

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

October 28, 2012 • 10:30 a.m.

"Reformation Sunday"

- Gather in silent meditation -

"Our help is in the name of the LORD,
who made heaven and earth."

- Psalm 124:8

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Interlude

*Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1,2

"Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into His presence with singing!"

*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

*Hymn, "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

No. 1

Psalm 100

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

• THIS WEEK AT GIPC •

Sunday, October 28	9:30 a.m. Sunday School — <i>"The Gospel in Life"</i> 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship — <i>Exodus: God, Our Savior series</i> 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship — <i>Daniel: Faith in the Furnace series</i>
Tuesday, October 30	6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study — <i>"Biblical Womanhood" (Dr. Diane Bowen's office)</i>
Wednesday, October 31	9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study — <i>"Biblical Womanhood" (meet at GIPC)</i> 6:30 p.m. Midweek Prayer Meeting — <i>at GIPC</i> <i>Fellowship Supper* at 6:30 p.m., followed by Prayer at 7:00.</i> <i>(*3/person; reservations are not required.)</i>
Thursday, November 1	6:30 p.m. Mission Committee Meeting
Sunday, November 4	9:30 a.m. Sunday School — <i>"The Gospel in Life"</i> 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship — <i>Exodus: God, Our Savior series</i> 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship — <i>Daniel: Faith in the Furnace series</i>

Mark your calendars! 2 weeks away!

Golden Isles Presbyterian Church 17th Annual World Missions Emphasis

Friday-Sunday

November 9-11, 2012

"Mission Impossible: the Greatest Adventure!"

featuring

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Gary Waldecker
Mission to the World; former missionary to Chile

Guest Missionary Peter Bakelaar
Mission to the World, Japan

SIGN UP in the foyer for the
Friday International Dinner (Potluck; 6:30 p.m.)
and Saturday Lunch (\$5).

"Faith Promise Sunday" is November 11th.

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Church Staff

Senior Minister
TE Alexander S. Brown
Administrative Assistant
to the Pastor
Dorothy Garvin

Elders

Chaplain (CAPT) T. Brannon Bowman (165th Airlift Wing, GA)
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 Gospel in Life.” Learn how the Gospel is able to transform your life, your community, and the world beyond.

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 (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 **10/21**): \$152,678
Income—Budget (YTD through **10/31**): \$172,800
Variance: (\$ 20,122)

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 (this year, November 9-11). 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 9/30: \$20,324 or 55%.

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 #105-107

The Sixth Commandment: “You shall not kill.”

Minister: What is God’s will for us in the sixth commandment?

All: I am not to belittle, insult, hate, or kill my neighbor— not by my thoughts, my words, my look or gesture, and certainly not by actual deeds— and I am not to be party to this in others; rather, I am to put away all desire for revenge. I am not to harm or recklessly endanger myself either. Prevention of murder is also why government is armed with the sword.

Minister: Does this commandment refer only to killing?

All: By forbidding murder God teaches us that He hates the root of murder: envy, hatred, anger, vindictiveness. In God’s sight all such are murder.

Minister: Is it enough then that we do not kill our neighbor in any such way?

All: No. By condemning envy, hatred, and anger God tells us to love our neighbor as ourselves, to be patient, peace-loving, gentle, merciful, and friendly to him, to protect him from harm as much as we can, and to do good even to our enemies.

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

***The Gloria Patri**

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

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.

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

Words: Charitie
Lees Bancroft
and Vikki Cook

Additional
information
may be found at:
persecution.com

Scripture Reading

Colossians 3
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 984)

***Hymn, “Before the Throne of God Above”**

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea;
A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands. My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within;
Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free,
For God the Just is satisfied, to look on Him and pardon me,
to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness;
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!
One with Him now I cannot die, my soul is purchased with His blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
with Christ my Savior and my God!

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, “The Writing on the Wall”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Daniel: Faith in the Furnace, Part 6

Text: Daniel 5

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 742

***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

I Thessalonians 5:9,10

“God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with Him.”

***Hymn, “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”**

No. 528

Scripture Reading

Judges 9

(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 209)

Intercessory Prayer

Sermon, “The God who is in control.”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Exodus: God, our Savior, Part 15

Text: Exodus 6:14-27

Notes:

***Hymn of Response, “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”**

No. 92

***Benediction**

The Lord's Day Evening Worship

October 28, 2012 • 6:00 p.m.

*those who are able, please stand

- Gather in silent meditation -

"Whatever the LORD pleases, He does,
in heaven and on earth."

- Psalm 135:6

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 134:1,2

"Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,
who stand by night in the house of the LORD!
Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the LORD!"

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn of Adoration, "From All That Dwell below the Skies"

No. 7

from
Psalm 117

GIPC "Fighter Verse" for the week of October 28, 2012:



Numbers 23:19

"God is not man, that He should lie,
or a son of man, that He should change His mind.
Has He said, and will He not do it?
Or has He spoken, and will He not fulfill it?"

"Fighter Verses" are short passages of Scripture selected to equip the believer in the fight of faith. For a complete list please see the latest issue of the GIPC Connection newsletter, available in the foyer or online (gipc-pca.org). *Desiring God Ministries, Bethlehem Baptist Church, Minneapolis, MN*

Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week

Rich and Crissy Greete

The Greetes served 15 years as church-planters in Japan prior to Rich becoming a licensed mental health counselor. Rich and Crissy live in Florida where Rich has a private counseling ministry. Rich also serves as a Counselor with Mission to the World's *Spiritual Life Department*, involved in the long-term nurture, care and development of missionaries and their families through conferences, mentoring, pastoral visits, debriefing and crisis interventions.