SEJ Cabinet Consultation

January 23-26, 2018

*Epworth By The Sea*

*St. Simons Island, GA*

**Theme:**
The Church as a Missional Incubator: How to Turn Hare-Brained Ideas into Sustainable Ministries without Losing Your Soul (or Your Shirt)

**Keynote Speaker:**
Dr. Kenda Creasy Dean
*Princeton Theological Seminary*

**Bishop in Residence:**
Bishop Kenneth Carter, Jr.
*Florida Conference*

**Worship:**
Derrick Scott, III
*Campus to City Wesley Foundation and the CCW Band*
Welcome to Epworth By The Sea
2018 SEJ Cabinet Consultation

A Holy Place set aside for worship, study and fellowship.

Dear Friends in Christ:

We are excited to welcome the SEJ Cabinet Consultation to Epworth By The Sea which includes Bishops, District Superintendents and Directors of Connectional Ministries.

The theme this year: The Church as a Missional Incubator: How to Turn Hare-Brained Ideas into Sustainable Ministries without Losing Your Soul (or your Shirt). Over the past 67 years, Epworth has served as an “incubator” for many worthy ministries that have been transformational for many lives.

Our prayer is that you will find rest and renewal as you worship, study and fellowship with one another. Please let us know if you have special needs so that we can better prepare for your visit.

We want your stay to be rewarding, enjoyable and spiritually uplifting. If you arrive with heavy burdens and your heart looking down, may you depart saying, “Bless the Lord, O my soul and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name!”

Sincerely,

Joel Willis
Dear Colleagues:

Welcome to our 2018 SEJ Cabinet Consultation! I’ve had the distinct honor and privilege to lead an amazing, committed and resourceful Design Team. Collectively, we have been praying and dreaming of an event that will help us be better equipped to face the challenge of being “the chief missional strategist” in our areas and to find ways to be missiologically effective in making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

In a rapidly changing world with changing values, interests and understanding of the world we live in, it is imperative that we find innovative ways to share the Gospel of Christ and to transform lives in the image of God, both through traditional and non-traditional models of being the Church of Jesus Christ.

The practice of relational evangelism, the intentional effort of finding people where they are, share life and stories with them, respecting who they are and what their experiences in life have been, opening ourselves to learn from them and waiting for the right moment to share our story and our Christian identity seem to be some of the keys to Gospel-sharing, evangelism and life transformation. Some of the churches are growing in numbers of people blessed and transformed by their ministries by practicing these principles.

We invite all of us to be open to what the Spirit has to say to the church in the 21st Century, and to us, God’s servant leaders who have the responsibility of vision-casting, team-building and fulfilling the mission of God in the world!

Have a great and blessed Consultation!

Rev. Dr. Rini Hernandez
SW District Superintendent/FL Conference
Chairperson of the Design Team for the 2018 SEJ Cabinet Consultation
January 8, 2018

Dear friends,

I’m looking forward to meeting you next month! This note is to prepare you: we’re going to spend three days together feeding stray cats.

I mean that metaphorically (unless, of course, an actual cat shows up…) Bear with me. As you pack for St. Simon’s, please bring with you an Idea for a new ministry that would bless people in your district (they don’t need to be “church” people). Don’t waste time thinking up a Big Idea. Big Ideas, like big pets, are a lot of trouble. But do make it something new, that is not currently in your budget. Give it 3 minutes’ thought or less. We’re after an Idea, not a plan. Maybe:

- A half-baked idea that you put on the “back burner” long ago
- A nigling hope that keeps worming its way into your thinking during Cabinet meetings (!)
- A spin-off from another program that is way more fun than the original
- A way to make something that already exists immeasurably more delightful
- A fresh new direction for a current ministry
- Something common in another sector (e.g., farming, childcare, business, education, healthcare, banking, etc.)—but that is very new for churches
- An idea that just snuck up on you one day, that made you want to create something that does not yet exist.

