



STATESBORO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"TO GLORIFY GOD AND LOVE OTHERS THROUGH WORSHIP, STUDY, AND SERVICE"

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January 18, 2015

Worship Services:

Sanctuary:
8:30AM & 11:00AM

Fellowship Hall:
9:01AM & 11:00AM

Sunday School:

Classrooms:
10:00AM

CONFIRMATION SET TO BEGIN

Our annual confirmation process will begin on January 25. Confirmation is an opportunity to learn about and experience what it means to really follow Christ and what it means to be a "Methodist." Confirmation is open to students of all ages, though it is primarily geared towards 6th graders. On January 25, I will meet with parents at 5:15PM in room 208 on the 2nd floor while students are participating in Surge. During this meeting, I will discuss attendance expectations, details about the confirmation retreat, setting up a snack schedule, the vows students will be making, and more about the confirmation process in general. I will also answer any questions you may have about the process.

Following the parent meeting, I will then meet with students from 6:40-8:00PM, which will be our typical weekly meeting time, with some exceptions. Each week, we usually begin with a game/activity, have a snack, and then have a teaching time based on a variety of aspects related to our faith and the church.

Hopefully you have received a letter by now that includes a list of dates. If for some reason you did not receive a letter, please forgive our omission and email me indicating your interest in participating at sharris@statesborofirst.com, so I can send you that important information and update our church database. I hope you will prayerfully consider joining us for this opportunity to grow stronger in your faith with a great group of friends.

-Pastor Scott

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS TO BEGIN

We had a great kickoff last Wednesday, which means our Wednesday night activities will ratchet up in full force this week. We offer a music program, large and small group activities for children, youth, and adults. We offer dinner from 5:30-6:20pm. Marcus will continue his study on the Echoes of Isaiah and Pastor Scott will conduct a 4-week companion study to our current sermon series on simplified living. Also, looking ahead, beginning February 25, we will offer Financial Peace for those of us who could use a little more peace and Biblical guidance when it comes to managing our finances. Finally, please note that Pastor Jimmy's study WILL NOT meet on Wednesday as he will be returning home from Israel. For more detailed information on Wednesday night offerings for the entire family, please visit <http://statesborofirst.com/#/home/wednesday-nights>

Sunday, January 18, 2015

8:30 & 11:00AM Traditional - Scott Harris

"Whom Does Your Calendar Say That You Are" - Luke 9:18-27

9:01 & 11:00AM REVIVE Contemporary - Scott Harris

"Whom Does Your Calendar Say That You Are" - Luke 9:18-27

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, January 11, 2015)

Morning Worship: 528

Sunday School: 343

8:30AM: 80

9:01AM: 153

11:00AM: 204

REVIVE: 91

Offering Received: \$26,812.00

Preserving God's House: \$1,470.00

Special Offering: ACTS - \$1,234.00

Our Church Family

Christian sympathy and prayers are expressed to *Rawls and Kimberly Neville*, upon the death of Kimberly's grandmother, *Eunice Webb McMillan*, who died January 9, 2015.

Please pray for *Belton Braswell* at Southern Manor

Please pray for *Bob Gunnels* who is in Metter recovering from a stroke.

Please pray for *Jack Mallard* who is in Augusta recovering.

Please pray for *Jim Dutrow* who is recovering from back surgery.

Pastor Jimmy is with 8 of our church members on a trip to the Holy Land. **Please pray** for safe journeys as well as deeply spiritual experiences for each of these church members traveling with Pastor Jimmy: *Pamma Cope, Doug Cope, Becky Holmes, Laura Beasley, Mary Ann Lisenbee, Bill Sellers, Janice Smith, and Kelly Smith*. This group will return late Wednesday, January 21.

The **flowers** in the **Sanctuary** on January 18 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Sybil, James W., Mary S., and S. Lindsey Johnston* by *Julie J. Cowart and Bud Johnston*.

The **flowers** in the **Narthex** on January 18 are given to the glory of God and in honor of *Helen Morris Watson* by *her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren* in celebration of her 90th birthday, January 22, 2015.

Statesboro First United Methodist Church

UMW Circle Meeting Times and Locations for 2015

These circles meet each month with the exception of June, July, November, and December.

Carol Carter: Meets 3rd Monday at 10:00AM in Room 201 (*does not meet in May*)

Lanier-Lee: Meets 3rd Mon. at 1:30PM in members' home.

(January's gathering is at the home of Sara Betty Cook, 105 Wildwood Dr.)

Dreta Sharpe: Meets 3rd Monday at 10:00AM in Room 306

Lily McCroan: Meets 3rd Tuesday at 12:00N (*location to be announced*)

Sunday School Bible Study

The Crusaders Sunday School Class, which meets in Room 103 at 10:00AM on Sundays, will be starting a Bible study of 1 & 2 Kings. Marcus Toole will be leading the study which begins January 18. Please join us if you are not connected with a Sunday School class and would like to learn about the people and empires of the ancient world and how they relate to leaders and nations today.

Church Office Closed Monday

The church office will be closed on Monday, January 19, 2015 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. UMW circles and the Finance Committee are still meeting.

Preschool Closed Monday

The preschool will be closed on Monday, January 19, 2015 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God : Love People : Serve the World

Youth Ministries News

Ski Trip Update

This is a reminder to those participating with the ski trip that the third payment of \$75 was due this past Wednesday.

Passion Conference - Senior Trip

Our youth minister, Becca Brown, and several youth are attending the Passion Conference this weekend. They will return Sunday night January 18.

