

· GOLDEN ISLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ·

Church Staff

Senior Minister
TE Alexander S. Brown
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TE Brannon Bowman (Pastor, Grace Church of the Islands, Savannah)
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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.

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).



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 June 26th: \$14,893, or 48%

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 & Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

July 3, 2011 • 10:30 a.m.

Gather in silent meditation:

"Behold, You delight in truth in the inward being."

— Psalm 51:6

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Interlude

*Call to Worship

Psalm 51:15a

"O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare Your praise."

*Hymn of Adoration, "Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord!"

No. 19

*Prayer of Invocation

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

GIPC SCHEDULE for the week of July 3rd, 2011:

Sunday, July 10	<p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School— "<i>Christianity Explored</i>" (see pg. 12)</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship— Preaching series: <i>Mark: A Confrontation with Christ</i></p> <p>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship— Preaching series: <i>Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration</i></p>
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VOLUNTEERS* for the week of:

	July 3	July 10
Greeters (10:15-10:35 a.m., Main Entrance)	Dan & Connie Reed	Sug Gathright
Ushers (10:15-11:30 a.m.)	Clay Huddleston	Clay Huddleston
Nursery—0-3 yrs. (<u>AM</u> Worship, 10:20-11:40 a.m.)	Julie Weaver, Sara Brown	
Nursery—0-3 yrs. (<u>PM</u> Worship, 5:55-7:00 p.m.)		
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.)

** The sign up board is located at the back of the sanctuary.*

GIPC Fellowship Lunch (Potluck)

Sunday, July 24th

—Immediately following the Morning Worship Service.

Mr. Brown will share a report on the 39th General Assembly.

GIPC Summer Schedule

During the summer months we will take a break from our normal schedule. The following activities are set to resume in the Fall:

Ladies Bible Study

Ladies Book Club

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Midweek Prayer Meeting

Missed a Sunday?

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

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

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[†].

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^{††},
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

***The Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

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

[†]the place of the dead

^{††}the universal church

No. 735

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

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.

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

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 5
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 1003)

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 2:4,5

“But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved.”

***Hymn of Assurance, “Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord” No. 465**

Prayer of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Lebanon, Gaza & the West Bank, Jordan

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, “Obedience is better than sacrifice”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

**Part 10 of a series on the book of Jeremiah:
“Judgment and Restoration”**

Text: Jeremiah 7

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 634

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

No. 141

***Benediction**

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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 2:13,14

“And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross.”

*Hymn of Assurance, “*Jesus, Keep me near the Cross*”

No. 264

Scripture Reading

Leviticus 16
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 95)

Intercessory Prayer

Sermon, “*The Fig Tree and the Temple*”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Mark: A Confrontation with Christ, Part 49

Text: Mark 11:12-21

Notes:

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.

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 847

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***Hymn of Preparation, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" No. 528** (st. 1,2)

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, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" No. 528** (st. 3,4)

***Benediction**

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"In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints." (Ephesians 6:16-18)



GIPC Fighter Verse for the week of July 3, 2011.

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

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

The Lord's Day Evening Worship

July 3, 2011 • 6:00 p.m.

Gather in silent meditation:

"The Lord is not slow to fulfill His promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance."

— II Peter 3:9

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 16:1,2

"Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge.
I say to the LORD, 'You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from You.'"

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Adoration, "To You, O Lord, I Fly"**

No. 692

*From
Psalm 16*

**those who are
able, please stand*