Your Idea is like a stray cat—every time you feed it, it comes back. (Wesley might have called it a “prompting” of the Holy Spirit.) If thinking of an Idea is stressing you out, forget it—we’ll help you dream up something on the spot. Some of you became D.S.’s because you’re natural “Idea People,” and some of you became D.S.’s because you’re born “Cheerleaders” for the Ideas of others. Either way, this conversation is for you.

The point is, we’ll have stray cats to tend in February—and we’re going to feed them, observe them, and cozy up with them while we’re together. When we’re done, who knows? You might even take one home with you.

I’ve spent most of my ministry working in the church’s R&D department—a.k.a., youth and young adult ministries. For the past six years I’ve also had the privilege of helping individuals, congregations, schools and judicatories re-learn the spiritual practice of missional innovation (www.ministryincubators.com is our very socially awkward website). The general theme for our time together is The Church as a Missional Incubator: How to Turn Hare-Brained Ideas into Sustainable Ministries without Losing Your Soul (or Your Shirt). For those of you with agenda anxiety, here are our four sessions:
Wednesday, January 24

9:15-10:30  “Love Made Me an Inventor”: The Church’s Mandate for Creativity, Even When We Feel Like We’re on Empty
10:45-12:00 What Would Issachar Do? Stories of Missional Innovation and the Leaders Who Launch Them

Thursday, January 25

9:15-10:30  Feeding Your Stray Cat: Tools to Help People Find Hope They Didn’t Know They Had
10:45-12:00 Lobster Season: What Beer Companies Know that the UMC Needs to Learn

I won’t use handouts, but I’ll give Tiffany my slides when we’re finished (you’ll need to get a password from her to access them). In the meantime, you’ll probably want something to take notes on, to help you track your Idea and how the Holy Spirit may be using it to change you.

Have a glorious start to 2018! Please join me in praying that God will use our time at St. Simon’s to help our churches learn to “do good” better.

Yours in the common calling,

Kenda Creasy Dean
Elder, Greater New Jersey Annual Conference
Mary D. Synnott Professor of Youth, Church and Culture
Princeton Theological Seminary

P.S. I also recommend watching Moneyball before you come (if you’ve seen it before, it’s worth re-watching. Every time they say “baseball” just substitute “church”).
Dear Friends:

I look forward to seeing you at Epworth by the Sea for the 2018 SEJ Cabinet Consultation as together we explore the Church as a Missional Incubator. I am grateful for the work of the Design Team and especially grateful to the chair of the Design Team, Rev. Dr. Rini Hernandez. I am pleased to be joined by other Bishops in leading worship including Bishop Lawson Bryan and Bishop Sue Haupert Johnson. I am excited to learn alongside of you from Dr. Kenda Creasy Dean from Princeton who will be sure to encourage us to take risks and innovate together. This year may we be enriched by this time apart to connect, listen, share, learn and grow as chief missional strategists. See you soon!

Bishop Ken Carter
Bishop in Residence

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https://www.facebook.com/SEJCabinetConsultation/
Kenda Creasy Dean, an ordained United Methodist pastor in the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference, is the Mary D. Synnott Professor of Youth, Church, and Culture at Princeton Theological Seminary. In addition to teaching in practical theology, education and formation (specifically youth and young adult ministry, the church as social innovator, and theories of teaching), Kenda works closely with Princeton’s Institute for Youth Ministry and the Farminary. She also serves as the coordinating pastor of Kingston United Methodist Church. Kenda is the author of numerous books on youth, church and culture, including Almost Christian: What the Faith of Our Teenagers Is Telling the American Church (Oxford, 2010) and Practicing Passion: Youth and the Quest for a Passionate Church (Eerdmans, 2004), as well as several co-authored books, including How Youth Ministry Can Change Theological Education, If We Let It with Christy Lang Hearlson (Eerdmans, 2016); The Theological Turn in Youth Ministry with Andrew Root (InterVarsity, 2011), OMG: A Youth Ministry Handbook (Abingdon, 2010), and The Godbearing Life: The Art of Soul Tending for Youth Ministry with Ron Foster (Upper Room, 1998). In 2013 she and fellow pastor Mark DeVries co-founded Ministry Incubators, Inc., an educational and consulting group dedicated to missional innovation and entrepreneurial forms of ministry (MinistryIncubators.com). A graduate of Wesley Theological Seminary, she served as a pastor and campus minister in suburban Washington, D.C. before receiving her PhD from Princeton Seminary in 1997. She is currently the project director and senior strategist for The Zoe Project, an Lilly Endowment initiative designed to foster innovation in congregations around young adults.

