



## ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 8, 2018

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This past Tuesday was Election Day, but do you know what next Tuesday is? World Kindness Day! Maybe it is just me, but it seems like celebrating kindness is not all that bad an idea these days. I preached on kindness not long ago. The sermon included this quote from Rev. Dr. Tom Long: "To be kind is to refuse to see people only in the present tense, but to see them in light of what God is doing to recreate their lives. [It is the] insistence on seeing and treating people in light of who they will become in God's future."

That definition is not a bad description for the work of the Church: to see (and treat) others how God sees them. How much different would the world be if we all committed ourselves to the work of being kind? To seeing each and every person the way God sees them – namely, as a beloved child? Some of the rhetoric out there makes me wonder if such thinking is not just a pipe dream. But the approach of World Kindness Day serves as a good reminder that every day is a new opportunity to be kind, to insist on seeing those around us not as the world sees them but as God sees them.

Enjoy your newsletter. There are many good activities coming up in the life of our church. Among them is the opportunity for visitors to join the church on Sunday, November 18 – please call me if you have questions about or would like to join St. Simons Presbyterian (638-2220; [alan@sspres.org](mailto:alan@sspres.org)). We would love to welcome you! We also remain in the midst of stewardship season, which this year is an invitation to live "the generous life" – giving freely of our time, talent, and resources. Please remember that pledging your gift not only encourages the generosity of others but also helps the church plan its upcoming ministry more responsibly. We will dedicate all of our pledges together as an act of worship on Sunday, November 18.

Be kind. See you at church. Come as you are. Casual is fine.

Peace,  
Alan

THE GENEROUS LIFE  
**TIME•TALENT•RESOURCES**



2019 STEWARDSHIP DREAM

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW OUR 2019 BROCHURE & PLEDGE ONLINE!](#)



NOVEMBER 18

*New Member  
Sunday*



IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS  
OR WOULD LIKE TO JOIN,  
PLEASE CONTACT ALAN  
(638-2220; [ALAN@SSPRES.ORG](mailto:ALAN@SSPRES.ORG)).

**Youth Opportunities**

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MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

**CROSS  
IN CHARLOTTE, NC**

JULY 7-12

SIGN UP BY DEC 15

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[CLICK HERE FOR INFO & TO SIGN UP](#)

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HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

**LAMP  
IN NEW ORLEANS**

JUNE 1-7

SIGN UP BY DEC 15

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HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE  
**TRIENNIVM**  
**PURDUE UNIVERSITY**

\*JULY 16-20\*

SIGN UP BY DEC 15

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& TO SIGN UP!

SAVANNAH PRESBYTERY

**WINTER CAMP**  
**CONNECT 2019**

January 4-5, 2019

**For Families and Youth!**

CLICK HERE FOR INFO & TO  
REGISTER BY DECEMBER 7TH!



## The Week Ahead

### Sunday, November 11

8:30 am - **Chapel Service** - Sanctuary

9:00 am - **Coffee Hour & Breakfast** - Social Hall

9:30 am - **Sunday School** - Various Locations

11:00 am - **Traditional Service** - Sanctuary

12:00 pm - **\*Congregational Meeting** - Sanctuary

4:00 pm - **Community Thanksgiving Service** - First Baptist Church SSI

4:00 pm - **Packing/Labeling Boxes** - Hunger Action Room  
5:00 pm - **Youth Ensemble (Grades 6-12)** - Music Attic  
6:00 pm - **Youth Group (Friendsgiving)** - Britt Room  
6:00 pm - **KidZ Fellowship (Dinner & Movie)** - Britt Room

**\*Congregational Meeting This Sunday:** Session has called a congregational meeting to take place this Sunday, November 11, following the 11AM worship. The purpose of the meeting is to elect church officers and approve the pastor's terms of call for 2019.

