

# Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*Shiphrah & Puah*  
Jessica Uhland

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 6, 2023 | 10:00 am Service

**Ushers**

David Keen  
Sandi Goeldner  
Anna Henry  
Iris Ellis  
Randy Ellis

**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.*

INTROIT

*God is Good*  
Ann Nermoe, Soloist

McReynolds/arr. Pepper

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. William Hoff

THREE CHIMES

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

PRELUDE

*"Kingsfold"*  
Amy Bishop, Organist

D. Wagner

\*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Jerry Spencer

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**ALL: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.**

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

**ALL: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

One: Let us worship the Lord.

Psalms 103:1-8

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 462

*I Love to Tell the Story*

HANKEY

\* Please stand if able.

The Call to Worship is a reminder that, while worship is something we do, we do it as a response to what God has already done. God calls us to worship. We respond to God's call with praise, confession, gratitude, and wonder.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

**Eternal God, you are the power behind all things: behind the energy of the storm, behind the heat of a million suns. Eternal God, you are the power behind all minds: behind the ability to think and reason, behind all understanding of the truth. Eternal God, you are the power behind the cross of Christ: behind the weakness, the torture and the death, behind unconquerable love. Eternal God, we worship and adore you.**

*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)

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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 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.*

The church confesses the Scriptures to be the Word of God written, witnessing to God's self-revelation. Where that Word is read and proclaimed, Jesus Christ the Living Word is present by the inward witness of the Holy Spirit. For this reason the reading, hearing, preaching, and confessing of the Word are central to Christian worship.

### FIRST READING

**Psalm 103:1-19**

*pg 939 OT*

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND READING

**Exodus 1:6-20**

*pg 88 OT*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SERMON

*"A Couple of Nobodies"*

Rev. Dr. William Hoff

## WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

### OFFERTORY

*God of The Sparrow*  
Ann Nermoe, Soloist

Schalk/arr. Nermoe

### \*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

### COMMUNION MUSIC

*In Remembrance of Me*  
Ann Nermoe, Soloist

Buryl Red/arr. Nermoe

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

### \*HYMN OF DEDICATION 821

### HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

*My Life Flows On*

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Trumpet Tune*  
Amy Bishop, Organist

R. Haan

#### Prayer List

##### Death

Evelyn Claiborne

Lynda Lemmon

##### Members

Harlan Hambright

Ben Hartman

Sandra Hathaway

Jean Hurst

Jan LaBoone

Nancy Lanasa

Charlotte Lueckel

Bill Lueckel

Dale Moffett

Evan Nicholson

Kashey Odum

Caroline Plyler

Betty Lou Schonecker

Deryl Warner

##### Friends and Family

Viola Cleo Bradshaw

Rhett Hollis

Lisa Sims

##### Long-term Care

Mary Katherine Arens

Joann Bobb

Lynn Forsythe

Doris Hewell

Gail Kroeze

Bob Stanford



**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](https://sspres.org/prayer).



**Worship Online.** A livestream of the 10:00A worship service is available every Sunday at [sspres.org/livestream](https://sspres.org/livestream). A recording of the worship is available immediately afterwards for viewing anytime. To hear sermons online, visit [sspres.org/sermons](https://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).

**venmo**



# 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.

*Joe Wills at [willsjoe@gmail.com](mailto:willsjoe@gmail.com)*

### **PAL Mentoring Program**

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

*Richard Hathaway at [thehathaways2@comcast.net](mailto: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.  
*(resumes August 23)*

### **KidZ Fellowship** (Grades 3 to 5)

*Monthly on Sundays:* Faith and fun.

Meet on the Veranda at 5PM.

*(Resumes August 27)*

*Frieda Warner at [frieda@sspres.org](mailto:frieda@sspres.org) or 638-2220.*

## Youth

### **Youth Group**

*Sunday evenings at 6:00PM.*

Meet on the Veranda.

*(Resumes August 20)*

### **Breakfast Devotion** (Grades 6 to 12)

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

Transportation to school is available for middle schoolers.

*(Will resume in the Fall)*

## Adults

### **Try Something New Ministry**

A group that is all about loving, connecting, serving, learning, and celebrating together.