Select Publications
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Practicing Passion: Youth and the Quest for a Passionate Church (Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2004)
Starting Right: Thinking Theologically about Youth Ministry (Youth Specialties Academic/Zondervan, 2001)
Biographies - Continued

Bishop in Residence: Bishop Kenneth Carter

Florida Conference

Along with the Cabinet, he gives pastoral and administrative leadership to almost 700 congregations, fresh expressions of church, campus ministries and outreach initiatives in an episcopal area that stretches from Tallahassee and Jacksonville to Miami and the Keys. He came to the Florida Conference in 2012, following a ministry of almost thirty years in Western North Carolina, twenty-nine as a local church pastor.

Bishop Carter is the president-designate of the Council of Bishops of the United Methodist Church, and in 2018-2020 he will serve as president. He is one of three moderators of A Way Forward, the commission authorized by the General Conference in matters of unity and human sexuality.

His great hope for the church is that she will rediscover an orthodox Christian faith which offers the radically inclusive grace of God to all people, and at the same time calls every follower of Jesus to inner holiness, missional compassion and hopeful witness. He travels extensively across the state, preaching in local churches and encouraging lay and clergy leaders.

Bishop Carter and his wife, Pam have been married for thirty-five years. Pam is also an ordained elder in The United Methodist Church, and she serves in missions and volunteer development on the staff of First UMC in Lakeland. They are blessed with two adult daughters: Liz lives in Los Angeles, where she is a PhD. student at U.C.L.A., and Abby is a youth minister at Soapstone UMC in Raleigh.

Worship: Derrick Scott, III

Campus to City Wesley Foundation Band and the CCW Band

Derrick is a follower of Jesus, campus minister, worship leader, United Methodist, history graduate, accounting disciple, and happily single. He serves as Executive Director of Campus to City Wesley Foundation (CCW), currently representing the UMC on three campuses in Jacksonville and St. Augustine, Florida. He’s been leading United Methodist campus/college ministry since 2002. He also leads a series of events called Urban Soul, a safe space for people with a complicated history with Jesus and the Church. His primary goal is to raise up a new generation of leaders and laborers who will live out the restorative vision of the reign of God throughout the world.
Banquet Speaker: Rev. Dr. Candace M. Lewis
District Superintendent of the Gulf Center area of the Florida Annual Conference

An Ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church. She has oversight of 61 pastors and churches. She started this new position on September 1st 2016. Previously she served from 2012-2016 as the Executive Director of Path1 New Church Starts at Discipleship Ministries in Nashville, TN. Her work included serving as a chief visionary and relentless advocate for creating new places for new people through planting new churches and new faith communities. She also serves as a consultant, coach, and resource person to Bishops, Conference Developers, and Church Planters in starting and maintaining New Churches.

She started ministry in the Florida Annual Conference as a church planter and is the founding Pastor of the New Life Community UMC, where she served from 1997 – 2009 in Jacksonville, Florida.

Rev. Lewis received her undergraduate degree from the University of Florida majoring in Speech Communications in 1990. Upon graduation she was awarded the Distinguished Outstanding Female Student Leader Award for excellent service in leadership while at the University of Florida.

