

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

January 13, 2013 • 10:30 a.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“When this passing world is done, when has sunk yon glaring sun,
when we stand with Christ in glory, looking o’er life’s finished story,
then, Lord shall I fully know, not till then, how much I owe.

Chosen not for good in me, wakened up from wrath to flee,
hidden in the Savior’s side, by the Spirit sanctified,
teach me, Lord, on earth to show, by my love, how much I owe.”

- Robert Murray McCheyne

“We love because He first loved us.”

- I John 4:19

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Interlude

*Call to Worship

Psalm 106:1

“Praise the LORD!
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,
for His steadfast love endures forever!”

*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

*Hymn, “Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

No. 30

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

• THIS WEEK AT GIPC •

Sunday, January 13	9:30 a.m. Sunday School— <i>What is the Reformed Faith?</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>
Wednesday, January 16	9:30 a.m. Women’s Bible Study— <i>(Brown House)</i> <i>This week will be the conclusion of the Biblical Womanhood study.</i> <i>A new study on the book of Hosea will begin next week.</i> 6:30 p.m. GIPC’s Annual State of the Church Dinner & Meeting— <i>(GIPC)</i> Dinner will be a “Chili Cook-Off” - please sign up in the foyer to bring chili, cornbread, or brownies. All are invited to attend.
Thursday, January 17	6:30 p.m. B & G Committee Meeting— <i>(Dr. Diane Bowen’s office)</i>
Sunday, January 20 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday	9:30 a.m. Sunday School— <i>What is the Reformed Faith?</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>

Golden Isles Presbyterian Church Annual State of the Church Dinner

Wednesday, January 16, 2013

6:30 p.m. at GIPC

Presentation of Annual Report.

Bring your favorite homemade chili to share!

Awards will be given for best chili and a best non-traditional chili. The church will provide chili toppings, crackers, as well as ice cream and toppings for brownie sundaes.

Please sign up in the foyer. All are welcome to attend!

· 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.

“Knowing Scripture” *(based on a teaching series by R.C. Sproul; led by Bill Wood.)*

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 (2012)

Income—Actual (YTD through 12/31):	\$255,627	Expense—Actual (YTD through 12/31):	\$173,997
Income—Budget (YTD through 12/31):	\$219,000	Expense—Budget (YTD through 12/31):	\$183,115
Variance:	\$ 36,627	Variance:	\$ 9,118

World Missions/Faith Promise

2013 Faith Promise Commitments: \$25,900 —*what we are trusting God to provide this year.*

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. *Because these funds are maintained in a separate account, 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. Please use these tools to provide what missionaries often say they need the most—*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[†].

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.

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

***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.

Scripture Reading

Romans 8
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 944)

***Hymn, “A Debtor to Mercy Alone”**

No. 463

Prayer of Confession and Intercession

Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Laos, Vietnam, Malaysia

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, “Now, and Not Yet”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Text: Daniel 8

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 745

Additional information may be found at: persecution.com

***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

Psalm 103:12

“As far as the east is from the west,
so far does He remove our transgressions from us.”

*Hymn, “*Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord*”

No. 465

Scripture Reading

Judges 17
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 216)

Intercessory Prayer

Sermon, “*Debtors to Grace*”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Exodus: God, our Savior, Part 25

Text: Exodus 13:1-16

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 55

The Lord's Day Evening Worship

January 13, 2013 • 6:00 p.m.

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able, please stand

- Gather in silent meditation -

*"Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are His judgments
and how inscrutable His ways!"*

- Romans 11:33

*"The LORD has established His throne in the heavens,
and His kingdom rules over all."*

- Psalm 103:19

"Fighter Verse" for the week of January 13, 2013:



II Chronicles 16:9a

*"For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout
the whole earth, to give strong support to those
whose heart is blameless toward Him."*

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

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

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***Call to Worship**

Psalm 113:2,3

*"Blessed be the name of the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore!
From the rising of the sun to its setting
the name of the LORD is to be praised!"*

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Adoration, "The God of Abraham Praise"**

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