



**STATESBORO FIRST  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

REV. JAMES A. CASON SENIOR PASTOR  
REV. STEPHANIE SMITH ASSOCIATE PASTOR

**June 23, 2019**

**Worship Services:**

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

**Sunday School:**

Classrooms:  
10:00AM

**Did Jesus Really Say That?  
Difficult Teachings of Jesus**

Some of the things that Jesus said are hard. How many of us have come across some chunk of red letters in the gospels and discovered something that we either didn't understand, or didn't want to understand? Join us throughout the summer as we take that dive into the difficult teachings, seeking to understand and finding the lessons for life from Christ.

June 23, 2019

Luke 8:26-39

*"When Pigs Become Crazy"*

Rev. Stephanie Smith 8:30AM, 9AM, & 11AM

June 30, 2019

Luke 9:57-62

*"No Turning Back"*

Pastor Jimmy Cason 8:30AM, 9AM, & 11AM

July 7, 2019

Luke 10:1-11

*"Wiping the Dust from Your Feet"*

Pastor Jimmy Cason – 8:30AM and 11:00AM

Rev. Stephanie Smith 9AM

July 14, 2019

Luke 10:25-37

*"Who Is My Neighbor?"*

Pastor Jimmy Cason 8:30AM, 9AM, & 11AM

July 21, 2019

Luke 10:38-42

*"Was Mary Lazy?"*

Rev. Stephanie Smith 8:30AM, 9AM, & 11AM

**We will return to our normal Sunday morning worship service schedule on Sunday, July 28. REVIVE will resume at 11AM in the Fellowship Hall. Our other three services will be held at 8:30AM, 9:01, and 11AM Traditional.**

**Sunday, June 23, 2019**

8:30AM, 9:00AM Summer Soul & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Stephanie Smith

Luke 8:26-39

*"When Pigs Become Crazy"*

**Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, June 16, 2019)**

**Morning Worship: 405**

**Sunday School: 176**

8:30AM: 57

Summer Soul  
9:00AM: 187

11:00AM: 161

KIDVENTURE  
Kids Sunday School: 12

Offering Received: \$29,025.80

New Building Fund: \$100.00 (total \$69,910.02)

Special Offerings: Wesley Glen - \$1,794.00

# Our Church Family

## Prayer Concerns

**Hospital:** *Bill Mathis, Sr. - Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville*  
*Peggie Herrington - EGR*  
*Greyson Kennedy - Home from hospital*  
*Sally Myrick - Rehab in Savannah*  
*Tommie Rushing - Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville*  
*Fred Grist - Home from hospital*

**Ongoing:** *Alice Christmas, Fred Maddox, Tammie Dickens, Coley Cassedy, Marda Bell, Ken Whitaker, Linda Arnold, Joyce Lovett, Carter Berkeley, Connie Hodges, Ruth Anne Rogers, Judy Strickland, Yvonne Redden, Laura Beasley, Daryl Harrison, Brian Harrison, Steve Piazza, Jim Long, Shirley Connell, Marshall Thigpen, Lloyd Jones, Diane Deloach, Frances Humphrey*

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

I would like to express my appreciation for your cards and prayers during my recent surgery and recuperation. Your acts of love and support have strengthened and sustained me, and I am deeply thankful. May God richly bless each of you, today and always.

- *Tammie Dickens*

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Financial Update

#### Operating Budget January - May Update

May 2019 Financial Report:	Donations Received in May:	\$87,372.42
	Ministry Expenses in May:	\$134,660.57
	May Budget Deficit:	\$47,288.15
January - May Report:	Donations Received YTD:	\$566,194.84
	Ministry Expenses YTD:	\$636,976.99
	Budget Deficit YTD:	\$70,782.15

Last year our Budget Deficit through May was \$80,846.53

### Looking for Prayer Warriors

Do you want to be a part of a prayer driven ministry at Statesboro First United Methodist Church? Join committed members of First Methodist who enjoy rising early, praying throughout the church, joining pastors in the Upper Room for Communion and more prayer. You will be asked to commit to two Sundays a year (approximately six months apart) at 7:00AM. If you want more information please contact Jimmy or Pat High at 912-764-4543; send a text to 912-682-2347 or email us at [highhollow@nctv.com](mailto:highhollow@nctv.com). Please consider joining this weekly Sunday Prayer Ministry.

### Volunteers for June 23, 2019 (Fourth Sunday of June)

**Prayer Warriors:** Don & Nancy Marsh

**8:30 Lay Liturgist:** Hilda Dutrow

**8:30 Ushers:** Ken LeCain, Max Manack

**11:00 Lay Liturgist:** Troy Marsh

**11:00 Ushers:** Mike Rollins, JJ Altman, Jack Bailey, Anthony Waters, Wayne Laircey, Russ Lanier, John Hatcher

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

**Greeters:** Suzan Laircey, Grace Adams Stewart, Ellen Lanier

**Meals On Wheels (June 25):** Buck and Nora Ford



## SFUMC Students News

### Youth Summer Schedule

**June 24-29** - Snowbird Summer Camp

**July 15-18** - Youth Week

**July 31** - Parent Meeting

**August 2** - MS Lock-In

**August 11** - HS Kickoff

For more information on any of these events contact Becca or Clay, [bbrown@statesborofirst.com](mailto:bbrown@statesborofirst.com), [cboerner@statesborofirst.com](mailto:cboerner@statesborofirst.com).