The call to ministry came when she was twenty-two years old and she obediently followed God, accepted the call and enrolled in Gammon Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia to begin preparation. Four years later, she received the Master of Divinity degree with a concentration in Pastoral Care and Counseling. In June 2000, she graduated from the Harvard Divinity School’s Summer Leadership Institute on Faith based Community Economic Development. In 2004 and 2008 she was elected by her peers to serve as a delegate to the General and Southeastern Jurisdictional Conferences of the United Methodist Church. She has traveled extensively in mission and ministry to countries including South Africa, Zimbabwe, England, Hong Kong, China and Ghana, South Korea and Germany..

Doctor Lewis has been in full time ministry for twenty years and is an excellent teacher and preacher of God’s word. She completed her Doctorate in Ministry degree in Church Leadership Excellence at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC graduating in May 2014. Candace enjoys spending time with family and friends, reading, walking, jogging and participating in Fitbit challenges & 5k and 10k races to push herself, listening to music, travel and meeting new people. God has given to her a powerful message to the body of Christ, which she delivers under the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit. She is currently writing her first church leadership resource book to be published in Spring 2017.
The Bishops of the Southeastern Jurisdiction recognize the unique strengths, characteristics and challenges of our Episcopal Areas. As leaders of the Church in the SEJ, we see a timely opportunity to increase our strategic thinking and action with regard to our context in the Southeast. Further, it is our hope to continue to focus on the mission of making disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

In Article V Paragraph 27.1 of the constitution of the 2012 Book of Discipline, the jurisdictions are given responsibility to:

Promote the evangelistic, educational, missionary, and benevolent interests of the Church and to provide for interests and institutions within their boundaries.

To that end, the Bishops of the SEJ recommend the following:

Forming a Southeastern Jurisdictional Missional Initiative for the purpose of focusing on the following.

1.) new forms of church beyond the walls,
2.) children and poverty,
3.) unity and human sexuality,
4.) making disciples,
5.) structure, finance and the future church,
6.) racism and white privilege.

At the 2017 College of Bishops meeting in January, we will collaborate with the Conference Lay Leaders, the Committee on Episcopacy, and Directors of Connectional Ministries on this initiative. It is our hope that our collaboration will offer input to the commission being formed by the Council of Bishops. We also will connect this work to the Four Areas of Focus for the United Methodist Church.

We will assign a bishop and appropriate lay leaders to convene and guide the work of these five initiatives. We hope to then invite every delegate here this week to a gathering which will be held within the next eighteen months where recommendations will be received from the leadership of the Initiative. Expenses will be the responsibility of individual delegates. We encourage each conference to provide scholarships as needed.

The Southeastern Jurisdictional College of Bishops
Schedule

Tuesday, January 23
2:00-5:00  Registration
4:30     Design Team Meeting
6:00-7:00  Dinner
7:15-8:30  Opening Worship & Communion

Wednesday, January 24
7:00-8:30  Breakfast
8:30-9:15  Morning Worship
9:15-10:30  Plenary I
10:30-10:45  Break
10:45-12:00  Plenary II
12:00-12:30  Book Signings by Speakers
12:30-2:00  Lunch and Cabinet Conversations
            (Over boxed lunches, two cabinets will meet together for
            discussion and conversation. These will happen at various
            locations around the site.)
2:00  Free time
      Evening is free. Dinner on your own.

Thursday, January 25
7:00-8:30  Breakfast
8:30-9:15  Morning Worship
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6:30-8:30  Banquet & Closing Worship with Communion

Friday, January 26
No programming for Friday. The banquet will end our time together. People in close
proximity can leave Thursday evening, or others can stay and leave early Friday or
enjoy the morning before heading home.
Opening Worship and Communion
Tuesday, January 23, 2018 - 7:30 pm

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: The God of all ages gathers us here.

Community: From generation to generation - You are God.

Leader: God our loving Creator calls us onward.

Community: Jesus our Savior declares “the kingdom of the heavens is here!”

Leader: The Holy Spirit is with us - to empower us for the work of ministry.

Community: And we are Your Church, oh God. We will bring you glory.

All: Our God reigns forever and ever. Amen.

