



**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 3, 2017**

**Worship Services:**

Sanctuary:  
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

**Sunday School:**

Classrooms:  
10:00AM

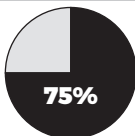
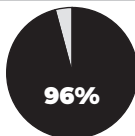
**Overview of Building Survey Results**

Thank you for taking the survey!

**278**

**650**

We received **278 surveys** representing **650 members** of our church family.



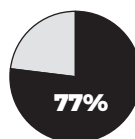
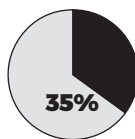
Of those responses:

**96%** are current Church Members

**75%** feel spiritually ready to build.

**35%** have children involved here

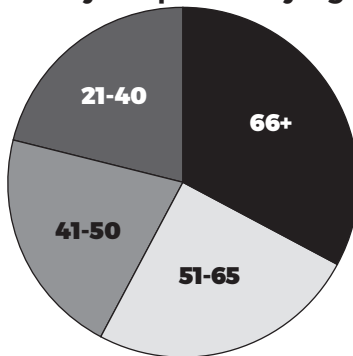
**77%** are willing to contribute financially.



With regard to the rankings, please note, the Building Committee believes all areas will be addressed as some areas may be multi-functional.

We are so excited how many individuals from all ages took the time to fill out this survey.

**Survey Responses by Age**



Ranking	Priority Score (Lower is better)
Preschool	2.1
Multi-Purpose Building	2.6
Youth	2.9
Children's	3.1
Contemporary Worship	3.2
Gathering Entrance	3.4
Adult SS Rooms	3.4
Soup Kitchen/ Funeral Meals	3.6
New Office	3.9

Score is average of all responses by rank. A more detailed breakdown of rank results is available online. [my.stumc.us/rankings](http://my.stumc.us/rankings)

Higher Priority

High Priority

We also want you to know all the comments, letters etc. have been read and each member of the committee has a copy to review as we continue this process.

**We do appreciate your time and ask you to continue to pray for the Building Committee as we keep moving and trying to follow God's will for our church family.**

**Sunday, September 3, 2017**

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

"Rest Beside Still Waters" - Psalm 23

9:01 & 11:00AM REVIVE - Rev. Scott Harris

"The Harvest" - Matthew 9:35-38

**Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, August 27, 2017)**

Morning Worship: 511

Sunday School: 355

8:30AM: 73

9:01AM: 111

11:00AM: 207

Revive: 120

Offering Received: \$12,420.28

Preserving God's House: \$2,350.00

Special Offering: UMCOR/Texas - \$670.00

## Our Church Family

**Christian sympathy and prayers** are expressed to *Dr. and Mrs. Don (Brenda) Adams* upon the death of Brenda's father, *Dr. Billy Key*. Don and Brenda served for several years as our church's senior pastor family. Dr. Key was an active, well-known, deeply spiritual preacher and member of the South Georgia Conference for many years. We pray for Don and Brenda and Billy's wife, Sunshine as they experience this loss.

### Prayer Concerns

**Hospital:** *Charlie Christmas - recovering from surgery*  
*Bill Thompson - recovering from surgery*  
*Steve Garner - recovering from surgery*  
*Sue Avra - recovering from surgery*  
*Martha Boatman - Heritage*  
*Carolyn McCarty - Eagle Rehabilitation*

**Ongoing:** *Creighton Alexander, Jimmy Hood, Khaki Herrington, Marshall Thigpen, John Karrh, Lloyd Jones, Diane Deloach, Jim Long, Amos Connell, John Gould, Ed Shannon, Dolly Shannon, David Rupar*

### Please take time to welcome our new member:

Ms. Treasia Lamonte  
102 West Inman Street  
Statesboro, GA 30458  
Phone: 770-882-3167

*Treasie*, who has already joined the Dan Williams Sunday School Class and the Dreta Sharpe Circle of the UMW, joined our church at the 8:30AM service on Profession of Faith.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### UMCOR Offering Appeal on September 3 and September 10

Our Bishop has asked all churches in the South Georgia Conference to receive a special offering to help relieve the suffering in the Texas and Louisiana areas of our country. The flooding in those areas have been beyond our imagination. 100% of every dollar you give to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) goes directly to the areas affected. We are being told that there will come a time to send supplies but right now money is the critical need. Please make your check out to SFUMC and put "TX Relief" on the memo line. Thanks for your generous response.

### UMW General Meeting

All women of the church are encouraged to attend the next United Methodist Women general meeting on Monday, September 11. The program will be a presentation on cyber security by a GSU professor. Come at 9:45AM for fellowship, the meeting begins at 10:00AM in Room 306. Bring a friend!

