



**STATESBORO FIRST  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

JAMES A. CASON SENIOR PASTOR  
SCOTT HARRIS ASSOCIATE PASTOR

**September 18, 2016**

**Worship Services:**

Sanctuary:  
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

**Sunday School:**

Classrooms:  
10:00AM

**WESLEY FOUNDATION STUDENTS FROM GSU VISITING**

We are pleased to announce that we are having "Wesley Day" next Sunday, September 25. We have invited students from the Georgia Southern Wesley Foundation to attend the 11AM Revive service. The Wesley Foundation is a United Methodist ministry providing worship and community for college students at University campuses. At GSU, students are led by the Director of the Wesley Foundation, Rev. Jonathan Smith, who previously served as an Associate Pastor at Pittman Park UMC and has preached at First Methodist on a number of occasions. We would love to make a great first impression, so even if Revive is not the service you normally attend, we hope you will come in during the refreshment time, enjoy a cup of coffee and a snack before the service and warmly welcome our Wesley Foundation guests.

**MOM & ME TEA**

Next Sunday, September 25, the Children's Ministry will host a Mother-Daughter Tea for girls in kindergarten through 5th grade and their mothers. Grandmothers are also welcome! Please join us at 3:00PM in the Fellowship Hall, dressy attire. You may purchase tickets this morning from Sarah or Jodie, or stop by the Church Office during the week (\$5 per person). Delia Mobley will present the girls with timeless etiquette techniques, and Amy Altman will share a personal testimony. A special thank you to Alice Christmas and Janice Smith for coordinating servers and a unique menu. Our hope is to provide an opportunity for mothers and daughters to come together for a memorable event that will impress the importance of manners and hospitality, while also allowing young girls to hear the stories of God at work in the lives of the women who lead and influence them.

**Sunday, September 18, 2016**

8:30 & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Jimmy Cason  
"Elephant #5: You're Not Fighting Fairly" - Matthew 18: 15-20

9:01 & 11:00AM REVIVE - Rev. Scott Harris  
"Elephant #5: You're Not Fighting Fairly" - Matthew 18: 15-20

**Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, September 11, 2016)**

**Morning Worship: 549**

**Sunday School: 304**

8:30AM: 53

9:01AM: 147

11:00AM: 160

Revive: 189

Offering Received: \$19,546.24

Preserving God's House: \$970.00

# Our Church Family

## Prayer Concerns

**Hospital:** *Bob Counce - Heritage  
Bryan Rountree - home from hospital  
Bryan Thomas - home from hospital*

**Ongoing:** *Kathy Richardson Jones, Judy Strickland, Connie Hodges, Shirley Hooker, John Popp, Art Doughty, June Weaver, Janice Davis, Khaki Herrington, Carolyn Millican, Marshall Thigpen, Mary Karrh, John Karrh, Lloyd Jones, Mary Sue Hodges, Inman Hodges, Yvonne Redden, Gary Redden, Harold Newton, Diane Deloach, Jimmy Hood, John Gould, Martha Cain, Amos Connell, Jim Long, JoBeth Hendrix*

The **flowers** in the **Sanctuary** on September 18 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Geraldine F. and Henry G. Beckenbach* by *Leslie and Marion Fletcher*.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Installation of Bishop Lawson Bryan Today

An installation service for Bishop Lawson Bryan will be held today, Sunday, September 18, at 4PM at Mulberry Street UMC in Macon. Pastor Jimmy and Bill Hatcher will provide leadership to this worship service. You are invited to attend.

### Lanier Lee Circle Meeting

The Lanier Lee Circle will meet this Monday, September 19, at 1:30PM in Room 103.

### Continued Prayers Requested for Emmaus Walks

Thanks for the prayers extended for last week's Men's Walk to Emmaus at Tattnall Campground. Those participating from our church last week were Robert Benson, Brad Riner, Buddy Morgan, Rusty Thompson, Brett Henry, George Rountree, and Madonna Henry. This week, Thursday, September 15 through Sunday, September 18, the Women's Walk will be held. Participating from our church are Beth Turner, Roxella Ball, Becky Livingston, Misty Self, Amy Morgan, Christie Riner, LuAnn Washington, Michelle Mathis, Michelle Barton, Susan Roach, Bill Thompson, Vicki Thompson, Warren Ball, Bill Mathis, Jr., Ricky Turner, Gayle Archer, and Carol Ayers.

### Volunteers for September 18, 2016 (Third Sunday of September)

**Prayer Warriors:** Buddy & Amy Morgan

**8:30 Lay Liturgist:** Buck Ford

**8:30 Ushers:** Mike Beasley, Daryl Harrison

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

**11:00 Lay Liturgist:** John Ray

**11:00 Ushers:** Si Waters, Hughes Williamson, Coley Cassedy, Edwin Hill, David Johnson, Tommie Rushing, Fred Shearouse

**(Balcony:** Olin Lovett, Ronnie Hodges, Earl Dabbs Jr., Brad Shiels)

**Parking Lot Greeters:** Anne Allen

**Front Door Greeters:** Peggie Herrington, Pam Smith, Nita Waters

**Meals on Wheels (September 20):** Dick & Marinell Armstrong



# SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God : Love People : Serve the World

## Youth Ministries News

### Sunday Night Surge - September 18

Middle School students meet in the Youth Room from 5:30PM-7:00PM. 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 - September 19

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 - September 21

Middle and High School students meet on Wednesday nights in the Youth Room for fellowship, food, and small group Bible study. 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.