Worship - CCW Band

Responsive Reading based on Psalm 145 The Voice Translation
(said during the worship set)

Leader: One generation after another will celebrate Your great works; they will pass on the story of Your powerful acts to their children.

Community: Your majesty and glorious splendor have captivated me; I will meditate on Your wonders, sing songs of Your worth.

Leader: We confess—there is nothing greater than You, God, nothing mightier than Your awesome works. I will tell of Your greatness as long as I have breath.

Community: The news of Your rich goodness is no secret—Your people love to recall it and sing songs of joy to celebrate Your righteousness.

Leader: The Eternal is gracious. He shows mercy to His people.

Community: For Him anger does not come easily, but faithful love does—and it is rich and abundant.

All: But the Eternal’s goodness is not exclusive—it is offered freely to all. His mercy extends to all His creation.
Prayer of Illumination

Lord open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture

Sermon

Special Music - CCW Band

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Christ our Lord invites us to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another, therefore let us confess our sin before God and one an other.

Confession and Pardon

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will, we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Music - CCW Band

Closing Prayer
Morning Worship
Wednesday, January 24, 2018 - 8:30 am

Announcements

Call to Worship based on Psalm 25:4-10 The Voice Translation

   Leader: Demonstrate Your ways, O Eternal One. Teach us to understand so we can follow.

   Community: Feed us Your word and lead us down the path of Your truth.

   Leader: Gracious Eternal One, remember Your compassion; rekindle Your concern and love for we are Yours.

   Community: You are immensely good; The Eternal One who teaches sinners the way.

   Leader: With justice, You direct the humble in all that is right.

   Community: Kind and true are all Your ways to those who keep Your words.

   All: We worship you, God of all wisdom and knowledge, who leads us in the everlasting way.

Worship led by CCW Band

Scripture

Message

Music - CCW Band

Closing Prayer
Morning Worship
Thursday, January 25, 2018 - 8:30 am

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Because of Your great love we are not consumed -

**Community:** We are the apple of Your eye; You hide us in the shadow of Your wings.

Leader: Though seasons change and empires rise and fall -

**Community:** We are the apple of Your eye; You hide us in the shadow of Your wings.

Leader: When the cultures rage and rumors of wars abound -

**Community:** We are the apple of Your eye; You hide us in the shadow of Your wings.

Leader: When we are poor and needy, broken in spirit -

**Community:** We are the apple of Your eye; You hide us in the shadow of Your wings.

Leader: When our hearts are overwhelmed and our bodies fail -

**Community:** We are the apple of Your eye; You hide us in the shadow of Your wings.

**All:** We joyfully wait for the God who loves us - we are the apple of your eye, You hide us in the shadow of Your wings.

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Closing Prayer
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Top things to do on St. Simons Island

1. St. Simons Island: Christ Church
   Built in 1884, Christ Church is nestled among huge oak trees on St. Simons’ north end. Located in a serene setting of native live oaks, holly and cedar trees, this treasured landmark is open to the public for tours, except on Tuesdays. This is truly a place on the island that should not be missed! It is extremely peaceful and historic! Definitely a must see. 6329 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-638-8683; www.christchurchfrederica.org

2. St. Simons Lighthouse Museum
   Come climb the 129 circular steps to the top of the St Simons Lighthouse, one of only five in Georgia, as it cast its beam 23 miles out to sea. Standing 104 feet tall and still aiding ships navigating our coastal waters, the Lighthouse offers spectacular, panoramic views well worth the trip up. Then, explore the original 1872 Keeper's Dwelling at its base, which served as home to the lighthouse keepers. Now a museum the two-story, Victorian structure hosts exhibits and artifacts which tell the story of the lighthouse and the way of life for its keepers. 101 12th Street, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-638-4666; www.saintsimonslighthouse.org