### Youth Week Volunteers Needed

Youth Week is scheduled for July 15-18. The event is free and open to all rising 7th graders through recently graduated seniors. Youth Week is an outreach event where we encourage our students to bring their friends. There will be a time for food, games, prizes, worship and a message. **We also need parent volunteers to help this event run smoothly.** Several volunteers are needed each night, Monday-Wednesday from 6:30PM-9:30PM and Thursday from 5:45PM-8:45PM. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Becca Brown, [bbrown@statesborofirst.com](mailto:bbrown@statesborofirst.com).

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Have You Ever Wanted to Walk Where Jesus Walked? Well you Can!

Pastor Jimmy and his wife, Susan will be leading a spiritual pilgrimage to the land of the Bible (Israel) January 15-24, 2020. The cost is \$3,298 which includes round-trip airfare from Savannah to Tel Aviv, Israel, tour and sightseeing, first class Hotels, deluxe motorcoaches and daily buffet breakfast and dinner (lunches not included in the price). Places we will visit: Sea of Galilee featuring a boat ride, Tiberius, the ancient ruins of Capernaum, Magdala, Caesarea by the Sea, Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered, the Jordan River, Jericho, the Mount of Olives, Bethlehem, the Church of the Nativity, the Shepherd's Field, Jerusalem and the Old City, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Via Dolorosa, the Western or Wailing Wall, and Israel's Holocaust Museum. There is a day that features an optional trip to Masada (extra charge) and the Dead Sea. If interested, please contact Pastor Jimmy. A \$400 deposit needs to be sent by July 15.

## Our Church Calendar

### Sunday, June 23

8:30AM - Traditional Service, Sanct.

9:00AM - *Summer Soul* Service, FH

10:00AM - Sunday School, Classrooms

11:00AM - Traditional Service, Sanct.

### Monday, June 24

*No Activities Scheduled*

### Tuesday, June 25

6:00PM - Al Anon, Grace House

### Wednesday, June 26

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

7:00PM - Chancel Choir, Choir Rm

### Thursday, June 27

6:15PM - Contemp. Band Rehearsal, FH

### Friday, June 28

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

### Saturday, June 29

11:00AM - Al Anon, Grace House

12:00PM - Soup Kitchen, FH



Statesboro First Methodist  
Children's Ministries

**Sunday, June 23, 2019**

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

Neal Vickers

**Kids Worship:**

**9:00:** Sarah Akins, Christa Mallard

**Kidventure** (*Summer Sunday School*): Sarah Akins

**11:00:** Sarah Akins, Lacy Kamppi

## Children's Ministries News

### The Upper Room Devotional for Kids

The July edition of Pockets is available for children to pick up from the table in the First Floor Hallway located next to the glass doors. Pockets is a devotional book designed just for kids and includes scripture, stories, puzzles, recipes, and more. It's distributed monthly and geared toward children ages 6-12. This is a great addition to a summer reading list!

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Stephen Ministry

Since we have begun using the Stephen Ministry series here at Statesboro First Methodist, we have seen the great value of lay caring ministry. Another training class for Stephen Ministers will begin soon. Give serious consideration to this question: "Would my gifts and talents be put to good use as a Stephen Minister?" Contact Susan Cason with any question or for more information on the upcoming training, [shcason529@gmail.com](mailto:shcason529@gmail.com).

### Magnolia Blossoms Book Club - Join Us!

The Magnolia Bible Study Group has become the Magnolia Blossoms Book Club for the Summer. We met for breakfast and received our first book, *Give it All to Him*, by Max Lucado. We read the 64 pages and then met again. It was fun, and great to see everybody. Our new book for July is, *God Will Use This for Good (Surviving the Mess of Life)*, by Max Lucado. Books are available in the Church Office for \$3.00. We will meet on July 9 at Fordham's Farmhouse, at 9AM, for breakfast and share what we've learned. Hope you will consider joining us.

### UMM Meet & Greet - TONIGHT

The United Methodist Men will hold their next Meet & Greet tonight, Sunday, June 23 at 6PM at the Hodges Yawn Pond House. The menu will feature boiled peanuts, watermelon, and hot dogs with all the trimmings. All men of the church are invited to attend. Bring a friend, your son, or grandson. Let's lead by example! As we have in previous Meet & Greets we will enjoy a meal, share some important announcements and hear a testimony. Attendance has been great so come join us and enjoy the fellowship.

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**SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2019  
LITURGICAL COLOR: RED**

**GATHERING  
LIGHTING OF CANDLES  
PRELUDE & MEDITATION**

*Sing Praise to God*  
arr. Paul Laubengayer

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to you this day, with burdens and cares in our hearts.

**Lord, take these burdens from us and ease our souls.**

We come to you this day, with fear and uncertainty about the future.

**Lord, calm our fears and help us to place our trust in you.**

Come, let us worship God whose love is abundant.

**Let us praise the God of our salvation who watches over us always. AMEN.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #140 *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

**\*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)**

**NEAL VICKERS**

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

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

*Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You*

Jay Althouse

**PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER**

**GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM HILDA DUTROW; 11:00AM TROY MARSH

**OFFERTORY**

*The Lord's My Shepherd*

arr. Gilbert Martin

**\*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 #389 *"Freely, Freely"*

**\*SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 8:26-39

**MESSAGE**

*"When Pigs Become Crazy"*

REV. STEPHANIE SMITH

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

Hymn #396 *"O Jesus, I Have Promised"*

**POSTLUDE**

*Grand Choeur in C*

Theodore Salome

*\*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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