



STATESBORO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"TO GLORIFY GOD AND LOVE OTHERS THROUGH WORSHIP, STUDY, AND SERVICE." JAMES A. CASON SENIOR PASTOR

April 14, 2019
PALM SUNDAY

Worship Services:

Sanctuary: 8:30AM & 11:00AM
Fellowship Hall: 9:01AM & 11:00AM

Sunday School:

Classrooms:
10:00AM

Welcome Stephanie Smith - Our New Associate Pastor

This past Sunday, it was announced in all four worship services that Bishop Lawson Bryan and the South Georgia Cabinet plan to appoint Stephanie Smith as our new Associate Pastor. Her appointment will be effective June 12.

Stephanie is the wife of Jonathan Smith, who is the Director of the GSU Wesley Foundation. The Smiths have two daughters, Addie and Lily Grace.

Stephanie currently serves as the Associate Pastor at Pittman Park UMC. Previously she has served as Pastor of New Hope and Hubert UMCs, Associate Pastor at St. Paul UMC in Columbus, pastor at Langston UMC, and worked on the staff at Claxton UMC. She has served on the spiritual team at the Walk to Emmaus.

We are excited about this new appointment. We also received word that Pastor Jimmy will be reappointed for the 11th year as our Senior Pastor.

Happy Day!

Come experience the powerful message of the Easter story as children present the musical, "Happy Day!" this Wednesday evening at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. Kids JAM, our children's choir that meets on Wednesday evenings during the school year, includes children in Pre-Kindergarten through 5th grade. Dinner will be available as usual, prior to the program, from 5:30PM-6:30PM.

Church Family Easter Gathering

Please remember to join us at The Belle House immediately following the 11:00AM worship services today. Everyone is invited to enjoy a catered meal, and we anticipate participation from all four services. An Easter egg hunt will take place following lunch for children age 12 and under. If your child is participating, please bring a basket or bag for collecting eggs.

Sunday, April 14, 2019

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

9:01 & REVIVE - Jonathan Smith

Luke 19:28-40; 23:13-26

"Needing a Verdict"

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, April 7, 2019)

Morning Worship: 461

Sunday School: 249

8:30AM: 53

9:01AM: 155

11:00AM: 207

Revive: 46

Offering Received: \$28,286.00

Special Offering: Altar/ACTS - \$985.00

New Building Fund: \$170.00 (total \$66,949.44)

Our Church Family

Christian sympathy and prayers are expressed to *Clark and Maggie Collins* upon the death of *Clark's* brother, *Lee Collins* from Florida who died on April 7.

Prayer Concerns

Hospital: *Joyce Lovett - Rehab - Savannah*
Connie Hodges - Home from hospital
Ruth Ann Rogers - Home from hospital

Ongoing: *Jimmy Hodges, Judy Strickland, Yvonne Redden, Laura Beasley, Arthur Howard, Brian Harrison, Steve Piazza, Jim Long, Shirley Connell, Marshall Thigpen, Lloyd Jones, Diane Deloach, Frances Humphrey*

Care Facilities: *Willow Pond - Janette Johnson, Willie Coleman, Bobby Deal, Carolyn McCarty, Jan Johnston Southern Manor - Jean Braswell, Libby Hutcheson*
Westwood Nursing Home - John Gould

My family joins me in acknowledging the caring and thoughtful support shown by our church family during Khaki's illness and his passing. We want you to know the prayers, cards, food and memorials have touched us deeply. -*Peggie Herrington*

Statesboro First United Methodist Church

Community Holy Week Services

- Monday, April 15 - Agape Worship Center @ 810 W. Grady Street
- Tuesday, April 16 - First Presbyterian @ 1215 Fair Road
- Wednesday, April 17 - St. Paul's Lutheran @ 18098 Fair Road
- Thursday, April 18 - Pittman Park United Methodist @ 1102 Fair Road
- Friday, April 19 - Trinity Episcopal @ 4401 Country Club Road

All services are from 12:00PM-12:30PM. A light lunch will be served after service Monday-Thursday.

Holy Week and Easter Activities at Statesboro First

Sunday, April 14 - 12:30PM

Easter Egg Hunt & Church Family Catered Meal at the Belle House

Wednesday, April 17

Wednesday Night Supper (5:30PM) with Children's Easter Musical (6:30PM)

Friday, April 19 - 7:00PM

A Service of Tenebrae in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 21

Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00AM on the front lawn

Breakfast served by the Methodist Men at 7:30AM in Room 306

Contemporary Worship in the Fellowship Hall at 9:01AM and 11:00AM (REVIVE)

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:30AM and 11:00AM

Volunteers for April 14, 2019 (Second Sunday of April)

Prayer Warriors: John & Michele Barton

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Betty Hodges

8:30 Ushers: Steve Garner, Buck Ford

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

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Bill Thompson

11:00 Ushers: Clark Collins, Chris Bishop, Jake Collins, Jim Davis, Michael Mallard, Dan Snipes, Brian Thomas, Robert Benson III, Kent Brannen

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

Greeters: June Rushing, Janice Davis, Pam Campbell

Meals On Wheels (April 16): Bruce & Carol Yawn



SFUMC Students News

NO Sunday Night Surge - April 14

We will not have Surge tonight, Sunday, April 14, due to Missions Weekend.