3. St. Simons Island Fishing Pier
   Located in Pier Village at the end of Mallery Street, the St. Simons Island Pier provides outdoor lighting along the full length of the pier thus making it a great location for an evening stroll after dinner. The pier overlooks St. Simons Sound which is visited annually by North Atlantic Right Whales, usually seen between December and March, as they migrate from northeastern United States to the calving area in southeastern United States. Other months of the year you can spot dolphin feeding along the coast and an occasional massive cargo ship passing by on its way to deliver hundreds of imported automobiles to the Port of Brunswick. Mallery Street, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; www.goldenisles.com/listing/st-simons-island-pier

4. Fort Frederica National Monument
   This beautiful park was the site of one of the first British colonies. Built by James Oglethorpe to help protect his new colony of Georgia from the Spanish in Florida. Now a national Park, visitors are welcome year round. The park visitor center features exhibits and a short film. 615 Frederica Road, St. Simons, GA 31522; 912-638-3639; www.nps.gov/fofrex.htm

5. Wesley Memorial Gardens
   Set in a beautiful and appropriate garden of native plants and surrounded by ancient oaks, the Wesley Memorial on St. Simons Island is one of the prettiest spots in Georgia. The garden and its centerpiece, a stunning monument, were dedicated on June 12, 1988, to commemorate the Georgia labors of Revs. John and Charles Wesley, in particular their ministry at Fort Frederica. John and Charles Wesley as remembered today as giants of Christian ministry, but they were still early in their evangelical efforts when they came to Georgia in 1736. John had been named the priest for the Anglican or Church of England parish at newly settled Savannah, while Charles was the Secretary of Indian Affairs and Chaplain for General James Oglethorpe, who headed the new Georgia colony. 6510 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; www.exploresouthernhistory.com/wesleymemorial
6. Maritime Center at Historic Coast Guard Station
The Coastal Maritime Center – Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, this Roosevelt-era
Coast Guard Station now offers a very personal encounter with the coast’s nature and its fascinating his-
tory. Seven galleries feature a variety of hands-on exhibits and activities. May - August, the outdoor na-
ture center offers hands-on nature tours, workshops, and programs for visitors of all ages.
4201 First Street, East Beach, St. Simons Island, GA 31522;
912-638-4666; www.saintsimonslighthouse.org/maritime

7. Bloody Marsh
At the Bloody Marsh Battle Site on July 7th, 1742, an outnumbered force of British troops ambushed and
defeated Spanish troops, halting a planned attack on Fort Frederica. Markers and information panels
at this outdoor observation site explain the battle, which once and for all ended Spain's claims to the
Georgia territory. 1810 Demere Road, St. Simons Island, Ga 31522;
912-638-3639; www.goldenisles.com/listing/bloody-marsh-battle-site

8. Left Bank Art Gallery
Left Bank Art Gallery has been the premier gallery serving the Southeast, as well as collectors nation-
ally, for over four decades. Offering a broad range of art works from a recognized group of national and
international contemporary and modern artists, we are able to provide expert advice to both longtime and
new collectors. We work well with recognized professionals in the design industry, on projects ranging
from fulfilling unique personal needs to managing large-scale design planning and implementation. We
believe that interior spaces have the ability to spark the imagination and embrace the senses. It will be
our pleasure to assist you in creating an aesthetic environment that is luxurious, functional, and so-
plicated. 3600 Frederica Road, Suites 12 and 13, St. Simons Island, GA 31522;
912-638-3017; www.leftbankartgallery.com

9. St. Simons Island Trolley Tour
The St. Simons Trolley tour is one of the most acclaimed in the South. To enjoy the island in true south-
ern fashion, join us on the St. Simons Trolley. This is a 90 minutes historical tour. It includes all the his-
torical sites on the island such as the Lighthouse, Fort Frederica, Epworth by the Sea and many more.
An informative narrative of all the sites on the tour is given by "Bunny", the owner of the trolley service.
Trolley Stop located at the Pier in St. Simons Island’s Pier Village at:
117 Mallery Street, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-223-9559; www.stsimonstours.com

