



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 25, 2016

Worship Services:

Sanctuary:
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

Sunday School:

Classrooms:
10:00AM

METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME SUNDAY

This Sunday, September 25, is Methodist Children's Home Sunday at Statesboro First. At all four worship services, you will be given an opportunity to financially give to this important ministry. The Rev. Mark Magoni, Chaplain and Vice President of Church Relations for the Methodist Home for Children and Youth, will preach at the 8:30 and 11AM Traditional Worship Services and will also lead the Dan Williams Sunday School Class.

Prior to serving at the Methodist Home, Rev. Magoni served as pastor of Wesley UMC in Macon, as Associate Pastor at St. Paul UMC in Columbus, and as pastor at Midland UMC. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Georgia (Go Dogs!) and his Master of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary in Kentucky. Before becoming a United Methodist pastor, Mark spent 13 years in campus ministry and youth ministry. Beginning in the summer of 2000, he began to be very involved in ministry to orphans in Krivoy Rog, Ukraine and has made 19 trips to Ukraine. Mark's wife, Fran, is an ordained Deacon and serves as an Associate Pastor at Martha Bowman UMC in Macon. Mark and Fran have three grown daughters.

The Mission Statement of the Methodist Home is: "In response to Christ and the Church, the mission of The Methodist Home is to be a model agency that restores childhoods, strengthens families, and cultivates a people building organization". The Methodist Home has locations in Macon, Americus, Columbus, St. Marys, Valdosta, and Waverly Hall.

Sunday, September 25, 2016

8:30 & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Mark Magoni
"Welcome Home" - Matthew 11: 28-30

9:01 & 11:00AM REVIVE - Rev. Scott Harris
"Elephant #6: You've Clocked Out" - Deuteronomy 6: 4-9

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, September 18, 2016)

Morning Worship: 546

Sunday School: 297

8:30AM: 59

9:01AM: 176

11:00AM: 209

Revive: 102

Offering Received: \$19,166.03

Preserving God's House: \$365.00

Our Church Family

In Memoriam - *Dr. Martha Tootle Cain* - September 16, 2016

Congratulations to *Mr. and Mrs. Justin (Jade) Ainsworth* who were married September 24, 2016. Jade is the daughter of Kevin Spence and Wendy Doty and stepdaughter to Kelly Spence and Roger Doty.

Christian sympathy and prayers are expressed to *Mr. and Mrs. Tyler (Elizabeth) Grant*, upon the death of Elizabeth's grandparents, *Arvol "Chig" and Merle Starling*, who died in a house fire in Dothan, Alabama last week.

Prayer Concerns

Hospital: *Amos Connell - EGR*

Shirley Hooker - home from hospital

Brooke Ragan - home from hospital

Harold Newton - home from hospital

Ongoing: *Kathy Richardson Jones, Judy Strickland, Connie Hodges, 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, Diane DeLoach, Jimmy Hood, John Gould, Jim Long, JoBeth Hendrix, Bryan Thomas, Bob Counce*

Welcome New Members

Mr. and Mrs. Wes (Sherry) Sutton, Tyler and Grant

319 Dogwood Trail

Statesboro, GA 30461

Phone: 912-225-3635

Wes and Sherry join our church on transfer from Centennial Associated Reformed Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina. Their son, Tyler, who is in the 8th grade at Bulloch Academy was baptized and received on profession of faith. Grant, who is in the 5th grade at BA will be a part of next year's Confirmation Class. Wes is the General Counsel for Ag South while Sherry is a homemaker.

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."

Volunteers for September 25, 2016 (Fourth Sunday of September)

Prayer Warriors: Bird & Betty Hodges

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, Earl Dabbs Jr., Brad Shiels)

Parking Lot Greeters: Linda Rushing

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

Meals on Wheels (September 27): Pam Powell & Janice Wilbanks



SFUMC Youth Ministries

Love God : Love People : Serve the World

Youth Ministries News

Sunday Night Surge - September 25

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 26

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. **We are in need of parent drivers to take kids to school, September 26 and October 10. Please let Becca know if you can help, bbrown@statesborofirst.com.**

High School Campout

The campout will take place, September 30-October 2, at Black Creek Boy Scouts Camp. It is not too late to sign up your student for this trip! The cost for the weekend is \$60, which includes everything. We are also in need of parent volunteers to help prepare meals for the campout. If you can help or have any questions, please contact Becca Brown, bbrown@statesborofirst.com.

