#### THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JUNE 9, 2024 CHAPEL • 9:45 AM

**WELCOME Rev. Richard Soper** 

#### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Lyle Bandy Staff Parish Chairperson

#### PRAISE AND WORSHIP

**Blessed Be Your Name** CCLI #3798438 ©2002 Thankyou Music

#### **Fellowship Time**

I'm So Blessed CCLI #7167000 ©All Essential Music

> **Prayer Time Richard Soper**

Give Me Your Eyes CCLI #5359222 ©2007 All Essential Music

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#### MORNING MESSAGE

Listen with Care

LUKE 18:35-42 **Rev. Tom Jones** 

INVITATION

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#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

Tom Jones

# The Worship of God

JUNE 09, 2024

8:30 & 11:00 AM • SANCTUARY

PRELUDE

GREETING

Sondra Anderson

Rev. Richard Soper SWEETTEST NAME

\* HYMN #380 There's Within

My Heart a Melody Verses 1, 2, 3 & 5

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles Creed **Richard Soper** SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT Lyle Bandy

Staff Parish Chairperson

- \* FELLOWSHIP TIME **On Eagles Wings** 
  - CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Ceilia Eisentraeger

MORNING PRAYER **Richard Soper** 

THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* HYMN #591 Rescue the Perishing Verses 1, 3 & 4

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** 

OFFERTORY

Let All Things Now Living Kevin Lamb arr. Llovd Larson

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RESCUE

MESSAGE IN MUSIC Counting My Blessings Holly Lamb Sondra Anderson

MORNING MESSAGE

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LUKE 18:35-42

\* HYMN #338

Where He Leads Me verses 1 & 4

NORRIS

\* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Kevin Lamb

\* Worshipers stand as able

June Memory Verse Now may the Lord of PEACE himself give you PEACE at all times in all ways. The Lord be with all of you. II Thessalonians 3:16

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# June 9 ~ June 13

THANK YOU dearest church family for your generous snacks, supplies, and prayers leading up to our annual Vacation Bible School. Your support and encouragement are so very appreciated. You are a remarkable testimony to God's goodness, always.

We are thrilled to have so many incredible volunteers ready to dive deep with our kiddos to foster their faith formation at Scuba VBS. What a team of true servants have assembled in this awesome opportunity to share God's love with so many children in our community. We see this as holy work advancing the Kin-dom of God in the here and now. We continue to covet your prayers in the week ahead and beyond.

We will kick off this year's VBS with a BIG splash at Neptune Park Fun Zone Pool that we have reserved for Sunday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 pm with pizza, worship, and swimming! For safety, each child will need an adult attending with them at the pool! Lifeguards will be in attendance too! Then, we will gather Monday to Thursday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on our SSUMC campus for Bible adventures, games, music, snacks, sciency-fun, missions and more! Our powerful purpose at the heart of every single activity is helping kids dive deeper into a friendship with our Triune God!

We will explore God using the following lenses: God is a friend who's real. God is a friend who loves. God is a friend we can trust. God is a friend forever. God is a friend for everyone. Using the remarkable Bible stories of Elijah, Jonah, Jesus and his friends, Jesus' resurrection, and Paul and Silas with Lydia, we will experience unforgettable Bible learning through these illustrations. High fives and giggles and FUN also included but of course! Praise be.

#### VBS here we come!

Ceilia Eisentraeger **Family Ministry Director** 

### Honorariums & Memorials

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

Frank Deloach

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF CAROL MEEKS BY: Diane & Jim Bailev

# **Church Council Meeting**

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

This is the regular meeting of the Church Council. No decisions regarding the Way Forward will be made at this meeting for our church. All church members are always welcome to attend!

# **Financial Report**

#### For your convenience you may give online at www.stimonsumc.com June 2, 2024

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$22,427.01 Received YTD | \$596,919.54 Expenses YTD | \$517,262.36 Difference YTD | \$79,657.18 Budgeted Amount YTD | \$548,182.77 Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$16,712.00 Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$274,855.64



# Worship Attendance- June 2, 2024

8:30am : **91** 9:45am : 68 11:00am: 218 Total In Person: 377 Online Worship Views: 468 Sunday School/Small Group: 122

# Members in Ministry- June 9, 2024

#### Ushers:

8:30 Steve Tucker, Richie Sipe, Thornton Willingham

11:00 Mike Fitzgerald, Jeff Parker, Carolyn Williams, Larry Williams Greeters:

- 8:30 Edie Vinson, Sharon Blount
- 9:45 Carol Conner, Laura Weldy
- 11:00 Kari Cooper, Susan Pope, Nancy Jenkins
- **Projection:**
- 8:30 Robin Parmelee
- 9:45 Ashley Swann
- 11:00 Elizabeth Daniel