10. Lighthouse Trolleys and Boat Tours
Lighthouse Trolleys is operated by island native son, Cap Fendig, who comes out of one of the oldest
and largest families of St. Simons. His passion to share the island history, the colorful stories of the
past present and future with you as our guests! Join Cap and his equally impassioned staff and tour St.
Simons. 559 Magnolia Avenue, St. Simons Island, GA 31522;
912-638-3333; www.lighthousetrolleys.com

11. St. Simons Island Colonial Island Trolley Tours
Locally owned and operated. William of Orange - our appropriately-named mode of transport - is the only
trolley on the island to sport Air Conditioning and Wheelchair Accessibility. Meet us right at the pier next
to the blue sunbrellas, just look for the Orange Trolley and ask for Captain Rod! 100 Mallery St.,
(Right next to the Blue Sunbrellas), St. Simons Island, GA, 31522912-268-0363; www.colonialtrolley.com

Museum houses the Archives for the South Georgia Conference, an extensive Research Library con-
taining over 5,000 volumes, and a Museum dedicated to telling the story of John and Charles Wesley
and Methodism in Georgia. Hours: Monday-Saturday 10am-4pm. Admission: free of charge. Located
next to Lovely Lane Chapel at Epworth By The Sea.
Barbara Jeans: We specialize in both seafood and made-from-scratch, home-style cooking. Best known for their Crab Cakes, She Crab Soup, and “Chocolate Stuff.” 214 Mallery Street, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-634-6500; www.barbarajeans.com

Beachcomber BBQ & Grill: This small family owned restaurant serves smoked meats, homemade potato salad and sides, and great Brunswick Stew. 319 Arnold Road., St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-634-5699; www.beachcomberbbq.com

Blackwater Grill: Savor the best low country, cajun and southern coastal cuisine with good service in a casual "fish camp" atmosphere. 260 Redfern Village, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-634-6333; www.blackwatergrill.com

Brogens Food & Spirits: An institution on St. Simons Island, it's a great place for hamburgers, fried shrimp or any number of delicacies. Their "north" location is near the Villa. 200 Pier Alley, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; www.brogens.com

Bubba Garcias: Mexican cantina where everything is made fresh daily. Kick back, chat, drink a margarita or five, eat some good food and enjoy life. 200 Redfern Village, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-634-0073; www.bubbagarcias.com

Delany's Bistro: Join local Chef Tom Delaney. Dinner selections from the freshest seafood, poultry and prime beef. Lunch includes Delaney's own sautéed crab cakes, fettuccine and an array of light, luscious salads. 3415 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-638-1330; www.delaneys-bistro.com

ECHO: St. Simons Island's only oceanfront restaurant entertains broad, sweeping views and indoor/outdoor dining. ECHO brings a fresh flair to St. Simons' restaurant scene. The culinary team's local-first philosophy and longstanding relationships with coastal farmers and purveyors creates a one-of-a-kind menu of seasonal favorites like Shrimp & Grits and Fried Quail & French Toast. The King and Prince Beach and Golf Resort; 201 Arnold Road, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-638-3631; www.kingandprince.com

Georgia Sea Grill: A casual little restaurant tucked away in the heart of the Village with a delightful dinner in a friendly, comfortable atmosphere. 310 Mallery Street, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-638-1197

Gnat's Landing: A laid back Key West attitude in the heart of Redfern Village. Good old American fare dominates the menu with daily specials including fresh seafood, and fried pickles. 310 Redfern Village, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-638-7378; www.gnatslanding.com

Halyards: Enjoy a dining experience where great food and attentive service are combined with an award winning wine list. Prime beef, specialty seafood and local produce are featured. 55 Cinema Lane (across from Island Cinemas) St., Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-638-9100; www.halyardsrestaurant.com

Nazzaros Italian: St. Simons’ only authentic Italian restaurant. Pleasure your palate with a dozen types of pasta dishes as well as sumptuous chicken, veal, steak and seafood. 196 Retreat Village, St. Simons Island, GA 31522; 912-634-6161; www.nazzarositalian.com
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