



**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

January 13, 2019

Worship Services:

Sanctuary:
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

Sunday School:

Classrooms:
10:00AM

Dine & Dialogue

Starting at 4PM today, January 13, First United Methodist Church will partner with Pittman Park UMC to host a "dine and dialogue" session on issues of gender and sexuality. As the UMC grapples with this issue on the global stage, this is an opportunity for our local church to come together to begin a genuine conversation. This event will be facilitated by Bulloch County's Beloved Community, a local, grassroots community-academic partnership which aims to build empathy across areas of difference. Founded in 2015, the Beloved Community is a nonpartisan, apolitical group. They have sponsored a series of "Bridging the Gap" events on a variety of topics, and will be facilitating this event at Pittman Park. This event is designed to provide meaningful, structured opportunities for community members to engage in conversation around this issue. It is designed to promote both awareness and reflection, with panel discussions, small group activities, and keynote speakers introducing us to the topic. There will be a soup and sandwich dinner. I hope that you will be able to join us for this important event sponsored by both churches.

Final 2018 Budget Report

Operating Budget Received in December:	\$241,359.78
Operating Budget Spent in December:	\$129,203.29
Receipts Over Expenses in December:	+\$112,156.49
Total 2018 Approved Operating Budget:	\$1,739,767.00
Total Budget Received in 2018:	\$1,601,324.27
Total Budget Spent in 2018:	\$1,656,434.75
2018 Expenses Over Receipts:	-\$55,110.48

So what do these figures mean? First of all, thanks to your generosity, you gave slightly over \$241,000 during December. While it was not quite enough for us to end the year with a zero difference in amount spent and amount received, you helped this church make up a very sizable shortfall entering the month of December. Our church has almost \$140,000 in reserves from years when we ended with a budget surplus. Therefore, this year we will use slightly over \$55,000 to balance the budget, and we will still have money in reserves. For those of you who made a pledge to the Operating Budget last year, you need to know that we received 99.39% toward those pledges. Most years, we only received between 93% and 95% of the pledges made. This almost 100% result is the highest percentage this church has ever received. To God be the glory!

Sunday, January 13, 2019

9:01 & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Jimmy Cason

8:30AM & REVIVE - Rev. Scott Harris

Romans 12:18-21

"Bad Blood - Holding On"

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, January 6, 2019)

Morning Worship: 492

Sunday School: 279

8:30AM: 57

9:01AM: 144

11:00AM: 204

REVIVE: 87

Offering Received: \$25,616.00

Special Offering: Altar/ACTS - \$1,174.00

Our Church Family

Prayer Concerns

Hospital: *John Gould - Rehab in Augusta*
Gene Neville - EGR

Ongoing: *Rawls Neville, Gillis Davis, Mary Mincey, Charles Millican, Joel Martin, Mary Emmye Lewis, Peggie Herrington, Yvonne Redden, Maggie Collins, Laura Beasley, Ellie Hubbard, Bill Mathis Jr, Arthur Howard, Jean Deal, Fred Maddox, Brian Harrison, Steve Piazza, Marilyn Turner, Jim Long, Shirley Connell, Inman Hodges, Charlie Christmas, Alice Christmas, Marshall Thigpen, Lloyd Jones, Diane Deloach, Frances Humphrey, Rev. Carter Berkeley, Bobbie Coursey*

Care Facilities: *Willow Pond - Janette Johnson, Willie Coleman, Bobby Deal, Carolyn McCarty, Jan Johnston* *Southern Manor - Mary Adams, Jean Braswell, Libby Hutcheson, Roxie Remley* *Bethany - Khaki Herrington*

Welcome New Members

Mr. and Mrs. Ken (Barbara Harris) Johnson
315 Meadowlark Circle
Statesboro, GA 30461
His cell: 912-601-1308
Her cell: 912-601-1307

Ken, who is a retired CLP, and *Barbara*, who is a retired Therapist, join our church on Profession of Faith and Renewal of Vows. They have already become active in Stephen Ministry and in the Dan Williams Sunday School Class.

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SFUMC Security Team

The Security Team has been growing and meeting as they work to improve security and hospitality for the church. You may notice additional volunteers on the team working together with our on-site law enforcement to maintain a safer and more welcoming environment for all to *Worship Without Worry*. If you feel led to get involved please contact Charles Sikes (682-2758) or Nick Propps (225-1950) for more information.

Update on Charlene Black's Bible Study

Although originally scheduled to resume Monday, January 14, **Charlene Black's Bible Study will be discontinued until further notice.**

UWM General Meeting - January 14

United Methodist Women meet Monday, January 14 in Room 306. Kathy Jenkins, Director of Statesboro/Bulloch County Habitat For Humanity, will be our speaker. Refreshments and fellowship at 9:45AM, meeting starts at 10:00AM and concludes by 11:30AM. All woman attending our worship services are encouraged to participate in UMW meetings and activities to support women, children and youth around the globe and close by. For additional information about projects, mission studies, and smaller groups "circles" that meet at other times, you are encouraged to contact martharay@frontiernet.net.

UMM Meet & Greet - January 20

The United Methodist Men will hold their next Meet & Greet on Sunday, January 20 at 6PM. The meeting will be held at the Glen Oaks Subdivision clubhouse and the menu is low country boil. All men of the church are invited and encouraged to attend.

Wednesday Night Menu - January 16 - 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 & youth only)

Families of five or more (parents and children) pay a maximum of \$24.



