

The Worship of God

JANUARY 26, 2025

8:30 AM • 11:00 AM SANCTUARY

Prelude Sondra Anderson Music Associate—Pianist

Greeting Rev. Tom Jones

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Senior Pastor

Verses 1, 2, 3 & 4

* Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed

* Response Gloria Patri

* Fellowship Chorus Kum Ba Yah Verses 1, 2 & 4

Children's Message (11:00 AM) Victoria Fryer

Director of Children's Ministries

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Morning Prayer Rev. Jay Hodges (8:30)

Rev. Ron Flowers (11:00)

The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn #57

Hymn #397 I Need Thee Every Hour NEED

Verses 1, 3, 4 & 5

Offertory Prayer Tom Jones

Offertory Kevin Lamb Director of Music Ministries

* Response #95

How Great Thou Art Chancel Choir Message in Music

DOXOLOGY

Morning Message Rev. Tom Jones

I've Got One Question

Job 23:1-7 NLT

* Invitation #474 Precious Lord, PRECIOUS LORD

Take My Hand Verses 1 & 2

* Benediction Tom Jones

Postlude

*Worshippers, please stand as comfortable



Genesis, Job - What Happened?

Last Sunday I heard from some who were surprised that when they had finished reading in Genesis they found they were in the book of Job. What happened to Exodus?

Exodus is coming, but what we have discovered this week is that reading the Bible in chronological order will take you in different directions. Job after Genesis is a perfect example of the fresh approach to exploring the Bible chronologically. There are certain to be more surprises along the way as the scriptures line up in the order they were written and in sequence with when particular events happened.

The following is a statement that provides you with an opportunity to exercise your mind. Hidden within the statement are the names of 16 books in the Bible. See if you can find them. I'll provide the answers in next week's worship guide.

Maybe it is just a fluke, but there are sixteen books of the Bible included in these remarks. For some it will keep them looking so hard for the facts. For others, each sentence will include a revelation. Some found themselves in a jam, especially since the names of the books are not capitalized, but the truth finally struck home to numbers of readers. To others it was a real job. My hope was to make this a most enjoyable exercise. Yes, there will be some easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will admit it usually takes a Bible scholar to find one of them, and there may be loud lamentations when it is found. One person said she brews a cup of tea so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax and enjoy the experience. There really are sixteen names of books in the Bible in this statement.

There you have it. Good luck! And keep reading - Exodus is up next! Blessings,

Tom

Weekly Bible Reading Highlights - January 12th - 18th

What did you highlight in your Bible last week? A few of the verses that stood out for Tom were:

Genesis 32:28 – "Your name will no longer be called Jacob. From now on you will be Israel."

Genesis 35:11 – Then God said, "I am El-Shaddai – God Almighty. Be fruitful and multiply. You will become a great nation, even many nations."

Genesis 37:3 – Jacob loved Jospeh more than any of his other children because Joseph had been born to him in his old age.

Genesis 37:28 – So when the Ishmaelites came by Joseph's brothers pulled him out of the cistern and sold him for twenty pieces of silver. And the traders took him to Egypt.

Genesis 41:39-41 – Pharoah said to Joseph, "Since God has revealed the meaning of the dreams to you, clearly no one else is as intelligent or as wise as you. I hereby put you in charge of the entire land of Egypt."

Genesis 45:3-4 – "I am Joseph!" he said to his brothers. They were stunned to realize that Joseph was standing there in front of them. "Please come closer." So, they came closer. "I am Joseph, your brother, whom you sold into slavery in Egypt."

Genesis 50:19- 20 – "Don't be afraid of me. Am I God, that I can punish you? You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people."

Keep reading!

Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online at <u>www.stimonsumc.com</u>
January 19, 2025

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Tithes & Offerings Received | \$23,312.00

Received YTD | \$63,286.10 Expenses YTD | \$30,359.73

Difference YTD | \$32,926.37 Budgeted Amount YTD | \$68,168.45

Building Maintenance Fund YTD | \$61.00

Maintaining the Mission (Given To Date) | \$284,640.35

Attendance

January 19, 2025

8:30AM Worship Service: **67**9:45 AM Worship Service: **125**Online Worship Views: **489**Sunday School/Small Group: **112**

11:00PM Worship Service: **206** Total In Person Worship: **398**

Members in Ministry~ January 26, 2025

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: Jackie Brand, Joan Harris, J. Wayne Land, **Belinda Ray**, **Barbara Whitney**

New Prayer Concerns Non— Members: Family & friends of Mary Dobbs, Matthew, Lee Neel, The Nordberg Family, Krissy O'Conner, Scott, Family & friends of Connie & Robin Saul, Darnell Shadburn, Mary Russel Toole, Audrey Wood

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, 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, Barbara & Bob Golding, Mary McCreary George, Ken Graffis, Julie Haney, Bill Hansen, Elwanda Hopkins, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Kevin Josey, Mitchell Kent, Rosie Koch, Holly Lamb, Jimmy Langford, Gary Leggett, Ellie Leroux, Chris Lorence, James McBride, Whitney McCarthy, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Mike McMillan, Nathan Meadows, Priscilla Mercer, Mega & Blake Moore, Neil Mullis, Spence Mullis, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Ann Pickard, Dick Pipe, Mable Proctor, Mary Rentz, Reggie Rogers, Irene Rohan, Bob Scherer, Bonni Smith, Carmen Sumpter, Robert Sumpter, 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.





