

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.

GIPC "Fighter Verse" for the week of August 5, 2012:

Psalm 91:11-13



“For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.”

“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).

**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 and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

August 5, 2012 • 10:30 a.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,
looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross. . .”

- Hebrews 12:1b, 2a

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Interlude

*Call to Worship

“I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless Your name forever and ever.”

Psalm 145:1

*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

*Hymn, “O Worship the King”

No. 2

• THIS WEEK AT GIPC •

Sunday, August 5	9:30 a.m. Sunday School — <i>“The Gospel and Life”</i>
	10:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper — <i>Exodus: God, our Savior series</i>
	6:00 p.m. Evening Worship — <i>Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration series</i>
Sunday, August 12	9:30 a.m. Sunday School — <i>“The Gospel and Life”</i>
	10:30 a.m. Morning Worship — <i>Exodus: God, our Savior series</i>
	6:00 p.m. Evening Worship — <i>Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration series</i>

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Church Staff

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(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) 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 7/31): \$109,490	Expense—Actual (YTD through 7/31): \$ 92, 538
Income—Budget (YTD through 7/31): \$118,100	Expense—Budget (YTD through 7/31): \$103,146
Variance: (\$ 8,610)	Variance: \$ 10,608

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%. (YTD Budget: \$20,030)

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 #80-82

(The Sacraments, cont.)

Minister: **How does the Lord's Supper differ from the Roman Catholic Mass?**

All: The Lord's Supper declares to us that our sins have been completely forgiven through the one sacrifice of Jesus Christ which He Himself finished on the cross once for all.

It also declares to us that the Holy Spirit grafts us into Christ, who with His very body is now in heaven at the right hand of the Father where He wants us to worship Him.

But the Mass teaches that the living and the dead do not have their sins forgiven through the suffering of Christ unless Christ is still offered for them daily by the priests.

It also teaches that Christ is bodily present in the form of bread and wine where Christ is therefore to be worshipped.

Thus the Mass is basically nothing but a denial of the one sacrifice and suffering of Jesus Christ, and a condemnable idolatry.

Minister: **Who are to come to the Lord's table?**

All: Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their continuing weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to lead a better life.

Hypocrites and those who are unrepentant, however, eat and drink judgment on themselves.

Minister: **Are those to be admitted to the Lord's Supper who show by what they say and do that they are unbelieving and ungodly?**

All: No, that would dishonor God's covenant and bring down God's anger upon the entire congregation. Therefore, according to the instruction of Christ and His apostles, the Christian church is duty-bound to exclude such people, by the official use of the keys of the kingdom, until they reform their lives.

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

***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.

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

I Thessalonians 5
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 987)

***Hymn, "Like a River Glorious"**

No. 699

Additional
information
may be found at:
persecution.com

Prayer of Confession and Intercession

Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Afghanistan

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.*

***Hymn of Response, "Be Thou My Vision"**

No. 642

***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 1:13

“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

*Hymn, “The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”

No. 86

Scripture Reading

Joshua 24

(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 198)

Intercessory Prayer

Sermon, “Behind the Scenes”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Exodus: God, our Savior, Pt. 5

Text: Exodus 2:16-25

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 46

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***Hymn of Preparation, "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" No. 500, st. 1-3**

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, "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" No. 500, st. 4**

***Benediction**

This Week's Fighter Verse is found on pg. 12.

Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week

Rev. Tommy Park

(RUF Campus Minister at the University of North Florida)

In answer to prayer, the Parks were able to relocate to a home within two miles of the campus. They hope to use this home and their lives to reach students for Christ.

Pray for Jerrica Williams as she begins an RUF internship at UNF this fall. **Learn more by visiting: www.unf.ruf.org/blog**

The Lord's Day Evening Worship

August 5, 2012 • 6:00 p.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

"Hear, O Israel!

The LORD our God, the LORD is one.

*You shall love the LORD your God
with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your might."*

- Deuteronomy 6:4,5

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship** (responsive)

Psalm 96:2,3

Minister: Sing to the LORD, bless His name;
tell of His salvation from day to day.

All: Declare His glory among the nations,
His marvelous works among all the peoples!

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Adoration, "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim" No. 165**

**those who are
able, please stand*

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