

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 20

- 8:30 am The Class- Sunday school, **Room 202**
- 8:30 am Traditional Worship Service, **Sanctuary**
- 9:30 am Nursery for Newborn- 4 yrs., **9:30-12:00**
- 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**
- 12:00 pm UWF General Meeting, **Thorpe Building**
- 5:00 pm Youth Group Hangout & Dinner, **Thorpe Building**

Monday, September 21

- 9:00 am Prayer Team, **Parlor**
- 11:00 am Chair Yoga \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**
- 4:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting, **Parlor**
- 5:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting, **Room 203**
- 5:45 pm Church Council Meeting, **Thorpe Building**

Tuesday, September 22

- 6:00 am Men's Bible Study, **Thorpe Building**
- 10:00 am Men's Life, **Room 203**
- 1:00 pm Women's Life Group, **Room 203**
- 6:30 pm Boy Scouts, **Thorpe Building**

Wednesday, September 23

- 9:30 am MOMS Walking Group, **Thorpe Building**
- 11:00 am Chair Yoga \$5.00, **Thorpe Building**
- 1:15 pm Lightkeepers Al-Anon, **Room 203**
- 6:00 pm Half Truths Bible Study, **Thorpe Building**
- 6:00 pm Seamless- Women's Study, **Room 201**
- 6:00 pm Chancel Choir, **Choir Room**

Thursday, September 24

- 10:00 am Half Truths Bible Study, **Thorpe Building**
- 12:00 pm Saints & Sinners Luncheon, **Thorpe Building**

Friday, September 25

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

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WELCOME

September 20, 2026



ST. SIMONS
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*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

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Friend Of God

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FELLOWSHIP TIME

Made To Worship

CCLI # 74794118
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PRAYER TIME

TODAYS MESSAGE

Gifts, Service and Witness

1 Peter 4:10-11
Rev. Tab Miller

Lord Reign In Me

CCLI #2490706
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BENEDICTION

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Sanctuary • 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

PRELUDE

Dr. Emri Comer
Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. David Blackwood
Senior Pastor

* HYMN OF PRAISE #577 *God of Grace
and God of Glory*

CWM RHONDDA

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES CREED

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

JACK HENRY MORRISON
ELLA KATE WESTOVER

* FELLOWSHIP TIME

* FELLOWSHIP SONG *On Eagle's Wings*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00 AM)

Victoria Fryer
Director of Children Ministry

MORNING PRAYER

David Blackwood

THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN #408 *Gift of Love*

GIFT OF LOVE

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Here I Am, Lord*

Chancel Choir

MORNING MESSAGE

Gifts, Service and Witness

1 Peter 4:10-11
Rev. David Blackwood

* INVITATION #399 *Take My Life,
and Let It Be*

* BENEDICTION

David Blackwood

POSTLUDE

* Stand As Able



For Hearing Assist- Please see an usher.

Gifts, Service, and Witness

This Sunday, we continue our stewardship series by reflecting on three of the promises we make as members of The United Methodist Church: **gifts, service, and witness**.

When we think about stewardship, it is easy to focus primarily on our financial gifts. But our membership vows remind us that stewardship is about much more than money. God has given each of us gifts, abilities, time, and opportunities—and we are called to use what we have been given for the sake of Christ and his church.

Our gifts matter. Our service matters. Our witness matters.

Service, in particular, gives us an opportunity to put our faith into action. Sometimes service happens in very visible ways, and sometimes it is simply showing up, lending a hand, welcoming someone, or doing a task that needs to be done. Whatever form it takes, Christian service is one of the ways we demonstrate God's love to one another and to our community.

We have several opportunities coming up to put these commitments into practice. On **October 3**, we will need help unloading pumpkins as we get ready for the pumpkin patch. Throughout **October**, there will be opportunities to work in the pumpkin patch and welcome people from our community. And on **October 18**, we will gather for **Rise Against Hunger**, joining together to help provide meals for people around the world.

These aren't simply events on the church calendar. They are opportunities to live out the promises we have made as followers of Jesus.

You may have a particular gift that God has given you. You may have time to offer. You may have a willingness to serve. And every one of us has a story of faith that can become a witness to God's grace.

As we consider **gifts, service, and witness** this Sunday, I hope we will ask ourselves not simply, *"What does the church need from me?"* but *"What has God given me, and how can I use it to bless others?"*

When we offer our gifts, serve our neighbors, and share the good news of Christ through our words and our lives, we become the church God has called us to be.

Blessings,
Pastor David



Pumpkins are Coming to the Patch! **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Pumpkin Patch season is almost here! Important dates to know!

• **ALL Parent & Kids SIGN UPS and Patch SET UP meeting on Sunday, September 27 at 5:00 pm!**

• The pumpkins are scheduled to arrive at the church on **Saturday, October 3!** Wear your work clothes and gloves!

We need volunteers to help unload, set up, and spread the word, so bring your family and friends to join in!

