



**STATESBORO FIRST  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

JAMES A. CASON SENIOR PASTOR  
SCOTT HARRIS ASSISTANT PASTOR

**September 6, 2015**

**Worship Services:**

Sanctuary:  
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

**Sunday School:**

Classrooms:  
10:00AM

**BACKPACK BUDDIES MINISTRY**

Statesboro First UMC is partnered with Sallie Zetterower Elementary School to feed hungry children who do not have enough to eat during weekends and school holidays. The 2015-2016 school year marks our seventh year serving elementary-age children in our community.

Beginning September 16, volunteers will shop and pack bags of food to go home with selected students on Fridays after school. School administrators determine who is eligible to participate in the program. This year we are serving 55 children each week through the end of May.

The food is non-perishable and individual sized, making it easy to carry. These items are listed below, and children who attend Kids Worship on Sunday mornings were challenged last week to bring in an item to help support this ministry. It is a good opportunity for children of our church to give food to the hungry and love their neighbor, putting into action what they learn on Sunday mornings.

We are in need of financial contributions as well. Please consider making a donation to support local students this school year, and be in prayer for them, their families, and the volunteers who commit their time to community outreach each week. Checks can be made out to the church with Backpack Buddies noted in the memo. Food items are welcome in the drop box located in the gathering area outside of the church office.

Thank you for your support!  
Sarah Akins  
Director of Children's Ministries

Jars of Peanut Butter	Saltine Crackers
Cans of Tuna or Chicken	Chef Boyardee
Ramen Noodles	Easy Mac
Vienna Sausages	Granola Bars
Packs of Grits & Oatmeal	Juice Boxes
Applesauce & Pudding Cups	Packs of Cheese Crackers

**Sunday, September 6, 2015**

8:30 & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Jimmy Cason  
"Practicing the Art of Soul Control" - Psalm 62: 1-2

9:01 & 11:00AM REVIVE - Scott Harris  
"Practicing the Art of Soul Control" - Psalm 62: 1-2

**Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, August 30, 2015)**

**Morning Worship: 567**

**Sunday School: 403**

8:30AM: 82

9:01AM: 138

11:00AM: 231

REVIVE: 116

Offering Received: \$14,123.00

Preserving God's House: \$1,360.00

## Our Church Family

**Please pray** for *Bud Johnston* who is recovering in Lawrenceville, GA

**Please pray** for *Brooke Ragan* who is at home recovering.

**Please pray** for *Linda Arnold* who is at home recovering.

**Please pray** for *Jimmy Hodges* who is at home recovering.

**Please pray** for *Cissy Mercer* who is at Memorial.

### **Please take time to welcome our new members:**

Drs. Colin and Shawna Strub

1507 Cambridge Road

Statesboro, GA 30461

Phone: 912-842-7068

*Colin and Shawna joined at the 9:01 service this past Sunday and were received on Profession of Faith. Colin is a dentist in Pooler while Shawna is an optometrist with Georgia Eye in Glennville.*

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### **Luke Bible Study**

The Luke Bible study led by Charlene Black will continue beginning Monday, September 21, at 2:30PM in the church Library. After completing Luke, the group will begin the study of Isaiah.

### **Spirit of Recovery**

We are hosting a free event next Saturday, September 12, at 2:00PM in coordination with Pineland Health Services where folks around the community, including someone from our church, will share stories of how their faith helped them recover from their addictions. Please consider inviting and/or bringing someone who may benefit from these compelling stories of redemption.

### **Emmaus Information Session**

If you have an interest in knowing more about the Walk to Emmaus, please join us on Sunday October 18, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. or at 11:00 a.m. in the Dan Williams Sunday School classroom. We will have people available who have gone on the Walk to share with you what a meaningful experience it was for them. No pressure will be put on you at this session to attend the weekend. Please call Jimmy or Pat High (912-764-4543) or e-mail us at [highhollow@nctv.com](mailto:highhollow@nctv.com) if you have any questions. Please put the date on your calendar. You will be hearing more about the meetings as time passes.

### **The Upper Room Daily Devotional**

Complimentary copies of the Upper Room daily devotional guide are available in the Gathering Area near the church office. Each day's reading is designed to share real-life examples to real people trying to live faithfully, using the Bible as the basis for faithful living.



# SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God : Love People : Serve the World

## Youth Ministries News

### COMBINED Sunday Night Surge (Youth Group) – September 6

We will only have one Surge this Sunday night due to the holiday weekend. Both Middle School and High School will meet from 6:00PM – 7:30PM in the Youth Room. This is a time of fellowship, dinner, games, worship, and a message. Bring \$2 for dinner.

### NO Breakfast Club – September 7

There will be NO Breakfast Club due to school being out.

