

Membership Class

We are planning to have our next Membership Class on the **weekend of 16th of March**. If you are interested in becoming a member of GIPC, or simply want to know more about what membership entails, please plan on joining us!

Over the course of Friday evening (6pm-8pm), and Saturday morning (9am-12pm) we will study the membership vows which all members must take, in order to understand what they require and the implications that they have for us once we become members.

While this course is required for everyone who would like to become a member of Golden Isles, you are welcome to attend if you are not planning to join the church but would just like to know more about what church membership entails.

Please email the church office (office@gipc-pca.org) by Sunday, March 11, if you plan to attend. *Questions? Contact Mr. Alexander Brown.*

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

February 19, 2012 - 10:30 a.m.

Gather in silent meditation:

*"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied."*

- Matthew 5:6

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Moment for Missions—The Gideons International
(Brother Wayne Beasley)*

Interlude

*Call to Worship

Psalm 103:19

*"The LORD has established His throne in the heavens,
and His kingdom rules over all."*

*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

*Hymn, "Come, Thou Almighty King"

No. 101

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

· THIS WEEK ·

Tuesday, February 21	6:30-8:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study— "Meeting Jesus: Women of Faith from the New Testament" (Dr. Diane Bowen's office, 1015 Arthur J. Moore Drive)
Wednesday, February 22	9:30-11:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study— "Meeting Jesus: Women of Faith from the New Testament" (GIPC; child care provided.) 6:30 p.m. Midweek Prayer Meeting at GIPC— A light supper* is served at 6:30, followed by prayer at 7:00. (*\$3/person)
Sunday, February 26	9:30 a.m. Sunday School— Two Ways to Live: Know and Share the Gospel. 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship— I Peter: Strangers in a Foreign Land 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship— Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration.

· SERVING TOGETHER* ·

<i>*Sign-up sheets are located at the back of the sanctuary.</i>	February 19	February 26
Greeters (10:15-10:35 a.m., Main Entrance)	Sug Gathright	
Ushers (10:15-11:40 a.m.)	Jeff Gaschler	
Nursery—0-3 yrs. (AM Worship, 10:20-11:40 a.m.) Nursery—0-3 yrs. (PM Worship, 5:50-7:00 p.m.) (Questions? Contact Nursery Coordinator—Sara Brown)		
Children's Church—4-5 yrs. (Kindergarten Room— during the sermon portion of Morning Worship)		
Hospice Meal: On the 2nd Thursday of each month a meal for four people is prepared and delivered to the Hospice of the Golden Isles. 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.)		

RE: GIPC Corporation Meeting (2/12)

The 2012 Trustees are Diane Chilton (Dr. Diane Bowen), Wes Currier, Jerry Harrell, and Bill Wood.

Walk for Life—Glynn County

This year's Walk for Life will take place on **Saturday, March 3, 2012**
at Howard Coffin Park in Brunswick.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the walk begins at 9:00 a.m.

Information is available in the church office.

• 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.

Current Study: *Two Ways to Live: Know and Share the Gospel*. Learn how to introduce the gospel into a variety of conversations and through a variety of opportunities. (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 (www.gipc-pca.org) or in the foyer.*

Children's Ministry

GIPC offers a Nursery during the Morning and Evening worship services for ages infant through three years. Children's Church is available during the sermon portion of the morning service; children meet in the room adjacent to the Nursery.

See the wall display across from the Nursery for more information and ways you can help.



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— YTD through January 31, 2012:

Total Income: \$14,238
Total Expense: \$14,889

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.

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

Faith Promise Receipts YTD through February 5th: \$3,549 or 10%

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 #20-23

Minister: Are all men saved through Christ just as all were lost through Adam?
All: No. Only those are saved who by true faith are grafted into Christ and accept all His blessings.

Minister: What is true faith?
All: True faith is not only a knowledge and conviction that everything God reveals in His Word is true; it is also a deep-rooted assurance, created in me by the Holy Spirit through the gospel, that, out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, not only others, but I too, have had my sins forgiven, have been made forever right with God, and have been granted salvation.

Minister: What then must a Christian believe?
All: Everything God promises us in the gospel. That gospel is summarized for us in the articles of our Christian faith— a creed beyond doubt, and confessed throughout the world.

Minister: What are these articles?
All: I believe in God, the Father, almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary; he suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and was buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he shall 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.

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

[†]universal

***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.

Scripture Reading

I Corinthians 10
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 957)

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

***Hymn, "From out the Depths I Cry, O Lord, to Thee"**

No. 552
from Psalm 130

Prayer of Confession and Intercession

Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Egypt, Sudan, Eritrea

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

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, "I Know Whom I Have Believed"**

No. 705

***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

I John 1:7

“If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.”

***Hymn of Assurance, “My Faith Has Found a Resting Place” No. 468**

Scripture Reading

Joshua 3
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 179)

Intercessory Prayer

Sermon, “Prepared Minds and Hopeful Hearts” Mr. Alexander S. Brown

I Peter: Strangers in a Foreign Land, Part 4

Text: I Peter 1:13

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 1014

***Hymn of Response, “Christ Is Coming!”**

No. 324

***Benediction**



Romans 15:1-2

“We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up.”

GIPC Fighter Verse for the week of February 19, 2012. For a complete list please see the latest issue of the *GIPC Connection* newsletter, available in the foyer or online (gipc-pca.org).

The Lord’s Day Evening Worship

February 19, 2012 · 6:00 p.m.

Gather in silent meditation:

“I have stored up Your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against You.”

- Psalm 119:11

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship (responsive)**

Psalm 121

**Minister: I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From where does my help come?**

Congregation: My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

**Minister: He will not let your foot be moved;
He who keeps you will not slumber.**

Congregation: Behold, He who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.

**Minister: The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.**

Congregation: The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.

**Minister: The LORD will keep you from all evil;
He will keep your life.**

**ALL: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.**

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Adoration, “I Sing the Almighty Power of God”**

No. 119

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