

# SIPC News

## Sunset Service

The Skidaway Island churches will unite in thanksgiving as we host a casual community sunset service at 5 p.m. on Sunday, November 19 at the Skidaway Institute of Oceanography, 10 Ocean Science Circle. Worshippers should bring folding chairs to be comfortable enjoying the sunset on the bank of the Skidaway River. Hot beverages will be served. Give thanks to God in the beauty of this glorious community where we live and worship.

## Angel Christmas Tree



The Mission Committee will once again set up the angel tree this Sunday, November 19 in the narthex. There will be 75 angels in total supporting Union Mission, Safe Shelter, and children living in the Pin Point community. Gifts should be returned to SIPC and placed in the Johnson Parlor by Sunday, December 3. Please label your items with the angel.

**Union Mission Angels** – *These angels will have wish lists for a child of a certain age and gender. Presents that are purchased should be returned UNWRAPPED so that Union Mission can help parents select suitable items from all items collected.*

**Safe Shelter Angels** – *These angels request \$25 gift cards from Walmart to be given to adult residents. The children of Safe Shelter receive presents from many other organizations.*

**Pin Point Angels** – *These angels will have the names of children with items they are hoping to receive. These gifts should be returned WRAPPED to SIPC.*

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## Sunday Worship Service

10:00 AM  
Rev. Dr. Jeff Garrison

## Sermon

Psalm 100

## Sunday School

**Serendipity** - 9:00 AM

Serendipity Class has begun to tackle a more in-depth understanding of the Heidelberg Catechism. We are drawing from Pastor Jeff's Wednesday evening discussions as well as moving chapter by chapter through Craig Barnes book, *Body and Soul*. Our discussions have turned out to be very satisfying for all in attendance. Each member contributed an interesting interpretation, related experience or "AHA" moment as a result of having read the book.

Please join us and enrich our class with your ideas. Our discussions are casual and meaningful to each and every one. We'd love to have you. Books are available through Betty at the office.

## Gift of Low Basis Stock to SIPC

With the stock market seeming to defy gravity, it is a good time to consider making your gifts to SIPC with low basis stock. That is stock purchased years ago and now having a large unrealized capital gain if sold.

The gift of stock this year can be applied toward your 2018 “faith promise” while producing tax benefit in 2017.

You get a full tax deduction for today’s market value and avoid payment of capital gain taxes. [Very large givers should check with their tax advisor.]

We have an account at Fidelity which can receive the shares, electronically, from your broker. We pay only \$4.95 to liquidate the shares. Our former account at Wells Fargo was more expensive.

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Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church

Please let us know of the transfer so we can properly record the gift.

## Volunteers Needed to Decorate



It's time to decorate the Sanctuary and grounds. Please save the date November 30, 9:30 a.m., to roll up your sleeves and decorate the Sanctuary, grounds, church marquee and Liston Hall for Advent. Many hands make light work, so the more the merrier. Dress to decorate or bring a change of clothes.

Thank you,  
Marcia Dodd

### POINSETTIAS—2017

As we celebrate the love God showed us by sending His Son, we want to give you an opportunity to show your love to someone whose memory or presence you cherish.

It is tradition to decorate our church sanctuary each year with beautiful poinsettias. If you would like to honor someone with a plant order forms are available on the table in the Sanctuary or in the church office. Return the form and your money in the offering plate or to Betty in the church office.

**The last date for orders is November 27th.**

You may pick up your poinsettias after December 25th.

**The cost per plant is \$12.00.**



## Study on the Heidelberg Catechism

The class will not meet on Wednesday, November 22, but will conclude the study on Wednesday, November 29. We meet at 6:30 p.m. and enjoy a simple soup and bread meal before the classes. The book we use is *Body and Soul: Reclaiming the Heidelberg Catechism*, by Craig Barnes. Copies are available for \$15.

## Muffin Ministry

We will be making muffins in the church kitchen Monday, November 27, at 1:00 p.m. We would love for you to join us. It is a great time for fellowship and fun.

Thank you,  
Susan Usher

## Thornwell

Consider a monetary gift to Thornwell this Thanksgiving Season. Envelopes are in the pews. Please make checks out to SIPC and notate in memo Thornwell.

## Santa Claus Express



Santa Claus Express benefits residents of Presbyterian Homes, Presbyterian Village and Presbyterian Apartments. Gifts can be left in The Santa Claus Express Train in Liston Hall now through November 30<sup>th</sup>. These gifts are greatly appreciated by the nursing care residents and other senior care residents in need. Pamphlets are available at the church office, the Information board located in Liston Hall and on the SIPC website.

