



**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

August 14, 2016

Worship Services:

Sanctuary:
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

Sunday School:

Classrooms:
10:00AM

NEW SERIES: ELEPHANT IN THE FAMILY ROOM

Every family's got em—those things that everyone knows about, but no one talks about. And when we talk about family, we're talking about your immediate family, your extended family & friends, and/or your church family. We all have a family issue or two (or ten!) that tends to make a mess of things. It's like there's this giant elephant in the family room that nobody wants to acknowledge. Is this just the way things are or is there something better? Over the next several weeks, we will not only acknowledge a number of different "elephant" issues, but we will also equip you to deal with them and send the family circus packing.



CONFIRMATION TO BEGIN THIS FALL

We are moving Confirmation to the fall for this school year on Wednesday nights. Beginning August 17, students are invited to gather with the youth for dinner and games from 5:30-7:00PM and then they will gather from 7-8PM for Confirmation teaching and small groups. We will meet weekly on Wednesdays, with a couple of noted exceptions.

Confirmation is an opportunity 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.

For more information on this process, please consult with Scott Harris: sharris@statesborofirst.com or Becca Brown: bbrown@statesborofirst.com.

Sunday, August 14, 2016

8:30 & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Jimmy Cason
"Elephant #1: I don't need any help" - Ephesians 5:2-20

9:01 & 11:00AM REVIVE - Rev. Scott Harris
"Elephant #1: I don't need any help" - Ephesians 5:2-20

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, August 7, 2016)

Morning Worship: 574

Sunday School: 296

8:30AM: 71

9:01AM: 154

11:00AM: 230

Revive: 119

Offering Received: \$39,530.38

Preserving God's House: \$1,845.00

Our Church Family

In Memoriam - *Dotty Lanier* - August 6, 2016

Prayer Concerns

Hospital: *Connie Hodges - Swing bed in Metter*
Martha Cain - Candler, Savannah
Jim Long - Eagle Rehab
Mary Adams - Southern Manor

Ongoing: *Shirley Hooker, John Popp, Art Doughty, Perk Robins, June Weaver, Janice Davis, Khaki Herrington, Carolyn Millican, Charles Millican, Marshall Thigpen, Mary Karrh, John Karrh, Lloyd Jones, Nora Ford, Mary Sue Hodges, Inman Hodges, Yvonne Redden, Gary Redden, Amos Connell, Harold Newton, Diane Deloach, Jimmy Hood, John Gould*

The **Rose** on the **Altar** on August 14 is given to the glory of God and in honor of *John McWhorter Hill*, who was born August 5, 2016, son of *Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell (Meg) Hill*, and grandson of *Mr. and Mrs Randy (Vicki) Hill*.

Welcome New Members

Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Anna) Benson
111 Plantation Trail
Statesboro, GA 30458

Robert and Anna join our church on transfer of membership from First Scots Presbyterian Church in Charleston, SC. They have two children, Robert IV, who is in the 3-year old class at our preschool and Speer, who was baptized this past Sunday and is in the infant nursery in our preschool. Robert is employed with Farmers and Merchants Bank while Anna is a pediatrician at Mama Doc's. Robert is the son of Dr. Robert (Darby) Benson and the brother of Bess (Nick) Toussaint.

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An Important Message from the Preschool

When orange cones are blocking the street behind the church, it means that either children are on the playground, are about to cross the street to go to the playground, or they are about to leave the playground and cross the street. Church members have been seen getting out of their cars and removing the orange cones so that they could continue to drive down the street. Our children's safety is more important than a temporary inconvenience. Please do not remove the orange cones from the street! Thanks.

Volunteers for August 14, 2016 (Second Sunday of August)

Prayer Warriors: Lee & Debbie Walker

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Bryan Burke

8:30 Ushers: Steve Garner, Bird Hodges

9:01 Ushers: Don Marsh, Nancy Marsh, Thad Riley, Charles Cochran

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Brian Thomas

11:00 Ushers: Clark Collins, Chris Bishop, Jake Collins, Jim Davis, Michael Mallard, Dan Snipes, Brian Thomas, Bill Thompson, Robert Benson III (Balcony: Olin Lovett, Ronnie Hodges)

Parking Lot Greeters: June Rushing

Front Door Greeters: Jewel Dabbs, Janice Davis, Pam Campbell

Meals on Wheels (August 16): Sue Avra



SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God : Love People : Serve the World

Youth Ministries News

Sunday Night Surge - August 14

Middle School students meet in the Youth Room from 5:30PM-7:00PM (**Note the time change). High School will meet from 7:00PM-8:30PM in the Youth Room. This is our weekly large group meeting where students participate in games, food, worship and a message. Cost for dinner is \$2.

Breakfast Club - August 15

This event is for Middle and High School students. We meet on Monday mornings on the third floor (Room 306) for breakfast (Chick-fil-A and Daylight Donuts), a devotional, and then we give students a ride to school. Arrive at 7:00AM and the cost is \$2.

