Nermoe

Cammy Richardson

Deryl Warner

Friends and Family

Felicia Cammon

Bernice Davis

Juanita Goodwin

Carlene Schrum

Wendy Stephens

Karla Trobaugh

Mike Williams

Long-term Care

Joann Bobb

Kathy Chapman

Lynn Forsythe

Doris Hewell

Gail Kroeze

Bob Stanford

Hospice

Nancy Thrun

Jerry Torbert

Lois Vogelmann



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-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

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.

:: The Return of the Prodigal Son

by Henri J M Nouwen

Led by Rev. Steve and Nat - Upper Room

:: 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 or (608) 220-8481

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

A Try Something New Event
**SONDHEIM, WEBBER
 & FRIENDS**

MARCH 24 | JAX SYMPHONY
limited to 12 people

INFO & SIGNUP AT
SSPRES.ORG/TSN



The Lion the Witch & the Wardrobe
**MOVIE & PIZZA
 NIGHT**

MARCH 26 | 5PM | YOUTH SUITE
 A Churchwide Gathering!

SIGNUP AT
SSPRES.ORG/MOVIE



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**ENNEAGRAM
 WORKSHOP**




We welcome Nan Henson, of Enneagram Atlanta as our facilitator & coach. Learn how this centuries-old system can be a powerful tool for understanding yourself & others. As we see our automatic patterns and those of the people in our lives more clearly, we have an opportunity to develop more compassion, humility and love for one another.

MAR 25 | 10AM - 2PM | CHRIST CHURCH PARISH HALL

There is a \$20 requested donation to offset the cost of lunch & materials

➤ **RSVP BY TEXTING "EVENTS" TO 912-689-3501**



Human and Sex Trafficking in the Golden Isles Area
 A Two-Day Educational Event - March 28th & 29th, 2023

MORE INFORMATION AT
SSIROTARY.ORG/HST-IN-THE-GOLDEN-ISLES

Rotary
 Club of St. Simons Island

**day of
 SERVICE**

SAVE THE DATE

APRIL 1, 2023 | 8:00AM-1PM

This Week | March 5 - 10

Sunday, March 5

- 8:30 am **Worship** - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am **Adult Sunday School** - Upper Room
- 10:30 am **Worship** - Sanctuary
- 5:00 pm **Youth Ensemble** - Music Attic
- 6:00 pm **Youth Gathering** - Youth Suite

Monday, March 6

- 9:00 am **Manna House** - 1408 G Street
- 4:00 pm **New Officer Training** - Upper Room
- 4:30 pm **Narnia Book Club (3rd-5th)** - Frosty's
- 6:30 pm **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law

Tuesday, March 7

- 7:00 am **Youth Chick-fil-a Breakfast** - SSI Chick-fil-A
- 9:30 am **Staff Meeting** - Upper Room
- 10:00 am **PW Planning** - John Law

Wednesday, March 8

- 10:00 am **Men's Bible Study** - Upper Room
- 11:00 am **Early Music Ensemble** - Rhonda's Office
- 1:30 pm **Pastoral Cafe Coordinating Team** - John Law
- 1:30 pm **Hands and Heart Quilting Ministry** - Music Attic
- 4:00 pm **Kidz Crew** - Veranda
- 4:30 pm **Chancel Ensemble** - Sanctuary
- 6:00 pm **Wednesday Night Supper** - Social Hall
- 6:30 pm **Chancel Ringers** - Bell Room
- 7:00 pm **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

Thursday, March 9

- 10:00 am **Ladies Bible Study** - Upper Room

Friday, March 10

No Activities Planned for Today

Saturday, March 11

- 6:00 pm **TSN Italian Dinner and Wine Tasting** - Off-Campus

Chancel Flowers: Chancel Greenery is given to the glory of God by the greenery committee.

Pastor Vacation: Rev. Annie Franklin Arvin will be away on vacation and serving the greater church February 28 - March 5.

To Ponder Prayerfully

One Also Needs Flexibility

“**T**O SAY THAT ONE MUST LIVE IN UNCERTAINTY DOESN'T BEGIN TO GET AT THE TENUOUS, PRECARIOUS NATURE OF FAITH. THE MINUTE YOU BEGIN TO SPEAK WITH CERTITUDE ABOUT GOD, HE IS GONE. WE PRAISE PEOPLE FOR HAVING STRONG FAITH, BUT STRENGTH IS ONLY ONE PART OF THAT PHYSICAL METAPHOR: ONE ALSO NEEDS FLEXIBILITY.”

- CHRISTIAN WIMAN

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