## Weekly Calendar

#### Sunday, November 24

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, November 25

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

#### Tuesday, November 26

10:00 AM Men's Life Group, Room 203 1:00 PM Women's Life, Room 209

#### Wednesday, November 27

Church Office-Closed for Thanksgiving

11:00 AM No- Chair Yoga, **Thorpe Building** 1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203** 

3:00 PM Memorial Service for Ray Colglazier, III, Chapel

#### Thursday, November 28- Happy Thanksgiving!

Church Office-Closed for Thanksgiving

12:00 PM Thanksgiving Lunch, Thorpe Building



#### Friday, November 29

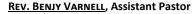
11:00 AM No- Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building





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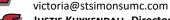
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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD **NOVEMBER 24. 2024** 9:45 AM • CHAPEL GATHERING **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Tom Jones PRAISE AND WORSHIP **Thrive** CCLI #7006228 ©2014 Be Essential Songs God So Loved CCLI #7138599 ©2019 Andrew Bergthold Designee **FELLOWSHIP TIME** Love the Lord CCLI #4572938 ©2005 Integrity's Praise! Music **Build My Life** CCLI #7070345 ©Kaple Music **Prayer Time** Marsha Hendrix MORNING MESSAGE God is Good All the Time 1 Thessalonians 5:14-18 - NLT Rev. Tom Jones INVITATION How Can I Keep From Singing ©2006 sixsteps Music **SENDING FORTH**

# The Worship of God

November 24, 2024 8:30 & 11:00 AM • Sanctuary

GREETING Rev. Tom Jones

PRELUDE As The Deer Sondra Anderson

Arr. Marilyn Hamm

\* HYMN #694 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Verses 1, 2 & 4

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Kevin Lamb

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostle's Creed

\* RESPONSE Gloria Patri

\* FELLOWSHIP TIME Give Thanks

by Henry Smith ©1978 Integrity's Hosanna! Music

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00AM) Victoria Fryer

MORNING PRAYER Tom Jones

THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* HYMN #131 We Gather Together woodlands

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY Kevin Lamb

MESSAGE IN MUSIC Behold Our God Chancel Choir

By Mary McDonald ©2022 Lorenz

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MORNING MESSAGE Rev. Tom Jones

God is Good All the Time

1 Thessalonians 5:14-18 - NLT

\* Invitation #102 Now Thank We All Our God

Verse 1 & 3

Tom Jones

POSTLUDE Kevin Lamb

\* PLEASE STAND AS COMFORTABLE

\* BENEDICTION



## Thanksgiving

What does Thanksgiving mean to you? For most of us it means turkey, dressing, and cranberry sauce; pumpkin pie, parades, and football; and it's the day before "Black Friday." You could more than likely add numerous other descriptions based on your experience of Thanksgiving, but when you cut through the turkey and all the other stuff that makes Thanksgiving Day what it is, Thanksgiving in its purest form simply means a day to be grateful.

At the top of my grateful list is the gift of God's love and grace. Additionally, I am grateful for my wife and family; my church family and the privilege it is to be one of your pastors; the blessing it is to live in this beautiful area of God's world; Georgia Bulldog victories; the person who lets me into traffic whenever I have to turn left out of Sea Palms; and yes, food and football.

Your grateful list, like so many of us, is probably long. Thanksgiving Day reminds us that we have much to celebrate. Beyond the trappings and treasured memories that are a part of this special day of the year, let's remember that it's because of God's love that we, as a people of faith, are able to give thanks in all circumstances and on any day.

Anne and Croft join with me in wishing you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving Day! I pray that your celebration, in whatever form it takes, is filled with the joy that comes out of a grateful heart.

Blessings,

Tom

## Thanksgiving Lunch

Join us for our Annual Thanksgiving Lunch! This meal will be held on Thanksgiving day, Thursday, November 28, at noon in the Thorpe Building. The



church will provide turkey, dressing, gravy and tea. We will ask that those who are attending bring your favorite side dish/casserole or dessert. Please RSVP by calling the church office or registering on Realm, by **Monday, November 25**!

## Thank You for your Faithfulness!

As of November 21, 2024:

Number of Cards Received to date | 162 Number of New Cards this year | 40 Total Amount | \$757,628.00



Commitment cards can still be turned in at your convenience through the rest of 2024 to our church office or in the offering plate. Thank you for your continued dedication and commitment to our church and the ministries and mission of SSUMC!

## Honorariums & Memorials

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF JOHN COLLINS BY:

Bill Hansen

## Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online at <a href="www.stimonsumc.com">www.stimonsumc.com</a> November 17, 2024

thank you

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$22,277.00

Received YTD | \$1,121,422.82 Expenses YTD | \$1,096,305.97 Difference YTD | \$25,116.85

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$1,1143249.89 Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$34,071.00

Maintaining the Mission GTD (given to date) | \$275,250.64

## Worship Attendance- November 17

8:30am : **84** Online Worship Views: **448** 9:45am : **78** Sunday School/Small Group: **126** 

11:00am: **173** Total In Person: **335** 

## Members in Ministry- November 24

#### Ushers

**8:30** Ward Sweat, Chip Higginbotham, Bob Swinehart, Jeff Zoul

**11:00** Clif Pease, Erik Kaufmann, David Paulk, Rick Denman

#### **Greeters:**

**8:30** Pat Carmichael, Barbara Whitney

9:45 Pam & Randall Rehberg

11:00 Sherry Pickett, Nancy Jenkins

#### Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee

**9:45** Carol Conner

**11:00** Neva Kaye

#### **Acolytes:**

11:00 Smith Graffis

## **Prayer Requests**

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Elaine Boothman, Danielle Baird baby birth, Family and friends of John Collins, Laura Johnson and Mary Charles Moulton, Family and friends of Juna Todd