Our Weekly Events

Our Wednesday night youth activities will resume on January 21.
We will resume Sunday Night Surge on January 25.
Breakfast Club will resume on January 26

Wednesday Night Menu - January 21 - 5:30PM

RJ's: Fried Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Salad, Dinner Roll

Meals are \$6.00 for adults; \$4.00 for kids 12 and under;
\$2.00 for PB&J sandwich and chips.

Drinks and desserts are included with all meals.

Families of five or more (parents and children) pay a maximum of \$24.

Our Church Calendar

Sunday, January 18

8:30AM - Traditional Service, Sanct.
9:01AM - 901 Service, FH
10:00AM - Sunday School, Classrooms
11:00AM - Traditional Service, Sanct.
11:00AM - REVIVE Service, FH

Monday, January 19

(Martin Luther King Day)

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

PRESCHOOL CLOSED

8:00AM - Hugs Emmaus Group, 212
10:00AM - Dreta Sharpe Circle, 306
10:00AM - Carol Carter Circle, 201
1:30PM - Lanier-Lee Circle, offsite
2:30PM - Luke Bible Study, Library
5:45PM - Finance Committee, 213
8:15PM - REVIVE Band Practice, FH

Tuesday, January 20

8:00AM - Morn. Glory Emmaus, Lib.
9:30AM - Aldred Small Grp., 213
6:00PM - AA, 206
6:00PM - Alanon, 201

Wednesday, January 21

5:15PM - Kids JAM, 200 & Choir
5:30PM - Wednesday Activities, All
7:00PM - Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, January 22

6:00PM - Chancel Ringers Prac., HB
6:30PM - 901 Practice, FH

Friday, January 23

(No events scheduled)

Saturday, January 24

12:00N - Soup Kitchen, FH & Kitchen



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, January 18, 2015

Children's Sermon (11:00 Traditional)

Nora Ford

Kids Worship:

9:01: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix

11:00: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix

Children's Ministries News

Wednesday Night Ministry

This week we begin small groups and activities for the spring season of Wednesday Night Ministry. There is something for everyone!

Kids JAM (children's choirs Pre-K up to 5th grade) meets on the 2nd floor at 5:15PM. If your child was not a participant last year, it's a great time to jump in. The children will prepare for an Easter program, play hand bells, and learn to worship God with both contemporary and traditional music.

An adult will bring all children down to the Fellowship Hall at 6:00PM following Kids JAM each week

Pre-K & Kindergarten meet on the first floor at 6:25PM, following family dinner in the Fellowship Hall, and focus on these basic truths:

God Made Me, God Loves Me, Jesus Wants to be My Friend Forever.

1st-5th graders have a time of games and recreation on the 3rd floor at 6:25PM, following dinner in the Fellowship Hall, before breaking into small groups. The girls and boys will meet separately for discussion this season, and we are excited to have male leadership in place for the guys! You will no longer pick up from the Fellowship Hall, but will instead pick your child up from his or her designated small group on either the 2nd or 3rd floor (these will be posted by grade). Elementary age children will begin a new season of ministry with a focus on Faith Skills to help them grown in their faith and know God better!

Volunteers for January 18, 2015 (Third Sunday of January)

Prayer Warriors: Hal & Susan Roach

Acolytes: Will Marsh, Brogan McGowan

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Betty Hodges

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Joel Martin

8:30 Ushers: Jimmy Hood & Daryl Harrison

9:01 Ushers: Linda & Ed Akins, Kasey Harrison, Jason Parker

11:00 Ushers: Si Waters, Hughes Williamson, Coley Cassedy, Edwin Hill, David Johnson, Tommie Rushing

Front Door / Parking Lot Greeters: Peggie Herrington, Pam Smith, Nita Waters, Anne Allen

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2015
LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

GATHERING
LIGHTING OF CANDLES
PRELUDE & MEDITATION
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
arr. Don Hustad

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Every good and perfect gift comes from above.
Help us, O God to learn the secret of contentment.
Sometimes we will have plenty;
sometimes we may desire what we do not have.
Make us content as we acknowledge that our strength comes from you.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #144 *This Is My Father's World*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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 Hymn #71**

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.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE AND REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE**

PROCLAIMING THE VISION

Why does Statesboro First United Methodist Church exist?
To Glorify God and love others through worship, study, and service.

CHILDREN'S SERMON (11:00AM Service)

NORA FORD

(Following the Children's Sermon, children in Pre-K through 4th grade
are invited to Kids Worship in Room 306.)

ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)

Rejoice! The Lord is King

arr. Joel Raney

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM BETTY HODGES; 11:00AM JOEL MARTIN

OFFERTORY (8:30AM Service)

Pastorale on "Afton Water"

arr. David Cherwien

***DOXOLOGY Hymn #94**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**

Hymn #536 *Precious Name*

***SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 9:18-27

MESSAGE

"Whom Does Your Calendar Say That You Are"

PASTOR SCOTT HARRIS

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

Hymn #467 *Trust and Obey*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Jesus Shall Reign

arr. Lana Kelley

**Congregation standing if able during this portion of the service.*

Please ensure your cell phone is silenced during the service.

A **Children's bulletin** with Bible puzzles and activities is available in the Gathering Area and in the back of the Sanctuary's balcony on the second floor.

The **Nursery** is available for infants and toddlers and other children under the age of 4 as of September 1, 2014. It's located on the first floor near the elevator.

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