

## 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.

### ***“Fighter Verse” for the week of February 3, 2013:***

#### **Psalm 27:1-3**



“The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?  
When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes,  
it is they who stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me,  
yet I will be confident.”

Fighter Verses\* are published each month in the *GIPC Connection* newsletter, available in the foyer or online: [gipc-pca.org/publications](http://gipc-pca.org/publications).

*\*A ministry of Desiring God; Bethlehem Baptist Church, Minneapolis, MN.*

**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

February 3, 2013 • 10:30 a.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“Cast your burden on the LORD  
and He will sustain You.”

- Psalm 55:22a

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Interlude

### \*Call to Worship

“The LORD is near to all who call on Him,  
to all who call on Him in truth.”

Psalm 145:18

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

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

No. 76

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

· THIS WEEK AT GIPC ·	
Sunday, February 3	<p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School— <i>Knowing Scripture</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper— <i>Exodus: God, our Savior series</i> Children's Church teacher (February 3rd)—<i>Diane Chilton</i> (Children are dismissed during the Offertory.)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship— <i>Daniel: Faith in the Furnace series</i></p>
Tuesday, February 5	<p>6:30 p.m. GIPC Officer Training— <i>at GIPC.</i> (Women's Book Group—rescheduled for Wednesday, February 6th)</p>
Wednesday, February 6	<p>9:30 a.m. Women's Book Group— <i>at Sharon Bolin's home.</i> In keeping with Glynn County's "The Big Read," the group will discuss <i>The Bridge of San Luis Rey</i>, by Thornton Wilder.</p> <p>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> (*3/person; reservations are not required.)</p>
Thursday, February 7	<p>6:30 p.m. Mission Committee Meeting— <i>Sharon Bolin's home</i></p>
Saturday, February 9	<p>8:00 a.m. "Second Saturday" Men's Breakfast and Bible Study— <i>at the home of Alex Brown.</i> The current study is on the topic, "Disciplines of a Godly Man." All men are welcome.</p>
Sunday, February 10	<p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School— <i>Knowing Scripture</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship— <i>Exodus: God, our Savior series</i> Children's Church teacher (February 10th)—<i>Sonia Gaschler</i> (Children are dismissed during the Offertory.)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship— <i>Daniel: Faith in the Furnace series</i></p>

· GOLDEN ISLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ·

**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 topic: "Knowing Scripture" (based on the teaching series by R.C. Sproul)  
(Led by Bill Wood.)

**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](http://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 1/31):	\$13,737	Expense—Actual (YTD through 1/31):	\$13,486
Income—Budget (YTD through 1/31):	\$14,600	Expense—Budget (YTD through 1/31):	\$13,718
Variance:	(\$ 863)	Variance:	\$ 232

**World Missions/Faith Promise**

Faith Promise Commitments: \$25,900 — *what we are trusting God to provide this year.*  
Faith Promise Receipts (YTD through 1/31): \$ 1,750  
Faith Promise Budget (YTD through 1/31): \$ 2,580  
Variance: (\$ 830)

GIPC uses the 'Faith Promise' method of giving in order to financially support a number of individuals/families involved in U.S. and foreign-based mission work. These funds are maintained in a separate account, apart from the General Fund; please designate all such gifts for "Faith Promise." Faith Promise commitments are made each year during the month of November. The total amount committed determines the missionary support budget for the following calendar year. Missionary Newsletters are available in the church foyer in order that we might provide prayer support.

**\*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**

**Romans 11**  
*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 946)*

**\*Hymn, "Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right"**

**No. 108**

**Prayer of Confession and Intercession**

*Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Cuba, Mexico, Colombia*

**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, "Vision of the Future"**

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

***Daniel: Faith in the Furnace, Pt 12***

**Text: Daniel 11:1-35**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 748

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

**\*Hymn of Response, "O Father, You Are Sovereign"**

**No. 75**

**\*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 John 4:9,10**

“In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent His only Son into the world, so that we might live through Him. 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.”

### \*Hymn, “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

**No. 529**

### Scripture Reading

**Judges 20**

(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 219)

### Intercessory Prayer

## Sermon, “Test of Faith”

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

**Exodus: God, our Savior, Part 28**

**Text: Exodus 15:22-27**

**Notes:**

## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

**\*Hymn of Preparation, "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood" No. 253**  
(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, "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood" No. 253**  
(st. 3-5)

**\*Benediction**

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*This week's Fighter Verse is found on page 12.*

### **Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week**

**Peter and Diane Bakelaar—Mission to the World, JAPAN**

*Pick up a copy of their latest newsletter in the foyer  
for photos and prayer updates.*

## The Lord's Day Evening Worship

**February 3, 2013 • 6:00 p.m.**

*- Gather in silent meditation -*

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.  
Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed,  
for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."*

*- Joshua 1:9*

*"The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom  
of our Lord and of His Christ,  
and He shall reign forever and ever."*

*- Revelation 11:15b*

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

**Revelation 11:17**

*"We give thanks to You, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was,  
for You have taken Your great power and begun to reign."*

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**\*Hymn of Adoration, "This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"**

**No. 389**

*Based on  
Psalm 118*

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

*\*those who are  
able, please stand*