



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

November 15, 2015

Worship Services:

Sanctuary:
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

Sunday School:

Classrooms:
10:00AM

Statesboro Cluster Charge Conference at Pittman Park UMC

Things are changing. Instead of presiding over individual church Charge Conferences, our District Superintendent, the Rev. Chris Ramsey will preside over an area-wide Cluster Charge Conference Celebration. Each church, like our church, has already voted on the nominations and pastors' salaries with meetings by their Church Councils. Now we are being asked to gather together with other churches in our area to celebrate what God is doing in our churches. Instead of business, we will have a worship service that will include songs of praise, testimonies, and a sermon. I hope that this church will have a minimum of 20 of our church members in attendance. We are each asked to bring either a soup, salad or dessert to share afterwards.

Called Charge Conference - November 17

A called Charge Conference will be held on Tuesday, November 17 at 6:00PM in Room 306. Our district Superintendent, the Reverend Chris Ramsey, will preside. The Trustees made a recommendation at the recent meeting of the Church Council that the church make an offer on the adjacent property at 4 Bulloch Street that is currently for sale. The Church Council agreed with the recommendation and voted to ask the DS to hold a Charge Conference for this purpose. All information including an offering price and details about payment arrangements will be presented at this Charge Conference. All members of the Church Council are allowed to vote. All members of the Church are invited to attend and will be able to ask questions and voice opinions.

UMW Bake/Book/Rada Cutlery Sale

This event is held in the Fellowship Hall the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Remember to come pick up some tasty goodies for your Thanksgiving dinner! The sale is from 8:00AM-11:00AM. If you have any books you would like to donate, please bring them to the Church Office. Remember, Rada Cutlery has wonderful kitchen items that would make very nice gifts for any of the "cooks" in the family or for someone just starting out in the cooking department!

Holy Land Reunion Reception/ Book Signing Monday, November 23

I have been blessed to lead two tours to the Holy Land since being the pastor of this church. I have been to the Holy Land four different times and have been blessed each time to have wonderful tour guides. On this last trip, "Mike" was our tour guide and in my mind was the "cream of the crop". Mike has written a book "Be Galilee", and he will be with us on Monday, November 23 from 5:00PM-7:00PM in Room 306 for a reception and book signing. I would invite persons from both tours as well as anyone who has been or would be interested in going to the Holy Land some time in the future. Two boxes of his books arrived today. They would make great Christmas gifts. Please let me know if you are coming so we will have a count for food.

Sunday, November 15, 2015

8:30 & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Jimmy Cason

"When You Are Tempted to Throw in the Towel" - Hebrews 10:11-14; 19-25

9:01 & 11:00AM Revive - Scott Harris

"The Lego Principle" - 1 Thessalonians

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, November 8, 2015)

Morning Worship: 474

Sunday School: 295

8:30AM: 65

9:01AM: 119

11:00AM: 182

REVIVE: 108

Offering Received: \$26,222.75

Preserving God's House: \$4,301.88

Our Church Family

Please pray for *Donald Allen, Holly Eckles* father, who is in hospice.

Please pray for *Alice Budack* who is home recovering.

Please pray for *Barbara Hood* who is home recovering.

Please pray for *Jimmy Hood* who is home recovering.

Please pray for *Susan Renfroe* who is home recovering.

Please take time to welcome our new members:

Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy (Jenny) Coulter

6102 Cottle Court

Statesboro, GA 30461

Phone: 912-690-0832 (Jenny's cell)

Jeremy joins our church on transfer from Dawson Street Baptist Church in Thomasville while Jenny transfers from First Baptist Church in Swainsboro. Their daughter Peyton is in the fourth grade and their daughter Claire is in kindergarten, both at Southeast Bulloch Elementary. Jeremy is employed with Tall Timbers Resource Management while Jenny is employed at East Georgia Regional Medical Center.

The **flowers** in the **Tower Entrance** on November 15 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *C. Olin Smith* by *his family*.

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Lanier-Lee Circle

The Lanier-Lee Circle of the United Methodist Women will meet Monday, November 16 at 1:30PM at the home of Jo Ann Marsh, 3079 Metts Road.

Christmas Bundles Soup Kitchen - December 12

Please help make this holiday season special for the local needy. Assembling Christmas bundles has begun at 1102 Cherokee Court on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday afternoons from 2:00PM-4:00PM. For more information email saramelford@gmail.com. Joel and Nancy Martin will need help preparing and serving the meal. For more information email metterbetter500@yahoo.com. We do not have a core volunteer group this day so please consider helping if you can. You can also help by bringing a homemade dessert. Crates are available near the Gathering Area for unused items from your hotel or dentist visits and for "charity" gifts such as greeting cards, memo pads, t-shirts, etc. New socks would be especially appreciated as the weather gets colder.

