



November 17, 2019

Worship Services:

Sunday School:

Sanctuary:
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

Classrooms:
10:00AM

The Power of the Reformation

While children and families were trick-or-treating a few weeks ago, the focus was on the fact that October 31 is Halloween. However, October 31 is a very important anniversary for another important event. While Martin Luther was not trying to form a new denomination but bring about reform to the Catholic Church, he took a stand that divided Christians between Catholic, Orthodox, and Protestant.

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther, a German monk, nailed his 95 theses to the castle door at Wittenburg. He had no idea of the changes in the Christian church that his actions would cause. As a result, Luther and his followers developed five teachings that have influenced Protestant churches for the past 500 years. These were written in Latin to which I have translated into English.

- "Sola Scriptura" - Scripture Alone
- "Sola Gratia" - Grace Alone
- "Sola Fide" - Faith Alone
- "Solus Christus" - Christ Alone
- "Soli Deo Gloria" - Glory to God Alone

- Pastor Jimmy

Pledge Update

We are excited about the first three weeks of Pledge results. Through three Sundays, we have had:

- 175 have pledged for \$939,529.00
- This is the largest amount received through three Sundays in the past 5 years.
- 29 people pledged this year who did not last year for a total of \$73,300.00
- Those who pledged last year and have pledged this year have increased their pledges by 5.4%.

Sunday, November 17, 2019

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

9:01AM & REVIVE - Rev. Stephanie Smith

Luke 21:5-19

"God's Promises: You Will Win"

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, November 10, 2019)

Morning Worship: 409

Sunday School: 265

8:30AM: 52

9:01AM: 113

11:00AM: 172

REVIVE: 72

Offering Received: \$24,257.00

New Building Fund: \$450.00 (total \$73,023.73)

Our Church Family

The **flowers** in the **Tower Room** on November 17 are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of *C. Olin Smith by his family.*

Prayer Concerns

Hospital: *Anne Allen - EGR*

Janette Johnson - Metter Swing Bed

Connie Hodges - Home from rehab

Ongoing: *Charlie Christmas, Greyson Kennedy, Joyce Bohler, Bill Mathis Jr., Sue Brammar, Joel Martin, Barbara Fox, Ed Akins, Sara Betty Cook, Carter Berkeley, Frances Humphrey, Bill Mathis Sr., Fred Maddox, Ken Whitaker, Marshall Thigpen, George Ann Thigpen, Peggie Herrington, Judy Strickland, Yvonne Redden, Laura Beasley, Mike Beasley, Jim Long, Brian Harrison, Daryl Harrison, Shirley Connell, Lloyd Jones, Diane Deloach, Steve Piazza*

Care Facilities: *Willow Pond - Willie Coleman, Carolyn McCarty*

Southern Manor - Jean Braswell, Libby Hutcheson Browns - John Gould

Statesboro First United Methodist Church

UMM Meet & Greet TONIGHT - November 17

Our November Men's Meet & Greet will be tonight Sunday, November 17 at 6PM at the Hodges-Yawn Pond house. The menu will feature gourmet jumbo hotdogs and fire house chili (cooked by Clark Collins and Holt Coursey), several side dishes, drink & dessert. This is another great meal you don't want to miss. 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 the previous Meet and Greet meetings, we will enjoy a meal, share some important announcements, update our Prayer & Praise list, have a devotion, and hear a special testimony. Attendance has been great so come and join your fellow church members for Christian fellowship.

Decorating for Advent

Please join us in helping to prepare the church for the Advent season. We will be decorating on Sunday, November 24 starting at 2PM. All are welcome! If you are able to help that day or have any questions, please call Olin Lovett, 682-0336.

Christmas Wrappers Needed

Join us in this simple mission! Again this year, volunteers will provide a free wrapping service on Saturday, December 14 and Saturday, December 21 from 10AM-5PM at the Bealls Outlet at the mall. If you would like to help, contact Eleanor Schneider, 682-3426.

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Volunteers for November 17, 2019 (Third Sunday of November)

Prayer Warriors: Tommy & Karen David

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Bird Hodges

8:30 Ushers: Mike Beasley, Daryl Harrison

9:01 Ushers: Jason Parker, Lyndia Akins, Ed Akins

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Bill Hatcher

11:00 Ushers: Si Waters, Hughes Williamson, Coley Cassedy, Edwin Hill, David Johnson, Fred Shearouse, John Lee, Rawls Neville

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

Greeters: Anne Williamson, Lisa Lee, Pam Smith, Kathleen Modd

Meals On Wheels (November 19): Jim & Hilda Dutrow



SFUMC Students News

Combined Sunday Night Surge - November 17

Middle School and High School students will meet from 6:00PM-7:30PM 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 - November 18

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 - November 20

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.