### High School Campout

Sign up for the High School campout has opened. The campout will take place September 30-October 2 at Black Creek Boy Scouts Camp. This is a great time for students to unplug and focus on their relationship with God. The cost for the weekend is \$60, which includes everything. An information packet and parental release form can be found on the church website. If you have any questions please contact Becca Brown, [bbrown@statesborofirst.com](mailto:bbrown@statesborofirst.com).

## Our Church Calendar

### Sunday, September 18

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  
4:00PM - Youth Band Practice, YR  
5:30PM - MS Sunday Night Surge, YR  
7:00PM - HS Sunday Night Surge, YR

### Monday, September 19

7:00AM - Youth Breakfast Club, 306  
10:00AM - Carol Carter Circle Mtg, 201  
10:00AM - Dreta Sharpe Circle Mtg, 306  
1:30PM - Lanier Lee Circle Mtg, 103  
2:30PM - Charlene Black Bible Study, Lib.  
6:00PM - Finance Committee Mtg, 213  
7:45PM - Revive Band Practice, FH

### Tuesday, September 20

10:00AM - Linda Hubbard Bible Study, 212  
3:30PM - Magnolia Bible Study, 201  
6:00PM - AA, 206  
6:00PM - Al Anon, 201

### Wednesday, September 21

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

### Thursday, September 22

6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, Handbell Rm.

### Friday, September 23

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)  
5:30PM - Spence/Ainsworth Rehearsal, Sanct.

### Saturday, September 24

9:00AM - 5th Grade Car Wash, parking lot  
1:00PM - Soup Kitchen  
*Sponsored by Statesboro Service League*  
6:00PM - Spence/Ainsworth Wedding, Sanct.



Statesboro First Methodist  
Children's Ministries

**Sunday, September 18, 2016**

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

Ashley Wren

**Kids Worship:**

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

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

## Children's Ministries News

### Wednesday Night Ministry

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

### Mom & Me Tea

Next Sunday, September 25, at 3:00PM is the Mother-Daughter tea for girls in kindergarten through 5th grade and their mothers. This will be held in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$5 per person.

### 5th Grade Sunday School Car Wash

Members of the 5th grade Sunday School Class will be sponsoring a car wash next Saturday, September 24, from 9:00AM-12:00PM in the side parking lot of the church. Tickets are \$7 and are available from class members or the Church Office. Proceeds will be given to the Backpack Buddies program, a ministry which provides hungry children in the community with food over the weekends. Our church is partnered with Sallie Zetterower Elementary.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Over-the-Counter Medicines Needed for Haiti Medical Mission Trip

Several of our church members (Becky Holmes, Eleanor Schneider, and Karen David) are going on the Medical Mission Trip to Haiti led by Dr. Randy Smith October 23-29. We are collecting over-the-counter medicines that are unexpired-generics and big bottles are fine. We need pain relievers (Advil, Motrin, Tylenol, infant liquid Tylenol), topical antibiotic, antifungal, and anti-itch creams, eye and ear drops, cold and allergy medicines, antacids, anti-diarrheals, most anything sold over-the-counter, except aspirin. We also need powdered infant formula. There will be a box in the gathering area, or you can leave them in your Sunday School classes and we will get them. We, along with the dear people of Haiti, thank you in advance!!!

### Wednesday Night Menu - September 21 - 5:30PM

*RJ's: Turkey & Dressing, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Salad, Rolls*

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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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016**

**LITURGICAL COLOR: RED**

**GATHERING**

**LIGHTING OF CANDLES**

**PRELUDE & MEDITATION**

*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

arr. Robert Lau

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Prayer of John Chrysostom (5th century)

**Almighty God,**

**You have given us grace at this time**

**with one accord to make our common supplication to you;**

**and you have promised through your well-beloved Son**

**that when two or three are gathered together in his name,**

**you will be in the midst of them.**

**Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us;**

**granting us in this world knowledge of your truth,**

**and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #384 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

**\*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)**

ASHLEY WREN

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

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

***Fairest Lord Jesus***

arr. Derek Hakes

**PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER**

**GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM BUCK FORD; 11:00AM JOHN RAY

**OFFERTORY**

***Like a River Glorious***

arr. Chris Rice

JAMES ALLEN, PIANIST

**\*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 #352 *Standing in the Need of Prayer*

**\*SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 18: 15-20

**MESSAGE**

*"Elephant #5: You're Not Fighting Fair"*

REV. JIMMY CASON

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

Hymn #402 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

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

***A Clare Benediction***

by John Rutter

**POSTLUDE**

***Sortie***

by Robert Jones

*\*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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