

### **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

August 12, 2012 • 10:30 a.m.

The pulpit  
arrangement is  
given to the glory  
of God and in  
loving memory of  
Teri Jo Hull, by the  
GIPC church family.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.”

- Psalm 46:1

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Interlude

### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 145:18

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

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### \*Hymn, “I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

No. 119

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

## • THIS WEEK AT GIPC •

<b>Sunday, August 12</b>	<b>Nursery:</b> Sara Brown <b>Children's Church:</b> Connie Reed
	<b>9:30 a.m. Sunday School—</b> “The Gospel and Life”
	<b>10:30 a.m. Morning Worship—</b> Exodus: God, our Savior series <b>6:00 p.m. Evening Worship—</b> Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration series
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· 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 study: "The Gospel and Life." Learn how the Gospel is able to transform your life, your community, and the world beyond. *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 (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 8/8): \$113,682  
Income—Budget (YTD through 8/8): \$135,100  
Variance: (\$ 21,418)

**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. **This year's missions conference is scheduled for November 9-11, 2012.**

**2012 Faith Promise Commitments: \$36,950—what we are trusting God to provide this year.**

**Faith Promise Receipts YTD through July 31st: \$15,579 or 42%. (YTD Budget: \$20,030)**

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

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

**The Heidelberg Catechism**  
Q & A #83-85

**Minister: What are the keys of the kingdom?**

**All:** The preaching of the holy gospel and Christian discipline toward repentance. Both preaching and discipline open the kingdom of heaven to believers and close it to unbelievers.

**Minister: How does preaching the gospel open and close the kingdom of heaven?**

**All:** According to the command of Christ:  
The kingdom of heaven is opened by proclaiming and publicly declaring to each and every believer that, as often as he accepts the gospel promise in true faith, God, because of what Christ has done, truly forgives all his sins.

The kingdom of heaven is closed, however, by proclaiming and publicly declaring to unbelievers and hypocrites that, as long as they do not repent, the anger of God and eternal condemnation rest on them.

God's judgment, both in this life and in the life to come, is based on this gospel testimony.

**Minister: How is the kingdom of heaven closed and opened by Christian discipline?**

**All:** According to the command of Christ:  
If anyone, though called a Christian, profess unchristian teachings or lives an unchristian life, if after repeated brotherly counsel, he refuses to abandon his errors and wickedness, and, if after being reported to the church, that is, to its officers, he fails to respond also to their admonition—such a one the officers exclude from the Christian fellowship by withholding the sacraments from him, and God Himself excludes him from the kingdom of Christ.  
Such a person, when he promises and demonstrates genuine reform, is received again as a member of Christ and of His church.

*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.*

**\*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.

**Scripture Reading**

**II Thessalonians 1**  
*(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 989)*

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

**\*Hymn, "God, in the Gospel of His Son"**

**No. 141**

**Prayer of Confession and Intercession**

*Persecuted Church Focus of the Week: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan*

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

**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.*

**\*Hymn of Response, "We Rest on Thee"**

**No. 449**

**\*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.

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## 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 32:5

“I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity;  
I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,’  
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.”

### \*Hymn, “Not What My Hands Have Done”

No. 461

### Scripture Reading

Judges 1

(ESV Pew Bible, pg. 200)

### Intercessory Prayer

## Sermon, “The Burning Bush”

Mr. Alexander S. Brown

Exodus: God, our Savior, Pt. 6

Text: Exodus 3:1-10

Notes:

ESV Pew Bible,  
pg. 46

### \*Hymn of Response, “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

No. 92

Based on  
Psalm 46

### \*Benediction

# The Lord's Day Evening Worship

August 12, 2012 • 6:00 p.m.

- Gather in silent meditation -

“And Jesus came and said to them,  
‘All authority in heaven and on earth  
has been given to Me.’”

- Matthew 28:18

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

## \*Call to Worship

**Psalm 34:1,2**

“I will bless the LORD at all times;  
His praise shall continually be in my mouth.  
My soul makes its boast in the LORD:  
let the humble hear and be glad.”

## \*Prayer of Invocation

## \*Hymn of Adoration, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

**No. 1**

(Psalm 100)

\*those who are  
able, please stand

## GIPC “Fighter Verse” for the week of August 12, 2012:

### Psalm 91:14-16



“Because he holds fast to Me in love, I will deliver him;  
I will protect him, because he knows My name. When  
he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in  
trouble, I will rescue him and honor him. With long life  
I will satisfy him and show him My salvation.”

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### Missionary Prayer Focus of the Week

Imbumi and Martha Makuku  
Kibera Reformed Presbyterian Church / Shunem Girls Shelter  
Kenya

*For praise and prayer items please pick up a copy  
of their latest update in the foyer.*