

### **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.

We welcome Rev. Ro  
Taylor to the pulpit  
today. Rev. Taylor  
is the Reformed  
University Fellowship  
Minister on the  
campus of Georgia  
Southern University.

## The Lord's Day Morning Worship

June 24, 2012 • 10:30 a.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us  
and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.”

- I John 4:10

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Interlude

### \*Call to Worship

**Psalm 145:21**

“My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,  
and let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever.”

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

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

**No. 57**

## • THIS WEEK AT GIPC •

<b>Sunday, June 24</b>	<p>- GIPC will continue to collect coin-filled baby bottles for CareNet in case you missed the opportunity to do so last Sunday. Please leave them on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you!</p> <p>- There are no church activities scheduled for this week.</p> <p><b>Serving Today—</b>  <b>Nursery:</b> Connie Reed  <b>Children's Church:</b> Diane Chilton  <i>To volunteer for Nursery/Children's Church, please contact Sara Brown.</i></p>
<b>Sunday, July 1</b>	<p><b>9:30 a.m. Sunday School—</b> Church History Pt. 2 “The Blossoming of the Church”  <b>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper</b>  <b>11:45 a.m. Congregational Meeting, immediately following the Morning Service —</b>  <i>See information sheet in foyer.</i>  <b>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship—</b> <i>Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration series</i></p>

### *GIPC Potluck Lunch & GA Report—July 8th*

On **Sunday, July 8th**, following the Morning Worship Service, GIPC will have a Potluck Lunch. Mr. Brown will share a report on the PCA's 40th General Assembly.

>> Please sign up in the foyer to bring one of the following:  
a plate of sandwiches, a salad, or a dessert.  
Please make enough to feed 8-10 people.

· 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 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: “The Blossoming of the Church: A Look at the Progress of the Church in the 4th and 5th Centuries” (*Church History, Part 2*). Led by Mr. Brown.

**Bible Reading Plan**

Bible place-keeper cutouts, based on Robert Murray McChyne'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 **6/13**): \$89,731  
Income—Budget (YTD through **6/30**): \$98,600  
Variance: (\$ 8,869)

**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 June 17th: \$12,589 or 34%.**

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 #65-68*

*(The Sacraments)*

**Minister:** **It is by faith alone that we share in Christ and all His blessings: where then does that faith come from?**

**All:** The Holy Spirit produces it in our hearts by the preaching of the holy gospel, and confirms it through our use of the holy sacraments.

**Minister:** **What are sacraments?**

**All:** Sacraments are holy signs and seals for us to see. They were instituted by God so that by our use of them He might make us understand more clearly the promise of the gospel, and might put His seal on that promise. And this is God’s gospel promise: to forgive our sins and give us eternal life by grace alone because of Christ’s one sacrifice finished on the cross.

**Minister:** **Are both the word and the sacraments then intended to focus our faith on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross as the only ground of our salvation?**

**All:** Right! In the gospel the Holy Spirit teaches us and through the holy sacraments He assures us that our entire salvation rests on Christ’s one sacrifice for us on the cross.

**Minister:** **How many sacraments did Christ institute in the New Testament?**

**All:** Two: baptism and the Lord’s supper.

*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.*

**\*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**

**II Corinthians 12**

*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 970)*

**\*Psalm 130**

*(Tune: MARTYRDOM, as in, Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed)*

LORD, from the depths to Thee I cried. My Lord, give ear to me.  
O hear my voice and hearken to my supplicating plea.

LORD, who shall stand if Thou, my Lord, shouldst mark iniquity?  
But yet with Thee forgiveness is, that men may rev'ence Thee.

I wait, my soul awaits the LORD; my hope is in His word.  
More than the watchmen wait for morn my soul waits for my Lord.

O Is-ra-el, hope in the LORD; the LORD saves graciously.  
And He shall Is-ra-el redeem from all iniquity.

**Prayer of Confession and Intercession**

*Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Ethiopia, Somalia, Comoros*

**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, "Why Can't We Be Friends?"**

**Text: Genesis 4:1-16**

**Notes:**

**Rev. Ro Taylor**

RUF Campus  
Minister at GSU,  
Statesboro

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 3

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

*(from the  
Trinity Psalter)*

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

**\*Hymn of Response, "Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ"**

**No. 524**

**\*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.

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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

**Romans 8:1,2**

“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.”

#### \*Hymn, “Great is Thy Faithfulness”

**No. 32**

#### Scripture Reading

**Hebrews 12**  
*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 1008)*

#### Intercessory Prayer

### Sermon, “Livin’ on a Prayer”

**Text: Philippians 1:1-11**

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ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 980

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# The Lord's Day Evening Worship

June 24, 2012 • 6:00 p.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“There is no distinction, for 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.”

- Romans 3:23, 24

## GIPC “Fighter Verse” for the week of June 24, 2012:

### Psalm 9:9-10



“The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. And those who know Your name put their trust in You, for You, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek You.”

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## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 34:8

“Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!  
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!”

### \*Prayer of Invocation

### \*Hymn of Adoration, “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

No. 76

From  
Psalm 103

## Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week

Peter and Diane Bakelaar (MTW\* / JAPAN)

From MTW's website, [mtw.org](http://mtw.org):

“As the 2011 earthquake and tsunami ushered in a season of sorrow, it brought with it a season of unprecedented spiritual openness. MTW's team in Nagoya aided in the earthquake and tsunami relief efforts, and countless Japanese encountered our churches for the first time.

“The Japanese have been largely hardened to the gospel, but this is beginning to change. Though the priority is church planting, the Nagoya team is also working in other ministries such as teaching, college outreach, medicine, the arts, and community development. The team, whose motto is “Equipping the Japanese to reach the world,” has planted four churches and founded an international school since its inception in 1987.”

The Bakelaars have been supported through GIPC's Faith Promise program since 1997.

\*MTW—Mission to the World—the mission sending agency of the Presbyterian Church in America