The Passion Conference - December 31 – January 2

This is a college Christian conference that allows High School Seniors to attend. It is 3 days of incredible teaching and worship, which will challenge and encourage your student in their faith! This trip is only open to Seniors and we only have 2 tickets left! The total cost will be \$215, which includes hotel, ticket, transportation, and one lunch. If you're student would like to sign up please let Becca know, bbrown@statesborofirst.com.

Our Church Calendar

Sunday, November 17

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
4:00PM - Youth Band Rehearsal, YR
5:00PM - Stephen Ministry, 206
6:00PM - Combined Surge, YR

Monday, November 18

7:00AM - Youth Breakfast Club, 306
10:00AM - Carol Carter Circle Mtg, 201
10:00AM - Dreta Sharpe Circle Mtg, 306
1:30PM - Lanier Lee Circle Mtg, 103
6:00PM - Staff Parish Mtg, Lib.

Tuesday, November 19

10:00AM - *Through It All* Bible Study, 212
6:00PM - Al Anon, Grace House

Wednesday, November 20

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)
12:30PM - Roxella's Bible Study
2:30PM - Magnolia Bible Study, 201
4:30PM - Stephen Ministry Early Grp, Lib.
5:15PM - Kids JAM, Choir Rm, 200
5:30PM - Wednesday Night Ministry, FH
6:00PM - Stephen Ministry Whole Grp, 201
6:30PM - Adult Bible Studies
6:45PM - Stephen Ministry Late Grp, Lib.
7:00PM - Chancel Choir, Choir Rm.

Thursday, November 21

4:00PM - Helping Hands Mtg, Lib.
6:00PM - Chancel Ringers, 305

Friday, November 22

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)
10:00AM - PS Thanksgiving, FH

Saturday, November 23

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



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, November 17, 2019

Children's Moment (11:00 Traditional)

Sarah Akins

Kids Worship:

9:00: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Lisa Aaron

11:00: Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix, Lydia Cross

Children's Ministries News

Wednesday Night Ministry

This Wednesday, November 20, is our last evening of Wednesday Night Ministry small groups until January. We will not meet next week, due to the Thanksgiving holiday, and the following Wednesday, December 4, is the children's Christmas program at 6:00PM. A special meal will be served the night of the program, including coffee and desserts.

Remember to note our final Kids JAM rehearsal scheduled for Sunday, December 1 at 4:00PM in the Fellowship Hall for children participating in the children's Christmas musical.

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2020 Nominated Officers

A list of the Nominated Officers for 2020 can be found in the Gathering Area. Please feel free to take a copy.

Documentary Viewing at Pittman Park - TODAY

You are invited to come to a screening of *For the Bible Tells Me So* today, November 17, from 5-7PM at the Pittman Park Church parlor. This documentary tells how five ordinary Christian families have coped with the realization of having a gay child.

Operation Christmas Child - Help Needed

Volunteers are needed on Tuesday, November 19 at 1PM to go through the shoeboxes that have been donated for Operation Christmas Child. We need to make sure no liquids or candy have been placed in the gift boxes. We will meet in the Gathering Area.

Volunteers Needed for Fostering Bulloch's Construction Day

Fostering Bulloch will be hosting "Constructions Days" on each Friday in November (15, 22, 29). Volunteers need a willingness to work but do not need a vast knowledge of construction. Come to the cabins at 7th Mile Farm on Hwy 46 anytime between 9AM-5PM. Lunch will be served. Please email Hugh or Jackie Yaughn at hughyaughn@hotmail.com if you have questions or plan to come. Come and see what God is building for his kids!

Wednesday Night Menu - November 20 - 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.

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2019

LITURGICAL COLOR: RED

**GATHERING
PRELUDE & MEDITATION**

A Mighty Fortress
arr. Michael Bedford

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pay attention!

There's something happening here.

God is speaking. Christ is coming.

God is with us even now.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #127 *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

***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)

SARAH AKINS

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

ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)

Harvest Song

Austin Lovelace

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM BIRD HODGES; 11:00AM BILL HATCHER

OFFERTORY

Blessed Assurance

arr. Diane Bish

MEGHANN ASHEY, SOLOIST

*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 #599 *“Break Thou the Bread of Life”*

*SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 21:5-19

MESSAGE

“God’s Promises: You Will Win”

REV. JIMMY CASON

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Hymn #580 *“Lead On, O King Eternal”*

CHORAL BENEDICTION (11:00AM Service)

Sent Forth By God’s Blessing

Leland Sateren/arr. Pierce Dickens

POSTLUDE

Postlude on a Theme by Orlando Gibbons

arr. Christopher Tambling

**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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