

## 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 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. 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

August 19, 2012 • 10:30 a.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“Be still, and know that I am God.  
I will be exalted among the nations.

I will be exalted in the earth!”

- Psalm 46:10

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

*Moment for Missions*

## Interlude

### \*Call to Worship

“Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised  
in the city of our God!”

**Psalm 48:1**

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### \*Hymn, “Before Jehovah’s Awesome Throne”

**No. 65**

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

• THIS WEEK AT GIPC •	
<b>Sunday, August 19</b>	Nursery: Children’s Church:
	9:30 a.m. Sunday School— “The Gospel and Life”
	10:30 a.m. Morning Worship— Exodus: God, our Savior series
	6:00 p.m. Evening Worship— Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration series
<b>Thursday, August 23</b>	6:30 p.m. B & G Committee Meeting (Dr. Diane Bowen’s office)
<b>Sunday, August 26</b>	9:30 a.m. Sunday School— “The Gospel and Life”
	10:30 a.m. Morning Worship— Exodus: God, our Savior series
	6:00 p.m. Evening Worship— Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration series

• Thank You •

“The Hull family would like to thank the entire church for their support during this time. We are thankful to be a part of such a caring and united church. It has been a blessing to us to be a part of a church body so willing and eager to help. Thank you for the meals, cards, and visits. Our family has been strengthened by God’s continued love.

— Charlotte and Troy”

· GOLDEN ISLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ·

**Church Staff**

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

**Elders**

Chaplain (CAPT) T. Brannon Bowman (165th Airlift Wing, GA)  
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.**

Current study: "The Gospel and Life." Learn how the Gospel is able to transform your life, your community, and the world beyond. Led by Mr. 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 ([gipc-pca.org](http://gipc-pca.org)) or in the foyer.

**Children's Ministry**

GIPC offers a Nursery during the morning and evening worship services for ages 0-3 years. Children's Church is available during the sermon portion of the morning service; children meet in the room adjacent to the Nursery. Info: see the wall display across from the nursery.



**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*.

**General Fund Financial Update**

Income—Actual (YTD through 8/14): \$116,363  
Income—Budget (YTD through 8/31): \$135,100  
Variance: (\$ 18,737)

**World Missions/Faith Promise**

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."

Faith Promise commitments are made each year during the Missions Conference in November. The total amount committed determines the missionary support budget for the following calendar year. **This year's missions conference is scheduled for November 9-11, 2012.**

**2012 Faith Promise Commitments: \$36,950—what we are trusting God to provide this year.**

**Faith Promise Receipts YTD through July 31st: \$15,579 or 42%.**

**Missionary Newsletters** are available in the church foyer. Please use these to provide what missionaries say they need the most—prayer support.

**\*Confession of Our Faith** (responsive)

**The Heidelberg Catechism**

Q & A #86-87

(Part III, Man's Gratitude)

**Minister:** We have been delivered from our misery by God's grace alone through Christ and not because we have earned it: why then must we still do good?

**All:** To be sure, Christ has redeemed us by His blood.

But we do good because Christ by His Spirit is also renewing us to be like Himself, so that in all our living we may show that we are thankful to God for all He has done for us, and so that He may be praised through us.

And we do good so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and so that by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ.

**Minister:** Can those be saved who do not turn to God from their ungrateful and impenitent ways?

**All:** By no means. Scripture tells us that no unchaste person, no idolater, adulterer, thief, no covetous person, no drunkard, slanderer, robber, or the like is going to inherit the kingdom of God.

**\*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.

Originating in the mid-16<sup>th</sup> Century, the Heidelberg Catechism is regarded as possibly the most ecumenical and influential of the Reformed Catechisms.

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

Additional information may be found at: [persecution.com](http://persecution.com)

### Scripture Reading

**II Thessalonians 2**  
*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 989)*

**\*Hymn, “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”**

**No. 521**

### Prayer of Confession and Intercession

*Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Pakistan, India, Bangladesh*

### Offering

*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.*

**Sermon, “The Sovereign Rule of God”**

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

**Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration, Part 59**

**Text: Jeremiah 49**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 675- 677

**\*Hymn of Response, “Rejoice, the Lord Is King”**

**No. 310**

**\*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

**Hebrews 10:12,14**

“When Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God. . . For by a single offering He has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.”

### \*Hymn, “*Fairest Lord Jesus*”

**No. 170**

### Scripture Reading

**Judges 2**

(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 201)

### Intercessory Prayer

## Sermon, “*The Glorious Church*”

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

**Exodus: God, our Savior, Pt. 7**

**Text: Exodus 3:1-10**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 46

### \*Hymn of Response, “*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*”

**No. 345**

### \*Benediction



**GIPC "Fighter Verse" for the week of August 19, 2012:**

**Psalm 94:14**

"For the LORD will not forsake His people;  
He will not abandon His heritage."

"Fighter Verses" are short passages of Scripture selected to equip the believer in the fight of faith. For a complete list please see the latest issue of the *GIPC Connection* newsletter, available in the foyer or online ([gipc-pca.org](http://gipc-pca.org)).

**Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week**

**Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at Mercer University, Macon, GA**

Activities for new and returning students begin this week under the leadership of Interim Campus Minister, Rev. Stephen Maginas. Keep up with the latest news by visiting [www.rufmercer.com](http://www.rufmercer.com).

**How you can help:** *The staff at RUF Mercer have provided a list of specific things to pray for. This list is available in the foyer under 'RUF MERCER'.*

**The Lord's Day Evening Worship**

**August 19, 2012 • 6:00 p.m.**

*\*those who are able, please stand*

- Gather in silent meditation -

“Blessed be the name of God forever and ever,  
to whom belong wisdom and might.  
He changes times and seasons;  
He removes kings and sets up kings.”

- Daniel 2:20-21a

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

**Psalm 47:6,7**

“Sing praises to God, sing praises!  
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!  
For God is the King of all the earth;  
sing praises with a psalm!”

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**\*Hymn of Adoration, “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”**

**No. 630**