Wednesday Night Dinner - January 29

Join us for our next Wednesday Night Dinner! The menu is: Baked Tacos, Cilantro Lime Rice, Kicked Up Refried Beans and Dessert. This is a great opportunity to connect with others in our church community, and come together for fun and fellowship with a nice, warm meal! Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-12. Children 5 and under eat for free. PLEASE register by calling the Church office, clicking the QR code or through Realm no later than noon on Monday, to guarantee your reservation! We hope to see you there!

The Chosen, Season 4

Join us Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm, in the chapel. The group is facilitated by Jeff Zoul. For more information contact Jeff at jeffzoul@gmail.com

Welcome our Bishop-Robin Dease

Join us for a Gathering with Bishop Dease-Sunday, January 26 Meet and welcome Bishop Robin Dease - our new episcopal leader in the South Georgia Annual Conference! We will gather for an informal meet-and-greet event on Sunday, January 26, from 3:00-5:00 PM at Garden City United Methodist Church (62 Varnedoe Ave, Garden City, GA 31408). Lots of goodies will be served, and there will be activities for kids. Clergy and laity are invited to join the fun! We hope to see you there! RSVP is appreciated but not required at https://sgaumc-reg.brtapp.com/GatheringwithBishopDease.

An Evening with Michael Hulett

Join us on Thursday, February 20 at 6:00pm and enjoy a fun evening of music with the talented Michael Hulett! A delicious dinner will be served, and who knows... there might even be some dancing! The event will begin at 6:00pm in



the Thorpe building, cost is \$20.00. Join us for a night of fun! Sign up in Realm or call the church office!

Save the Date for Serve Saturday

Saturday, March 8, 2025—is our 3rd annual Serve Saturday!

Join us on Saturday, March 8, volunteers will meet at the church at 8:00am for breakfast, and a devotional. At 8:45am we will depart to local organizations to lend a hand and serve. We hope you will join us and save the date on your calendar for this meaningful day of service in our



community! More information on the organizations and how to sign up and serve will be sent out soon!



Wednesday Evenings Kid's Choir!

Kid's Choir has kicked off! Its not too late to join us at **4:30 pm** with singing, drama, and instruments as we teach kids to worship

and lead others in worship.

Note: Afterschool pickup will not be available this semester, so please plan to bring your child.

After choir, stay for **Family Dinner** and enjoy time together. We can't wait to see your kids making joyful noise!

Congratulations!

We're thrilled to announce the arrival of Lucas Graham Montufar, born on Thursday, January 16, 2025. He weighed 7 lbs 10 oz and measured 20 /14 inches long. Join us in celebrating with his parents, Morgan and Giancarlo Montufar, his older siblings, his grandparents, Judy and JR Wright. We thank God for the precious gift of new life!

Deepest Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Kim Adams whose mother, Mary Dobbs, passed away on December 27, 2024. There will be a memorial service at a later date in Gainesville, Georgia.

Memorials

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF JIM CANTER TO YOUTH

MINISTRY BY: ANNE& LARRY ROGERS

A GIFT HAS BEEN GIVEN IN MEMORY OF FRANCIS FLEXER TO

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY BY: ANNE & LARRY ROGERS

Guest Information

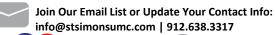
- First time guests please fill out the yellow, "Welcome Card" located in your pew. Please drop in the offering plate or bring to the Welcome Desk to receive a gift!
- Restrooms are located through the exit doors nearest the altar to your right or left.
- Sunday School for children & adults meets at 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







Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 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, January 27

9:00 AM Prayer Team, Parlor11:00 AM Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building

Tuesday, January 28

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

5:00 PM Outreach Committee Meeting, Room 203

Wednesday, January 29

11:00 AM Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, Room 203
4:30 PM Children's Choir, Choir Room

5:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinner, Thorpe Building

6:00 PM Chancel Choir, **Choir Room** 6:00 PM "The Chosen", **Chapel**

Thursday, January 30

8:30 AM Plant Hatch Tour SAM Trip, Depart for Baxley, GA

Friday, January 24

11:00 AM Chair Yoga, Thorpe Building

3:30 PM Chorale Workshop, Choir Room, Sanctuary & Thorpe Bldg.

Saturday, January 25

9:00 AM Chorale Workshop, Choir Room, Sanctuary & Thorpe Bldg.

3:30 PM Chorale Workshop Concert, Sanctuary



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I've Got One Question

Job 23:1-7 NIT



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The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently.

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