Volunteers for November 15, 2015 (Third Sunday of November)

Prayer Warriors: Bird & Betty Hodges

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Jimmy High

8:30 Ushers: Daryl Harrison

9:01 Ushers: Lynda Akins, Ed Akins, Kasey Harrison, Jason Parker

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Lincoln Lippincott

11:00 Ushers: Si Waters, Hughes Williamson, Coley Cassedy, Edwin Hill, David Johnson, Tommie Rushing, Fred Shearouse (Balcony: Olin Lovett, Ronnie Hodges)

Parking Lot Greeters: Anne Allen

Front Door Greeters: Peggie Herrington, Pam Smith

Meals on Wheels (November 17): Jimmy & Pat High



SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God : Love People : Serve the World

Youth Ministries News

Parents Meeting - Today, November 15

The meeting will be held in Room 306 at 4:00PM. We will be going over important information for our spring semester and announcing some summer dates as well. You will also be able to sign up your student for our Winter Ski Retreat and Summer Camp at Snowbird. These trips fill up quickly and there are a limited number of spots. You must be present to sign up your student. Please note there will be a \$50 deposit required to hold your spot.

Sunday Night Surge - November 15

Middle School meets from 5:00PM-6:30PM and High School meets from 7:00PM-8:30PM in the Youth Room. This is a time of fellowship, dinner, games, worship and a message. Bring \$2 for dinner.

Breakfast Club - November 16

This event is for Middle and High School students. We meet in Room 306 for breakfast (Chick-fil-A and Daylight Donuts), a devotional, and then we give students a ride to school. Bring \$2 for breakfast.

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Wednesday Night Menu - November 18 - 5:30PM

RJ's: Turkey, Dressing, Butter Beans, Candied Yams, Salad, 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, November 15

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, Youth Rm.

4:00PM - Youth Parents Meeting, 306

5:00PM - Sunday Night Surge MS, Youth Rm.

7:00PM - Sunday Night Surge HS, Youth Rm.

Monday, November 16

7:00AM - Youth Breakfast Club, 306

10:00AM - Dreta Sharpe Circle Meeting, 306

10:00AM - Carol Carter Circle Meeting, 201

2:30PM - Charlene Black Bible Study, Lib.

8:00PM - Revive Band Practice, FH

Tuesday, November 17

8:00AM - Morn. Glory Emmaus, Lib.

10:00AM - Armor of God Study, 212

6:00PM - Called Charge Conference, 306

6:00PM - AA, 206

6:00PM - Al Anon, 201

Wednesday, November 18

8:00AM - Praying Partners Emmaus, Lib.

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)

5:15PM - Kids JAM, Choir/200

5:30PM - Wednesday Night, All

7:00PM - Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 19

4:00PM - Helping Hands Meeting, Lib.

6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, 305

6:00PM - Toole Bible Study, 201

6:30PM - 901 Practice, FH

Friday, November 20

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center (offsite)

Saturday, November 21

12:00PM - Soup Kitchen (*Sponsored by SFUMC with SHS Fellowship of Christian Cadets volunteering*)



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, November 15, 2015

Children's Moment (11:00 Traditional)

Bonnie Spiers

Kids Worship:

9:01: Sarah Akins, Lainie Harris, Alison Powell

11:00: Jodie Hendrix, Elizabeth Lippincott, Nancy James

Children's Ministries News

Kids JAM Rehearsals for Christmas Program

Children participating in the Christmas program should attend each Wednesday night rehearsal from 5:15PM-6:00PM. Please have parts memorized. There will be additional rehearsals on Wednesday, November 18 and Wednesday, December 2 from 6:30PM-7:30PM to practice on stage.

Save-the-Date

Children's Sunday school classes will celebrate the Christmas season with a Happy Birthday Jesus party on Sunday, December 13, at 10:00AM. Please let Sarah or Jodie know if you can help with refreshments for your child's class.

sakins@statesborofirst.com, jhendrix@statesborofirst.com

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Honoring Babies

December 13 will be our day to "Honor Babies" for 2015. The UMW donates \$5 to missions for each baby born to church members. If you have a grandchild, niece, nephew, friend born this year that you would like to honor with a gift of \$5 to missions, and the parents are not members of the church, please pick up a form from the Gathering Area, fill it out and return it with \$5 to the Church Office or place it in the offering plate. Should you have any questions, contact Nancy Martin at 912-690-1042 or by email: metterbetter500@yahoo.com.

Decorating for Advent

The Seasonal Decorating Committee will prepare the church for the Advent Season on Sunday, November 22 at 2:00PM. New and experienced volunteers are welcome. Any questions contact Jimmy Hood, 764-7104.

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2015

LITURGICAL COLOR: RED

GATHERING

LIGHTING OF CANDLES

PRELUDE & MEDITATION

“St. Anne” Variations

by Franklin D. Ashdown

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God is our hiding place.

God shall keep us in times of trouble.

Let us be glad in the Lord, and rejoice.

Let us shout for joy and praise his name in song!

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #529 *How Firm a Foundation*

***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

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)

BONNIE SPIERS

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

DEDICATION OF SHOEBOXES FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)

A Thanksgiving Prayer

arr. John Purifoy

WILLIAM PAGE, CELLIST

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM JIMMY HIGH; 11:00AM LINCOLN LIPPINCOTT

OFFERTORY

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. Ivan Frazier

*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 #377 *It Is Well with My Soul*

*SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 10:11-14; 19-25

MESSAGE

"When You Are Tempted to Throw in the Towel"

REV. JIMMY CASON

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Hymn #397 *I Need Thee Every Hour*

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION (11:00AM Service)

Sent Forth By God's Blessing

arr. Pierce Dickens

POSTLUDE

Allegro

George Frideric Handel/trans. Charles Callahan

**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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