

# Announcements

To register for any of these events, please visit our website: [skidawaymethodist.org](http://skidawaymethodist.org)

## Welcome to Our Church

Take a moment to sign the red attendance registration pads. Join us in Bailey Hall following the 10:00 am worship service for a time of fellowship. Children's Church is offered upstairs for children ages 3-5th grade following the Children's Gathering at 10:00 am. A nursery and quiet room are also available during both services. If you are visiting with us today, please pick up a visitor booklet in the lobby.

### Honduras Mission Meeting Today

Our team just returned from Honduras and we are already making plans for a return trip! If you are interested in learning more about serving on a team join us for an informational meeting today at 11:15 AM in the Parlor to learn more about this incredible mission. Our youth and adults will travel in July 2025 and we are already planning an adult trip for January 2026!

### Sponsor A Soldier

As part of our Missions outreach, we are sponsoring 7 soldiers deployed overseas for the year, from just before Christmas 2024 to just before Christmas 2025. Many of them have left behind families to serve in the Middle East, and several soldiers in their squadron will celebrate birthdays during their deployment. If your family would like to send a care package, scan the QR code to complete a form or contact Emma. All donations will be collected at the church and mailed together.



### New Exercise Class - Strong As Ever

Join our fitness classes designed for adults of all ages, now with the addition of a new class called "Strong as Ever" on Mons, Weds, and Fris at 8:00 am in Bailey Hall. This class primary focuses on building muscular strength and endurance with low-impact full-body exercises. The first class is free, then \$7 per session or \$65 for the month. No registration is required.

### Upcoming Wednesday Night Dinner

Join us this Wednesday, January 22 at 5:45 PM in Bailey Hall as our Mission Team is back from Honduras and wants to share their experience with us! We'll enjoy a meal of Salisbury steak with caramelized onions, whipped potatoes, green beans with pecans, salad, and dessert. Register online by tomorrow at 3:00 pm.

### Voices of Joy Children's Choir

Join the Sounds of Joy Children's Choir for kids in 1st to 5th grade on Wednesdays from 5:15-5:45 pm in Gidden's Chapel. Practices run until May, and children will share their talents at the 10:00 am service once a month. For more information, contact Carrie Kitchen.

### One Year Bible Small Groups

If you have not registered for a small group already it is not too late! Visit [skidawaymethodist.org/Bible2025](http://skidawaymethodist.org/Bible2025) to view class times, register, or to find out more. Each day readings will include a mix of Old and New Testament passages, Psalms, and Proverbs, with Sunday sermons based off that week's readings.



Welcoming people to Christ.  
Growing in our relationship with God.  
Loving others through service.

## Learn With Us

### Sunday School Opportunities

Our education classes meet to study God's word and share in fellowship together. Our classes are always open to visitors and new members! Here's a snapshot of what each class is studying.

#### These classes meet at 11:15 am:

**Encouragers Class** - This class will begin a new study on January 12, 2025.

**Spiritual Growth Class** - This class of active retirees digs into God's word to learn more about scripture as it connects to daily life.

**Thorne Class** - This class utilizes curriculum with a theme of "Following Jesus" to see how scripture impacts our actions and attitudes.

#### This class meets at 9:00 am:

**New Hope Class** - This class utilizes the Wesley Bible Curriculum to better understand God's loving relationship with us and how we live out our faith.

## Connect With Us

### Prayer requests:

email [prayer@skidawaymethodist.org](mailto:prayer@skidawaymethodist.org)  
Weekly Emails: Contact the office to sign-up!

**For pastoral support while Rev. Hale and Rev. Michelle are with the missions team please contact Rev. Rob:**  
[robgrotheer1@gmail.com](mailto:robgrotheer1@gmail.com)

### Breakfast with Pastor Hale

Every Wednesday at 8:00 am  
at Marshwood. All are welcome.

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm  
**OFFICE PHONE:** (912) 598-8460

## Church Staff

**Rev. Hale Bishop**  
Senior Pastor

**Paul Chant**  
Director of Music  
Ministries

**Emma Johnston**  
Youth & Program Director

**Carrie Kitchen**  
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Coordinator

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Controller

## Serving Today

### Ushers

Chip Birch - Head Usher  
Dianne Cornwell  
Bill Grotheer  
Joyce Haynes  
Ken Haynes  
Rusty Toler

### Acolytes

Elizabeth Lattimore  
William Lattimore

### Crucifer

Celia Ashbaugh



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Scan the QR code with your  
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# Skidaway Island Methodist Church



Come to Me All Who Are  
Weary and Heavy Laden

January 19, 2025

# The Order of Worship

January 19, 2025 at 8:30 am & 10:00 am

Enter in prayer and meditation as we prepare for worship.

**PRELUDE** Jesus, United by Thy Grace John B. Dykes

**WESTMINSTER CHIMES**

**GREETING** Rev. Michelle Johnson

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, all who are weary and burdened,  
For Jesus invites us to find rest in Him.  
He reveals God's wisdom to the humble,  
And calls us to take His gentle yoke upon us.  
Let us come with open hearts,  
And find rest for our souls,  
As we worship the one who gives us peace.  
Come, let us worship the Lord!

**INTROIT (10:00)** Make Us One Carol Cymbala

**\*HYMN 98** To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things he hath done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

**Refrain:**

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. [R]

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [R]

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881** The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

**\*GLORIA PATRI 70** MEINEKE

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.

**RESPONSIVE READING (10:00)** Psalm 36:5-10, page 771

Dianne Cornwell, liturgist

**SOLO (10:00)** I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say MATERNA

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, O weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast."  
I came to Jesus as I was, weary, and worn, and sad;  
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give  
the living water; thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live."  
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."  
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk till traveling days are done.

**CHILDREN'S HYMN (10:00)** Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear;  
things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:  
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,  
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON (10:00)** Susan Donovan

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Michelle Johnson

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**PRAYER RESPONSE 162** Alleluia, Alleluia  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

**OFFERTORY SOLO (8:30)** I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say MATERNA  
Damon Banks

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:00)** Honored, Glorified, Exalted Randy Vader

**\*DOXOLOGY 95** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow OLD 100th  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE** Matthew 11:25-30 Pew Bible NT Page 11

**SERMON** Come to Me All Who Are Weary and Heavy Laden

**\*HYMN 154** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name CORONATION  
All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.  
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,  
go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.  
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Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.  
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**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Hale Bishop

**\*CHORAL BLESSING (10:00)** Amen (from Total Praise) Richard Smallwood

**POSTLUDE** Lord, You Give the Great Commission Cyril V. Taylor

*\*Congregation, please stand as able.*