### High School Camp Out – October 2-4

We will be heading to Black Creek Boy Scouts Camp for the weekend. This trip is flexible due to it being located fairly close by. If students need to come late or leave early, they are able to do so with advance notice. Deadline to sign up for this trip is September 23. Total cost for the weekend is \$60. If you would like to register your student or get more information please let Becca know, [bbrown@statesborofirst.com](mailto:bbrown@statesborofirst.com).

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Wednesday Night Menu - September 9 - 5:30PM

*Barberitos: Taco Bar with Chips & Queso*

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, September 6

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  
3:30PM - Youth Band Practice  
6:00PM - Surge MS & HS, Youth

### Monday, September 7

Office & Preschool closed for Labor Day

### Tuesday, September 8

8:00AM - Morn. Glory Emmaus, Lib.  
9:30AM - Aldred Small Group, 213  
2:00PM - UMM Food Prep  
3:30PM - Magnolia Study, 213  
6:00PM - AA, 206  
6:00PM - Al Anon, 201  
Preschool Closed

### Wednesday, September 9

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)  
11:30AM - Church Directory Pictures  
5:15PM - Kids JAM, Choir/200  
5:30PM - Wednesday Night, All  
7:00PM - Chancel Choir

### Thursday, September 10

2:00PM - Church Directory Pictures  
6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, 305  
6:00PM - Toole Bible Study, 201  
6:30PM - 901 Practice, FH

### Friday, September 11

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)  
2:00PM - Church Directory Pictures

### Saturday, September 12

10:00AM - Church Directory Pictures  
12:00PM - Soup Kitchen  
2:00PM - Spirit of Recovery, FH



Statesboro First Methodist  
Children's Ministries

**Sunday, September 6, 2015**

**Children's Moment** (11:00 Traditional)

Lee Walker

**Kids Worship:**

**9:01:** Sarah Akins, Leigh Aaron

**11:00:** Sarah Akins, Bess Toussaint

## Children's Ministries News

### Wednesday Night Ministry

Children's Schedule:

Kids JAM (choir): 5:15PM-6:00PM on the 2nd floor

Family meal served in the Fellowship Hall: 5:30PM-6:30PM

Activities for children in Pre-K to 5th grade: 6:20PM-7:30PM

### *Mom & Me Tea*

*Mom & Me Tea – Sunday, September 13 – 2:00PM – Fellowship Hall*

Remember to get tickets for this event scheduled for next Sunday, September 13, 2:00PM. They are available in the church office, or see Sarah or Jodie, our children's ministry staff. Suzanne Tatum will be our guest speaker, and Delia Mobley will be sharing etiquette techniques.



*Father-Son Night – Sunday, September 20 – 5:00PM – Yawn-Hodges Pond House*

Led by Jeff Yawn & Chad Avret with Guest Speaker Manrey Saint-Amour, 2014 GSU Center Linebacker, Eagle Sun Belt Conference Champions. See Sarah or Jodie, our Children's Ministry staff for more information and to buy tickets. Tickets are \$5 each.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

Volunteers for September 6, 2015 (First Sunday of September)

Prayer Warriors: Warren & Roxella Ball

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Suzan Laircey

8:30 Ushers: Buck Ford, Brian Harrison

9:01 Ushers: Alice Hall, Sarah Hall, Stephanie Owens, Daryl Hopkins

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Jake Collins

11:00 Ushers: John Ray, Bill Moore, Jim Campbell, Ronnie Ruffo, Brett Morgan,

Hoke Brunson, Tal Johnson (Balcony: Olin Lovett, Ronnie Hodges)

Parking Greeters: Janet Mathis

Front Door Greeters: Betty Hodges, Carol Ruffo, Martha Ray

Meals on Wheels (September 8): John Ray

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2015**  
**LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE**

**GATHERING**  
**LIGHTING OF CANDLES**  
**PRELUDE & MEDITATION**

*Trumpet Tune*  
by Franklin D. Ashdown

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

God is our Rock and our Salvation  
**God alone is our Rock and our Salvation.**  
God is our fortress; We shall never be shaken.  
**O God, our mighty Rock; our refuge is in the Lord.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #64 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed* #881 Hymnal  
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 MOMENT (11:00AM Service)**

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

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

## GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30am SUZAN LAIRCEY; 11:00am JAKE COLLINS

### OFFERTORY (8:30AM Service)

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

arr. Michael Burkhardt

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

arr. John Leavitt

### \*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!**

### \*SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 62: 1-2

### MESSAGE

*“Practicing the Art of Soul Control”*

REV. JIMMY CASON

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### \*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Hymn #361 *Rock of Ages*

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*CHORAL BENEDICTION (11:00AM Service)

*Benediction*

arr. John Behnke

### POSTLUDE

*Sing to the Great Jehovah's Praise*

arr. Lani Smith

*\*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 on the first floor and also in the back of the Sanctuary's balcony on the second floor.



The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system.

Please ask an usher for a receiver.

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