



# 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

## January 24, 2016

### Worship Services:

Sanctuary:  
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

### Sunday School:

Classrooms:  
10:00AM

### CONFIRMATION TO BEGIN!

We are incredibly excited about the beginning of our Confirmation process and we want to invite any student, 6th grade and up, to participate. Confirmation is a chance for you to learn about and experience the Christian faith. Perhaps you were baptized as a baby and wonder what that was about. Perhaps you question what it really means to be a follower of Jesus and why we believe what we believe. We will explore these questions and explore our United Methodist heritage. Then, at the end of our time together, you will have the opportunity to make a decision: You may choose to be baptized if you have not been baptized; you may choose to "confirm" your baptism by claiming the Christian faith as your own; and you may choose whether to join the church. While open to students of all ages, Confirmation is primarily geared towards 6th graders.

We will host a **parent information meeting** for any interested parents **tonight, January 24, at 5:15PM in Room 208**. During this meeting, I will discuss attendance expectations, more details about the 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.

**Beginning January 31**, we will meet weekly from 6:30-8:00PM on Sundays, with a couple of noted exceptions. It is our hope that you will participate in Surge, our Sunday night youth gathering for middle school students, which is held from 5:00-6:30pm, with Confirmation immediately following Surge. 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.

For more information on this process, please attend the parent meeting or consult with Scott Harris: [sharris@statesborofirst.com](mailto:sharris@statesborofirst.com).

### Sunday, January 24, 2016

8:30, 9:01 & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Jimmy Cason  
"Living for Today: See What is Good" - Philippians 2:1-11

11:00AM Revive - Scott Harris  
"Living for Today: See What is Good" - Philippians 2:1-11

### Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, January 17, 2016)

Morning Worship: 453

Sunday School: 304

8:30AM: 40

9:01AM: 111

11:00AM: 197

REVIVE: 87

Offering Received: \$21,169.70

Preserving God's House: \$2,485.00

## Our Church Family

**Please pray** for *Bob Aycock* who is at EGRMC.

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

**Please pray** for *Art Doughty* who is home recovering.

**Please pray** for *Elise Brady* who is home recovering.

**Please pray** for *Inman Hodges* who is home recovering.

**Please pray** for *Jimmy Hood*.

**Please pray** for *Nora Ford*.

### Welcome New members

Mr. John W. Tucker

Mr. Burney C. Marsh

1000 Brannen Lake Drive

Statesboro, GA 30458

Phone: 912-852-2005

*John, who is retired from United Airlines, joins our church on transfer of membership from the Fairview Baptist Church in Selma, Alabama. Burney, who is an English teacher at GSU, joins on transfer from a local church of another denomination.*

The **flowers** in the **Sanctuary** on January 24 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *James E. Davis, III, John & Marie Hunnicutt, and Fostine Davis by Jim and Janice Davis.*

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Have You Picked Up Your Directory?

The new Church Family Directory is here! Use this directory to look up a phone number or mailing address or to put names to faces you may recognize. If you have not yet picked up your directory, your next opportunity will be next Sunday, January 31. We will have a table set up in the Gathering Area near the Sanctuary. Directories are free for families who had their portraits taken at the church this past fall. Directories are \$6 otherwise. Please contact Cynthia Sikes (912-481-8110) or Joyce Bohler (jbohler@frontiernet.net) with any questions.

### Volunteers for January 24, 2016 (Fourth Sunday of January)

**Prayer Warriors:** Bill and Marilynn Sellers

**8:30 Lay Liturgist:** Phyllis Harrison

**8:30 Ushers:** Ken LeCain, Max Manack

**9:01 Ushers:** Chris Bishop, Tonya Bishop, Steve Garner, Peggy Garner

**11:00 Lay Liturgist:** Bill Hatcher

**11:00 Ushers:** Mike Rollins, JJ Altman, Jack Bailey, Anthony Waters, Wayne Laircey, Russ Lanier (Balcony: Olin Lovett, Ronnie Hodges)

**Parking Lot Greeters:** Linda Rushing

**Front Door Greeters:** Suzan Laircey, Grace Adams Stewart, Ellen Lanier

**Meals on Wheels (January 26):** Pat and Jimmy High



# SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God : Love People : Serve the World

## Youth Ministries News

### Sunday Night Surge – TONIGHT

We are back to our normal meeting times for Surge. Middle School will meet from 5:00PM– 6:30PM. High School will meet from 7:00PM–8:30PM. We will be continuing our series called Freedom: Understanding the truth that sets you free. This series will take us through the book of Galatians. Encourage your student to join us! Also remember to bring \$2 for dinner.

### Confirmation Parent Meeting – TONIGHT

Scott Harris will be hosting a meeting at 5:15PM in Room 208 for all parents who are interested in their student participating in Confirmation. Please let him know if you plan to attend, [sharris@statesborofisrt.com](mailto:sharris@statesborofisrt.com). Confirmation will start for students next Sunday night, January 31, directly following Surge.

