

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 26

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary***
8:30 AM Adult Sunday School, **Room 202***
9:45 AM Clubhouse Jam, **Kid's Clubhouse**
9:45 AM Sunday School & Small Group Classes, **Various Locations***
9:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service, **Chapel***
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary***
***Nursery Available: Newborn- 4 yrs. for above worship services**
All Services Streamed Live

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day- Church Office Closed

- 9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**
11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**

Tuesday, May 28

- 10:00 AM Men's Life Group, **Room 203**
11:45 AM UMW Reading Group, **Home of Pam Lewis**

Wednesday, May 29

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**
5:00 PM Handbells, **Handbell Room**
6:00 PM Chancel Choir, **Choir Room**

Friday, May 31

- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building**

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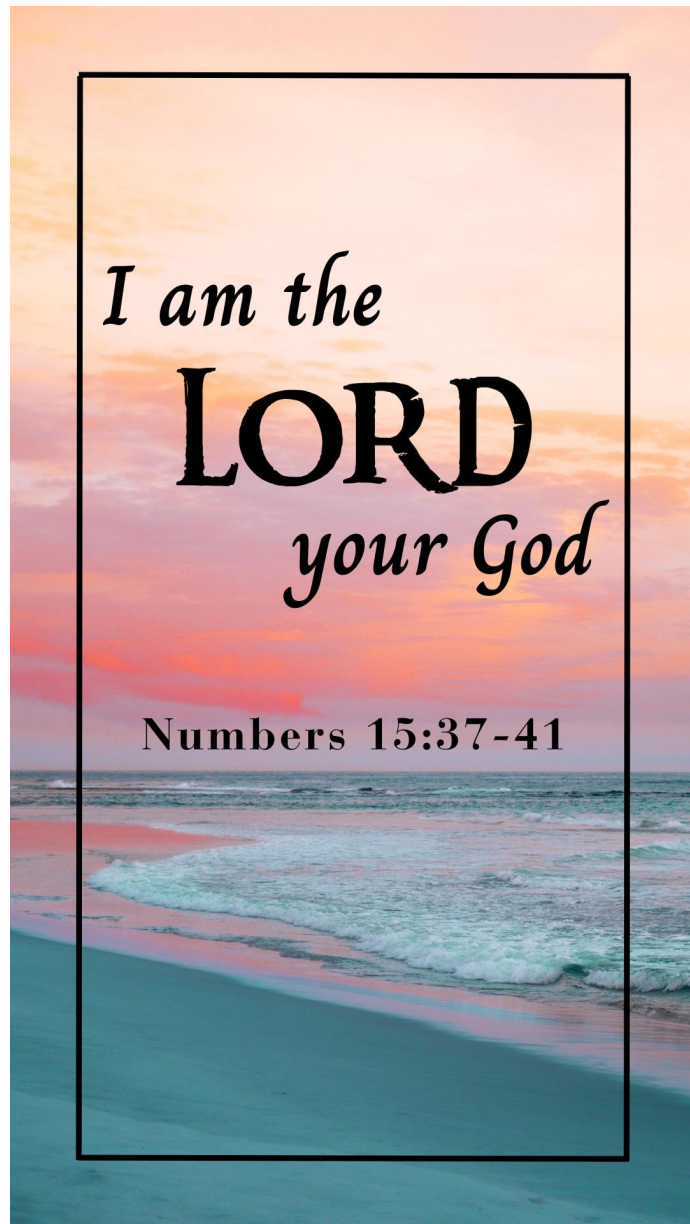
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Service is Celebrated Enthusiastically,
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The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently.*

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

MAY 26, 2024

CHAPEL • 9:45 AM

WELCOME

Rev. Tom Jones

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Build Your Kingdom Here

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Fellowship Time

America, the Beautiful

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Holy Forever

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Prayer Time

Tom Jones

Fires

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MORNING MESSAGE

What's Your Blue Cord?

NUMBERS 15:37-41
Rev. Richard Soper

INVITATION

Yet Not I, But Christ In Me

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CLOSING PRAYER

Richard Soper

May Memory Verse

The Lord gives strength to His people;
The Lord blesses His people with PEACE.

Psalm 29:11 NIV

The Worship of God

MAY 26, 2024

8:30 & 11:00 AM • SANCTUARY

PRELUDE Sondra Anderson

GREETING Rev. Tom Jones

* HYMN #64 *Holy, Holy, Holy* NICEA

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles Creed* Tom Jones

* FELLOWSHIP TIME *Praise the Lord*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Celia Eisentraeger

MORNING PRAYER Tom Jones

THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #378 *Amazing Grace!
How sweet the sound* AMAZING GRACE
Verses 1,2,3,4 & 6

OFFERTORY PRAYER Tom Jones

OFFERTORY *America, the Beautiful* Sondra Anderson
with Chopin Etude in E Major, Op. 10, No.3 Kevin Lamb
arr. Joel Raney
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MESSAGE IN MUSIC *In Memoriam* Chancel Choir
By Lee Dengler
©2011 Hal Leonard

MORNING MESSAGE Rev. Richard Soper

What's Your Blue Cord?

