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Welcome to our Traditional Service!
We're so glad you're here!

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Please Check One:

- ☐ Here for the first time
- ☐ Returning Guest
- ☐ Regular Attendee
- ☐ Member
- ☐ _____

PRAYER

Share a Prayer Concern or Celebration

☐ Pastor Only ☐ Share w/Others

- ☐ Sign me up for the newsletter.
- ☐ I'd like a name tag!
- ☐ I'd like to meet with a Pastor.
Be sure to include your name
and contact information!
- ☐ I'd like to learn more about...

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

11:00 AM Traditional Service

PRELUDE

"Adagio (Sonata in e)" – Herbert Nanney

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

"Praise to the Father" – Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr.
The Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus calls each of us to Kingdom service
as an act of Christian love.

**Help us serve our God as faithfully
as our Veterans have served, and are serving, our Country!**

***OPENING PRAYER - LAY LITURGIST - IRENE DENMARK**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"God of the Ages" UMH 698

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UMH 885) AND *GLORIA PATRI (UMH 71)**

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

"O God Beyond All Praising" – Gustav Holst, arr., Hal H. Hopson
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

JOSHUA 24:14-18 (NRSV)

*Dr. Borges will be playing the service anthem medleys as part of the sermon message today.
When you hear your service branch anthem, please stand and let us appreciate you!*

"WHO DO YOU SERVE?"

REV. MARK BURGESS

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"America, the Beautiful" UMH 690

*BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL SONG

"Let There Be Peace on Earth" UMH 431

POSTLUDE

"Toccata" – Nancy Plummer Faxon

**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, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

Twenty-first 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

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.

Let’s Celebrate!!!
Don’t forget to mark your calendars!
Friday, Nov 14 at 6pm - Silent Movie Night, a new and favorite tradition here at SFUMC.
Saturday, Nov 15 at 6pm will be a solo organ concert titled “Masterworks for Organ” played by our own Dr. Jackson Borges.
Sunday, Nov 16 at 11am will be our Service of (Re)Dedication. Our fabulous Chancel Choir will be joined by the Southern Chorale of Georgia Southern University and special guest organist Jason Klein-Mendoza.
Following the *single service* on November 16 will be our **church-wide fellowship meal** in the fellowship hall. Our 2025 new members will be our special honored guests! The church will provide seared prime rib, so please bring your favorite covered dish side or dessert. Spread the word and invite folks to our special Rededication weekend!

UWF Meeting
Tomorrow UWF will have installation of new officers (26/27) at their general meeting. It is also World Thank Offering Day - a way for members of United Women in Faith to show gratitude for God’s blessings and find creative ways to raise funds to improve the lives of women, children, and youth.

Wednesday into the Word

Shannon Burgess continues her 6 week study *John, The Gospel of Light and Life* by Adam Hamilton. That’s Wednesday, **November 12 at 10AM in Room 206.**

Church Calendar

Sunday, Nov 9
9:01 AM - Contemporary Service, FH
10:00 AM - Sunday School Hour
11:00 AM - Traditional Service, Sanct
4:30PM - SFUMC Students, Youth Room

Monday, Nov 10
10:00AM - UWF General Mtg, 306
12:00PM - Prayer Meeting, 206
5:00PM - Outreach Team Mtg, 306
6:30 PM - Scout Meeting, FH

Wednesday, Nov 12
10:00AM - Bible Study, 206
5:00PM - Missions Meeting, Lion’s Den

Thursday, Nov 13
6:00 PM - Handbell Practice, 305
6:30 PM - AA Meeting, 211
6:30 PM - Scouts Meeting, FH

Friday, Nov 14
6:00 PM - Silent Movie, Sanctuary

Saturday, Nov 15
11:00 AM - Soup Kitchen, FH
6:00 PM - Organ Concert, Sanctuary



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Statesboro First News

Urgent Food Need
In light of current events, many in our area are experiencing food insecurity. Your Missions Committee will be collecting items for both the Statesboro Food Bank and our beloved Backpack Buddies program - which has already seen their need increase by more than double. Red wagons and boxes marked for each of these outreach opportunities are outside the Fellowship Hall and church office. Let’s stand in the gap for those in our community who need us most right now.

SFUMC Prayer Concerns

Family Miriam Hagan (Scott, Kirk, and others) in her recent passing
Rev. Paula Lytle - torn meniscus in knee
Rev. Charles Cravey -severe back pain
Martha Wells - back pain
Steve Anderson – home; recovering from heart valve replacement
Susan Campo - chemo treatments end at Thanksgiving
Pat Howard - in Encompass Rehab in Savannah
Burney Marsh - recovering from back surgery (doing well!)
Allen Burrell (Bill & Vicki Thompson’s Brother-in-law) - colon cancer
Pete Payne (Doug Hess Uncle) - cancer treatments
Becky Holmes - severe back pain
Mary McKoy - still in N.Y caring for 10 yr old granddaughter (Valen)
John Tucker - brother (David) in hospice (NC)
Jane Anderson - ongoing radiation treatments; back home
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
All those impacted by Hurricane Melissa

Children & Student Ministry News

Encounter
Youth
Retreat

at
Epworth!

November 21-23, 2025

See Mrs. Haley to sign up!

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**student
sundays**

6TH-12TH GRADERS
3RD FLOOR YOUTH ROOM
4:30 TO 6PM
GAMES, SNACKS, SMALL GROUPS

join us for fun!

Attendance

November 2, 2025: 250	
9:01 AM: 37	11:00 AM: 133
Online: 80	
Offering	
Offering Received: \$13,231	



The rose on the altar is in honor of all Veterans past and present.

Additional flowers are placed today in honor of John Wayne Parrish, John Wayne Parrish, Jr, and T.R. Parrish for their service by Pam Childs and children.

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.*