

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

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

"Méditation" – Nadia Boulanger

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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

***OPENING PRAYER - LAY LITURGIST - LAURA MARSH**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"Amazing Grace" UMH 378

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UMH 881)**

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

"Turn Thy Face from My Sins" – Sir Arthur Sullivan
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 SCRIPTURE

ROMANS 16:1-2

SPECIAL GUEST

Tammy Mixon-Calderon
Executive Director of Wesley Community Centers of Savannah

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart", UMH 160

***BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL SONG**

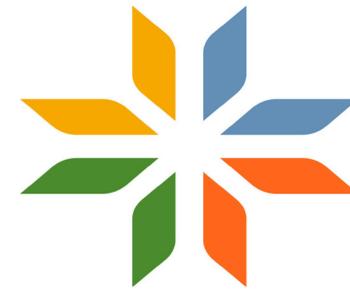
"Where He Leads Me" UMH 338 (refrain only)

POSTLUDE

"Allegro Vivace ('Heures Mystiques')" – Léon Boëllmann

**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



United Women in Faith



STATESBORO FIRST

United Methodist Church

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

UWF Sunday
First Sunday of Lent



Our Church's Sacred Calling:

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



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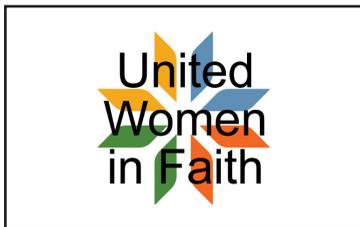
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Statesboro First News

United Women In Faith

If you would like to become a member of our United Women in Faith ministry, we have two womens circles you can join. The Dreta Sharpe Circle, chaired by Mary Ann Lisenbee and the Lily McCroan/Suzan Laircey Circle, chaired by Dawn Mallard. Both circles connect by email, with a combined meeting the second Monday of each month. Elizabeth Lippincott is the current President. Please contact her at 912-687-6811 for more information. UWF would love to have you!



Fellowship Luncheon TODAY!

A reminder that we will be gathering for our first fellowship luncheon of 2026 immediately following the 11am service. Sugar Magnolia is treating us to gourmet soups and bread and an assortment of cheesecake! You don't want to miss it!

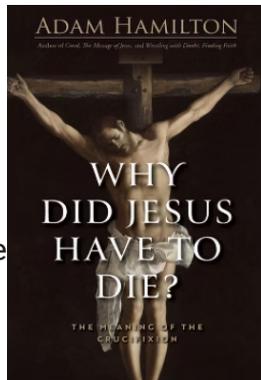
Join us!

Wednesday into the Word



Pastor mark will begin Adam Hamilton's *Why Did Jesus Have To Die?* this 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!



Church Calendar

Sunday, Feb 22

9:01 AM - Contemporary Service, FH
10:00 AM - Sunday School Hour
10:00 AM - Confirmation #1, 206
11:00 AM - Traditional Service, Sanct
12:00 PM - Fellowship Luncheon
4:30 PM - SFUMC Students, Youth Rm

Monday, Feb 23

6:30 PM - Scout Meeting, FH

Tuesday, Feb 23

10:00 AM - Ukraine Prayer Mtg, 206
5:30 PM - SPRC Mtg, Lion's Den

Wednesday, Feb 25

10:00AM - Bible Study, 206
12:00PM - Prayer Meeting, 206
6:00 PM - Trustees Mtg, Lion's Den
7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal, Music St

Thursday, Feb 26

5:30 PM - SPRC Mtg, Lion's Den
6:00 PM - Handbell Practice, 305
6:30 PM - AA Meeting, 211

Saturday, Feb 28

10:30 AM - Parents of Addicted Loved Ones, 204
11:00 AM - Soup Kitchen, FH



Church
Calendar
Online

Statesboro First News

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.

SFUMC Prayer Concerns & Praises

Mary Sue Hodges - home hospice
Anna Riley - expectant Mommy due February 20, 2026
Mary Sapp (Rhonda Deloach's Mother) - cardiac event
Bonnie Clark - waiting on final PET scan to determine maintenance care
Anne Kolish (Rev. Paula Lytle's Sister in PA) - health concerns
Martha Wells - severe back pain
Pat High - back pain
Becky Holmes - ongoing physical therapy on her back at home
MaryAnn Lisenbee - knee replacement 2/11
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:

We need Easter candy and eggs for our Palm Sunday Egg Hunt! No pre-filled eggs, please!

Upcoming Confirmation Session topics:

Why is Jesus Important? (today)
Why is Grace Important? (3/1)
Why is Worship Important? (3/8)

Students:

Remember, SFUMC Student Sundays are back tonight! We'll see you at 4:30 in the Youth Room!

Attendance

February 15, 2026: 223

9:01 AM: 27

11:00 AM: 95

Online: 101

Offering

Offering Received: \$13,013



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.