

## MISSIONS

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We serve both internationally and through helping people within our own community and there are many different ways to get involved based on your time and interest. Below are the different areas:

### **International Mission**

**Teams:** We are involved through financial support of missionaries and through the United Methodist Committee on Relief. We support four long-term mission efforts around the world financially. We send a team annually on an international missions trip.

**National Mission Teams:** Similar to the International Mission Team, people from our congregation can do mission team work within the United States to spread the love of Jesus Christ.

**Short-term Mission Teams:** Mission trips lasting only three to four days usually but having amazing results in a short period of time.

**Local Missions:** We are involved in a number of mission efforts in the Savannah area: People Helping People, Inner City Night Shelter, Wesley Community Center, Interfaith Hospitality Network, and Habitat for Humanity, just to name a few.



**Missions in Our Own Backyard:** We are currently developing and deploying resources to meet local needs of our own church members and our neighbors here on Wilmington Island.

Contact the church office, 897-2835, for more information about opportunities for mission and ministry.



## FOR CHILDREN

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In the Children's Ministry, our task is to help children know God and to become faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. We welcome and encourage all children to participate in our programs!

### **Sunday School:**

We offer class time on Sunday mornings for learning more about our amazing God! During Sunday School, kids hear stories from the Bible that teach about God's great love for us, revealed in Jesus Christ. Children hear stories, discuss, and have activities that reinforce their learning. We have wonderful, loving teachers who make the classes fun. We would love to have your child join us!

Sunday School is from 9:45 to 10:45 every Sunday.

Our classes are:

Cradle to age 2; 3- 5 years old; 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades; 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades, and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades.

### **Nursery:**

A nursery is available for children 0-3 during both morning worship services and during Ignite.

### **KinderChurch and Children's Church:**

Children are invited to remain in the sanctuary and worship with their families. For those children who aren't quite ready to be still for an hour, we offer an alternative worship experience. Children ages 3 to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to join with other children to celebrate God through Bible stories, crafts, and games.

### **Bible Study:**

We provide a special afternoon time for the children to learn more about the Bible and what it can teach us about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. This time is filled with art, activities, and worship. Children ages 3 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade meet at 4pm. During this time, the kids also go to choir with our Music Director, where they learn songs and are introduced to instrument-playing, with hand chimes, hand bells, and recorders. The children regularly participate in our worship services with song and music. The Children's Ministry also offers several special events throughout the year. In the summer, our big event is Vacation Bible School, a fun-filled week of Bible-centered activities, songs, and games. We also offer a Back to School Dinner, an Easter Celebration, a Children's Christmas Pageant, KidzQuest Worship Retreat, a Birthday Party for Jesus, a Kids' Gifts and Talents Showcase, Fun Fridays, and participation in local mission projects. Please join us!

For more information about our Children's Ministry, please contact Cara Robinson, Children's Ministry Director 897-2835 ext. 19 or [cara@islandmethodist.com](mailto:cara@islandmethodist.com).



## PRAYER

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Prayer is a key part of both our corporate and individual relationship with God. We have people who pray during our worship services. We have a men's and women's group that meets at 7 am on Wednesdays, as well as a group that meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:30

## MUSIC

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WIUMC's music program has a place for everyone.

- Children's Choir has offerings throughout Sunday afternoon for all children including Choir Chimes and Handbells. Contact the church for more information.
- Adult Choir practices on Wednesday evening at 7 PM with Handbells at 8 PM

For more information, contact the church office at 897-2835.

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

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We have a number of classes for all ages and life stages! Some classes use the International Lesson Series while others follow book studies or other curriculum. Each class serves at Savannah's Inner City Night Shelter a couple of times a year and many of them have projects and gatherings outside of Sunday morning.

## CHURCH FAMILY SUPPER

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On the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, we enjoy a catered meal with fellowship and a program. Programs have included Hymn sings, Bible trivia, and missionary presentations. Cost is \$5.00 per person with a maximum of \$20.00 per family. Call the church office, 897-2835, for reservations.

## MINI MINISTERS 5TH AND 6TH GRADE

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Kids in 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades meet on Sunday afternoon from 4:00 –4:50 for Bible study and fun activities. Handbells meet from 5:00-5:40, and choir meets from 5:40-6:30.

## FOR YOUTH

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We are a group of 7-12th grade teenagers who love God, love one another and love others! Together we break bread, fellowship, study God's Word, and serve the hungry all while building tight relationships that allow us to live as agents of God's love in this world.

We meet weekly at the following times:

- Sunday Morning for Sunday School from 9:45-10:45
- Sunday Afternoon for MYF from 4-5:30 (meal provided)



Some of our activities have been serving our church as volunteers at VBS, and going to M-Fuge in Greenville, SC, where we learned more about God and serving others. We also spent a week at the Hinton Rural Life Center in Hayesville, NC doing ministry and missions for people in that community.

***Have Questions? Wanna Be A Part of An***

***Incredible Youth Group?***

*Email youth minister Nick Zichettella at [nick@islandmethodist.com](mailto:nick@islandmethodist.com) for more information.*

## DRAMA

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Our Drama Ministry has several productions going on throughout the year. Past productions include *The Mousetrap*, and *The Curious Savage*. Call the church office for details on upcoming productions.

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

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We have an active group of United Methodist Women comprised of 4 circles that meet monthly for fellowship and spiritual growth. Each circle is active in a different mission project. Learn more about these groups by going to our website or contacting our UMW leader, Melba Priestley, 898-9718 or [melba@aol.com](mailto:melba@aol.com)

## PRESCHOOL

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Wilmington Island United Methodist Preschool provides a quality early childhood education program in a Christian setting. We hold classes Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 12 noon.

The Preschool utilizes The Creative Curriculum which is developmentally appropriate for 2, 3, and 4 year olds. We recognize the uniqueness of each child and strive to meet his or her individual needs. The primary goal of the Preschool is to create an environment in which each child can grow spiritually, physically, socially, cognitively, and emotionally.

We are accredited by the Georgia Accrediting Commission.

Wilmington Island United Methodist Preschool is open to all children without regard to race, creed, sex, or national origin. Contact Director Cathie Jorgensen at 897-2835, ext. 23 for more information or email her at [Cathie@islandmethodist.com](mailto:Cathie@islandmethodist.com)

We also have a **Mother's Morning Out** program which provides childcare for infants and toddlers on Tuesday & Thursday from 9am-1 pm. For more information on this contact Ruth Tsang at [ruth@islandmethodist.com](mailto:ruth@islandmethodist.com) or 897-2835 ext. 18

## JOIN US

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We would love for you to be a part of our family. Contact Rev. Mike Brown at [mbrown@islandmethodist.com](mailto:mbrown@islandmethodist.com), or call 897-2835, ext. 16.



***The Mission of Wilmington Island United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by inviting, incorporating, nurturing and serving***

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For over fifty years, Wilmington Island United Methodist Church, through its ministries of nurture, outreach, and witness, has been fulfilling its mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ. With a diversity of age and interest groups in our congregation, we offer something for just about everyone! Please feel free to contact our staff by phone (897-2835), by e-mail, visit our website, [www.islandmethodist.com](http://www.islandmethodist.com), or find us on Facebook for more information about the ministries introduced in this brochure. WIUMC welcomes you and invites you to join us as we worship and seek to serve God in our community and in the world!

## WORSHIP

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Worship is an essential part of our relationship with God. It is through worship that we honor God and are sent out for ministry. We worship together in a traditional style every Sunday at 8:30 and 11 AM. We also have an alternative service called Ignite at 6:30 PM . The nursery is available for each service with Safe Sanctuaries trained volunteers.