*Nat Scott at [Nat@sspres.org](mailto: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](mailto:Madelynne@sspres.org) or 638-2220.*

## Discipleship

### **Sunday School**

*Begins at 9:00 AM in Various Locations*

Sunday School classes are available for all ages.

Coffee will be made available for all.

### **:: Sharing the Stories of Fred Craddock**

*Led by Rev. Steve, Nat, and Frieda - Upper Room*

*Frieda Warner at [frieda@sspres.org](mailto:frieda@sspres.org) or 638-2220.*

### **Men's Bible Study**

*Wednesdays at 10:00AM in the Upper Room*

Men's Bible Study led by Nat Scott every Wednesday. Visitors are always welcome. *(Will resume in September)*

*John Matthews at [jhmatthews7@comcast.net](mailto:jhmatthews7@comcast.net).*

### **Women's Bible Study/Prayer Group**

*Thursdays at 10:00AM in the John Law Room*

Womens's Bible Study led by Nat Scott every Thursday. *(Will resume in September)*

*Gwen Mayberry [gwenmayberry@gmail.com](mailto: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.

*(Will resume in September)*

*Nardis Kellar at [nardisk@gmail.com](mailto:nardisk@gmail.com) or (912) 230-2254*

*Ginny Connors at [ginnyconnors1@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:rhonda@sspres.org) or 638-2220.*

*Suzanne Morrison at [suzanne@sspres.org](mailto: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. Laurie Bentley 912-580-7903*



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# GROUPS TOUR

Lead by the Membership Ministry Team

AUGUST 8 | 5PM | MEET IN SANCTUARY  
All Are Welcome!

SIGNUP AT [SSPRES.ORG/DISCOVER](https://sspres.org/discover)



## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays | 7-8PM  
AUGUST 22 thru OCTOBER 3  
Gather in the Youth Suite



INFO & SIGNUP AT  
[SSPRES.ORG/BIBLESTUDY](https://sspres.org/biblestudy)



**KICKOFF**  
Aug 23

# KIDZ CREW

WEDNESDAYS | 4-6 PM  
MEET ON VERANDA

4PM

REGISTER AT [SSPRES.ORG/CHILDREN](https://sspres.org/children)

try something new  
A Day of Events in Jacksonville

Aug 24 | Depart in Church Van at 8AM  
this event is limited to 15 ppl

- Jacksonville MOCA Guided Tour
- Lunch at Bread and Board
- King Tut Immersive Experience

INFO & SIGNUP  
[SSPRES.ORG/TSN](https://sspres.org/tsn)



# OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Deacons & Elders  
CLASS OF 2027

Nominations Close on October 1st

SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION AT  
[SSPRES.ORG/NOMINATIONS](https://sspres.org/nominations)



This Week | August 6-11

## Sunday, August 6

- 9:00 am **Adult Sunday School** - Upper Room
- 10:00 am **Worship** - Sanctuary
- 11:00 am **CE/Crossroads** - Parlor
- 6:00 pm **End of Summer Youth Party** - Binkney Home

## Monday, August 7

- 9:00 am **Manna House** - 1408 G Street
- 6:30 pm **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law

## Tuesday, August 8

- 9:30 am **Staff Meeting** - Upper Room
- 10:00 am **PW Leadership Council** - John Law
- 4:00 pm **Mission Committee** - John Law
- 5:00 pm **New Member Tour** - Sanctuary

## Wednesday, August 9

- 1:30 pm **Pastoral Care Coordinating Team** - John Law

## Thursday, August 10

**No Activities Scheduled for Today**

## Friday, August 11

**No Activities Scheduled for Today**

**Chancel Flowers:** Chancel Flowers are given today in memory of Eddy Harrell Davis by Dee Davis.

**Christian Sympathy:** We extend Christian sympathy to the family and friends of Evelyn Claiborne (Tom Haughney's mother) who passed away on Monday, July 31 and Lynda Lemmon (friend of the Head's) who passed away on Wednesday, August 2. Please join us in praying for God's peace and comfort to surround Evelyn and Lynda's family and friends near and far who mourn their passing.

## 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

Anne Aspinwall  
Judy Benjamin  
Jackie Griffin  
David Keen  
Lowell Korb  
Katie Rossiter  
Linda Seierstad

## Staff

### Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

Interim Pastor  
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### Anne Aspinwall

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Preschool Director  
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### Bob Harper

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Savannah Presbytery



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