### **Monday, November 12**

10:00 am - **Packing/Labeling Boxes** - Hunger Action Room  
10:00 am - **Chancel Ensemble** - Sanctuary  
6:00 pm - **Messiah Rehearsal** - Social Hall  
6:30 pm - **Ladies of the Night** - Upper Room  
8:00 pm - **AA Meeting** - Britt Room  
8:00 pm - **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law Room

### **Tuesday, November 13**

7:00 am - **Youth Breakfast Devotion** - Chick-fil-A SSI  
9:30 am - **Staff Meeting** - Upper Room  
10:00 am - **One-derful Morning Glories Circle** - Upper Room  
12:00 pm - **Lunch Bunch** - Upper Room  
2:00 pm - **Circle of Esther** - Ida Walker's Home (24 Frederica Oaks Ln)  
2:00 pm - **Coffee with the Pastor** - Marsh's Edge  
4:00 pm - **Session Meeting** - Upper Room

### **Wednesday, November 14**

10:00 am - **Ladies Video Bible Study** - Youth Suite  
12:00 pm - **Men's Noonday Bible Study** - John Law  
4:00 pm - **KidZ Crew** - Veranda  
6:00 pm - **Wednesday Night Supper** - Social Hall (*RSVP Here!*)  
6:30 pm - **Chancel Ringers** - Sanctuary  
7:00 pm - **Chancel Choir** - Sanctuary

### **Thursday, November 15**

7:15 am - **Men's Breakfast Bible Study** - Britt Room  
8:00 am - **TSN** - Dunham Farm/Seabrook Village  
10:00 am - **Ladies Bible Study** (Book of Habakuk)- Upper Room  
4:00 pm - **Free Flow Yoga** - Youth Suite  
5:30 pm - **Adventures in Missing the Point Book Study** - John Law  
8:00 pm - **AA Meeting** - Britt Room  
8:00 pm - **Al-Anon Meeting** - John Law Room

### **Friday, November 16**

10:00 am - **Book Study and Prayer** - 107 Indian Mound Drive, Brunswick

# Officer Nominees

## DEACON

JERRY SPENCER\*  
JOHN TURNER  
TATE SIMPSON  
ANNE MARIE STIREWALT  
KATE BUCKLEY  
LEE BAXTER  
ANNA K MANSFIELD

## ELDER

JEFF SHIVER  
COCO BUJOLD  
DAVID BURCH  
FRED GRIFFITH  
HOLLEY ROGERS  
SEAN HIDALGO

## TRUSTEE

ED DAVIS

\*NOMINATED TO COMPLETE  
A TERM.

## Upcoming Events

TRY SOMETHING NEW  
**The Wild  
West**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2018**

The Try Something New group will be taking a trip to the Wild West (in Darien GA!) on **NOVEMBER 15** to visit a Buffalo Farm, the Old Jail Museum, and enjoy a delicious lunch at The Fish Dock.

**CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP!**



A FUN FAMILY EVENT

# *Bingo Night*

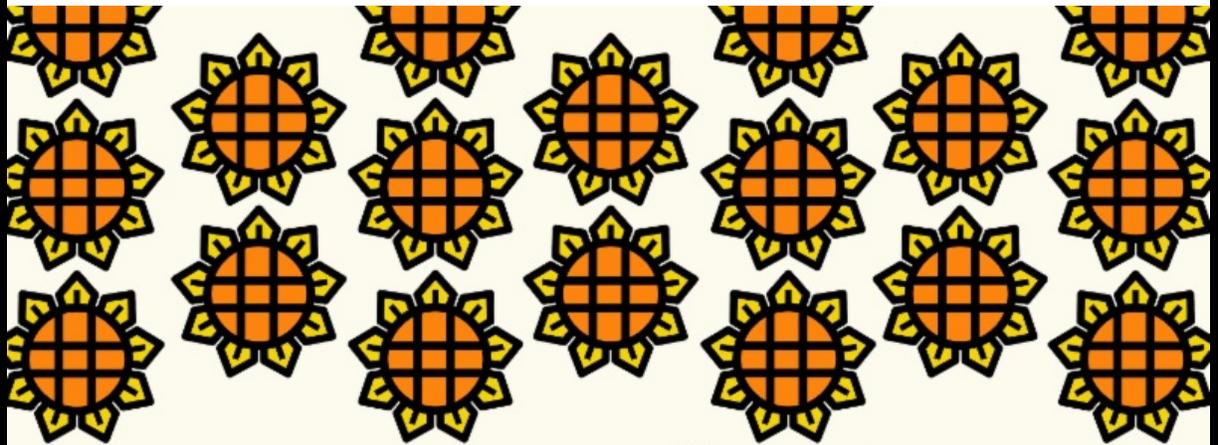
*& Potluck Supper*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

6 PM | SOCIAL HALL

[CLICK HERE TO RSVP!](#)

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## *Community Thanksgiving*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 • 4 PM

•FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SAINT SIMONS•



# PRAYERS & THANKSGIVINGS

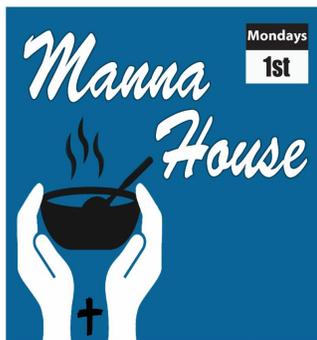
Click here for the Weekly Prayer & Meditation

## Joys & Concerns

M A D E L Y N N E R I S I

CONGRATULATIONS!

