



## Looking Ahead. . .

### Saturday, February 4th—Congregational Hymn Singing Workshop

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon at Independent Presbyterian Church (IPC),  
Savannah (Info—Ph: 912-236-3346)

Can you imagine a worship service without singing? In the Scriptures we are invited, urged, commanded to sing praises unto our God. Yet we hardly ever spend any time considering why we sing what we sing, and learning to do it well! Come out and lift your voice in a concert of praise unto your God and learn how to give Him your best!

*This workshop will feature Dr. Paul Jones, Organist and Music Director of historic Tenth Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, PA.*

#### SCHEDULE:

Session One	9:00-9:45 a.m.	What are hymns and why should we sing them?
Session Two	10:00-10:45 a.m.	What is “good” church music? What should a “good hymn” include?
Session Three	11:00—Noon	How can we sing psalms and hymns and sing them well?



## Ladies Spring Bible Study

### “Meeting Jesus: Women of Faith from the New Testament”

>>> Sign-up sheets and details are available in the foyer. Study Guides: \$10

#### Please note the updated times and locations:

<u>When</u>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Child-care Available</u>
Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:00 p.m.	January 17th	Dr. Diane Bowen’s office	No
Wednesday mornings, 9:30-11:00 a.m.	January 18th	GIPC	Yes

*Questions? Please contact Sara 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

January 15, 2012 • 10:30 a.m.

Gather in silent meditation:

“The LORD is my strength and my song,  
and He has become my salvation;  
this is my God, and I will praise Him,  
my father's God, and I will exalt Him.”  
- Exodus 15:2

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Interlude

### \*Call to Worship

“Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up;  
God is our salvation.”

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

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

## • THIS WEEK •

<b>Tuesday, January 17</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting</b> (teleconference) <b>6:30-8:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study— “Meeting Jesus: Women of Faith from the New Testament”</b> (Location: Dr. Diane Bowen's office)
<b>Wednesday, January 18</b>	<b>9:30-11:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study— “Meeting Jesus: Women of Faith from the New Testament”</b> (Location: GIPC; child care provided.) <b>6:30 p.m. Midweek Prayer Meeting at GIPC—</b> A light supper* is served at 6:30, followed by prayer at 7:00. (*\$3/person; reservations not required.) <i>This week's menu: Stuffing Chicken Broccoli Bake with Jello Salad and Light Dessert</i>
<b>Friday and Saturday, January 20 and 21</b>	<b>Savannah River Presbytery Meeting</b> (hosted by Chapel-in-the-Gardens PCA, Garden City, GA)
<b>Sunday, January 22</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Sunday School</b> Series: <i>The Gospel of Grace: Paul's Letter to the Galatians</i> <b>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship</b> Series: <i>Mark: A Confrontation with Christ</i> <b>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship</b> Series: <i>Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration</i>

## • SERVING TOGETHER\* •

<i>*Sign-up sheets are located at the back of the sanctuary.</i>	<b>January 15</b>	<b>January 22</b>
<b>Greeters</b> (10:15-10:35 a.m., Main Entrance)		
<b>Ushers</b> (10:15-11:40 a.m.)	Jerry Harrell	
<b>Nursery—0-3 yrs.</b> ( <u>AM</u> Worship, 10:20-11:40 a.m.) <b>Nursery—0-3 yrs.</b> ( <u>PM</u> Worship, 5:50-7:00 p.m.) <i>(Questions? Contact Nursery Coordinator—Sara Brown)</i>	Ashlei Boatright	Connie Reed
<b>Children's Church—4-5 yrs.</b> (Kindergarten Room—during the sermon portion of Morning Worship)		
<b>Hospice Meal:</b> 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. <i>(If you have questions, please contact Betty Harrell.)</i>		

· 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.**

Join us as we study God’s Word together. Our current series is *The Gospel of Grace: Paul’s letter to the Galatians*. 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.*



**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.”

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.**



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

**General Fund Financial Update—YTD through December 31, 2011:**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Total Income:	\$165,199	\$178,250
Total Expense:	\$167,687	\$175,120

**\*Hymn, “Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul”**

**No. 57**

From  
Psalm 146

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

**The Heidelberg Catechism  
Q & A #3-5**

**Minister: How do you come to know your misery?**

All: The law of God tells me.

**Minister: What does God’s law require of us?**

All: Christ teaches us this in summary in Matthew 22—  
You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart,  
and with all your soul,  
and with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.

This is the great and first commandment.

And a second is like it,  
you shall love your neighbor  
as yourself.

On these two commandments depend  
all the law and the prophets.

**Minister: Can you live up to all this perfectly?**

All: No.  
I have a natural tendency  
to hate God and my neighbor.

**\*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.

### Scripture Reading

**I Corinthians 6**  
*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 954)*

**\*Hymn, “Whate’er My God Ordains is Right”**

**No. 108**

### Prayer of Confession and Intercession

*Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Indonesia, Brunei, Philippines*

### 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 Lord is Our Righteousness”**

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

**Part 31 of a series on the book of Jeremiah: “Judgment and Restoration”**

**Text: Jeremiah 22:10-23:8**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 649

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

**\*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

**Romans 3:23, 24**

“All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.”

**\*Hymn of Assurance, “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”** **No. 521**

### Scripture Reading

**I John 5**

*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 1023)*

### Intercessory Prayer

## Sermon, “The Guarantee”

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

**Mark: A Confrontation with Christ, Part 72**

**Text: Mark 15:40-16:8**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 853

**\*Hymn of Response, “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”** **No. 277**

### \*Benediction

**TODAY: Sunday, January 15th—GIPC Fellowship Lunch  
and Annual State of the Church Meeting**

*Presentation of Annual Report.*

All are welcome to attend!

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**Romans 8:38-39**

“For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”



**GIPC Fighter Verse for the week of January 15, 2012.**

*For a complete list please see the latest issue of the GIPC Connection newsletter, available in the foyer or online (gipc-pca.org).*

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**Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week**

**Rev. Tommy Park, Campus Minister  
with Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at UNF  
(University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL)**

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*Newsletters are available in the foyer.*

**The Lord’s Day Evening Worship**

**January 15, 2012 • 6:00 p.m.**

*Gather in silent meditation:*

“Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable are His judgments  
and how inscrutable His ways!”

- Romans 11:33

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship** (responsive)

**Psalm 99:2-5**

**The LORD is great in Zion;**

He is exalted over all the peoples.

**Let them praise Your great and awesome name!**

Holy is He!

**The King in His might loves justice.**

You have established equity;

You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

**Exalt the LORD our God; worship at His footstool!**

Holy is He!

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**\*Hymn of Adoration, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”**

**No. 1**

*Psalm 100*