

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 hope 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 out the information card found in your bulletin. These cards simply help us to know who you are, and how we can best serve you.

“Fighter Verse” for the week of September 1, 2013:

Hebrews 3:12-13



“Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called ‘today’, that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.”

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

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**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 September 1, 2013 • 10:30 a.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.”

- Matthew 11:28

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Interlude

*Call to Worship

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

Psalm 118:1

*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

*Hymn, “Jesus Shall Reign”

No. 441

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

• THIS WEEK AT GIPC •

Sunday, September 1	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School— <i>Current Study: Who Is the Holy Spirit?</i>
	10:30 a.m.	Morning Worship and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper— <i>Exodus: God, our Savior series</i>
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship— <i>Gospel of John series</i>
Wednesday, September 4	6:00 p.m.	GIPC Fall Kick-Off! <i>See announcement below.</i>
Thursday, September 5	6:30 p.m.	Missions Committee— <i>Huddlestons</i>
Sunday, September 8	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School— <i>Current Study: Who Is the Holy Spirit?</i>
	10:30 a.m.	Morning Worship— <i>Exodus: God, our Savior series</i>
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship— <i>Gospel of John series</i>

DINNER AND CHURCH CALENDAR PREVIEW

FALL KICK-OFF

Fried Chicken Dinner—provided by the church.
Please bring a side to share.
Enter a pie in the “Pie Contest”! Prizes awarded
for best fruit, best cream, and best all-around pie.
Cost: \$3/person; kids eat free.
✓ Sign up in the foyer to indicate side dish.
?? Contact Sara Brown.

Wednesday 9/4, 6pm at GIPC

GOLDEN ISLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

<p>Church Staff</p> <p>Rev. Alexander S. Brown, <i>Senior Minister</i></p> <p>Dorothy Garvin, <i>Administrative Assistant to the Pastor</i></p>	<p>Elders</p> <p>Clay Huddleston</p> <p>Dan Reed</p>	<p>Deacons</p> <p>Bill Wood</p> <p>Jerry Harrell (<i>Emeritus</i>)</p>
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Adult Sunday School— Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Current Study: *Who is the Holy Spirit?* —a series by Dr. Sinclair Ferguson.

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

Income—Actual (YTD through 8/31):	\$145,471	Expenses—Actual (YTD through 8/31):	\$131,113
Income—Budget (YTD through 8/31):	\$142,300	Expenses—Budget (YTD through 8/31):	\$123,365
Variance:	\$ 3,171	Variance:	(\$ 7,748)

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.

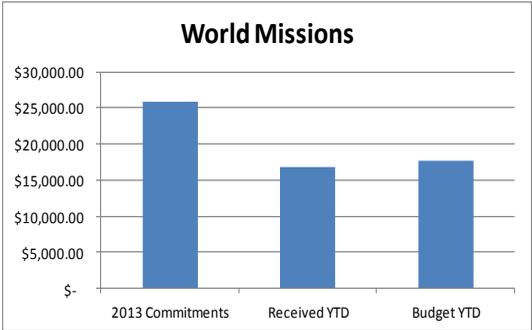
World Missions/Faith Promise

Faith Promise Commitments for World Missions: \$25,900 —*what we are trusting God to provide*

Faith Promise Receipts (YTD through **8/31**): \$16,817 (65%)

Please designate all gifts for: "Faith Promise."

18th Annual World Missions Conference
First weekend in November: Nov. 1-3
 Dr. John R. Sittema, President, WorldServe
 (Keynote Speaker)



Category	Amount
2013 Commitments	\$25,900.00
Received YTD	\$16,817.00
Budget YTD	\$17,500.00

***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 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.

Scottish Psalter
(1650)

Additional
information
may be found at:
persecution.com

Scripture Reading

Luke 11:37-54
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 870)

*Psalm 121

Tune: DUNDEE as in, "Oh God, We Praise Thee and Confess"

I to the hills will lift mine eyes,
From whence doth come mine aid.
My safety cometh from the Lord,
Who heav'n and earth hath made.

Thy foot He'll not let slide, nor will
He slumber that thee keeps.
Behold, He that keeps Is-ra-el,
He slumbers not, nor sleeps.

The Lord thee keeps, the Lord thy shade
On thy right hand doth stay:
The moon by night thee shall not smite,
Nor yet the sun by day.

The Lord shall keep thy soul; He shall
Preserve thee from all ill.
Henceforth thy going out and in
God keep for ever will.

Prayer of Confession and Intercession

Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Pakistan, India, Bangladesh

Offering

*Children ages four and five are dismissed for Children's Church.
The teacher will meet them at the back of the sanctuary.*

Sermon, "The God-Man"

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

The Gospel of John series, Part 13

Text: John 5:1-18

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 890

*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

Ephesians 2:8,9

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

*Hymn, “Amazing Grace!”

No. 460

Scripture Reading

I Samuel 23
(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 245)

Intercessory Prayer

Sermon

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

“The Final Paradigm: The Supremacy of God”

Exodus: God, our Savior, Part 55

Text: Exodus 22:16-23:9

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,
pg. 63

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***Hymn of Preparation, "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed" No. 254**
(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, "Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed" No. 254**
(st. 4,5)

***Benediction**

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

World Missions Prayer Focus of the Week: *African Bible Colleges*

*Training dedicated Christian leaders
through university-level Christian colleges in Africa.*

Campuses in Liberia, Uganda, and Malawi

*Bible College By Radio— daily Bible teaching and correspondence course,
with a potential radio audience of millions*

African Bible College (ABC) TV - Malawi

Find out more at: africanbiblecolleges.net

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

The Lord's Day Evening Worship

September 1, 2013 • 6:00 p.m.

**those who are able, please stand*

- Gather in silent meditation -

*"Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,
looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith...*

Consider Him who endured from sinners

such hostility against Himself,

so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted."

- Hebrews 12 (selected)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship Psalm 96:4**

"Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;

He is to be feared above all gods."

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Adoration, "Come, Thou Almighty King" No. 101**