## Quilts of Valor Foundation

The Quilts of Valor Foundation is a grassroots group of quilters from across the U.S. It started in 2003 when a quilter dreamed of a quilt comforting a wounded soldier. At the time, her own son was deployed in Iraq. Since then, over 136,990 quilts of Valor have been awarded. Our mission is to honor our service members and veterans who have been touched by war. To request a quilt, go to [www.qovf.org](http://www.qovf.org)



These quilts were displayed in the Sanctuary on Sunday, November 12.  
Photo taken by Jane Reinhard.

## **Thank You**

I want to say a special thank you to all the volunteers, vendors and organizations that supported the Protestant Women of the Chapel Free Market this year. Thank you for your time, dedication and love for military community here at Fort Stewart. I want to thank: Starbucks of Hinesville, Dunkin Donuts of Hinesville, Chick-Fil-A of Hinesville, John Duren, Huntington Women's Group, Isle of Hope Methodist Church, Messiah Lutheran Church, Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church and the soldiers from company 526 of the 92nd Engineers. I would also like to say thank you to our local volunteers from all chapel services here at Fort Stewart as well as our Chaplains that made this possible.

Mara Tate

PWOC In-Reach Coordinator

## **Holiday Newsletter**

The office will be closed on Thursday, November 23 and Friday November 25. Therefore, please send information that you would like to include in that week's newsletter by 12:00 p. m., Monday, November 20.

Thank you,

Betty Gorman

## **New Phone Directory**

We are preparing to print a new directory for the congregation with addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. If you do not wish to list these or have changes to make to our current records, please contact Betty in the church office.

## **Thank You**

I would like to thank Karen Fisher and Barbara Smith for volunteering at the Front Desk. I really appreciate your help and support.

Thank you,

Betty Gorman

## From The Parish Associate

Dear friends,

*Recently, I found words that I had written at this time last year when experiencing difficult personal circumstances. My thoughts were flying apart and prayers were not coming easily. Thankfully, God did grant me courage to keep walking in faith until I was through the travails, and now I see that these words can help in many circumstances. Do you have prayers that you have written or prayers that you say regularly to keep your focus on God's presence? These are challenging times and the symptoms of stress in our world are apparent as people live with relational, spiritual, physical and financial stress. Please send them to me and we will print them in the newsletter to support one another during these times that are challenging us to live our faith, believing that "in all things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." (Romans 8:37)*

*Peace and love,  
Deanie*

Sometimes things don't work out right,  
But we are always in God's sight.  
Let's believe that God is good,  
And things will work out as they should.

We'll call to Jesus, shed our tears,  
Give to Him all of our fears,  
Share our dreams and hopes with Him,  
And find the courage to begin again.



### Volunteers Needed

Fellowship Hour Hosts and Hostesses— *Choose an open date from the sign-up calendar in Liston Hall.*

Audio/Video Operations—  
*Contact the Church office*

Church Office Support -  
*Contact Church Office*

### Bulletin/Newsletter Content Deadline

Tuesday, 4:00 PM

### Church Attendance

114 people attended,  
November 12

### Communication Card

When filling out your communication card on Sunday, please provide your **NAME ONLY** unless your contact information has changed.

## This Week at SIPC

### Sunday, November 19

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Consecration Sunday
- 11:00 AM Consecration Luncheon
- 5:00 PM Community Sunset Service

### Tuesday, November 21

- 2:00 PM Coordinating Council Meeting
- 4:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts

### Wednesday, November 22

- 2:00 PM Beth Moore Bible Study

### Thursday, November 23

Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving

### Friday, November 24

Office Closed Holiday

### Saturday, November 25

- 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study at Marshwood

## Elders

### Class of 2018

Billy Hair  
Debbie Hornsby  
Andy Lohn  
Bob Ernest

### Class of 2019

Sherry Leblang  
Joan Pierce  
Charles Seaton  
Grace Walter



## Preschool Thanksgiving Break

The Preschool will be closed  
Monday, November 20 through Friday, November 24

### Class of 2020

Eleanor Graham  
Ray Krstolic  
Laurel McKeith  
Joe Young

## Birthday Wishes

November 19	November 21	November 23	November 24	November 25
Nancy Carroll	Joe Young Patricia Mitchell	Debbie Hornsby	Debbi Zepp	Mary McKee



# Prayer Requests

Mary Fritz  
Harry Heck  
Marie Kemp  
Sandy Mayer  
Janet Miller  
Joan Pierce  
Jack Richardson  
June Richardson  
George Schwind  
Curt Shambaugh  
Kelli Usher  
Bill Welsh