Small Groups - August 17

This event is for Middle and High School students. Students meet on Wednesday nights in the Youth Room to participate in fellowship, food, and small group bible study. The small groups are divided by age and gender. The Youth Room opens at 5:30PM for dinner, games begin at 6:15PM, and bible study starts at 7:00PM. The cost for dinner is \$2 and students are dismissed at 8:00PM.

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Wednesday Night Menu - August 17 - 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.

Our Church Calendar

Sunday, August 14

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
5:30PM - MS Sunday Night Surge, YR
7:00PM - HS Sunday Night Surge, YR

Monday, August 15

7:00AM - Breakfast Club, 306
10:00AM - Carol Carter Circle Mtg, 201
10:00AM - Dreta Sharpe Circle Mtg, 306
1:30PM - Lanier Lee Circle Mtg, 103
6:00PM - Young Adult Bible Study, 306
7:30PM - Revive Band Practice, FH

Tuesday, August 16

6:00PM - AA, 206
6:00PM - Al Anon, 201

Wednesday, August 17

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)
5:15PM - Kids JAM, 200 & Choir
5:30PM - Wednesday Night Activities
7:00PM - Confirmation, 208
7:00PM - Chancel Choir, Choir Room

Thursday, August 18

6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, Handbell Rm.

Friday, August 19

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

Saturday, August 20

12:00PM - Soup Kitchen
Sponsored by St. Matthew Catholic Church



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, August 14, 2016

Children's Moment (11:00 Traditional)

Bonnie Spiers

Kids Worship:

9:01: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Jenny Coulter

11:00: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Elizabeth Penn

Children's Ministries News

Children's Sunday School

Today is Promotion Sunday! All children's Sunday school classes will begin the 2016-2017 Sunday school year in new classrooms this morning. Your child's classroom location is listed below.

2 & 3 year olds	Room 110
Pre-K	Room 109
Kindergarten	Room 112
1st grade	Room 113
2nd grade	Room 114
3rd grade	Room 303
4th grade	Room 307
5th grade	Room 209

Children's Sunday School Teachers

2 & 3 year olds: Melissa Avra, Hillari Brown, Ryan Marsh

Pre-K: Christie Riner (co-teacher needed)

Kindergarten: Holly Brannen, Laura Lanier

1st Grade: Jenny Coulter, Laura Gordon, Renee Perry,
Bess Toussaint, Valerie Woodrum

2nd Grade: Justin & Sarah Chester, Leigh Aaron

3rd Grade: Derek Harrison, Phyllis Harrison, Martha Ray

4th Grade: Mike & Retta Bland, Chad Prosser

5th Grade: Buck & Nora Ford

Wednesday Night Ministry

The fall schedule of activities will begin this week on August 17!

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

5:30PM-6:30PM Dinner served in Fellowship Hall

6:30PM-7:30PM Children's Ministry activities for PreK-5th Grade

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2016
LITURGICAL COLOR: RED

GATHERING
LIGHTING OF CANDLES
PRELUDE & MEDITATION
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
arr. Diane Bish

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN OF PRAISE MEDLEY**
Please see newsletter insert

PASSING OF THE PEACE AND REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

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.)

PASTORAL PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM BRYAN BURKE; 11:00AM BRIAN THOMAS

OFFERTORY (8:30AM Service)
O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee
arr. Albin Whitworth

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)

Let Music Fill This Place

by Joseph Martin

***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**

Ephesians 5:2-20

MESSAGE

"Elephant #1: I don't need any help"

REV. JIMMY CASON

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Please see newsletter insert

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**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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Habitat for Humanity House Dedication

House #51, the Methodist Build House, will be dedicated on Sunday, August 21 at 2PM. Members of Pittman Park and Statesboro First have been the key players in reaching this milestone. The Habitat for Humanity Home is located at 312 Institute Street.

Open Hearts Community Mission Fundraiser

Open Hearts Community Mission is having a chicken dinner fundraiser on Thursday & Friday, August 25 & 26 from 11:00AM to 1:00PM at Crossroads Community Church (next to Lowes). For only \$9 you get 1/2 chicken, BBQ sauce, green beans, corn on the cob, dessert and bread. We will also deliver to the Statesboro area. See Robin Kersey in the church office, Delia Mobley, or Rick Smith for tickets.

Lanier Lee Circle

The Lanier Lee Circle of the UMW will meet this Monday, August 15, at 1:30PM in Room 103.

New College Sunday School Class

Cameron Brown is starting a college Sunday School class that will begin this Sunday, August 14. This class is co-ed and will meet at 10AM in Becca Brown's office (Room 304). Coffee and donuts will be provided, so come join in! If you have any questions please call Cameron at (912) 531-7545.