#### Acolytes:

11:00 Scarlett Kirby & Thomas Giles

# Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals: New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Traci Carmichael, Christina Pinkerton, Cindy Simpson, BJ Whitaker

New Prayer Concerns- Others: Katie Attabury, Jake Cunningham, Diana Giannotti, Family & friends of Beth Humber, Emily Morris, Family & friends of Jeannine Patrick, Beth Ann Perimutter, Claire Saragon, Family and friends of Jackie Simmons, Janet Storch, Family and friends of Tim Smith. Don Woods

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:** Di Bailey, 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, Mary McCreary George, Chris Gonzalez, Kristin Gonzalez, Savannah Gonzalez, Bill Hansen, Elwanda Hopkins, Meredith Houseman, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Jim Jensen, Anne Jones, Kevin Josey, Mitchell Kent, Jacob Kitchen, Rosie Koch, Holly Lamb, Ellie Leroux, John Lindgren, Chris Lorence, Mike Martin, Bob Mastromatteo, Whitney McCarthy, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, 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.

# <u>The Way Forward FAQ</u>

# Are apportioned church funds now used to promote homosexuality?

No. The paragraph prohibiting collecting funds was removed, but no apportionment dollars were budgeted for any group or project promoting LGBTQ causes. General Conference removed a 2019 ban that prohibited collecting funds to

support LGBTQ causes because it was later revealed this included support for an LGBTQ suicide prevention program. Suicide rates are five times higher for LBGTQ children and youth. Investing in suicide prevention of children and youth is something we should affirm regardless of sexual orientation.

# Listening Sessions and Informational Meeting – The Way Forward

There will be several opportunities for you during the month of June to learn more about the Way Forward for our church and for you to take part in the discernment process. On Tuesday, June 18, at 6:00pm and Thursday, June 20, at 11:00am, our lay and clergy leadership will host Listening Sessions. We look forward to hearing from you during these sessions. You will also learn more about the effect the outcomes of General Conference may or may not have on our church. Both sessions will be held in the Sanctuary.

Our District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Scott Hagan, will join us on Wednesday, June 26, 6:00pm, in the Sanctuary, for an informational meeting. He will provide us with reasons for us to stay connected with the UMC as well as details pertaining to the voting process and departure from the UMC, depending on which direction our church chooses. He will also answer questions that have been submitted in writing. You may submit your questions by sending them to **anne@stsimonsumc.com** or by completing a form at the meeting that evening on June 26. Questions that are similar will be combined into a single question.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Both meetings will have a **live stream** link sent you via email. Also, please continue to pray for God's wisdom and direction in your life and in the life of our church.

# Gathering Place Main Event!

Calling all Youth- we are going to meet at Gather in Brunswick each Sunday! Next dates are



#### June 23 -July 21 from 6:00-8:30pm.

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

You may pick up bottles 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!

IT'S HERE !!! This SUNDAY- June 9-13

Sunday, June 9 6:00 - 8:00pm- Neptune Pool (1 adult/child) PIZZA, SWIMMING AND FUN!!!

Monday, June 10 - Thursday, June 13 9:00am - Noon

Please be in prayer for our VBS leaders and students, this week as they will be Swimming and Diving into GOD's Word and be touched by Jesus during this spirit filled week!



Register until Sunday- BRING FRIENDS!!!

#### VBS LOCAL MISSION- Food Drive for Sparrows Nest!

Again at VBS this year we will be helping a local youth Patrick Dunn match the donation of canned goods for Sparrows Nest with his CAN YOU MATCH IT CAMPAIGN! This will be a competition between the boys and girls at VBS! Bring your canned goods this Sunday or through out the week until Thursday!

# **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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# Weekly Calendar

#### Sunday, June 9– SCUBA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!!

- 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
- 6:00 PM Scuba VBS Kickoff, Neptune Pool

#### Monday, June 10

- 9:00 AMScuba VBS, Sanctuary9:00 AMPrayer Team, Parlor5:30 PMChurch Council Meeting, Thorpe Building
- Tuesday, June 11

9:00 AM Scuba VBS, Sanctuary

10:00 AM Men's Life Group, Room 203

#### Wednesday, June 12

9:00 AMScuba VBS, Sanctuary1:15 PMLightkeepers Al-Anon, Room 2035:00 PMHandbell Rehearsal, Handbell Room6:00 PMChancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

#### Thursday, June 13

9:00 AM Scuba VBS, Sanctuary

#### Friday, June 14

10:00 AM	Preschool Fathers Day Celebration, Playground/Gholson (if rain)
11:00 AM	Chair Yoga, <b>Thorpe Building</b>

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