Middle School Retreat

Sign ups are now open for the Middle School Retreat being held, November 4-6. We will leave Friday afternoon after school, head to Get Air in Savannah, and then to Epworth in St. Simons for the weekend. This is a great opportunity for your student to grow in their faith! An information sheet is available on the church website. Space is limited, so please let Becca Brown know if your student would like to sign up, bbrown@statesborofirst.com.

Our Church Calendar

Sunday, September 25

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
3:00PM - Mom & Me Tea, FH
4:00PM - Youth Band Practice, YR
5:30PM - MS Sunday Night Surge, YR
7:00PM - HS Sunday Night Surge, YR

Monday, September 26

7:00AM - Youth Breakfast Club, 306
2:30PM - Charlene Black Bible Study, Lib.
6:00PM - Church Council Meeting, 306
7:45PM - Revive Band Practice, FH

Tuesday, September 27

10:00AM - Linda Hubbard Bible Study, 212
3:30PM - Magnolia Bible Study, 201
5:30PM - Sustaining the Spirit, 306
6:00PM - AA, 206
6:00PM - Al Anon, 201

Wednesday, September 28

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

Thursday, September 29

6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, Handbell Rm.

Friday, September 30

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

Saturday, October 1

9:00AM - 5th Grade Car Wash, parking lot
1:00PM - Soup Kitchen

Sponsored by SFUMC



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, September 25, 2016

Children's Moment (11:00 Traditional)

Buck Ford

Kids Worship:

9:01: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Laura Gordon

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

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

It's not too late to join us today for the Mother-Daughter Tea at 3:00PM in the Fellowship Hall. This is for girls in kindergarten through 5th grade and their mothers. Grandmothers are also welcome. You may purchase tickets at the door if you have not already (\$5 per person).

5th Grade Sunday School Car Wash Moved to October 1

The 5th Grade car wash to benefit Backpack Buddies was moved to **next Saturday, October 1**, due to the funeral for Dr. Martha Cain yesterday, September 24 at the church. If students have already sold tickets, please let those individuals know of the date change.

Save-the-Date

Annual Harvest Festival scheduled for Sunday, October 23, 5:00PM-7:00PM

Statesboro First United Methodist Church

Wednesday Night Menu - September 28 - 5:30PM

Uncle Shug's: Chicken Fingers, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Dinner 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.

Wednesday Night Help Needed

We are in need of helpers for Wednesday night dinners. Both servers and dishwashers are needed. For more information contact Ed or Lyndia Akins, 912-587-9212.

Communion for Home-Bound

If you know of anyone who would like communion brought to their home, please call the Church Office, 764-7589.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

LITURGICAL COLOR: RED

**GATHERING
LIGHTING OF CANDLES
PRELUDE & MEDITATION**

O For a Thousand Tongues

arr. Patricia Sanders Cota

CHANCEL RINGERS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come to Christ, all who are weary and carry heavy burdens.

In Christ, we find rest.

Bear Christ's yoke and learn from him.

In Christ, we find peace.

For Christ is gentle and humble in heart.

In Christ, we find safety.

Christ's yoke is easy, and his burden is light.

In Christ, we find strength.

Amen

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #92 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

***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)

BUCK FORD

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

ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)

O Zion Haste

arr. Craig Courtney

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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

OFFERTORY

Meditation on "Beautiful Savior"

arr. Cathy Moglebust

CHANCEL RINGERS

***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 #408 *The Gift of Love*

***SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 11: 28-30

MESSAGE

"Welcome Home"

REV. MARK MAGONI

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

Hymn #591 *Rescue the Perishing*

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

A Clare Benediction

by John Rutter

POSTLUDE

Festive Minuet

by Andrew Wright

**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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