NO Breakfast Club - April 15

We will not have Breakfast Club Monday, April 15, due to Missions Weekend.

Small Groups - April 17

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.

Graduation Sunday - May 19

Please mark your calendar for this special morning. Students will be honored in either of our 11AM services and then join together for group pictures and a luncheon. Students should have received an information packet in the mail, so please let Becca know if you did not receive one, bbrown@statesborofirst.com.

Snowbird - June 24-29

ONLY 3 SPOTS LEFT

We will be going back to Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters this summer for camp! This is a Christian high adventure camp located in Andrews, NC. This camp will challenge your students to grow in their faith and to have a deeper relationship with Christ. If you would like more information, please let Becca know, bbrown@statesborofirst.com.

Our Church Calendar

Sunday, April 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
12:30PM - Church Easter Lunch, Belle House

Monday, April 15

10:00AM - Dreta Sharpe Circle Mtg, 306
10:00AM - Carol Carter Circle Mtg, 201
1:30PM - Lanier Lee Circle Mtg, 103
6:15PM - Revive Band Rehearsal, FH

Tuesday, April 16

6:00PM - Al Anon, Grace House
6:00PM -901 Band Rehearsal, FH

Wednesday, April 17

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)
5:30PM - Wednesday Dinner, FH
6:00PM - Marcus Toole's Bible Study on Genesis
6:30PM - Kids JAM Easter Program, FH
6:30PM - Pastor Jimmy's Bible Study on Matthew
6:30PM - Amy Altman's Bible Study
7:00PM - Chancel Choir, Choir Rm

Thursday, April 18

6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, 305

Friday, April 19

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)
7:00PM - Good Friday Easter Service, Sanct.

Saturday, April 20

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



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, April 14, 2019

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

Kids Worship:

10:00: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Christie Riner
11:00: Lacy Kamppi

Children's Ministries News

Children Waving Palms Today

All children are invited to wave palm branches at the beginning of the 11:00AM traditional worship service this morning. Children age three and up are encouraged to participate. Please meet in the Gathering Area outside of the Sanctuary at 10:50AM.

Children's Easter Program

Kids JAM, our Pre-K through 5th grade children's choir, will share a special Easter musical this Wednesday, April 17, at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please come support the children and ready your heart for Easter as they share the story of Jesus' death and resurrection through song.

Note to Parents: Children participating in the Easter program should be in the Choir Room dressed and ready at 5:45PM. Dinner will be available to them in the Fellowship Hall at 5:15PM.

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Unveiling at 9:01 Service

There will be a special "unveiling" at the 9:01 service this morning for Palm Sunday. If possible, plan on being in attendance!

Wednesday Night Menu - April 17 - 5:30PM

Uncle Shug's: Chicken fingers, mac & cheese, green beans, roll

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.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019
LITURGICAL COLOR: PURPLE

GATHERING
LIGHTING OF CANDLES
PRELUDE & MEDITATION

The Palms
arr. Pierce Dickens

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jesus is the rock of our salvation.
But the builders rejected that rock.
Jesus is the gate of righteousness
But so many considered him a fraud.
Jesus has become the cornerstone of our lives.
Come! Let us worship the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #278 "*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed #881 Hymnal

***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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00AM Service)

MARYLEE & MAGGIE SIMMONS
Daughters of WES & HALEY SIMMONS

God Claims You

Chorus: Marylee & Maggie, Marylee & Maggie, God claims you.
God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.

Verse: We this day do all agree, a child of God you'll always be. **Chorus**
Verse 2: We are here to say this day that we will help you on your way. **Chorus**

CONGREGATIONAL PLEDGE

With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ,
that these children, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the
faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

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)

The Holy City

Stephen Adams

MEGHANN ASHEY, MADELYN HARVIN AND ELIZABETH LEONE, SOLOISTS

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM BETTY HODGES; 11:00AM BILL THOMPSON

OFFERTORY

Just When I Need Him Most

arr. Amy Tate Williams

ISABELLA WALLACE, SOLOIST

*DOXOLOGY HYMN #94

*SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 19:28-40; 23:13-26

MESSAGE

"Needing a Verdict"

REV. JIMMY CASON

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Hymn #298 *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

CHORAL BENEDICTION (11:00AM Service)

Sevenfold Amen

John Stainer

POSTLUDE

Carillon

Stanley Vann

*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.