

Welcome to worship at Statesboro First. We're so glad you're here! We care about you.

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11:00 AM	Guest
•	Regular Attendee
	Member
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Connect Cards help us respond to your visit, whether you are visiting or join us regularly!



 I'd like to meet with a Pastor. Include your name and email/phone so we can reach out to schedule a meeting or phone call.
 I'd like to learn more about...
 Church Membership
 Baptism

11:00 AM Traditional Service

PRELUDE "Abide with Me "-- arr. Kempton

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, we have been walking with God in the heat of summer. We don't like the heat, we don't like walking, we want to be comfortable. Children of God, follow God's lead, wherever God leads you. But we get scared in the journey, we cry out to the One True God! Lord help us! Lord protect us! Lord save us!

***OPENING PRAYER - LAY LITURGIST - HUGHES WILLIAMSON**

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Lead On, O King Eternal" UMH 580

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UMH 881) AND *GLORIA PATRI (UMH 71)

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS "It is Well" -- arr. Phillips

*DOXOLOGY (UMH 95)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT WITH PASTOR MARK "Jesus Loves Me" UMH 191

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (Children dismissed to Worship)

TODAY'S SERMON SCRIPTURE -Exodus 13:17-22 (NRSV)

"MOSES: WALKING WITH GOD" (4 OF 4) REV. MARK BURGESS

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me", UMH 509

*BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL SONG "Give Me That Old Time Religion"

POSTLUDE "Radetzky March"- Strauss, arr., Phillips

Special thanks to Tommy McMillan & Lee Walker for blessing us with their musical gifts in worship today!

*Congregation standing if able during this portion of the service. The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for a receiver.



SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



Our Church's Sacred Calling:

Through us God will: Reach People Touch Souls Change Hearts Launch Disciples

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Statesboro First News

Summer Sermon Series: Let's Keep Walkin'!

Ever feel like you are just wandering through the wilderness and not really getting anywhere? Or maybe like God is absent in your life? Let's continue our camp out with Moses and see if we can hear God's plan!

Special Called Charge Conference



We will be reviewing a property sale (.36 acre on 8 East Cherry Street) being recommended by our Trustees. Church Council members will be voting on the property resolution. All SFUMC church members are invited to come and have voice on the issue. **Thursday, July 24** at **6PM** in the Fellowship Hall.

Membership Invitation

Is it time for you to "drop anchor" in a faith family? How about Statesboro First United Methodist Church? Just connect with Pastor mark and he will take it from there!

Nametags!

Many of you have already requested and received nametags, and that's a wonderful way to know and be known in our church. If you have not yet requested a nametag or have maybe misplaced your original one, please just add your name to the list on the clipboard in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall and we'll get one ordered for you. *If you've recenly added your name, your tag will be placed on the whiteboard in the church office hallway once it arrives for easy locating.*

Acolytes Are Back!

Thanks to our Youth for serving this week!

Church Calendar

Sunday, July 20 9:01 AM - Contemporary Service, FH 10:00 AM - Sunday School Series, FH 11:00 AM - Traditional Service, Sanct 4:00 PM - AA Meeting, 211

Monday, July 21 12:00PM - Prayer Meeting, 206

Tuesday, July 22 12:00 PM - Finance Comm Mtg, 206 Wednesday, July 23 6:00 PM - Lay Leadership Mtg, 206

Thursday, July 24 6:00 PM - Called Charge Conf Mtg, FH 6:30 PM - AA Meeting, 306

<u>Saturday, July 26</u> 10:00 AM - Soup Kitchen, FH

Church Calendar Online

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Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, **August 3** is our "Blessing of the Backpacks" day. Each student is invited to bring their school backpack and place it in front of the prayer railings at both services **before the service begins**. We will be lifting up the Educational Trinity that day (students, teachers, parents) during the service and inviting a special blessing upon the new school year to

come. Everyone is invited - preschool through college - students, parents, teachers, administrators, professors, everyone!

SFUMC Prayer Concerns & Praises

Family of our beloved John Groover in his recent passing Debbie Walker - recovering from procedure complications Karen Phipps (our Soup Kitchen Director) - she is now officially an RN - Praise! Phyllis Harrison & family - recent passing of her father in Tennessee Jane Anderson - breathing concerns Praise for the renewal from summer vacations and trips! Susan Campo - home with ongoing health issues Julie Winskie - undergoing chemo and radiation for brain cancer Burney Marsh - severe back pain Joann Beasley - transferred to Ogeechee Area Hospice Rev. Terry DeLoach - general health (back at home) Carol Elliot (Marcus Toole's Sister) - recovering from chemo treatments Becky Renfroe -- stroke recovery - at home with care Steve Anderson (Bill & Jane Anderson's son) - ongoing cancer related Chemo treatment Bran Anderson (Bill & Jane Anderson's son) - ongoing cancer related immune treatment Joe McGlamery -- bladder cancer and liver complications - at home Texas flood victims, families and all affected All our Civic Leaders (Local, state and national) World Peace

Children & Student Ministry News

Join us for our last summer event at Splash in the Boro! **Thursday, July 24**. We leave church at 9:30am and plan to return at 1:30! Bring sunscreen and money for lunch at CFA! Get all the details from and RSVP to Haley!



We need **Sunday School teachers** for all ages elementary through high school! Come journey through the Bible with our younger disciples. Teacher training is available! This is your sign to try something new this fall! See Haley Herrington for more details

Attendance

 July 13, 2025: 190

 9:01 AM: 34
 11:00 AM: 85

 Online: 71

 Offering

Offering Received: \$17,997



If you wish to purchase flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or in celebration of a life event, contact our church office at (912) 764-7589.

Prefer to complete your connect card electronically? Simply scan this QR code to be automatically directed!



Nursery & Kids' Worship

KIDS' WORSHIP: *Pre-K - 5th Grade* Children are dismissed during the service and escorted to Room 306 on the 3rd floor. Parents can pick their children up in room 306 after the service, or, following the 9:01 service, children are brought downstairs to their Sunday School classes.

NURSERY: infants, toddlers, and other children under the age of 4 in room 110 across from the Fellowship Hall.