NUMBERS 15:37-41

* HYMN #698 *God of the Ages* NATIONAL HYMN
verses 1 & 4

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Kevin Lamb

* *Worshippers stand as able*

May Memory Verse

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Psalm 29:11 NIV

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MEMORIAL DAY
 REMEMBER AND HONOR



Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women
 in the service of
 our country can never be repaid.
 They have earned our undying gratitude.
 America will never forget their sacrifices.
 -Words of Harry S. Truman
 inscribed on the World War II Memorial
 in Washington, D.C.

Honorariums & Memorials

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF PETE CULVER BY:

Kay Kay & Roy Akins

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF AMY JENKS BY:

Lurlynn Holland
 Claudia & Jim Royal
 Bill Hansen

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN HONOR OF THE EARLY RESPONSE TEAM BY:

Margot Howard

Gathering Place Main Event!

Calling all Youth- we are going to meet at Gather in Brunswick each Sunday, June 2-July 21 6:00-8:30pm.

The Main Event is a FREE high energy non-denominational event that draws 1,000s of students throughout the summer on Sunday nights. Our theme this year is Legacy. We are of the understanding that IN CHRIST we are a part of a legacy that is unmovable, unshakeable and unstoppable. The Bible talks about great men and women of faith who have gone before us, living God-centered lives that brightly shined a light on the value and worth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Well, that legacy continues in us as believers, so we will be gathering for the Main Events to testify to this truth. This is an event put on by students for students, filled with engaging music, skits, and relevant gospel teaching. Gifted communicators share the powerful reality of a relationship with God on a weekly basis. You've got to experience it to believe it!
Contact Victoria Fryer for more info- victoria@stsimonsumc.com



Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online at www.stimonsumc.com
May 19, 2024

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$16,574.00
 Received YTD | \$560,792.41
 Expenses YTD | \$441,914.51
 Difference YTD | \$118,877.90
 Budgeted Amount YTD | \$499,088.17
 Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$5,154.00
 Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$274,749.64

thank you

Worship Attendance- May 19, 2024

8:30am : 105 Online Worship Views: 249
 9:45am : 82 Sunday School/Small Group: 60
 11:00am: 219
 Total In Person: 406

Members in Ministry- May 26, 2024

Ushers:

8:30 Ward Sweat, Bill Kirby, Chip Higginbotham, Jeff Zoul
11:00 Joey Baldwin, Erik Kaufmann, David Paulk, Rick Denman

Greeters:

8:30 Pat Carmichael, Barbara Whitney
9:45 Pam Rehberg, Randall Rehberg
11:00 Sherry Pickett, Nancy Jenkins

Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee **9:45** Carol Conner
11:00 Neva Kaye

Acolytes:

11:00 Ketch Kase, Smith Graffis

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Jim Daher, Eddie Echols, Mike Martin, Larry Rogers, Christa Thompson

New Prayer Concerns- Others: **Ann Bassett, Emily Bassett**, Pat Bedingfield, **Brian Crawford**, Ben, Sharon Carlson, Marie Dennard, **Hannah, Family & Friends of Michelle Hyman**, Mary McCreary George, Hayward Hiers, **Steve Horowitz, Jeanne**, Linda V. Jones, Wayne Murphy, **Tashona Thomas, Family & Friends of Beth Varn, Lisa Woodman, The Wyatt Family**

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Di Bailey, Jim Baldwin, Ron Bateman, Bob Beane, Thomas Benefield, Jim Bennett III, Ranny Blount, Sam Bodine, Marcia Boney, Kai Booth, Billy June Boyd, Marsha Boyette, Carlotta Budd, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Russell Cohen, Trent Cohen, Joy Cowart, Cathy Bailey Crumbley, Pat Daniels, Kevin Dean, Betsy Draughon, Sandy Fitzgerald, Dotsy Fuller, Jim Fuller, Chris Gonzalez, Kristin Gonzalez, Savannah Gonzalez, Bill Hansen, Alice Hicks, Elwanda Hopkins, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Jim Jensen, Anne Jones, Kevin Josey, Mitchell Kent, **Jacob Kitchen**, Rosie Koch, Holly Lamb, Ellie Leroux, John Lindgren, Chris Lorence, Bob Mastromatteo, **Whitney McCarthy**, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Carol Meeks, Priscilla Mercer, **Tom Morris**, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Ann Pickard, Nancy Pickren, Dick Pipe, Alan Proctor, Mable Proctor, Mary Rentz, Reggie Rogers, Irene Rohan, Bob Scherer, Mike Stiles, Gena Paige Tolleson, Rhonda Van Liew, Dave Vandersall, Mary Vice, Bo Vice, Judy Whelan, Chuck Wilson, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack

Assisted Living Prayer

Magnolia Manor: JoAnne Alford, Marjorie Lawrence, Barbara Meadows, Norma Mock, Joyce Parry

Marsh's Edge Assisted: Judy Clifton, Nancy Reynolds

When a name is added to the New Prayer Concerns they will remain for TWO weeks unless the office is notified of an ongoing prayer concern. Names that are BOLD indicate a new addition or current concern.

