

Welcome to Golden Isles Presbyterian Church!

Golden Isles is a church that is resolved, as the Apostle Paul said, to know nothing but Jesus Christ and Him crucified. What we mean by that is that we are a community that is seeking to discover more of just how amazing the love of God is, as we see it in the Gospel. We long to be a congregation of people in awe of the love of God, who then take the Good News of that love to the world around us.

We are glad you are here, and we hope that you will find that there is a place for you at Golden Isles as we worship Christ together.

For those of you with young children we offer Children's Church – children meet their teacher at the back of the room, during the Offering. Children will be brought back immediately following the service. A nursery is available, which can be found to your left as you exit the sanctuary.

If you are visiting today, please introduce yourself to us by filling in a Visitor Information Card, which you should find in the bulletin. These cards simply help us to know who you are, and how we can best serve you.

**TRUE TO THE BIBLE, THE REFORMED FAITH,
AND OBEDIENT TO THE GREAT COMMISSION.**

*those who are able,
please stand.

The Lord's Day Morning Worship & Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

August 7, 2011 • 10:30 a.m.

Gather in silent meditation:

"Thanks be to God! He gives the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ."

— I Corinthians 15:57

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Interlude

*Call to Worship

Philippians 2:9,10

"God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

*Hymn of Adoration, "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

No. 295

*Prayer of Invocation

The Invocation
is to acknowledge
that our worship
is in vain if it is not
Spirit-inspired.

• THIS WEEK'S EVENTS •

Wednesday, August 10	6:00 p.m. B & G Committee Meeting —at GIPC
Thursday, August 11	6:30 p.m. CE Committee Meeting —Huddleston home
Sunday, August 14	9:30 a.m. Sunday School —New study begins: "Galatians" 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship —Mark: A Confrontation with Christ 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship —Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration

• SERVING TOGETHER * •

	August 7	August 14
Greeters (10:15-10:35 a.m., Main Entrance)	Jerry & Betty Harrell	
Ushers (10:15-11:40 a.m.)	Jerry Harrell	
Nursery—0-3 yrs. (<u>AM</u> Worship, 10:20-11:40 a.m.)		Sara Brown
Nursery—0-3 yrs. (<u>PM</u> Worship, 5:50-7:00 p.m.)		
Children's Church—4-5 yrs. (Kindergarten Room—during the sermon portion of Morning Worship)	Betty Young-Smith	Connie Reed
Hospice Meal: On the 2nd Thursday of each month a meal for four people is prepared and delivered to the <i>Hospice of the Golden Isles</i> . A volunteer from Hospice then takes the meal to a family whose loved one is being cared for at home. (If you have questions, please contact Betty Harrell.)		

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*Volunteers are needed!
The ministry sign-up board is
located at the back of
the sanctuary.
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Missed a Sunday?

Sermons, weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters
are available online at: www.gipc-pca.org
(Click on the Resources tab.)

· GOLDEN ISLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ·

Church Staff

Senior Minister
TE Alexander S. Brown
Administrative Assistant
to the Pastor
Dorothy Garvin

Elders

TE Brannon Bowman (Pastor, Grace Church of the Islands, Savannah)
RE Gary McArthur (First Presbyterian Church, Pooler)
RE Dan Reed (Golden Isles Presbyterian Church, St. Simons Island)
TE Brad Waller (Associate Pastor, Independent Presbyterian Church, Savannah)
(TE Teaching Elder; RE Ruling Elder)



Adult Sunday School— Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Our current series, "Christianity Explored," concludes this week. A new study on the book of Galatians will begin next week, August 14th. Led by Mr. Alexander Brown.

Bible Reading Plan

Bible place-keeper cutouts, based on Robert Murray McCheyne's calendar for daily readings, are available in the GIPC Connection monthly newsletter. This system will take you through the Bible in one year, the Psalms and New Testament twice. Copies of the newsletter are available online (www.gipc-pca.org) or in the foyer.



Fighter Verses

Fighter Verses are short passages of Scripture selected to equip the believer in the fight of faith. Weekly Verse cut-outs are available in the monthly edition of the GIPC Connection.

