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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'm interested in teaching
High School Sunday School!

☐ 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

"Two Hymn Preludes" – Dale Wood
Sweet Hour of Prayer & What a Friend We Have in Jesus

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

"Blessed Be the Name" -- Traditional
The Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God of Heaven and earth, hear our prayers.
Lord, help us pray every day!
Listen to our human hearts with Divine compassion
Lord, help us to pray without ceasing!

***OPENING PRAYER - LAY LITURGIST - JOHN RAY**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"Great is Thy Faithfulness" UMH 140

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

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

"Fairest Lord Jesus" – Mark Hayes
The Chancel Choir

***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 18:1-8 (NRSV)

"CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?"

REV. MARK BURGESS

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Be Thou My Vision" UMH 451

*BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL SONG

"Let There Be Peace on Earth" UMH 431

POSTLUDE

"Sinfonia (from 'Sketchbook Four')" – Daniel E. Gawthrop

**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, OCTOBER 19, 2025

Eighteenth 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

The Pumpkins Are HERE!
You can still volunteer to help man the pumpkin patch. Sign up for a specific day and time slot with this QR code! Or simply go to the patch and ask the volunteer there to sign you up for the two hour slot on the day you can serve.



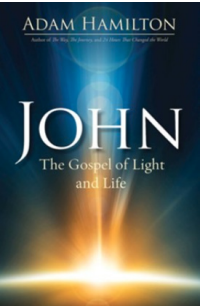
October is Pastor Appreciation Month!
Notecards are available in the Gathering Area. Please take one and simply write a note of appreciation to Mark and Shannon!

Estimate of Giving
EOG cards are placed around our worship and gathering spaces and the locked treasure chests will be on the prayer rail for many weeks to come. One small card goes in one treasure chest. The big middle card goes into a different treasure chest. It does not matter which goes in which. Also, feel free to come any time during the week and place your cards in the treasure chests.

Wednesday into the Word



Shannon Burgess continues her 6 week study *John, The Gospel of Light and Life* by Adam Hamilton. That's Wednesday, **October 22 at 10AM in Room 206.** Books are available for purchase in the church office for \$15.



Church Calendar

- Sunday, Oct 19**
9:01 AM - Contemporary Service, FH
10:00 AM - Sunday School Hour
11:00 AM - Traditional Service, Sanct
4:00 PM - AA Meeting, 211
4:30PM - SFUMC Students, Youth Room

Monday, Oct 20
12:00PM - Prayer Meeting, 206
6:30 PM - Scout Meeting, FH

Tuesday, Oct 21
6:30 PM - Charge Conf/Church Council - FH
- Wednesday, Oct 22**
10:00AM - Bible Study, 206
5:30PM - Harvest Festival
7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal, Music Ste

Thursday, Oct 23
6:00 PM - Handbell Practice, 305
6:30 PM - AA Meeting, 306

Saturday, Oct 25
11:00 AM - Soup Kitchen, FH



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SFUMC Prayer Concerns

Family and Friends of Jean Braswell in her recent passing
Steve Anderson – moved through multiple hospitals, waiting cardiac test results
Susan Campo - infusion treatments (needs pain relief)
Burney Marsh - recovering from back surgery (needs pain relief)
Allen Burrell (Bill & Vicki Thompson's Brother-in-law) - colon cancer
Ken Smith - breathing issues
Pete Payne (Doug Hess Uncle) - cancer treatments
Becky Holmes - severe back pain
Michael Brannon's Grandmother - recovering from open heart surgery
Mary McKoy - still in N.Y caring for 10 yr old granddaughter (Valen)
John Tucker - brother (David) in intensive care (NC)
Jane Anderson - ongoing radiation treatments
Martha Wells - severe back pain
Joyce Bohler - recovering from knee replacement surgery at home
Julie Winskie - undergoing chemo and radiation for brain cancer
MaryAnn Lisenbee – recovering from knee replacement
Bran Anderson (Bill & Jane Anderson's son) – ongoing cancer related immune treatment
All our Civic Leaders (Local, state and national)
Peace in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine & Russia

Children & Student Ministry News

You're Invited

**Statesboro First UMC
HARVEST FESTIVAL
Weds, Oct. 22, 2025
5:30 to 7:30pm**

**CANDY
DONATION
BOX LOCATED
IN FRONT OF
CHURCH
OFFICE!**

**NO
NUTS,
PLEASE!**



Keep forgetting that bag of candy on Sunday morning? No problem! Scan the QR code above to donate!

Attendance

October 12, 2025:	
9:01 AM:	11:00 AM:
Online:	
Offering	
Offering Received: \$	



Flowers are placed on the altar today in loving memory of Betty and John Rushing by Suzanne and Lawrence Lundy.

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.