



**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

February 21, 2016

Worship Services:

Sanctuary:
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

Sunday School:

Classrooms:
10:00AM

UMW Sunday

Today is UMW Sunday and we welcome our speaker, Rev. Joyce Payne, ordained Elder under appointment as a General Evangelist of the United Methodist Church since 1993. United Methodist Women is an organization of approximately one million members nationwide whose purpose is to foster spiritual growth, develop leaders and advocate for justice. Members raise nearly \$25 million each year for programs and projects related to women, children and youth in the United States and in more than 100 countries around the world. Our UMW at SFUMC is made up of about 100 women. They are members of 4 different circles; the smallest has 10 members and the largest has 38 members. Through missions we support the needs of our church, our community and worldwide. Each year a bake and book sale is held in November to raise funds for missions. Bereavement meals are served to families of church members who have passed away. Each circle makes monthly donations to organizations such as Safe Haven, Back Pack Buddies, Boys and Girls Club, Boy Scout Program and others. A Spring Banquet is held in May for members, daughters and friends. In December we host a Christmas Reception for church members and visitors following our "Lessons and Carols" Christmas musical program. Some of our members make prayer shawls that are blessed by our pastor and given to people with serious illnesses. Each year newborn babies are honored with a gift to missions. We also, individually, make a "Pledge to Missions". This pledge allows the work of United Methodist Women to reach far beyond our church walls into the lives of women, children and youth who are often outside the bounds of our traditional ministries.

UMW membership is open to all women who are members of the church; there is a place for YOU. If you are hesitant because you feel you cannot attend all meetings, then please let me know and I will guide you to a circle that fits YOU!

Jerry Singletary, UMW President

Sunday, February 21, 2016

*8:30 & 11:00AM Traditional
Rev. Joyce Payne*

*9:01 & 11:00AM Revive - Scott Harris
Special Presentation - Psalm 40:5*

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, February 14, 2016)

Morning Worship: 501

Sunday School: 282

8:30AM: 54

9:01AM: 81

11:00AM: 239

REVIVE: 127

Offering Received: \$22,211.31

Preserving God's House: \$2,105.00

Our Church Family

Prayer Concerns

Hospital: *Bird Hodges - East Georgia*
John Welch - Memorial

Ongoing: *Mary Adams, Darby Benson, Gladys Hacker, Kathy Howard, Ellen Cowart, Jim McCranie, Janette Johnson, Winton and Diane Deloach, Art Doughty, Elise Brady, Inman Hodges, Jimmy Hood, Nora Ford, Carolyn Millican, John Gould, Nellie Sowell, Martha Cain*

Welcome New Members:

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan (Melissa) Quick
102 Lancaster Pt.
Statesboro, GA 30458
His cell: 912-678-5953
Her cell: 843-298-3232

Ryan, who is an account manager at Verizon, joins our church on transfer of membership from Rosemont Heights Baptist Church in Waynesboro, Georgia. Melissa, who is the granddaughter of Helen Watson, grew up in our church. Their daughter, Lila Cate, was baptized Sunday.

Statesboro First United Methodist Church

Phone Switch on February 22

This Monday, February 22 around 2PM, our phone system may be interrupted due to the church switching phone companies. If you call Monday afternoon and are not able to get through to the church office we apologize in advance for the inconvenience.

Church Office to Close at 1PM Friday Afternoons Effective March 1

Due to very few phone calls and activity around the church on Friday afternoons, the decision has been made to close the Church Office on Friday afternoons at 1PM effective March 1. You can still leave a message on the answering machine or email staff. The Preschool will be open until 6PM.

Wednesday Night Menu - February 24 - 5:30PM

RJ's: Fried or Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, 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.

Volunteers for February 21, 2016 (Third Sunday of February)

Prayer Warriors: Jimmy and Pat High

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Hilda Dutrow

8:30 Ushers: Jewel Dabbs, Jerry Singletary

9:01 Ushers: Lynda Akins, Roxella Ball, Nancy Marsh, Linda Hubbard

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Eleanor Schneider

11:00 Ushers: Becky Holmes, JoAnn Marsh, Faye Berkeley, Barbara Fox (Balcony: Olin Lovett, Ronnie Hodges)

Parking Lot Greeters: Anne Allen

Front Door Greeters: Peggy Herrington, Pam Smith, Jean Deal, Cindy Berg-aycock

Meals on Wheels (February 23): Pam Powell and Janice Wilbanks



SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God: Love People: Serve the World

Youth Ministries News

No Sunday Night Surge or Breakfast Club

We will not have Sunday Night Surge tonight or Breakfast Club tomorrow due to the students on the youth ski trip returning late tonight. Small groups will resume February 24. Sunday Night Surge will resume February 28, and Breakfast Club will resume February 29.

Upcoming Trips

Snowbird Summer Camp – June 20-25

We currently have a waiting list for this trip. Please let Becca Brown know if your student would like to be added to this list, bbrown@statesborofirst.com.

Confirmation Tonight

Confirmation **will** be held tonight, at 6:30PM. We will meet in Room 206.

Our Church Calendar

Sunday, February 21

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
6:30PM - Confirmation, 206

Monday, February 22

2:30PM - Charlene Black Bible Study, Lib
8:00PM - Revive Band Practice, FH

Tuesday, February 23

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

Wednesday, February 24

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, February 25

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

Friday, February 26

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

Saturday, February 27

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



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, February 21, 2016

Children's Moment (11:00 Traditional)

Marilynn Sellers

Kids Worship:

9:01: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix

11:00: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Alana Avret

Children's Ministries News

Wednesday Night Ministry

Regular Wednesday night children's ministry activities resume this week.

- 5:15PM-6:00PM Kids JAM
- 6:00PM-6:30PM Dinner
- 6:30PM-7:00PM Small Groups
- 7:00PM-7:30PM Games & Activities

Save the Date

Mark your calendar to join us on Saturday, March 19, at 4:00PM for the Community Easter Event and Egg Hunt!

Visit to The Lodge at Bethany

Our field trip to The Lodge at Bethany on Ash Wednesday was such a blessing. We took 1st-5th graders, who regularly meet for Wednesday night ministry activities, and had a total of 44 people participate. We worked together on a craft and presented special music. Some of the children formed such meaningful relationships with the residents that they returned to visit again later in the week. Pastor Scott shared a message reminding us of the meaning behind Ash Wednesday before placing ashes on each forehead. This experience was a first for many of the children. Thank you to Becky Livingston for having us at The Lodge and to the volunteers who chaperoned. The love and presence of God abounded.

Sarah Akins – Director of Children's Ministries

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2016
LITURGICAL COLOR: PURPLE

GATHERING
LIGHTING OF CANDLES
PRELUDE & MEDITATION
Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery
arr. Julie Stitt

CHANCEL RINGERS
TAYLOR SKELTON, FLUTE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
“Come,” says the Spirit. “Come.”
“Come,” say the people. “Come.”
Let everyone who is thirsty come.
All who yearn for the water of life are welcome.
Come! Let us worship God together.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**
Hymn #89 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

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

ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)
God of Grace and God of Glory
Paul T. Langston

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM HILDA DUTROW; 11:00AM ELEANOR SCHNEIDER

OFFERTORY

Jesus Paid It All

arr. Jason Krug

CHANCEL RINGERS

***DOXOLOGY** Hymn #94

INTRODUCTION OF UMW SPEAKER

REV. JIMMY CASON

***SCRIPTURE READING**

MESSAGE

REV. JOYCE PAYNE

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

Hymn #569 *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations*

***BENEDICTION**

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

God Be In My Head

Walford Davies

POSTLUDE

Stately Sortie

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.
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