



**STATESBORO FIRST  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

JAMES A. CASON SENIOR PASTOR  
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**February 28, 2016**

**Worship Services:**

Sanctuary:  
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

**Sunday School:**

Classrooms:  
10:00AM

**Community Easter Event**

We are gearing up for our annual Easter event and community egg hunt. Please join us on Saturday, March 19, at 4:00PM. Everyone is encouraged to come celebrate and be part of this opportunity to invite visitors to our Easter Sunday services. There will be an egg hunt for children in fifth grade and under and other family activities.

Parents please be sure to bring your child's Easter basket and visit the Welcome Tent for information about the egg hunt time and location for your child's age group. We welcome plastic egg donations! Please deliver these to the Church Office by March 13. All candy should be individually wrapped and we ask that you not include chocolate or anything that will melt.

Refreshments will be available in the Fellowship Hall. We are grateful for the many Sunday school classes who donated refreshments last year, serving over 300 people, and we ask for your support again this year. Many volunteers are needed to help host community events and we appreciate your service and excitement as we extend a warm welcome to everyone who comes to enjoy this family event. Please sign up with Sarah Akins to volunteer with the hospitality team or the set up or clean up crew (sakins@statesborofirst.com).

Attendance is increasing in worship services with many new families getting plugged in. This Easter gathering might give you the opportunity to meet and interact with people who attend a different service from you. Please remember to mark your calendar and come experience a memorable time.

**Sunday, February 28, 2016**

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

"Making Sense of the Devil: Does the Devil Make Us Do It?" - Matthew 4:1-11; Ephesians 6:10-18

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

"Does the Devil Make Us Do It?" - Matthew 4:1-11; Ephesians 6:10-18

**Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, February 21, 2016)**

**Morning Worship: 440**

**Sunday School: 261**

8:30AM: 78

9:01AM: 81

11:00AM: 169

REVIVE: 112

Offering Received: \$9,959.08

Preserving God's House: \$1,875.00

# Our Church Family

## Prayer Concerns

**Hospital:** *Faye Berkeley - EGR*

**Ongoing:** *John Welch, Harold Newton, Mary Adams, Darby Benson, Gladys Hacker, Kathy Howard, 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*

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Registration for Preschool and Summer Care

- Preschool and Summer Care registration for our **currently enrolled** children will be **Tuesday, March 22**. This day has been set aside for children and their siblings ***that are currently enrolled in our preschool program.***
- Preschool and Summer Care registration for all **new** SFUMC member children **not currently enrolled** will be **Wednesday, March 23**.
- On **Thursday, March 24**, enrollment will be open to the **general public**.

Applications will be ready for pickup (NOT to turn in yet) the last week of February. If you have any questions regarding our Preschool and Summer Care registration, please contact Ann Haskins, Director of Preschool and Childcare Ministries, 764-1876.

### FUMC Wildgame Supper

FUMC Methodist Men will be hosting a Wildgame Supper in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, March 5. Activities begin at 6:00PM and the meal will be served at approximately 6:30PM. This event is open to everyone and you are invited to bring a guest. Tickets are FREE but donations are welcomed. Tickets are available through March 2 in the Church Office or online using the FUMC church app. The menu consists of a variety of Wildgame items as well as normal food. There will be lots of family entertainment and good fellowship for everyone. Door prizes will be given. The nursery will be open from 6:00PM-9:00PM. You don't want to miss this unique event.

### Easter Bundles Soup Kitchen

Our Church Easter Bundles Soup Kitchen is March 19 and the Bundles Bunch would appreciate your help. We will be assembling/wrapping bundles/baskets at 1102 Cherokee Court on Sundays from 2:00PM-4:00PM. We are also collecting unused toiletry/hygiene products (from motel and dentist visits), charity "gifts", new or slightly used children's books, etc. in the crates in either the Gathering Area or under the stairs. Please help make this glorious season special for our needy neighbors. For more information contact Sara Melford, [sjmelford@live.com](mailto:sjmelford@live.com).

### Volunteers for February 28, 2016 (Fourth Sunday of February)

**Prayer Warriors:** Ronnie Hodges, John Gould

**8:30 Lay Liturgist:** Joyce Bohler

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

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

**11:00 Lay Liturgist:** Jake Collins

**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 (March 1):** Karen David



# SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God : Love People : Serve the World

## Youth Ministries News

### Sunday Night Surge - Tonight

Sunday Night Surge returns tonight! Middle School will meet from 5:00PM-6:30PM and High School will meet from 7:00PM-8:30PM. Remember to bring \$2 for dinner.

