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

Name

Service

I am a...

- ☐ 901
- ☐ 11:00 AM
- ☐ _____
- ☐ First time visitor
- ☐ Guest
- ☐ Regular Attendee
- ☐ Member
- ☐ _____

Phone

Email

Connect Cards help us respond to your visit,
whether you are visiting or join us regularly!

PRAYER

Share a Prayer Concern or Celebration
Let us know if we can share it with others!

☐ 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
- ☐ Serving Opportunities
- ☐ Baptism
- ☐ Groups/Classes

11:00 AM Traditional Service

PRELUDE

"Air (from Suite for Organ)"-- Florence Beatrice Price

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God is Good!
All the time!
All the time!
God is Good!

*OPENING PRAYER - LAY LITURGIST - BILL THOMPSON

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" UMH 57

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

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

"Prelude in Classic Style" -- Gordon Young

*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

LUKE 10:25-37 (NRSV)

"WHO ISN'T MY NEIGHBOR?"

REV. MARK BURGESS

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Victory In Jesus", UMH 370

*BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL SONG

"Freely, Freely"

POSTLUDE

"Toccata-Impovisation on 'All Creatures of Our God and King'"-
Brenda Portman

**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.



STATESBORO FIRST

United Methodist Church

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025

Seventh 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

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.



Coffee!

You may have noticed on your way in today that we now have a small coffee bar in the Gathering Area. The machine is very easy to use, but one of our Hospitality Team members can assist if needed. It's stocked with all flavors of regular coffee, a decaf option, and even a tea and hot chocolate! Please don't bring your cup inside the sanctuary to avoid spills and stains - we hope you enjoy this new addition!

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 recently added your name, your tag will be placed on the whiteboard in the church office hallway once it arrives for easy locating.***

Church Calendar

Sunday, July 27
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 28
12:00PM - Prayer Meeting, 206

Tuesday, July 29
12:00 PM - Missions Comm Mtg, 206

Wednesday, July 30
6:00 PM - Preschool Open House!

Thursday, July 31
6:30 PM - AA Meeting, 306

Saturday, Aug 2
9:00 AM - Kairos Training, 306
10:00 AM - Soup Kitchen, FH



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Blessing of the Backpacks

Next 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
Harper Kamppi - broken arm
Richard Howard - at Memorial wiht kidney bleed
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
Peace in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine & Russia

Children & Student Ministry News



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 20, 2025: 191	
9:01 AM: 27	11:00 AM: 79
Online: 85	
Offering	
Offering Received: \$9,986	



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.*