World Missions/Faith Promise Financial Update

GIPC uses the 'Faith Promise' method of giving in order to financially support a number of families involved in U.S. and foreign-based mission work. The Faith Promise funds are maintained as a separate account from tithes and offerings ("General Fund"); all such gifts should be designated for "Faith Promise."

- Annual Faith Promise commitments are made during the **Missions Conference** in November; this year's conference is scheduled for **November 11-13, 2011**.
- Missionary Newsletters are available in the church foyer. Please use these to provide what missionaries say they need the most—*prayer support*.

2011 Faith Promise Commitments: \$30,980—what we are trusting God to provide.

FP Balance YTD through July 31st: \$16,883, or 54%

General Fund Financial Update—YTD through July 31, 2011:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Income:	\$ 99,610	\$ 92,200
Expense:	\$ 97,636	\$100,730

***Confession of Our Faith** (unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell[†].

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church[‡],
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

***The Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'n-ly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

As we recite this
3rd-4th century
Christian creed,
we join our voices
with centuries of
Christians who have
gone before us.

[†]the place of the dead

[‡]the universal church

We read through whole books of the Bible so that we see the whole sweep of Redemptive History as it unfolds throughout Scripture.

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 10
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 1006)

Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon is what allows us to be boldly honest about our condition. Without the context of grace, we would be miserably despairing in our confessions.

Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 2:13, 14

“And you, who were dead in your trespasses. . . God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross.”

***Hymn of Assurance, “Man of Sorrows! What a Name”**

No. 246

Prayer of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan

Worshipping the Lord with His Tithes and Our Offerings

Children ages four and five are dismissed to the Kindergarten Room for Children’s Church. The teacher will meet them at the back of the sanctuary.

Additional information may be found at:
www.persecution.com

Sermon, “Peace in Sorrow”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Part 15 of a series on the book of Jeremiah:

“Judgment and Restoration”

Text: Jeremiah 11:18-12:17

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 640

***Hymn of Response, “Like a River Glorious”**

No. 699

***Benediction**

We recite the Law of God together to remind ourselves of who our Father is, and what He requires of His children. As Christians we do not believe that we earn anything from God by keeping His commandments, but rather we keep His commandments because we are already fully accepted through the work of Jesus Christ.

We read through whole books of the Bible so that we see the whole sweep of Redemptive History as it unfolds throughout Scripture.

Reading of the Law of God

Minister: God spake all these words, saying, I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

All: **Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.**
 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.
 Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.
 Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
 Honor thy father and thy mother.
 Thou shalt not kill.
 Thou shalt not commit adultery.
 Thou shalt not steal.
 Thou shalt not bear false witness.
 Thou shalt not covet.

Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus, how He saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 1:21,22

“And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, He has now reconciled in His body of flesh by His death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before Him.”

*Hymn of Assurance, “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

No. 264

Scripture Reading

Leviticus 21
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 99)

Intercessory Prayer

Sermon, “The God of the Living”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Mark: A Confrontation with Christ, Part 54

Text: Mark 12:18-27

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 848

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***Hymn of Preparation, "Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands" No. 427**

Invitation to the Sacrament and Fencing of the Table

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Humble Access and Consecration

The Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

***Hymn of Response, "Thine Be the Glory" No. 274**

***Benediction**

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"He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away." (Psalm 1:3-4)



GIPC Fighter Verse for the week of August 7, 2011.
For a complete list please see the latest issue of the *GIPC Connection* (monthly newsletter edition), available in the foyer.

It is our custom to hold each element until all have been served, then all partake together.

The Lord's Day Evening Worship

August 7, 2011 • 6:00 p.m.

Gather in silent meditation:

"The Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom He will."
— Daniel 4:25

"As it is written in the Law of Moses, all this calamity has come upon us; yet we have not entreated the favor of the LORD our God, turning from our iniquities and gaining insight by Your truth."
—Daniel 9:13

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship Psalm 89:8,9**

"O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty as You are, O LORD, with Your faithfulness all around You? You rule the raging of the sea; when its waves rise, You still them."

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Adoration, "How Great Thou Art" No. 44**

*those who are able, please stand