**New Prayer Concerns Non– Members:** Gayle Alston, Joe Cramer, Family & friends of William Fred Graves, Jr., **Maggie Ann Grayson, Ruth Hahn, Marianne Jackson, Ella Jones and her parents, Kristen Merrill,** Keith and Gail Onstead, Family & friends of Jerry Wells

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:** Di Bailey, Ron Bateman, Bob Beane, Thomas Benefield, Jim Bennett, III, Ranny Blount, Sam Bodine, Marcia Boney, Kai Booth, Cindy Bostick, Billy June Boyd, Linda Boyette, Marsha Boyette, Carlotta Budd, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Russell Cohen, Trent Cohen, Cathy Bailey Crumbley, Pat Daniels, Larry Daugherty, Cathy Dowdy, Betsy Draughon, Eddie Echols, Sandy Fitzgerald, Dotsy Fuller, Jim Fuller, Ken Graffis, Mary McCreary George, Julie Haney, Bill Hansen, Elwanda Hopkins, Meredith Houseman, June Humphries, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Kevin Josey, Mitchell Kent, Rosie Koch, Holly Lamb, Gary Leggett, Ellie Leroux, John Lindgren, Chris Lorence, Mike Martin, Jason May & family, Whitney McCarthy, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Priscilla Mercer, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable Proctor, Mary Rentz, Reggie Rogers, Irene Rohan, Nancy Rozier, Bob Scherer, Bonni Smith, Mike Stiles, Carmen Sumpter, Robert Sumpter, Gena Paige Tolleson, Brion Trainor, Rhonda Van View, Dave Vandersall, Mary Vice, Bo Vice, Judy Whelan, Chuck Wilson, Bobbé Wooldridge, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack,

#### Assisted Living Prayer Concerns:

Magnolia Manor: Marjorie Lawrence, Barbara Meadows, Norma Mock

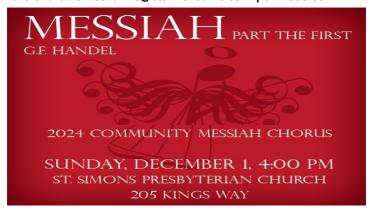
Marsh's Edge Assisted: Judy Clifton, Nancy Reynolds

Vitality: JoAnne Alford

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.

#### **Poinsettias**

Order your poinsettias through Monday, December 16 Help place poinsettias in the Sanctuary to Celebrate the Birth of Christ. They will be placed in the church on Sunday, December 22 and go home after the 11:00am worship service that day! The cost of each poinsettia is \$26. You may designate them in memory of, in honor of a loved one or to the Glory of God. Look for envelopes in the pew racks or contact the Church Office. anne@stsimonsumc.com | 912.638.3317



The Journey Immerse yourself in the true spirit of the season with Compassion Christian Church's biennial event, The Journey, on December 6th. Register in Realm or call the church office. 7 Spots available!

# Rejoice and Be Merry! Join us for a Musical



Celebration of "Rejoice and Be Merry"! We invite you to a heartwarming performance by our talented Chancel Choir and Christmas singers on Sunday, December 8 at 10:30

AM in the sanctuary. Come early to find the perfect seat and experience the joy of this festive and meaningful musical celebration!



Join SSUMC in supporting this fundraising mission by "Ringing the BELL" on Friday, December 13, 2024 at the Winn Dixie on St Simons. Be

a part of something special by giving your time in the community. We need volunteers to cover every hour from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm. Will you and your family (children & pets welcome) be a part of this impactful event? Sign up to "Ring the BELL" today by completing the sign up genius that was emailed out to you or by calling the church office for assistance. Thank you for your support of this vital mission opportunity in our community!

## Plant Hatch Tour- Rescheduled!

Tour Plant Hatch on Thursday, January 23, 2025. Departure at 8:30AM and cost is \$10.00 per person with a Dutch treat lunch. Don't miss this unique opportunity to explore one of Georgia's key energy sites-reserve your spot today.

## Advent Mission: **Giving Trees**



#### Hope 1312 | FaithWorks | Salvation Army

The Advent Missions Challenge is brought to you by our SSUMC Missions Committee. This Season we will support 3 Ministries, each by an individual Christmas Giving Tree. Each tree in the Gholson Room will have either gift ornaments or gift tags representing a need. Please feel free to take as many gift ornaments or gift tags as you would like. Visit the Gholson Room Sunday mornings to find out more and select gift ornaments or gift tags. You can bring your gifts back to the appropriate tree or to the church office.

#### Packing Instructions for each Ministry:

FaithWorks - No packaging needed.

**Hope 1312** - A gift bag or wrapping with the tag attached. Salvation Army - Instructions should be on the tag but if not should be unwrapped but can be put in a gift bag that would show the contents and the tag attached.

All Items should be returned by: Sunday, December 15 Thank you all in advance for your generosity to these local ministries during the Christmas season!

### It's time to Rock the Universe!



Who is ready for two days of nonstop worship and fun? The planning for Rock the Universe is in full

swing and we need YOU to sign up your middle or high schooler! The dates of the trip are Jan 24-26, and the price is roughly \$325. The price can be offset by points earned working in the pumpkin patch, and I have those points totaled. SPACE IS LIMITED-Sign up ASAP!

Signups are located on the desk of the Gohlson Room. More information to come—email justis@stsimonsumc.com I CANNOT WAIT! Justis

## 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





