

Service for the Lord's Day

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



New Creation in Christ
Carrie Murwin

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 10, 2023 | 10:30 am Worship Service

Ushers

Anna Henry

Acolyte

Arthur Owens

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

This is the Day
Chancel Choir

Wagner

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

THREE CHIMES

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

PRELUDE

Fugue in C Major
Amy Bishop, Organist

Buxtehude

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

John Matthews

One: Come Christians, join to sing:

ALL: Alleluia! Amen!

One: Loud praise to Christ our King:

**ALL: Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice,
before his throne rejoice; praise is his gracious choice:
Alleluia! Amen!**

From Hymn 267-"Come Christians, Join to Sing"

*HYMN OF PRAISE 624

TOULON

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

The church is not an institution but the gathered community of faith.
"Wherever two or more are gathered in my name," Jesus said, "there am I in the midst of them."

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Lord, to You My Soul is Lifted, vs 1,3
Stanley Wiersma, 1980

Lord, to you my soul is lifted. Let me never be ashamed that I trust in you to keep me though I seem to wait in vain. Lord, remember all your love; in your holy will, instruct me. Lord, do not remember sins of those younger years behind me. Turn to me in grace and mercy, as I suffer all alone. Take away my sin and sadness, all the trouble I have known. May my fierce and spiteful foes not succeed to harm and curse me. In your faithfulness I hope. On your people, Lord have mercy.

Silence for Personal Confession

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

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Assurance of Pardon proclaims God's faithfulness. Our lives are redeemed by the saving grace of God—the Gospel in miniature. God does for us what we cannot do for ourselves.

*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)

This Is My Father's World
Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the wonders wrought. This is my Father's world. O, let me ne'er forget all that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world. The battle is not done: Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.

PRAYER LIST

Weddings

Avery Anderson & Jack Tuten

Joys

People helping people
after Hurricane Idalia

Deaths

Verna Carlisle

Members

Lynn Goldblatt

Mary Grove

Harlan Hambricht

Charlotte Lueckel

Bill Lueckel

Ann Nermoe

Kashey Odum

Betty Lou Schoneker
and her grandson Parker

Nora Sue Spencer

Deryl Warner

Friends and Family

Steve Cogburn

Kelly Hunter

Charlie Joiner

Kellie Kelly

Becky Plotner's mother

Rhett Rhame

Lisa SimsScott Smith

Long-term Care

Mary Katherine Arens

Joann Bobb

Lynn Forsythe

Doris Hewell

Gail Kroeze

Bob Stanford

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

II Corinthians 5:16-21

pg 1799 NT

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

With a Voice of Singing
Chancel Choir

Shaw

SECOND READING

Matthew 18:15-20

pg 1527 NT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"Trying To Work It Out"

Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer

WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Nun Bitten Wir
Amy Bishop, Organist

Buxtehude

*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.*

Doxology, a Greek word meaning “saying of glory,” is a brief hymn of praise that follows another hymn or Psalm – in our case the offertory. Doxologies appear in many Christian traditions and have their origin in the Jewish kaddish, which concludes each portion of the synagogue worship service.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 547

AR HYD Y NOS

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in e minor
Amy Bishop, Organist

Pachelbel



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.

Joe Wills at 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.

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 Ensemble (Grades 3 to 5)

Monthly on Sundays: Before KidZ Fellowship

Meet in the Music Attic at 4PM.

Use the Veranda Door

KidZ Fellowship (Grades 3 to 5)

Monthly on Sundays: Faith and fun.

Meet on the Veranda at 5PM.

(Resumes September 10)

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

Youth

Youth Ensemble

Sunday evenings at 5:00PM.

Meet on the Music Attic - Use the Veranda Door.

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.

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.

Discipleship

Sunday School

Begins at 9:30 AM in Various Locations Sunday School classes are available for all ages.

Coffee will be in the Britt Room.

:: Get Out of Your Head by Jennie Allen

"20/30/40s" Women - Parlor

:: Words of Life by Adam Hamilton

"20/30/40s" Men - Ashantilly Room

:: Surprised by Scripture by N.T. Wright

Discussion Class - Book Study - Upper Room

Frieda Warner at 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.

John Matthews at 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.

Gwen Mayberry gwenmayberry@gmail.com or 638-8711.

Presbyterian Women (PW)

All women are invited to join a PW Circle.

Circles meet for Bible Study each month. See *Something for Everyone* for more group activities.

*Ginny Connors at ginnyconnors1@gmail.com
or (912) 672-1916*

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. Laurie Bentley 912-580-7903

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Resuming September 6th



6PM | SOCIAL HALL

SIGNUP AT [SSPRES.ORG/SUPPER](https://sspres.org/supper)



day of SERVICE

SEPT 23, 2023 | 8:30AM-1PM

Worksites: Habitat for Humanity Build, Veterans Village Tiny Homes, International Seafarers Center, Congregational Care Check-ins, and Church Campus

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



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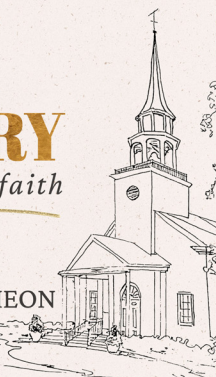
CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

77 years as a community of faith

SEPT 23 DAY OF SERVICE

SEPT 24 ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

Bring your favorite dish & join us for a *Potluck Luncheon*, following late Worship!



OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Deacons & Elders

CLASS OF 2027

Nominations Close on October 1st

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



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Honorary Life Member Nomination

This award is in recognition of outstanding service, leadership and faithful service in church work; they set a standard for others to follow. the nominee does not need to be a member of a circle, as all presbyterian women at sspe are a part of our pw! Deadline for nominations is oct 10.

NOMINATION FORMS CAN FOUND IN THE CHURCH OFFICE OR ONLINE AT [SSPRES.ORG/WOMENS-MINISTRY](https://sspres.org/womens-ministry)



This Week

September 10 -15

Sunday, September 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 **KIDZ Fellowship** - Veranda
- 5:00 pm **Youth Ensemble** - Music Attic
- 6:00 pm **Youth Gathering** - Britt Room

Monday, September 11

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

Tuesday, September 12

- 7:00 am **Youth Chick-Fil-A Breakfast** -SSI 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
- 7:00 pm **Women's Bible Study** - Youth Suite

Wednesday, September 13

- 10:00 am **Mens Bible Study** -Upper Room
- 11:00 am **Early Music Ensemble** - Rhonda's Office
- 1:30 pm **Pastoral Care Coordinating Team** - John Law
- 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, September 14

- 10:00 am **Ladies Bible Study** - Upper Room
- 5:30 pm **ODD Book Group** - John Law
- 5:30 pm **Chancel Bell Ringers** - Bell Room

Friday, September 15

- 3:30 pm **KIDZ Book Club** - Frosty's



Try Something New

**MATTED OX
AXE THROWING**
WITH SUPPER DELIVERED FROM
SCHROEDER'S MARKET

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 @ 6PM

\$30 PP Plus Dinner
1510 Bay St, Brunswick

LIMITED TO 15 PEOPLE
REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

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



Wednesday Night Dinner: The dinner menu for Wednesday, September 13 will be Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Salad, Rolls, Dessert. Please see <https://www.sspres.org/supper> for future fall dinner menus.

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
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Linda Seierstad

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