



**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

**January 5, 2020**

**Worship Services:**

Sanctuary:  
8:30AM & 11:00AM

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

**Sunday School:**

Classrooms:  
10:00AM

**20/20**

If you have an eye exam and are told you have 20/20 vision, does this mean you have perfect eyesight? Is it possible to achieve vision that's even better than 20/20 vision? We all know the answer, 20/20 vision is good, but like all things it can be a little better.

We are starting a new series at Statesboro First United Methodist Church called 20/20. This four-week series is designed to help us gain a clear vision for our walk with Christ this coming year and how we can grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.

As you know, our vision statement is, "To glorify God and love others through worship, study and service." We pray that you will join us and band together to gain a clearer understanding of how God would grow us individually and corporately as we seek to live out God's vision for us and our church.

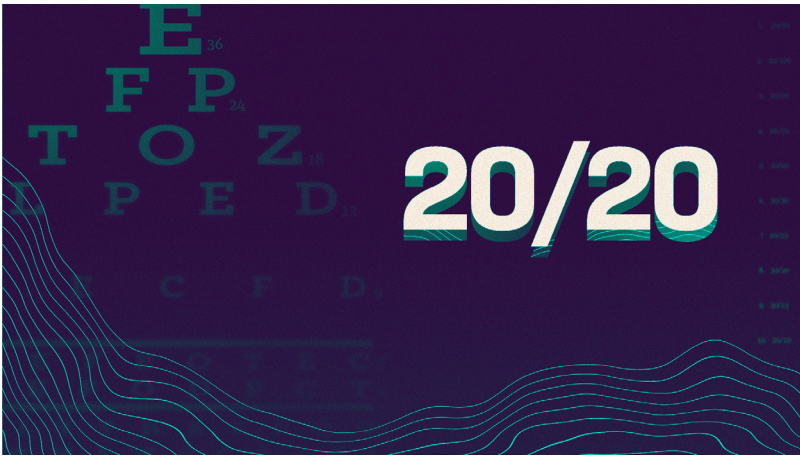
We invite you to make 2020 a year when you are focused on Jesus, making Christ the center of our life.

**January 5**  
Bold and Confident  
Ephesians 3:1-12

**January 12**  
Witnesses  
Acts 10:34-43

**January 19**  
What are you looking for?  
John 1:35-42

**January 26**  
What does Jesus see?  
Matthew 4:12-23



**Sunday, January 5, 2020**

8:30AM & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Jimmy Cason  
9:01AM & REVIVE - Rev. Stephanie Smith  
Ephesians 3:1-12  
"Bold and Confident"

**Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, December 29, 2019)**

**Morning Worship: 201**

**Sunday School: no Sunday School**

8:30AM: no service

9:01AM: no service

11:00AM: 201

REVIVE: no service

Offering Received: \$22,974.15  
New Building Fund: \$604.24 (total \$76,138.62)  
Special Offerings: Poinsettias - \$2,045.00  
Altar/Acts Christmas Eve - \$2,256.00

# Our Church Family

## Prayer Concerns

**Hospital:** *Susan Cason - Encompass Rehab in Savannah*

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

**Care Facilities:** Willow Pond - *Willie Coleman, Carolyn McCarty, Janette Johnson*  
Southern Manor - *Jean Braswell, Libby Hutcheson* Brown's - *John Gould*

## Statesboro First United Methodist Church

### Help Needed Undecorating the Church - TODAY, January 5

We have enjoyed a beautiful Advent season at the church but today is the day that we will put all the decorations away. All help is welcome! We will meet at 2PM.

### Attention All Church Members

One of the missions of our church is to minister to our shut-ins and those with on-going illnesses. If you can and will crochet, knit or sew a lap throw or shawl please contact Jo Ann Marsh (682-4299) or Peggie Herrington (682-1880).

### Volunteers for January 5, 2020 (First Sunday of January)

**Prayer Warriors:** Jim & Kristi Benton

**8:30 Lay Liturgist:** Pat High

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

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

**11:00 Lay Liturgist:** Bill Thompson

**11:00 Ushers:** Bill Moore, Jim Campbell, Ronnie Ruffo, Hoke Brunson, Tal Johnson, Steve Harper, Robert Prosser

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

**Greeters:** Janet Mathis, Betty F. Hodges, Carol Ruffo

**Meals On Wheels (January 7):** John & Martha Ray



## SFUMC Students News

### **First Sunday Night Surge of 2020 - January 12**

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.

### **First Breakfast Club of 2020 - January 13**

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.

### **Winter Retreat - February 20-24**

We are headed to Ghent, West Virginia to go skiing/snowboarding at Winter Place Ski Resort! We will be staying at Glade Spring Resort in the Chestnut Houses. It's an awesome trip full of fun and worship opportunities! Even if your student hasn't skied before, this is still a great trip for them. We have taught many students over the years how to ski/snowboard, so don't worry! Cost for the trip is \$300 which includes rentals, ski lift, transportation, lodging, and food while there. Sign ups are now open for this trip, with a limited amount of space available. Please let Becca know if you'd like to sign your student up or if you'd like more information, [bbrown@statesborofirst.com](mailto:bbrown@statesborofirst.com).

## Our Church Calendar

### **Sunday, January 5**

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  
1:30PM - Connectional Ministries  
Training, 2nd floor classrooms, FH

### **Monday, January 6**

6:00PM - Trustees Mtg, Lib.

### **Tuesday, January 7**

6:00PM - Staff Parish Mtg, Lib.  
6:00PM - Al Anon, Grace House

### **Wednesday, January 8**

6:15PM - Youth Small Grp Leader Dinner, 306

### **Thursday, January 9**

*No activities scheduled*

### **Friday, January 10**

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

### **Saturday, January 11**

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



Statesboro First Methodist  
Children's Ministries

**Sunday, January 5, 2020**

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

Jodie Hendrix

**Kids Worship:**

**9:00:** Sarah Akins, Jodie Hendrix

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

## Children's Ministries News

### Wednesday Night Ministry

Looking forward to seeing everyone when our Wednesday Night Children's Ministry starts back up **Wednesday, January 15!**

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020**  
**LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE**

**GATHERING**  
**PRELUDE & MEDITATION**

*We Three Kings*  
arr. Franklin Ashdown

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Arise! Shine! The light you have been waiting for is here!

**Darkness has been banished!**

God's light of hope floods the earth.

**God's light comes to us all.**

Lord, make us ready to journey to this Light.

**Prepare our hearts to receive this Light. AMEN.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #220 *"Angels from the Realms of Glory"*

**\*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)**

**JODIE HENDRIX**

(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 PAT HIGH; 11:00AM BILL THOMPSON

**OFFERTORY**  
*As with Gladness Men of Old*  
arr. Jacob Weber

**\*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**  
Ephesians 3:1-12

**MESSAGE**  
*“Bold and Confident”*  
REV. JIMMY CASON

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**  
Hymn #383 *“This Is a Day of New Beginnings”*

**POSTLUDE**  
*We Three Kings*  
arr. Gordon Young

*\*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.