We are also looking for volunteers to help with school field trips in the patch throughout the season. If you're interested in assisting, please contact Bill directly and he will provide more details. Contact Bill for more info at bill@stsimonsumc.com

Financial Report

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

September 13, 2026

Tithes & Offerings Received | \$14,851.00

Received YTD | \$881,149.76

Expenses YTD | \$890,629.68

Difference YTD | -\$9,479.92

Budgeted Amount YTD | \$939,982.84

Trustees Maintenance Fund YTD | \$29,075.00

thank you

Attendance

September 13, 2026

8:30AM Worship Service: **76**

Worship Views Online: **359**

9:45AM Worship Service: **75**

Sunday School/Small Group: **142**

11:00AM Worship Service: **215**

Total In Person Worship: **366**

Members in Ministry~ September 20

Ushers:

8:30 Bill Foster, Joy Coleman, Elden Carmichael, Mike Presley, Martha Dixon

11:00 Dona Colglazier, Zdenek Kuja, Steve Smith, John Rentz, Buddy Brand

Greeters:

8:30 Susan Watkins, Barbara Foster

9:45 Toni Metz, Ava White

11:00 Sherry Pickett, Edie Payne

Projection:

8:30 Robin Parmelee

9:45 Jessica Zettler

11:00 Elizabeth Daniel

Acolytes:

9:45 Savannah & Natalie Smith

11:00 Lore Eisentraeger, Vaughn Carroll

Prayer Requests

Please take time this week and pray for these individuals:

New Prayer Concerns - Church Members: Dylan Brandon, Becky Bridges, Robert Carroll, Bill Hansen, Sally Tinsley, Larry Rogers & Family

New Prayer Concerns Non-Members: Linda Allen, Terri Archimbaum, Family & friends of Jeanie Bartee, Noah & Nikki Coverstone, Mike Crews, Family & friends of Jake Cunningham, Brooks Harvey, Brian Holmes, Dustin Horne & his wife, Rick Maples, Addy Martin, Don Ray

Ongoing Prayer Concerns: Di Bailey, 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 Draughton, Brenda Fields, Geoff Fields, Sandy Fitzgerald, Butch Frye, Dotsy Fuller, Mary McCreary George, Barbara Golding, Sara, Jeff & Juniper Heath, 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, 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, Sarah and Hannah Wood, Hollis Youngner, Beverly Zeller, Emmie Zwack

Assisted Living Prayer Concerns:

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

Marsh's Edge: Linda May, Ann Pickard, 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.

Wednesday Night Dinner!

October 7, 2026

• Menu: Grandy's Chicken Tetrazzini, Rolls, Tossed Salad, Steamed Broccoli, and dessert!

Take a midweek break and enjoy a delicious meal with us.

The cost is \$12.00 per person children 3 and under eat for free! Sign up on Realm, call the church. We need your reservation by **Monday, October 5.**

We can't wait to see you there!



United Women in Faith- General Meeting

Today, we will have our annual general meeting and luncheon in the Thorpe Building immediately following the 11:00 am service. Our guest speaker will be our very own and very new Jessica Blackwood! If you are not a member of a UWF circle you are welcome to join us!



Saints & Sinners Luncheon

Senior Adult Ministries invites you to join us for our luncheon on **Thursday, September 24, 12-1 pm**

Bring a dish to share and enjoy a wonderful lunch, warm fellowship, and an inspiring program presented by Debbie Craig, a local and well-known potter and a dear friend to many in our church.

For our program, Debbie will bring her electric potter's wheel and give a demonstration of wheel-thrown pottery. She will also share samples of her work and talk about the role of creativity in our lives.

Come enjoy good food, fellowship, and a fascinating look at the art of pottery. We hope you'll join us! Register on Realm or by calling the church office.

MAP—Missions Connect

Join **MAP International** for a behind-the-scenes experience where you'll discover the people, partnerships, and processes that make the "Supply Chain of Hope" possible.

Tuesday, September 29, 2026

8:30 AM-2:30 PM

MAP International Headquarters

4700 Glynn Parkway | Brunswick, GA

Missions Connect includes:

- A behind-the-scenes look at the Global Distribution Center
- The journey of donated medicine from warehouse to patient
- Stories of impact around the world and right here at home
- An opportunity to learn how churches can engage through prayer, volunteering, advocacy, and giving
- [Register at maporg.jotform.com/261803389420053](https://maporg.jotform.com/261803389420053)



SSUMC CHILDREN'S MUSIC & SUNDAY MINISTRY

LAUNCHING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026!

8:30 AM

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

SANCTUARY

NO NURSERY
NO CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

9:45 AM

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

CHAPEL

NURSERY AVAILABLE
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

11:00 AM

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

SANCTUARY

CHILDREN WORSHIP WITH FAMILIES
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
~11:20 AM: DISMISSED TO CHILDREN'S MUSIC & WORSHIP

KIDS GROW FAITH & MUSIC!

CHILDREN'S MUSIC & WORSHIP INCLUDES:

CHOIR

WORSHIP MUSIC

MUSIC FUNDAMENTALS

BIBLE CONNECTION

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

PROGRAM CONCLUDES ~12:00 PM



Rise Against Hunger

Help Us Pack 20,000 Meals for Rise Against Hunger!

Sunday, October 18, 12:00 PM
First Baptist Church – SSI

Lunch will be provided by First Baptist Church!

Join our church family, First Baptist Church, and St. Simons Presbyterian Church as we come together to pack 20,000 meals and make a meaningful difference in the lives of people around the world.

Everyone is welcome! This is a wonderful opportunity for the whole family. Bring your children, grandchildren, friends, and neighbors and help us reach our goal!

Come Pack a Meal. Make a Difference. Change Lives!

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 music & activities 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 **678.787.0331**