

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, July 26

8:30 AM Nursery for Newborn- 4 yrs., **8:30-12:00**
8:30 AM The Class- Sunday school, **Room 202**
8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary**
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**

Monday, July 27

9:00 AM Prayer Team, **Parlor**
11:00 AM Chair Yoga \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**

Tuesday, July 28

9:30 PM Staff Meeting, **Youth Room**
10:00 AM Men's Life, **Room 203**

Wednesday, July 22

11:00 AM Chair Yoga \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**
1:15 PM Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**

Friday, July 24

11:00 AM Chair Yoga \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**

Morning Star Mission Moment

If you would like to learn more about how you can support Morningstar Children & Family Services following our Mission Moment on **Sunday, July 19**, we encourage you to visit their "You Can Help" page. There you'll find a variety of ways to get involved through volunteering, donations, wish lists, and other opportunities to make a difference in the lives of children and families in our community.

Visit: morningstarcfs.org/you-can-help

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WELCOME



*Where Love is Unconditional,
Service is Celebrated Enthusiastically, &
The Mission of Christ is Advanced Consistently.*

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church



St. Simons
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Chapel • 9:45 AM

WELCOME

CENTERING

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Holly Lamb, Contemporary Worship Leader

We Welcome You

CCLI # 134016
© 1987 Mercy / Vineyard

FELLOWSHIP TIME

Hallelujah

CCLI # 3091812
© 2000 Vineyard Songs

Only Jesus

CCLI # 7117580
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PRAYER TIME

Give Me Your Eyes

CCLI # 5359222
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TODAYS MESSAGE

The Mission of Christ- GO

Acts 1:8

Rev. David Blackwood

INVITATION

Touching Heaven Changing Earth

CCLI # 2317779
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BENEDICTION

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Sanctuary • 8:30 & 11:00 AM

PRELUDE

Kevin Lamb
Director of Music Ministries

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. David Blackwood
Senior Pastor

* HYMN OF PRAISE #568

***Christ for the
World We Sing***
Verses 1, 2 & 4

BEACH SPRING

* FELLOWSHIP TIME

* FELLOWSHIP SONG

***I Sing Praises
to Your Name***

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KID'S MESSAGE

Victoria Fryer
Director of Children's Ministry

MORNING PRAYER

Rev. Benjy Varnell
Assistant Pastor

THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #569

***We've a Story to
Tell to the Nations***
Verses 1, 2 & 4

MESSAGE

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Benjy Varnell

OFFERTORY

Sondra Anderson
Music Associate—Pianist

* RESPONSE #95

Doxology

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

Holy Is He

Chancel Choir
Arr. David Clydesdale

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. David Blackwood

The Mission of Christ- GO
Acts 1:8

* INVITATION #572

Pass It On

PASS IT ON

* BENEDICTION

David Blackwood

POSTLUDE

Sondra Anderson



For Hearing Assist— Please see an usher.

Advancing the Mission of Christ

I can hardly believe that this Sunday will be our fourth Sunday together! It will also mark the conclusion of my first sermon series at St. Simons UMC. Over the past few weeks, we have been exploring our church's mission statement, and this Sunday we will focus on what it means to see **"the mission of Christ advanced consistently."**

At the heart of advancing Christ's mission is the call to **go**. Jesus never intended for the Church to remain within its walls. He sends us into our neighborhoods, workplaces, schools, and communities—and even to the ends of the earth—to be His hands and feet. We are called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, reflecting Christ through lives marked by the fruit of the Spirit. When others see that hope, love, joy, peace, and kindness in us, they should be drawn to ask about the hope we have in Christ.

Living on mission also means caring for the needs of those around us. We cannot turn a blind eye to hunger, violence, economic hardship, or injustice. Instead, we are called to respond with both the truth of the Gospel and tangible acts of compassion, serving others in the name of Jesus.

I hope you'll join me this Sunday at one of our three worship services as we conclude this series and consider how God is calling each of us to participate in advancing the mission of Christ.

~ David

Birth Announcement!

"Children are a gift from God." Psalm 127:3

With joy and celebration, we announce the birth of
Fields Strickland Fogle!

He was born on Saturday, July 17, 2026. He weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 21 inches long.

We rejoice with the Fogle & Robinson family, including proud parents Madden & Davis Fogle; grandparents Jennifer and Stan Robinson; uncle John Porter & aunts Stiles and Harlow Robinson and many great aunts and uncles.

Please join us in congratulating the Fogle & Robinson family!

CHRISTMAS

Choir Kickoff

DINNER & CANTATA PREVIEW

Let's come together to celebrate the season, preview our cantata, and kick off a joyful Christmas journey!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5TH

**DINNER**
5:30 PM

**SINGING BEGINS**
6:15 PM

**THORPE BUILDING**

REGISTER FOR ATTENDANCE

Your voice makes Christmas come alive!

THIS IS FOR SINGERS ONLY!

