

CONNECT

Please place in offering plate.

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

Name

Phone

Email

Please Check One:

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

PRAYER

Share a Prayer Concern or Celebration

- I would like to hear details about serving on a homebound Holy Communion team.

- 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

"Toccata in G" – Théodore Dubois

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" – Traditional
The Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus came to reveal God's Divinity among us
Bright white is quite a sight!
On top of a mountain, we glimpsed His glory.
Bright white is quite a sight!

***OPENING PRAYER - LAY LITURGIST - ELIZABETH LIPPINCOTT**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"O Worship the King" UMH 73

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

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

"We Praise Thee, O God ('Te Deum)" – Sir Charles Stanford
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

MATTHEW 17:1-13 (NRSV)

"Can You Connect the Dots?"

REV. MARK BURGESS

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing", UMH 664

*BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL SONG

"Where He Leads Me" UMH 338 (refrain only)

POSTLUDE

"Fiat Lux ('Let There be Light')" – Théodore Dubois

**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



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026

Transfiguration Sunday



Our Church's Sacred Calling:

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



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Statesboro First News

Ash Wednesday Service

The Lenten Season is upon us! Please plan to join us for our Ash Wednesday Service on **Wednesday, February 18 at 6PM** as we prepare for Easter through repentance and reflection, commemorating the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert. As is tradition, the service will include hymns, a Homily and the Imposition of Ashes. You don't want to miss it!



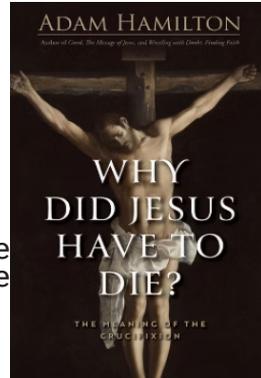
Invitation To Membership

Here in 2026, we are excited to have people indicating a desire to join what God is doing through SFUMC – how about you? Is it time to affix your faith anchor to a firm foundation? This is a great way to start a new year! Simply email Pastor mark at mark@statesborofirst.com or call him at 404-502-7678. He will make himself available to you to answer all your inquiring membership questions before you decide to join. Be at peace.

Wednesday into the Word

Pastor mark will begin Adam Hamilton's *Why Did Jesus Have To Die?* on Wednesday, **February 25th, from 10 am - 11:30 am in room 206.**

Books are available in the church office for \$10. We hope you'll join us! **There will be no WITW 2/18.**



Church Calendar

Sunday, Feb 15
9:01 AM - Contemporary Service, FH
10:00 AM - Sunday School Hour
11:00 AM - Traditional Service, Sanct

Monday, Feb 16
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - HOLIDAY
6:30 PM - Scout Meeting, FH

Wednesday, Feb 18
12:00PM- Prayer Meeting, 206
6:00 PM - Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, Feb 19
6:00 PM - Handbell Practice, 305
6:30 PM - AA Meeting, 211

Saturday, Feb 21
11:00 AM - Soup Kitchen, FH



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Fellowship Luncheon

Next **Sunday, February 22** will be UWF Sunday with special guest speakers at 9AM & 11AM. Immediately following the 11:00 service, make plans to join us in the Fellowship Hall for our first churchwide Fellowship Luncheon of 2026! It will be soups and bread (& cheesecake!) catered by Sugar Magnolia Bakery.



SFUMC Prayer Concerns & Praises

Arnold Stephens & Family - in recent loss of two Uncles (latest passed on 2/8)
Anna Riley - expectant Mommy due February 20, 2026
Mary Sapp (Rhonda Deloach's Mother) - at home recovering from a cardiac event
Pam Childs - home recovering from gall bladder surgery
Anne Kolish (Rev. Paula Lytle's Sister in PA) - health concerns
Martha Wells - severe back pain
Pat High - severe back pain - doing PT & shots
Becky Holmes - ongoing physical therapy on her back at home
MaryAnn Lisenbee - knee replacement 2/11
Our Faith Family in Process of Moving to Willow Pond Cottages:
Martha Wells, Karen Gunnels, John & Martha Ray
Bobbie Coursey - recovering from abdominal surgery at home
Holt Coursey - double hernia - will repair after Bobbie recovers
Michelle Woods - hospitalized St. Joseph Savannah with Leukemia
Macie Miller - expectant Mommy due May 5, 2026
Shelby Haskins - expectant Mommy due May 31, 2026
Israa Margocs - expectant Mommy (Michele Rugar-Smith's Daughter-in-law) due June 30
Rev. Charles Cravey - Watchman procedure & cardiac ablation 2/24 @ St. Joseph's
Steve Anderson – cancer treatments; in and out of hospital
Susan Campo - treatments every other week in Augusta to April 1
Pete Payne (Doug Hess Uncle) - cancer treatments
Mary McKoy - still in N.Y caring for 10 yr old granddaughter (Valen)
Jane Anderson - breathing issues; in and out of hospital
Bran Anderson (Bill & Jane Anderson's son) – ongoing cancer related immune treatment
Everyone serving in a USA military uniform
All our Civic Leaders (Local, state and national)
Community servants who put themselves at risk (police and firefighters)
World Peace (specifically Israel, Gaza, Ukraine & Russia)

Children & Student Ministry News

Children:

Confirmation Invite! Any child 5th grade and older may join us! Sessions will be during the 10am Sunday School hour in room 206 beginning next Sunday, Feb 22. Reach out to Mrs. Haley to sign up!

Students:

Remember, no SFUMC Student Sundays tonight - enjoy Winter Break! We'll see you next week at 4:30!

Attendance

February 8, 2026: 239

9:01 AM: 37

11:00 AM: 116

Online: 86

Offering

Offering Received: **\$40,422**



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.