

· GOLDEN ISLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ·

**Church Staff**

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

*Christianity Explored* will take us on a journey to learn who Jesus is, why He came, and what it means to follow Him. This course will introduce seekers to the person at the heart of the Christian faith, Jesus Christ, and equip believers to explain the Christian message, using the *Gospel of Mark*.

**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 or in the foyer ([www.gipc-pca.org](http://www.gipc-pca.org)).



**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.

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

**FP Balance YTD through July 5th: \$15,393, or 50%**

**General Fund Financial Update—YTD through June 30, 2011:**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Income:	\$ 80,552	\$ 80,750
Expense:	\$ 77,025	\$ 85,978

**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, and who then take that Good News of that love to the world around us.

We are glad that 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

July 10, 2011 • 10:30 a.m.

*Gather in silent meditation:*

“Come, let us sing to the LORD;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!  
— Psalm 95:1,2

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Interlude

### \*Call to Worship

**Psalm 103:1,2**

“Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me,  
bless His holy name!  
Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and forget not all His benefits.”

### \*Hymn of Adoration, “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

**No. 53**

### \*Prayer of Invocation

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

## • THIS WEEK'S EVENTS •

<b>Friday-Saturday July 15, 16</b>	<i>Savannah River Presbytery meets in Augusta, GA (quarterly meeting).</i>
<b>Sunday, July 17</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Sunday School</b> — “Christianity Explored” (see pg. 12) <b>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship</b> — Preaching series: <i>Mark: A Confrontation with Christ</i> <b>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship</b> — Preaching series: <i>Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration</i>
<b>Summer Schedule</b>	During the summer months we break from our normal schedule. The following activities will resume in the Fall: <i>Midweek Prayer Meeting, Bible Studies for Men and Women, Ladies Book Discussion Group.</i>

## • SERVING TOGETHER •

<i>The ministry sign up board is located at the back of the sanctuary.</i>	<b>July 10</b>	<b>July 17</b>
<b>Greeters</b> (10:15-10:35 a.m., Main Entrance)	Sug Gathright	Clyde & Sue Taylor
<b>Ushers</b> (10:15-11:40 a.m.)	Clay Huddleston	Jerry Harrell
<b>Nursery—0-3 yrs.</b> (AM Worship, 10:20-11:40 a.m.)	Sara Brown	
<b>Nursery—0-3 yrs.</b> (PM Worship, 5:50-7:00 p.m.)		Sara Brown
<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>		



### Missed a Sunday?

Sermons, weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters are available on the church Resources page at: [www.gipc-pca.org/resources](http://www.gipc-pca.org/resources)



**A Book Discussion Group for Women**

The ladies book group, *Beyond the Pages*, meets October through May on the first Tuesday of each month. *The group will resume meeting on October 4th, 6:00 p.m. at the home of Sue Taylor.*

Three books on the topic of Alzheimer’s were selected for discussion at the October meeting. Two of the books are non-fiction, and one is fiction. They are: *A Promise Kept, the Story of an Unforgettable Love*, by Robertson McQuilkin (non-fiction); *My Journey into Alzheimer's Disease: Helpful Insights for Family and Friends*, by Robert Davis (non-fiction); and *Still Alice, a novel*, by Lisa Genova (fiction). All of the books are available in paperback, costing \$15 or less.

*We welcome any lady who is interested in reading and discussing books!*

*A ministry of GIPC WIC – Women in the Church.*

**SAVE THE DATE! WIC Fall Kick-Off—Tuesday, September 13th (5:30 p.m.)**  
at Nazzaro’s Italian Restaurant.



*Join us for the next GIPC Fellowship Lunch!*  
*Sunday, July 24th*

*Mr. Brown will share a report on the PCA’s 39th General Assembly.*

- **Sign up** in the foyer to bring your **favorite picnic food** —salads, sides (baked beans, melon, deviled eggs, etc.) or desserts.
- Meat (ham, fried chicken), beverages and condiments will be provided.
- \$2/person donation is requested to help defray the cost of the meat.

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

**The Apostles’ Creed**

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<sup>†</sup>.

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<sup>‡</sup>,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

<sup>†</sup>the place of the dead

<sup>‡</sup>the universal church

**\*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

**Hebrews 6**  
*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 1003)*

### 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

**Psalm 103:11,12**

“For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.”

### \*Hymn of Assurance, “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

**No. 32**

### Prayer of Intercession and Thanksgiving

*Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Oman*

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

### 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.*

### Sermon, “The Silencing of God”

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

Part 11 of a series on the book of *Jeremiah*:  
“*Judgment and Restoration*”

**Text: Jeremiah 8:4-17**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 636

### \*Hymn of Response, “God, in the Gospel of His Son”

**No. 141**

### \*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.

### 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

Titus 2:5

“He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy.”

#### \*Hymn of Assurance, “*Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*”

No. 254

#### Scripture Reading

Leviticus 17  
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 96)

#### Intercessory Prayer

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

### Sermon, “*True Worship*”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Mark: *A Confrontation with Christ, Part 50*

Text: Mark 11:12-26

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 847

#### \*Hymn of Response, “*Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*”

No. 172

#### \*Benediction



“He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.” (Philippians 1:6b)

**GIPC Fighter Verse for the week of July 10, 2011.**

For a complete list please see the July issue of the *GIPC Connection*.

**Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week**

**Imbumi and Martha Makuku—**

Serving in the Kibera Slum of Nairobi, Kenya, with Mission to the World and StreetChild International.

**The Lord’s Day Evening Worship**

**July 10, 2011 • 6:00 p.m.**

*Gather in silent meditation:*

“Incline your ear, and come to Me;  
hear; that your soul may live.”

— Isaiah 55:3a

“Blessed are those who keep His testimonies,  
who seek Him with their whole heart.”

— Psalm 119:2

*\*those who are able, please stand*

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

**Psalm 119:89,90**

“Forever, O LORD, Your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.  
Your faithfulness endures to all generations.”

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**\*Hymn of Adoration, “Come, Thou Almighty King”**

**No. 101**