### Breakfast Club – January 25

We will meet at 7:00AM in Room 306 to enjoy breakfast, fellowship, and a devotional. We will then transport students to school.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Community Wide 5th Sunday - Sunday, January 31

Pastor Jimmy will preach at the Community Wide 5th Sunday evening worship service on Sunday, January 31. This event will be held at Second St. John Baptist Church at 6:00PM. The church is located at 1212 Fair Road.

## Our Church Calendar

### Sunday, January 24

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, YR  
5:00PM - Sunday Night Surge MS, YR  
5:15PM - Confirmation Parent Mtg, 208  
7:00PM - Sunday Night Surge HS, YR

### Monday, January 25

7:00AM - Youth Breakfast Club, 306  
2:30PM - Charlene Black Bible Study, Lib  
6:00PM - Church Council, 306  
8:00PM - Revive Band Practice, FH

### Tuesday, January 26

8:00AM - Morn. Glory Emmaus, Lib.  
10:00AM - Armor of God Study, 212  
6:00PM - AA, 206  
6:00PM - Al Anon, 201  
6:30PM - 901 Band Practice, FH

### Wednesday, January 27

8:00AM - Praying Partners Emmaus, Lib.  
9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)  
3:30PM - Magnolia Bible Study, 201  
5:15PM - Kids JAM, Choir/200  
5:30PM - Wednesday Night, All  
7:00PM - Chancel Choir, Choir Room

### Thursday, January 28

6:00PM - Marcus Toole Study, 201  
6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, 305

### Friday, January 29

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

### Saturday, January 30

12:00PM - Soup Kitchen  
(Sponsored by SFUMC)



Statesboro First Methodist  
Children's Ministries

**Sunday, January 24, 2016**

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

Elizabeth Penn

**Kids Worship:**

**9:01:** Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Hillari Brown

**11:00:** Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix

## Children's Ministries News

### Wednesday Night Children's Ministry

Children's Ministry schedule:

5:15PM-6:00PM Kids JAM (children's choir)

6:00PM-6:30PM Dinner

6:30PM-7:00PM Small Groups

7:00PM-7:30PM Games & Activities

Children in Pre-K and Kindergarten are picked up from Room 112 at 7:30PM and children in 1st-5th grade are picked up from the Fellowship Hall.

### VBS - June 13-17

Several people have requested the date of Vacation Bible School 2016. Thank you for making this summer mission a priority for your family.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Habitat House Groundbreaking on Sunday, January 31

First Methodist, Pittman Park UMC, United Methodist Churches in the Northeast District, and the GSU Marching Band will sponsor a Habitat House. Habitat for Humanity of Bulloch County is celebrating the beginning of the construction phase of their component of the Downtown Statesboro revitalization effort with an official Kickoff on Sunday, January 31 at 2 PM. The celebration will be held at the construction location for House 50 and 51 which is at the corner of Mikell Street and Institute Street. Bill Sellers will be our point person from our church. Let's have a good crowd at this celebration.

### Wednesday Night Menu - January 27 - 5:30PM

*RJ's: Ham, Butter Beans, Mac & Cheese, 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.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

101 South Main Street, PO Box 2048

Statesboro, GA 30459

Main Church Phone: 912-764-7589 Church Email: mail@statesborofirst.com  
Jimmy Cason, Senior Pastor: 912-764-1875 Church Website: www.statesborofirst.com  
Scott Harris, Assistant Pastor: 912-764-1874 Church FAX: 912-764-7638

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2016**  
**LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN**

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

*Agincourt Hymn*  
arr. Charles Callahan

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

We lift up our eyes to the hills--  
**Our help and strength comes from the Lord.**  
God, who made heaven and earth,  
**Will be our keeper and protector.**

-Adapted from Psalm 121

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #174 *His Name is Wonderful*  
Hymn #177 *He is Lord*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed* #881 Hymnal

**\*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.**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (11:00AM Service)**

HARPER OLIVIA WHITLOCK  
Daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Austin (Heather) Whitlock

*God Claims You*

**Chorus:** Harper, Harper, God claims you.  
God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.

**Verse:** We this day do all agree, a child of God you'll always be. **Chorus**  
**Verse 2:** We are here to say this day that we will help you on your way. **Chorus**

*CONGREGATIONAL PLEDGE*

**With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ,  
that this child, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the  
faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11:00AM Service)**

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

**ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)**

*In the Morning, Joy*

by Mark Hayes

**PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER**

**GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM PHYLLIS HARRISON; 11:00AM BILL HATCHER

**OFFERTORY**

*Alleluia!*

by Ferdinand Hummel

SETH STEMPLE, SOLOIST

\***DOXOLOGY** Hymn #94

\***SCRIPTURE READING**

Philippians 2:1-11

**MESSAGE**

*"Living for Today: See What is Good"*

REV. JIMMY CASON

\***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

Hymn #593 *Here I Am, Lord*

\***BENEDICTION**

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

*O Lord, Be With Us*

by Samuel Pellman

**POSTLUDE**

*Hornpipe*

by Andrew Fletcher

*\*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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