## For Friends and Family

Birgitta Blomgren, *Sister of Lars Ljungdahl*  
Janet Beerman, *Friend of Sherry Leblang*  
Mickey Creel, *Friend of Ed and Shirley Bullinger*  
Pete Dillingham, *Son-in-law of Mary Fritz*  
Jessie Eskew, *Niece of Sam and Kay Eskew*  
Mary Ellen Fox, *Friend of Judy and Howard Gandelot*  
Nick Francisco, *Nephew of Lynne Kaley*  
Barbara Garrison, *Mother of Jeff Garrison*  
Sam Gates, *Grandson of Don and Sandy Mayer*  
Joe and Hilde Gibson, *Friends of Vic and Jean Bell*  
Kerry Goode, *Friend of Jim and Ann Fendig*  
Ann Graham, *Friend of Sue Wallace*  
Pauline and Bobby Gordon, *Friends of Marcia Dodd*  
Josh Hancock and family, *Nephew of Carri Stoltz*  
Jerry Hiers, *Son-in-law of Ruth and Tom Potterfield, friends of Dottie Strickler*  
Jack Howard, *Friend of Jim and Ann Higbee*  
Larry Hutcheson, *Friend of Sherry Leblang*  
Marion Jenkins, *Friend of Bill and Peggy Foster*  
Fred Kanner, *Friend of Vic and Jean Bell*  
George Korb, *friend of Karen Bailey*  
Lowrey McNeel, *Friend of Vic and Jean Bell*  
Jimmy and Carey Melton, *son and daughter-in-law of Jim and Eloise Melton*  
Nancy Miller, *Friend of SIPC*  
Lucy and Mike Monahan, *Friends of Carri Stoltz*  
Mary Romanos, *Friend of Carol and Joe Young*  
Tom Schendorf, *Friend of SIPC*  
David Seaton, *Son of Charlie and Nell Seaton*  
Chris Suckell, *Friend of Bill and Peggy Foster*  
Molly & Bob Titus, *Brother and sister-in law of Mary Alice Cavitt*  
Melissa Wolosyzn and Family, *Niece of Bill & Anne Welsh*  
Ruth Woodman, *sister of Bob Ernest*  
Hal and Cindy Wynne, *Friends of Carri Stoltz*  
Alison Yeazel, *Sister of Laurel McKeith*  
Alex Young, *Husband of Marge Young*

Elsie Theisen, a long time member of SIPC before she moved to Novi, Michigan, passed away at her home on October 17, 2017.

Please keep her family in your prayers.



## For Those Serving In the Military

Philip Boggs, *servicing in the Army, stationed in Ft. Carson, Colorado, grandson of Patty Boggs*  
Devin Crute, *servicing Homeland Security/Border Patrol, grandson of Lori & Bob Harris*  
Zach Crute, *servicing in the U.S. Navy, stationed at the San Diego, CA, Naval Base, grandson of Lori & Bob Harris*  
Betsy Evans, *servicing in the U.S. Army, stationed in Tampa, Florida, daughter of John and Karen Evans*  
Richard Kelly, *servicing in the U.S. Navy, grandson of Margie Kelly*  
Patrick Lenihan, *servicing in U. S. Marines at the Joint Expeditionary Base, Virginia Beach, VA, grandson of Priscilla Beckwith*  
Dolan Lewis, *servicing as a nuclear engineer aboard the USS Ohio submarine, SC, grandson of Don and Sandy Mayer*  
Matt Quinn, *servicing in the U.S. Army, grandson of Gerry Baumgardner*  
Taylor White, *servicing in the U.S. Navy in Bahrain, grandson of Bunny Ludtke*

### SIPC's Mission

To nurture Christians who by their words and actions reflect the face of Jesus to the world.

### SIPC's Vision

To be a family of faith in Christ serving one another in the spirit of God's love.

### SIPC's Values

Using the Holy Scripture as our foundation of faith, we seek:

- Truth tempered by love
- Service above self
- Care for one another
- Mutual respect and accountability
- A personal relationship with Christ

## A Gracious Christmas

The women of First Presbyterian Church in Savannah would like to invite the women of Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church to "A Gracious Christmas" program and luncheon from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on December 7, 2017.

Participants gather in the sanctuary to enjoy programs by Martha Nesbit, local cookbook author; Janie Cosick, known for her Tybee Island cottage renovations; and Mary Kay Andrews, a New York Times bestselling author. Lunch is provided by local chef and restaurateur Kirk Blaine who grew up at First Presbyterian Church. Kirk is the owner of Castaways in Sandfly and The Howlin' Hound. Christmas music is provided by Rev. Deanie Strength at the piano.

The event includes a market of Christmas crafts and handcrafted gifts including fresh holiday greenery arrangements and natural ornaments. Homemade baked goods such as pound cakes and cheese straws are also available. Please join us for a morning of fellowship and inspiration for your own Gracious Christmas! Call the FPC office to reserve your seat or go online at <http://savannahfpc.org/gracious-christmas-2014-2/>



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