

## II Corinthians 4:17-18



“For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.”

**GIPC Fighter Verse for the week of April 8, 2012.** For a complete list please see the latest issue of the *GIPC Connection* newsletter, available in the foyer or online ([gipc-pca.org](http://gipc-pca.org)).

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## College Care Pack Ministry

**!! Donations Please!! April 1st—April 15th**

Each spring the Women of GIPC look forward to preparing College Care Packages to be sent to GIPC college students, students of grandparents and students of missionaries supported by GIPC. This is an opportunity for the GIPC Church Family to support, bless and encourage these students to continue in their spiritual growth and academic work.

**You may drop your gift in the specially-marked box in the foyer, or place it in the offering plate.** Make checks payable to “GIPC” and designate for “College Care Pack.” Please put cash in an envelope labeled “College Care Pack.” *Envelopes are available at the display table in the foyer.*

There are currently 11 students on the list. **Grandparents and family members are asked to please provide the name, address, name of college/university of your student** to India or Clay Huddleston.

Thank you for participating in this ministry and giving as generously as possible to provide a GIPC pack of LOVE for these students! *Questions? Please contact India Huddleston if you have questions.*

## 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 Easter Sunday

April 8, 2012 - 10:30 a.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one.

I died, and behold I am alive forevermore,  
and I have the keys of Death and Hades.”

- Revelation 1:12

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Interlude

### \*Call to Worship (responsive)

### Psalm 118:1

**Minister:** Christ is risen!

Congregation: Christ is risen, indeed!

**Minister:** O give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;  
His steadfast love endures forever!

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

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

## · THIS WEEK AT GIPC ·

<b>Sunday, April 8 “Easter Sunday”</b>	<b>Serving Today:</b> <b>Greeters:</b> Betty & Jerry Harrell <b>Ushers:</b> Nick Chilton, Jerry Harrell <b>Nursery:</b> Diane Chilton <b>Children’s Church:</b> Connie Reed <i>(The sign-up sheet for greeting and ushering is located at the back of the sanctuary. To volunteer for Nursery/Children’s Church, please contact Sara Brown, 577-3287.)</i>
<b>Tuesday, April 10</b>	<i>The Brown family will be on vacation April 9th through the 15th. Please contact the church office 638-2563 or ruling elder Dan Reed, should a need arise.</i> <b>6:00-7:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study— “Meeting Jesus: Women of Faith from the New Testament” (Dr. Diane Bowen’s office)</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 11</b>	<b>9:30-11:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study— “Meeting Jesus: Women of Faith from the New Testament” (GIPC; child care provided.)</b> <b>6:30 p.m. Midweek Prayer Meeting at GIPC—</b> A light supper* is served at 6:30, followed by prayer at 7:00. (*\$3/person, reservations are not required)
<b>Thursday, April 12</b>	<b>Hospice Meal—</b> On the 2nd Thursday of each month a meal for four people is prepared and delivered to the <i>Hospice of the Golden Isles</i> . A volunteer from Hospice then takes the meal to a family whose loved one is being cared for at home. <i>(Contact: Betty Harrell)</i>
<b>Saturday, April 14</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. “Second Saturday” Men’s Breakfast and Bible Study—</b> All men are invited to gather for food and fellowship on Saturday morning, April 14th. The current topic of discussion is <i>biblical manhood</i> . (Note: This month the breakfast will be held at the Huddleston home.)
<b>Sunday, April 15</b>	<b>College Care Pack donations due (see pg. 12)</b> <b>9:30 a.m. Sunday School—</b> Led by Clay Huddleston <b>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship—</b> Guest Minister, Rev. Tommy Park (RUF Campus Minister at UNF) <b>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship—</b> Guest Minister, Rev. Tommy Park

### **Guest Missionary to speak at GIPC—Sunday, April 29th**

**Joshua Tsavatewa** serves with *Sacred Road Ministry* among the Yakama people in Washington State. He will share about this ministry during the Adult Sunday School class (9:30 a.m.) and at the Evening Worship service (6:00 p.m.). The GIPC Mission Committee invites all those interested in meeting Joshua, and hearing more about what God is doing through this ministry, to remain after the Morning Service; a light lunch will be provided.

*“The Sacred Road team reaches out to the community through children’s ministry, youth ministry; a variety of acts of service and mercy, adult Bible study (Hope Fellowship), recruiting, hosting and organizing one week service teams, etc.” (from the Sacred Road Ministries website)*

· GOLDEN ISLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ·

**Church Staff**

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

**Elders**

TE Brannon Bowman (Pastor, Grace Church of the Islands, Savannah)  
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 Blossoming of the Church: A Look at the Progress of the Church in the 4th and 5th Centuries” (*Church History, Part 2*). Led by Mr. Brown.

**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 (www.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 (YTD through 4/1): \$53,878  
Budget (YTD through 4/30): \$63,400  
Variance: (\$9,522)

**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. 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 April 1st: \$9,362 or 25%.**

Missionary Newsletters are available in the church foyer. Please use these to provide what missionaries say they need the most—*prayer support*.

**\*Hymn, “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”**

**No. 277**

**\*Confession of Our Faith** (responsive)

**The Heidelberg Catechism**

Q & A #35, 36

**Minister: What does it mean that He “was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary”?**

**All:** That the eternal Son of God,  
who is and remains true and eternal God,  
took to Himself, through the working of the Holy Spirit,  
from the flesh and blood of the virgin Mary,  
a truly human nature  
so that He might become David’s true descendant,  
in all things like us His brothers  
except for sin.

**Minister: How does the holy conception and birth of Christ benefit you?**

**All:** He is our mediator,  
and with His innocence and perfect holiness  
He removes from God’s sight my sin—  
mine since I was conceived.

**\*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.

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

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

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

### Scripture Reading

**II Corinthians 1**  
*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 964)*

**\*Hymn, “Up from the Grave He Arose”**

**No. 276**

### Prayer of Confession and Intercession

*Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Afghanistan*

### 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 Hopeful Field”**

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

**Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration, Part 43**

**Text: Jeremiah 32**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 660

**\*Hymn of Response, “The Day of Resurrection!”**

**No. 267**

**\*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

**Acts 10:43**

“To Him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name.”

### \*Hymn of Assurance, “*God, Be Merciful to Me*”

**No. 486**  
*(from Psalm 51)*

### Scripture Reading

**Joshua 10**  
*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 184)*

### Intercessory Prayer

## Sermon, “*Raised for our Justification*”

**Mr. Alexander S. Brown**

**Text: Romans 4:25**

**Notes:**

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 942

### \*Hymn of Response, “*Worship Christ, the Risen King!*”

**No. 286**

### \*Benediction



Today, April 8th  
Easter Lunch at the  
Brown's House\*

The Brown family would like to invite everyone to their house for Easter Lunch after the morning service. The main course will be provided.  
*Bring folding chairs if you have them.*

## The Lord's Day Evening Worship

April 8, 2012 • 6:00 p.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

*"The LORD is my strength and my song;  
He has become my salvation."*

- Psalm 118:14

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

**Psalm 92:1,2**

*"It is good to give thanks to the LORD,  
to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;  
To declare Your steadfast love in the morning,  
and Your faithfulness by night."*

### \*Prayer of Invocation

### \*Hymn of Adoration, "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim" No. 165

*\*those who are  
able, please stand*