

SSCC HIGHLIGHTS

- **Adult Christian Education – The Common Ground** gathers at 9:00 am. John Mills leads this group's discussion in a way that is engaging, challenging, and accessible for everyone! The Common Thread also gathers at 9:00 am in the Leslie Classroom. They discuss texts the Revised Common Lectionary offers for the day that do not serve as our guide in Sunday worship.



- **SAVE THE DATE AND VOLUNTEER TO HELP!** – Sunday, **September 6th** join us in Dunlap Hall as we work together to fill boxes of food for those in need. A sign up is available in our weekly newsletter. You must pre-register for the event. See Jeff Moore if you have any questions
- **SAVE THE DATE! Sept. 11 and 12** - for "Does God Need the Church?" with Dr. Stan Saunders. We will gather from 5:30pm-8:00pm Friday, Sept 11 and from 9:30am-noon Saturday, Sept 12. Light dinner on Friday, and snacks, and coffee on Saturday will be provided. A sign-up is available in our weekly newsletter, or reach out to Cindy Brown for more info.



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August 23, 2026

10:15 am

Countdown

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Teddy Ivey

Prelude "Prayer" Ella Lewis
Rene Vierne

Bringing the Light of Christ Acolytes

***Call to Worship** Cindy Brown
Leader: Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"

All: Many voices offer many answers.
Leader: Then Jesus made the question personal: "But who do you say that I am?"

All: We gather to listen, to learn, and to seek our faithful response.
Leader: Christ calls ordinary people to become part of something greater than themselves.

All: May God build among us a community of grace, courage, and hope.
Leader: Come, let us worship the living God.
All: Together, let us open our hearts to God's presence.

***Opening Hymn** #453 – V. 1, 2
"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

Invitation to Children's Worship
At this time, children age three through fifth grade are invited to meet the children's worship leader in the back of the sanctuary for Children's Worship. They will return to the sanctuary for communion.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer Dottie Gill
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.

Musical Offering "Down in the River to Pray" Trio
Becky Strickland, Courtney Strickland and Larri Wolf

Scripture Matthew 16:13-20 NRSV Cindy Brown

Message "More Than Answers" Rev. Teddy Ivey

Musical Reflection Ella Lewis

Call to Giving Cindy Brown

Offertory "Beautiful Savior" Ella Lewis
Setting, Wendy L. Stevens

***Offertory Response** #46
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Blessing Our Gifts Tyler Fultz, Elder

Invitation to the Table Josh Raugh

Prayer for Bread and Cup Becky Chimera, Elder

Words of Institution Josh Raugh

Communion
Please come to the front, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and partake. For gluten free - please take your elements from the communion table and come to one of the serving elders or ministers for a blessing if you wish.

Welcome to Visitors Cindy Brown
Visitors, please come to the Welcome Desk in the lobby for a gift and information. Thank you for visiting.

Disciples Affirmation and SSCC Mission Rev. Teddy Ivey
As Disciples, we believe God calls us to be and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving, and serving from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth. Sandy Springs Christian Church shares God's love through inclusivity, service, and spiritual growth.

Invitation Rev. Teddy Ivey

***Closing Hymn** "He Is Lord" #117 – 2X

***Benediction** Rev. Teddy Ivey

Postlude "Nun danket alle Gott" Ella Lewis
Albert Travis

*All that are able, please stand.