### Volunteers for September 3, 2017 (First Sunday of September)

**Prayer Warriors:** Ronnie Hodges, Marcus Toole

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

**8:30 Ushers:** Bird Hodges, Brannen Hodges

**9:01 Ushers:** Alice Hall, Darryl Hopkins, Rodney Fowler, Stephanie Owens

**11:00 Lay Liturgist:** Hughes Williamson

**11:00 Ushers:** Bill Moore, Jim Campbell, Ronnie Ruffo, Hoke Brunson, Tal Johnson, Steve Harper (Balcony: Olin Lovett, Ronnie Hodges, Earl Dabbs Jr., Brad Shiels)

**Parking Lot Greeters:** Janet Mathis

**Front Door Greeters:** Betty F. Hodges, Carol Ruffo

**Meals on Wheels (September 5):** John & Martha Ray



## Youth Ministries News

### **Combined Surge at Clubhouse September 3**

Due to Labor Day weekend we will not be having regular Surge but instead we will be going bowling at the Clubhouse! This event is for Middle and High School students and is from 6:30PM – 8:30PM. Students are to bring \$10, which will cover bowling (in the sky box), shoes, and food. Parents please drop off and pick up your students at the Clubhouse.

### **NO Breakfast Club - September 4**

Due to the Labor Day holiday we will not have Breakfast Club, Monday, September 4. We will resume the following week, September 11.

### **Small Groups & Confirmation- September 6**

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.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### **A Great Way You Can Help a Hurting Friend**

Do you have a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative who has suffered a loss or is going through a difficult time? Here's a great way you can help them—tell them about our Stephen Ministry! Stephen Ministers are members of our church who have received special training to provide high-quality, confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to hurting people. Stephen Ministers meet weekly with their care receivers to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. (Males are matched with males, and females are matched with females.) The caring relationship lasts for as long as the person needs care. It's free, and it's a powerful way you can help a hurting friend. To learn more contact Scott Harris at 912-764-1874 or [sharris@statesborofirst.com](mailto:sharris@statesborofirst.com).

## Our Church Calendar

### **Sunday, September 3**

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

### **Monday, September 4**

*Labor Day - Church Office Closed*  
*Preschool Closed*  
3:30PM - Magnolia Bible Study

### **Tuesday, September 5**

*Preschool Closed*  
8:00AM - Morning Glory Reunion Group, Lib.  
6:00PM - Trustees Board Meeting, Lib.  
6:00PM - Al Anon, Grace House

### **Wednesday, September 6**

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

### **Thursday, September 7**

6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, 305  
6:30PM - Emmaus Board Mtg, Lib.

### **Friday, September 8**

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

### **Saturday, September 9**

8:30AM - KAIROS Training, 306  
11:00AM - Al Anon, Grace House  
12:00PM - Soup Kitchen  
*Soup Kitchen sponsored by OTC*



Statesboro First Methodist  
Children's Ministries

**Sunday, September 3, 2017**

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

Lydia Cross

**Kids Worship:**

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

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

## Children's Ministries News

### Wednesday Night Ministry Children's Schedule

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

Room 200 – PreK & Kindergarten

Choir Room – 1st-5th Grade

**5:30PM-6:30PM** Dinner is served in the Fellowship Hall

**6:30PM-7:30PM** Small groups, Games, & Activities for PreK-5th

Children in PreK-Kindergarten should be picked up from Room 112.

Children in 1st-5th Grade should be picked up from the Fellowship Hall.

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Wednesday Night Menu - September 6 - 5:30PM

*Barberitos: Taco Bar with Chips and Queso*

Meals are \$6.00 for adults; \$4.00 for kids 12 and under;

\$2.00 for pizza plate (kids only)

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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Scott Harris, Assistant Pastor:	912-764-1874	Church FAX:	912-764-7638

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017**  
**LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE**

**GATHERING**  
**LIGHTING OF CANDLES**  
**PRELUDE & MEDITATION**  
*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*  
arr. Gilbert Martin

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**  
Because the Lord is our Shepherd  
**We have everything we need.**  
The Shepherd knows each of our names.  
**May we be still and wait for him to call our name.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**  
Hymn #133 *“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”*

**\*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)**

LYDIA CROSS

(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 JOYCE BOHLER; 11:00AM HUGHES WILLIAMSON

## OFFERTORY (8:30AM Service)

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

arr. Wilbur Held

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)

*I Need Thee Every Hour*

arr. Mark Shepperd

### \*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

Psalm 23

### MESSAGE

*“Rest Beside Still Waters”*

REV. JIMMY CASON

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### \*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Hymn #381 *“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”*

### CHORAL BENEDICTION

*As We Depart Thy House*

arr. Donald Moore

### POSTLUDE

*March in D*

G.F. Handel/arr. George Blake

*\*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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