SFUMC Students News

Sunday Night Surge - January 13

Middle School and High School students will meet from 6:00PM-7:30PM. Middle School students will meet in the Youth Room and High School students will meet in the Fellowship Hall. This is our weekly large group meeting where students participate in games, food, worship, and a message. Cost for dinner is \$2.

Breakfast Club - January 14

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 Donuts), a devotional, and then we give students a ride to school. Arrive at 7:00AM and the cost is \$2.

Small Groups & Confirmation - January 16

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. Youth Room opens at 6:00PM, games begin at 6:20PM, Bible study starts at 7:00PM, and students are dismissed at 8PM.

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Angel Tree Update

Thanks to all who participated in the "Angel Tree" program this year! We gave 102 gifts to 51 children (26 families) who have an incarcerated parent. These children received the gifts, from their parent but through us. A Christmas card with a note from that parent, a Christmas Card from FUMC, an age appropriate "Book of Hope" and a Bible will be delivered in the next couple of months! Thanks to Shirley Hooker and Jerry Singletary for helping to bag them all up, and to the amazing people that helped to deliver them to these families. Bless you all!

We Need Your Help!

We have a huge need for servers for Wednesday Night dinners! Several of our long-serving team members are no longer able to help so we are very short on volunteers. **Please consider joining our serving team.** Contact Ed Akins for more information, 912-531-1111.

Our Church Calendar

Sunday, January 13

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
4:30PM - Youth Band Rehearsal, YR
6:00PM - Sunday Night Surge, FH, YR

Monday, January 14

7:00AM - Youth Breakfast Club, 306
10:00AM - UMW Meeting, 306
6:00PM - Finance Committee Mtg, 213

Tuesday, January 15

6:00PM - Al Anon, Grace House
6:00PM - 901 Band Rehearsal, FH
7:00PM - Staff-Parish Committee Mtg, Lib.

Wednesday, January 16

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

Thursday, January 17

4:00PM - Helping Hands Mtg, Lib.
6:00PM - Church Council Mtg, 306
6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, 305
6:00PM - REVIVE Band Rehearsal, FH

Friday, January 18

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

Saturday, January 19

11:00AM - Al Anon, Grace House
12:00PM - Soup Kitchen



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, January 13, 2019

Children's Moment (11:00 Traditional)
Martha Ray

Kids Worship:

10:00: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Jennifer Prosser
11:00: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Sarah Chester

Children's Ministries News

Wednesday Night Ministry

A new season of Wednesday Night Ministry begins this week, January 16!

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

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

6:30PM-7:30PM – Small groups & activities for children in PreK-5th Grade

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Mission Trip to Brazil

Are you adventurous? Do you have a heart for serving God's people around the world? If you answered "yes," we have just the opportunity for you! The Missions Committee is sponsoring a mission trip to northern Brazil in early June. While there, we will do some type of construction (no skills required) and some interaction with children. The trip will take approximately 8 days. If you're interested in hearing more about this opportunity, please contact team lead, Debbie Walker, at 912-682-9703 or lwalk@frontiernet.net.

"Guardrails" - Wednesday Night Bible

Amy Altman will continue offering her Wednesday Night Bible Study starting this Wednesday, January 16, at 6:30PM in Room 208. They will begin a new book, Andy Stanley's "Guardrails". It's not too late to join this growing group! Contact Amy Altman if you are interested in getting more information, aaltman@bullochschools.org.

Pastor Jimmy's Bible Study

Please note, Pastor Jimmy's Bible Study will not begin this Wednesday, January 16 when the other studies resume. Due to his upcoming trip to the Holy Land, his study will start again on Wednesday, February 6.

Thank You!

Thank you to all who helped take down the Advent decorations - we appreciate your help! Olin Lovett, Cynthia Lovett, Shane Geurin, Rick Smith, Pam Smith, Joyce Lovett, Carol Ruffo, Lynn Carper, Warren Ball, Bobby Coble, Jim Campbell, Ricky Turner, Beth Turner.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019
LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

GATHERING
LIGHTING OF CANDLES
PRELUDE & MEDITATION

Praise to the Lord
arr. Johann Gottfried Walther

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Christ is our light, our way in the dark
Come to the light of Christ.
Christ calls us here, to worship and to pray.
Come and answer Christ's call.
Christ leads us forth, to teach and to heal.
Come and worship our God

***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

**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)

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)

We Praise the Lord
Jay Althouse

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM JOYCE BOHLER; 11:00AM MARTHA RAY

OFFERTORY

Sicilienne

Maria Theresia von Paradis

*DOXOLOGY HYMN #94

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

Hymn #400 *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

*SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12:18-21

MESSAGE

"Bad Blood: Holding On"

REV. JIMMY CASON

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Hymn #389 *"Freely, Freely"*

CHORAL BENEDICTION (11:00AM Service)

Amen

Peter Lutkin

POSTLUDE

Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

arr. Wayne Wold

Volunteers for January 13, 2019 (Second Sunday of January)

Prayer Warriors: John & Martha Ray

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Joyce Bohler

8:30 Ushers: Steve Garner, Buck Ford

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

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Martha Ray

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, Earl Dabbs Jr., Brad Shields)

Greeters: June Rushing, Janice Davis, Pam Campbell, Anne Williamson

Meals On Wheels (January 15): Pam Powell, Janice Wilbanks

*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.