THIS YEAR'S VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR FOR SAFE HARBOR IS OUR VERY OWN, MADELYNNE RISI! THROUGH HER JOB AS BRIDGE DIRECTOR AT SSPRES, MADELYNNE HAS BROUGHT HUNDREDS OF VOLUNTEERS TO SAFE HARBOR DURING THE SUMMER & FALL MONTHS. PLUS, IN THE PAST YEAR, MADELYNNE LOGGED OVER 1500 HOURS MONITORING SAFE HARBOR'S RAPE CRISIS HOTLINE. WAY TO GO, MADELYNNE!



We appreciate all of the volunteers who gave of their time and service to help feed those in need within our community. This month we fed over 160 people! Thank you to Chris Pippart, Frances McCrary, Gail Wolflick, Phil & Linda Massie, Joe Wills, Martha Martin, Annie Franklin Arvin, Matt Hodgdon, Jack Hartman, Tate Simpson, Terri Simpson, Jann Briscoe, Mike Aspinwall, Bill Lueckel, Charlotte Lueckel, Bain Head, Nardis Kellar, & Mike Kellar.

## Giving Opportunities

# THE HEART & SOUL CAMPAIGN

ST. SIMONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Click Here to Pledge Online*



## ***Click Here to Give Online***

Giving online is easy! Just follow the link above to tithe and donate online. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at (912) 638-2220.

## Worship This Sunday

**Scripture:** *Colossians 3:23-24, Luke 5:1-11*

**8:30 am Service Hymn:**

- Though I May Speak - 693

**11:00 am Service Hymns:**

- As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought - 712
- Though I May Speak - 693

**Preacher:** Rev. Alan Dyer

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### **MUSICAL NOTES**

There will be a community choir for the Community Thanksgiving Service this coming Sunday at 4:00 pm at the First Baptist Church on St. Simons. Directors and Ministers of Music will be singing an anthem, as well. Those interested are welcome to join us at 3:00 for a rehearsal.

Speaking of Community Choirs, the Golden Isles Community Choir will be rehearsing in our facility for three weeks on Mondays from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. The last rehearsal will be held at Wesley United Methodist Church where Handel's Messiah, Part the First will be performed on December 1 at 3:00 pm. There are lots of activities going on in December, so mark your calendars for this event. At this writing (Monday, Nov. 5), we have 80 people registered to sing. More people usually show up at the first rehearsal, so it's a

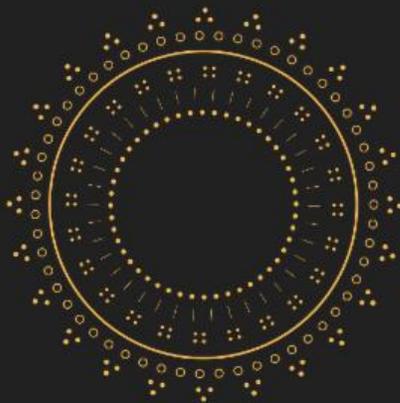
good thing that we have lots of chairs. Our Social Hall, Britt Dining Room, and related facilities are perfectly suited to a rehearsal for a large group. I am grateful that our building can be used in this way.

Yes, this Sunday is Veteran's Day. If you go into the Britt Room on Sunday Morning, the TV on the wall will be featuring our veterans that we know about and have a picture for. If you want to have your picture on this slide show, please bring it by the church office this week and I will scan it and add it to the show. I need name and rank to complete your slide.

The Chancel Choir anthem will be What Shall I Bring to the Lord? by Robert Lau. What Does the Lord Require of You? has been added to the end of this piece. The Chancel Ringers under the direction of Suzanne Morrison will be ringing Holy Manna and In Christ There is No East or West, two familiar hymn tunes.

Hymns for Sunday:  
712 As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought  
693 Though I May Speak

Love & Gratitude,  
Rhonda



Stay connected with the Church

**TEXT: SSPRES**  
**TO: 555888**

We will provide occasional updates on church activities, event/meal RSVP reminders, and other timely information.

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