The Way Forward FAQ

Did the United Methodist Church change our core doctrines: the divinity of Jesus, virgin birth, authority of the Bible, etc.?

No. Our Church's Constitution includes Restrictive Rules that do not allow our Articles of Religion to be changed or removed. They all remain the same. We are orthodox in the core doctrines that we share with Christians worldwide. Changing core doctrines was never discussed at the General Conference.

Church Council Meeting

Monday, June 10, 5:30pm, Thorpe Building

All church members are welcome to attend

B.L.E.S.S. – A New Sermon Series

How do we share our experience of God's love, grace, and forgiveness without scaring people away or offending them?

For most of us, "evangelism" is an intimidating word that suggests handing out tracts to strangers or doing other awkward things. But what if there was a more natural, more authentic way to share your faith with your friends, neighbors, and coworkers?

On Sunday, June 2, we will start a five-week sermon series called B.L.E.S.S. which is based on a book of the same name by Reverend Dave Ferguson. Together, we are going to learn how to B.L.E.S.S. our community in response to God's call to love our neighbors. It includes five practices that help us introduce people to Jesus.

1. **Begin with prayer.** We can bless others who don't know Jesus yet by praying for them.
2. **Listen with care.** We can bless others who are far from God by listening to and hearing them.
3. **Eat together.** We can accept and invite others who don't know Jesus yet to our table.
4. **Serve in love.** We can serve others who do not know God in ways that can change them.
5. **Share your story.** We can share our individual stories with others to help them draw near to God.

We often engage with these practices every day with our friends and family. By directing these practices outward to include people who may be far from God and the church, we can bless and bring people to new life in Christ. Every one of us can easily and naturally live out the five B.L.E.S.S. missional practices with unchurched people.

Begin now to pray for this series of sermons. I look forward to our learning together about these different and engaging ways we can bless our neighbors when we use these five practices.



Pick up a bottle in the Gholson room and/or in the Narthex of the Sanctuary and Chapel. Fill these bottles with spare change, cash or check and return the bottle by Father's Day, June 16.



Scuba VBS is Diving Into Friendship with GOD!

REGISTER FOR VBS KIDS & VOLUNTEERS JUNE 9-13



This meaningful experience for our children will be FIN-tastic! Would you please help us with our tidal treats? Please stop by our Coral Reef in the Gholson Room for more info. Items need to be returned to our collection box at the Coral Reef by Sunday, May 26. We are in need of the following items:

- ♦ SMALL AND LARGE PAPER PLATES
- ♦ PAPER BOWLS
- ♦ GOLDFISH CRACKERS
- ♦ "CHEWY" BRAND GRANOLA BARS
- ♦ MINI PRETZEL RINGS
- ♦ MINI BROWNIE BITES
- ♦ NAPKINS/PAPER TOWEL ROLLS
- ♦ 8OZ. DISPOSABLE CUPS



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR SCUBA VBS!

Volunteer Snacks for VBS!

We are so blessed to have over 30 youth and adult volunteers for VBS this year! We would love for church members to help supply snacks for these volunteers during VBS. We need drinks, snacks, dips, chips, fruit and sweets. Please contact Anne Frazier at anne@stsimonsumc.com if you would like to bring a snack for our amazing VBS volunteers the week of June 10-13.

PAL Meetings

The PAL meetings held on Tuesdays at 6:00pm are now cancelled indefinitely.

Guest Information

- **First time guests** please fill out the yellow, "Welcome Card" located in your pew. Please drop in the offering plate or bring to the Welcome Desk to receive a gift!
- Restrooms are located through the exit doors nearest the altar to your right or left.
- Sunday School for children & adults meets at 8:30 (adult only) & 9:45am.
- A nursery is available for children **4 years old and under**, located through the exit door to the right of the altar, 1st floor in the Stubbs Bldg.
- Kid's Clubhouse (**5 years old - 5th grade**), leave together after the Kid's Message (except on the 1st Sunday of the month—Communion Sundays) for lessons, crafts, and games, and may be picked up on the 2nd floor in the Stubbs Bldg.

Join the Church

If you would like to join St. Simons United Methodist Church you may do so by one of three ways:

- (1) Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ
- (2) Transfer from another United Methodist congregation
- (3) Transfer from another denomination

If you are interested in more information about becoming a member contact Rev. Tom Jones. **678.343.3767** | tom@stsimonsumc.com



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