Financial Report

For your convenience you may give online at www.stsimonsumc.com

July 19, 2026

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$18,102.34

Received YTD | \$697,149.68

Expenses YTD | \$713,914.44

Difference YTD | -\$16,764.76

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$737,076.95

Trustees Maintenance Fund YTD | \$25,945.00

thank you

Attendance

July 19, 2026

8:30AM Worship Service: **92**

Worship Views Online: **331**

9:45AM Worship Service: **66**

Sunday School/Small Group: **120**

11:00AM Worship Service: **208**

Total In Person Worship: **366**

Members in Ministry~ July 26, 2026

Ushers:

8:30 Chip Higginbotham, Jeff Zoul, Bob Swinehart, Helene Magee

11:00 Rick Denman, Erik Kaufmann, Clif Pease, Rabun Matthews

Greeters:

8:30 Pam Lewis, Lesley Gonzalez

9:45 Pam & Randall Rehberg

11:00 Sydonna & Lou Harden, Pam Brand

Projection:

8:30 Kim Howe

9:45 Carol Conner

11:00 Richard Hart

Acolytes:

9:45 Atlas Zettler

11:00 Savannah & Natalie Smith

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Adelaide Beall, Ray Colglazier, Claire Kase, Linda May, Robert May, Haley Southall

New Prayer Concerns Non-Members: Cheryl Adams, Jane Bangert, Chuck Belcher, Barton Bowers, Melissa Brumbelow, Laura Chastain, Watt Gregory, Audrey Pipe, Phyllis Poteete, Janis Rodriguez, Alice Smith, Maxwell Smith

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Di Bailey, Ron Bateman, Dianne Beisel, Jim Bennett III, Sam Bodine, Kai Booth, Cindy Bostick, Carlotta Budd, Trudy Budd, Beth Carey, Vicki Certain, Russell Cohen, Cathy Bailey Crumbley, Pat Daniels, Betsy Draughon, Brenda Fields, Geoff Fields, Sandy Fitzgerald, Butch Frye, Dotsy Fuller, Mary McCreary George, Barbara Golding, Jennifer & Tom Higdom, Elwanda Hopkins, Tom Humphries, Barbara Jensen, Holly Lamb, Ellie Leroux, Randy Little, Chris Lorence, James McBride, Mike McDonald, Ed McKenzie, Nathan Meadows, Kristen Merrill, Kirk Nowery, Randy Payne, Ann Pickard, Mary Rentz, Dawn Roberts, Anne Rogers, Irene Rohan, Jo Ann Segars, Bob Scherer, Bonni Smith, Brion Trainor, Betty Tomlin, Rhonda Van View, Dave Vandersall, Mary & Bo Vice, Holly & Bill Wagner, Judy Whelan, Benjamin Wiggins, Chuck Wilson, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack

Missionaries & Christians in Middle East and abroad

Royal Family Kids Camp

Assisted Living Prayer Concerns:

Heritage Oaks: Jackie Brand, Marjorie Lawrence, Norma Mock, Mel Rozier

Marsh's Edge: Nancy Reynolds, Ellen Thrift

Sears Manor: Joan Harris

Vitality: Judy Clifton

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.

End of Summer POOL Party!

Join us for a Church Wide Pool Party at Neptune pool to celebrate the end of summer! **Saturday,**

August 8 from 6:00-8:00PM. Drinks and Pizza will be provided! Bring your family, neighbors and friends!!



End of Summer Church Wide Family Pool Party!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8
6-8 AT NEPTUNE POOL



Join us July Jewels ❁

We are organizing our annual Dutch Treat lunch and birthday celebration at Sweet Mama's on Wednesday, July 29 at 11:00 am.

Please RSVP to Cyndy Franklin 404-388-7137 no later than 7/27!

Blessing of the Backpacks!

Bring your backpack on Sunday, August 9 to our morning worship services at 9:45 & 11:00 as we pray for our students & teachers returning to school this year!



Sparrows Nest-Collection

Thank you for those who bring food for Sparrows Nest for our first Sunday collection. Our most needed items right now are: Canned protein (chicken, tuna, vienna sausage), Soup & Chili, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Rice (Plain or Flavored), Potatoes (canned or mashed), Kid's canned pasta (ravioli, spaghetti, etc), Ramen Noodles, Oatmeal & Grit Packets, Baked Beans or Pork N Beans, Kid Snacks, Toilet Paper, Bath Soap, Cat Food, Feminine products

WE NEED BAGS... Please continue to save and bring your plastic and paper bags for our repurposing.

Thank you also to the volunteers who deliver the food and help at Sparrows Nest.



Welcome to our New Members!

Welcome to our newest members who joined **Sunday, July 19, 2026.**

- **Bertie and Jerry Edwards**

They joined by UMC transfer. Please join us in welcoming the Edwards to our SSUMC church family!

Honorariums & Memorials

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF GERRY MCKENZIE EGGER BY:

Betty Oliver & Robert Fischer

A GIFT WAS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF BUZZY PICKREN BY:

Betty Oliver & Robert Fischer

YOUTH KICK-OFF

AUG. 2ND

WHERE AND WHEN?

**5:00-6:30
IN THE
THORPE BUILDING**

WHO SHOULD COME?

**MIDDLE SCHOOLERS,
HIGH SCHOOLERS,
AND PARENTS**

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- **SUPPER**
- **HEAR FROM BILL ABOUT THIS YEAR'S VISION AND PLANS**
- **SHARE YOUR IDEAS FOR THE MINISTRY**

PLEASE RSVP SO WE KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE TO COOK FOR.
YOUNGER SIBLINGS ALSO WELCOME.

Join us August 2, youth, parents and anyone else interested in the youth ministry are invited to the Thorpe Building at 5:00PM to Kick Off the SSUMC Youth Ministry for the school year. We will share a meal together and then hear about the plans and vision of what the ministry will entail for the 2026-2027 school year! There will also be a time for attendees to share what they would like to see happen in the lives of our teenagers. If you would like to attend, please contact Bill so that we know how many people plan to attend and for dinner preparation. Email bill@stsimonsumc.com or text Bill at 803-673-7860 for more info!

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.
- 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.

Join the Church

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

Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ, Transfer from another United Methodist congregation or Transfer from another denomination

If you are interested in more information about becoming a member contact Rev. David Blackwood at david@stsimonsumc.com |

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