### Breakfast Club - February 29

Breakfast Club resumes tomorrow, Monday, February 29. We will meet at 7:00AM in Room 306 to enjoy breakfast, fellowship, and a devotional. We will then transport students to school.

### Wednesday Small Groups

This Wednesday, March 2, our small groups will be going out to eat. Students remember to bring \$10 for dinner.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### First Sundays are for Food Bank

Please note your calendars for the first Sunday of each month and bring non-perishable food for the Statesboro Food Bank. Cereals, peanut butter, rice, dried milk, canned meats, fruits, vegetables, and soups are always good choices. Red wagons for your donation are placed in the Narthex and near the entrance to the Fellowship Hall. This is one more way our church lives out our vision statement: "To glorify God and love others, through worship, study and service."

## Our Church Calendar

### Sunday, February 28

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  
6:30PM - Confirmation, 206  
7:00PM - Sunday Night Surge HS, YR

### Monday, February 29

7:00AM - Youth Breakfast Club, 306  
2:30PM - Charlene Black Bible Study, Lib.  
6:00PM - Executive Team Meeting, Lib.  
6:30PM - Young Adult Bible Study, 306  
8:00PM - Revive Band Practice, FH

### Tuesday, March 1

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, March 2

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, March 3

6:00PM - Marcus Toole Study, 201  
6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, 305  
6:30PM - Emmaus Board Meeting, Lib.

### Friday, March 4

8:00AM - Confirmation Retreat (offsite)  
9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)

### Saturday, March 5

8:00AM - Confirmation Retreat (offsite)  
12:00PM - Soup Kitchen  
(Sponsored by St. Matthew)  
6:00PM - UMM Wildgame Supper, FH



Statesboro First Methodist  
Children's Ministries

**Sunday, February 28, 2016**

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

Martha Ray

**Kids Worship:**

**9:01:** Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Madonna Henry

**11:00:** Jodie Hendrix, Neal Vickers, Jill Vickery

## Children's Ministries News

### Kids JAM Performances

Special music from our children's choirs will be shared this morning in the 901 contemporary and 11:00 traditional services. Mark your calendar to hear these children again on Wednesday, March 16, as they present an Easter musical in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30PM.

### Easter Eggs Needed

Please donate plastic Easter eggs by March 13 for our annual Easter event and community egg hunt on Saturday, March 19. We ask for all candy to be individually wrapped. **Please do not include chocolate because it melts.**

### Wednesday Night Ministry Schedule

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

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Church Office to Close at 1PM Friday Afternoons Effective March 4

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 4. You can still leave a message on the answering machine or email staff. The Preschool will be open until 6PM.

### Wednesday Night Menu - March 2 - 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

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|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 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, FEBRUARY 28, 2016**  
**LITURGICAL COLOR: PURPLE**

**GATHERING**  
**LIGHTING OF CANDLES**  
**PRELUDE & MEDITATION**  
*When Morning Gilds the Skies*  
arr. Robert Lind

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

In the stillness of this moment, we draw near to God.

**We are reminded today of our weakness and our need for God's strength.**

We ask for God's forgiveness when we succumb to the temptations of this world.

**We need God's presence in our wilderness wanderings.**

We ask for God's guidance from a land of sin.

**We ask God to lead us into a land flowing with milk and honey.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #127 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

**\*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 CHOIRS (11:00AM Service)**

*10,000 Reasons*

*Amazing Grace*

*He is Exalted*

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

MARTHA RAY

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

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

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

Harry Rowe Shelley

**PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER**

**GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM JOYCE BOHLER; 11:00AM JAKE COLLINS

**OFFERTORY**

*Amazing Grace*

arr. Ovid Young

RACHAEL HIRNEISEN, SOPRANO & COLIN HARRISON, BASS

**\*DOXOLOGY** Hymn #94

**\*SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 4:1-11; Ephesians 6:10-18

**MESSAGE**

*"Making Sense of the Devil: Does the Devil Make Us Do It?"*

REV. JIMMY CASON

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

Hymn #600 *Wonderful Words of Life*

**\*BENEDICTION**

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

*God Be In My Head*

Walford Davies

**POSTLUDE**

*Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

arr. Mary McDonald

*\*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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