

## 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.

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### ***“Fighter Verse” for the week of May 5, 2013:***

#### **Romans 12:20-21**



“To the contrary, ‘if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.’ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”

*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 May 5, 2013 • 10:30 a.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -  
 "Let us love the Lord who bought us,  
 pitied us when enemies,  
 called us by His grace, and taught us,  
 gave us ears and gave us eyes:  
 He has washed us with His blood,  
 He presents our souls to God."  
 - John Newton, 1774

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Interlude

### \*Call to Worship

**I Timothy 1:17**

"To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God,  
 be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen."

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### \*Hymn, "Come, Thou Almighty King"

**No. 101**

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

| · THIS WEEK AT GIPC ·                          |  |
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| <b>Sunday, May 5</b>                           | <b>9:30 a.m. Sunday School—</b> <i>The Hole in Our Holiness</i><br><b>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper—</b><br><i>Exodus: God, our Savior series</i><br><b>Children's Church teacher (May 5th)—</b> <i>Connie Reed</i><br><i>(Children will be dismissed prior to the sermon.)</i><br><b>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship—</b> <i>Ezra</i>   |
| <b>Wednesday, May 8</b>                        | <b>6:30 p.m. Midweek Prayer Meeting—</b> <i>at GIPC</i><br><i>Church Supper* at 6:30 p.m., followed by Prayer at 7:00.</i><br><i>(*3/person; reservations are not required.)</i>   |
| <b>Thursday, May 9</b>                         | <b>6:30 p.m. Christian Education (CE) Committee—</b> <i>Brown home</i>   |
| <b>Saturday, May 11</b>                        | <b>8:00 a.m. "Second Saturday" Men's Breakfast and Bible Study—</b><br><i>at the Brown home. All men are invited.</i>  |
| <b>Sunday, May 12</b><br><i>"Mother's Day"</i> | <b>CareNet "Change-for-Life" campaign begins, to benefit our local Care Net Centers.</b><br><b>9:30 a.m. Sunday School—</b> <i>The Hole in Our Holiness</i><br><b>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship—</b> <i>Exodus: God, our Savior series</i><br><i>Ordination of Church Officers; light reception to follow.</i><br><b>Children's Church teacher (May 12th)—</b> <i>Sara Brown</i><br><i>(Children will be dismissed prior to the sermon.)</i><br><b>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship—</b> <i>Ezra</i> |

### Ordination of Church Officers

The Congregation of Golden Isles Presbyterian Church elected Bill Wood as Deacon and Clay Huddleston as Ruling Elder at a duly called meeting on Sunday, April 28, 2013. These men will be ordained on Sunday, May 12, 2013, during the Morning Worship service. The service will be followed by light refreshments.

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**CHURCH WORK DAY**  
**Saturday, May 18, 2013**  
**9:00–1:00 at GIPC**

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Details: see pg 2 of the May GIPC Connection

· **GOLDEN ISLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** ·

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| <p><b>Church Staff</b></p> <p><i>Senior Minister</i><br/>TE Alexander S. Brown</p> <p><i>Administrative Assistant to the Pastor</i><br/>Dorothy Garvin</p> | <p><b>Elders</b></p> <p>Chaplain (CAPT) T. Brannon Bowman (165th Airlift Wing, GA)</p> <p>RE Dan Reed (Golden Isles Presbyterian Church, St. Simons Island)</p> <p>TE Brad Waller (Associate Pastor, Independent Presbyterian Church, Savannah)</p> <p><i>(TE Teaching Elder; RE Ruling Elder)</i></p> |
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**Adult Sunday School— Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.**

A new study begins this week: “The Hole in Our Holiness,” based on the book by Kevin DeYoung (Senior Pastor, University Reformed Church, East Lansing, MI).

**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.*

 **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**

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| <b>Income—Actual</b> (YTD through <b>4/30</b> ): | \$ 70,687  | <b>Expense—Actual</b> (YTD through <b>4/30</b> ): | \$ 64,682  |
| <b>Income—Budget</b> (YTD through <b>4/30</b> ): | \$ 72,400  | <b>Expense—Budget</b> (YTD through <b>4/30</b> ): | \$ 60,211  |
| Variance:  | (\$ 1,713) | Variance:   | (\$ 4,471) |

**Hospice Ministry— 2nd Thursday**

GIPC provides a meal (for 4) to *Hospice of the Golden Isles* on the 2nd Thursday of each month. A volunteer from Hospice delivers the meal to a family whose loved one is being cared for. If you would like to help, please contact Betty Harrell .

**World Missions/Faith Promise**

*“Would that God would make hell so real to us that we cannot rest; heaven so real that we must have men there, Christ so real that our supreme motive and aim shall be to make the Man of Sorrows the Man of Joy by the conversion to Him of many.” - J. Hudson Taylor (founder of the China Inland Mission)*

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Faith Promise Commitments: \$25,900 —*what we are trusting God to provide this year to support GIPC’s missionaries.*

Faith Promise Receipts (YTD through 4/30): \$ 8,050, or 31% of the goal.  
*Please designate all gifts for: “Faith Promise.”*

**\*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 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 and Music  
by Stuart Townend)

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

## Scripture Reading

**Luke 5:1-16**  
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 860)

### \*Hymn, “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure;  
that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure!  
How great the pain of searing loss: the Father turns His face away  
as wounds which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders;  
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life: I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything— no gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
but I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer;  
but this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

## Prayer of Confession and Intercession

*Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Nepal, Bhutan, Burma*

## 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, “Conviction and Confession”

**Text: Ezra 9**

**Notes:**

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 395

**\*Hymn of Response, “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”**

**No. 500**

**\*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

**Romans 5:1**

“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand.”

### \*Hymn, “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

**No. 629**

### Scripture Reading

**I Samuel 9**

(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 231)

### Intercessory Prayer

## Sermon, “One God”

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

*Exodus: God, our Savior, Part 39*

**Text: Exodus 20:3**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 61

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

**\*Hymn of Preparation, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" No. 252  
(st. 1-3)**

**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, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" No. 252  
(st. 4)**

**\*Benediction**

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

**Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week**

**Mission to North America (MNA) Chaplain Ministries**

▶ **View** the Chaplain Video by going to [www.PRCC.co](http://www.PRCC.co) and clicking on the link for Chaplain DVD (right-hand column).

▶ **Read** the latest update\* from our 'adopted chaplain' MAJ Tom Faichney.

\*available in the foyer

**The Lord's Day Evening Worship**

**May 5, 2013 • 6:00 p.m.**

- Gather in silent meditation -

"Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life."

- John 6:68

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

**Psalm 100:1**

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

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**\*Hymn of Adoration, "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"**

**No. 1**

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

*\*those who are able, please stand*