

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

"Baptism Dance" – Dan Locklair

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

"The Church of Christ in Every Age" - Traditional
The Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come Holy Spirit, come to us and among us
Come as the wind and renew us!
Convict, convert, and consecrate our hearts and lives.
Come as the dew and restore us!

OPENING PRAYER - LAY LITURGIST -LACY KAMPPI

*OPENING HYMN

"The Church's One Foundation" UMH 545 (5 verses)

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

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

"Pentecost" – Mark Schweizer
The Chancel Choir

*DOXOLOGY (UMH 95)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT WITH PASTOR MARK "Jesus Loves Me" UMH 191

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TODAY'S SERMON SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-17 (CEB)

"COME HOLY SPIRIT"

REV. MARK BURGESS

*CLOSING HYMN

"America the Beautiful", UMH 696

*BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL SONG

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit" UMH 334 (refrain only)

POSTLUDE

"Cortège Academique" – Sir Ernest MacMillen



SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday & Memorial Day Weekend



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 “Preparing the Holy of Holies for Renewal” Service
As you have seen & heard, next Sunday, May 31 will be a very special service as we transition out of the Sanctuary & into the Fellowship Hall for the summer season in order to repair & renew the Holy of Holies. *We will not have a 901 service that day* - but will all gather as a group at 11am in the Sanctuary for a service you won’t want to miss!

South Georgia Annual Conference May 31-June 2
At our South Georgia Annual Conference, there are some things that happen every year & some things that are happening uniquely this year. Two specific things this year are very important & unique. Firstly, we will elect one clergy person & one lay person that we will send to General Conference & one alternate each who will go to Jurisdictional Conference. That happens once every four years (usually.) Secondly, we will vote on the North Georgia & South Georgia conference unification plan – either yes or no. Both have huge consequences to us. If you wish to know more about either, make certain you attend my 10 am Summer Sessions in the fellowship hall beginning June 7. But the most personal thing to us at SFUMC is this year Rev. Lauren West will be ordained an Elder in full connection with the South Georgia Conference. If you wish to attend the ordination service, it will be held at Vineville UMC in Macon on Monday, June 1, beginning at 7:30 pm in their Sanctuary. You do not have to register to attend Ordination. More info on the conference was included in the newsletter this week. Contact the Church Office if you are not receiving the newsletter and would like to!



Join us for VBS!!!
Mark your calendars for June 8-11 from 9am - noon for rising PreK through rising 6th Grade!
Use the QR code to register children **and volunteers** for Rainforest Falls and let’s explore the nature of God together!



Wednesday into the Word

Shannon Burgess will conclude her 5 week study of Max Lucado’s, *God Never Gives Up On You* on **May 27 at 10AM in Room 206.**
Read Chapters 10-12 in preparation for the session.
WITW will go on hiatus after this study as Pastor Mark begins leading 10am Summer Sundays in the Fellowship Hall.

Church Calendar

Sunday, May 24
9:01 AM - Contemporary Service, FH
10:00 AM - Sunday School Hour
11:00 AM - Traditional Service, Sanct

Monday, May 25
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
MEMORIAL DAY!
6:30 PM - Scout Meeting, FH

Wednesday, May 27
10:00AM - Bible Study, 206
12:00PM - Prayer Mtg, 206
7:00PM - Choir Rehearsal, Music Ste

Thursday, May 28
6:30 PM - AA Meeting, 211

Saturday, May 30
11:00 AM - Soup Kitchen, FH



Church Calendar Online

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Summer Session Sundays
All Sunday School classes (& everyone else too) are invited to attend the UMC 101 Summer Sessions that Pastor mark will be facilitating. We will all meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10 am for a 40 minute session from **June 7th - July 26th**. During this time, our 901 service will target to conclude by 9:45. Two of those Sundays will simply be a *snack & fellowship time (6/7 & 7/5)*. The other six sessions will allow us to creatively encounter topics about United Methodism; how did we come to be, our understanding of grace & salvation, what makes us unique, how do we understand the sacraments, etc...). Remember, **beginning June 7th, both the 9 am & 11 am worship services will be in the fellowship hall** while the main Sanctuary undergoes renovation.

Second Mile Giving - Bishop’s Offering
This year’s 2026 Annual Conference Special Offering will support Wesley Community Centers in Savannah, The Vashti Center in Thomasville, & Open Door Community House in Columbus. Our theme, “The Least of These,” invites us to focus our offering on ministries & agencies that serve our neighbors in need throughout the South Georgia Conference. Use the **green** envelope for this special offering or QR code included on the insert.

SFUMC Prayer Concerns & Praises

- Steve Anderson – diagnostic work for heart valve replacement
- Beverly Walker - recovering at home from major surgery
- Bill Thompson - home recovering from knee surgery
- Taylor Sutterfield - parents took her home to Alabama after hospitalized here with flu
- Charles Perry - recent diagnosis of parkinsons
- Season of Graduation (all levels)
- Burney Marsh - ongoing health issues
- Dottie Johnson - general health
- Anne Kolish (Rev. Paula Lytle’s Sister in PA) - health concerns
- Becky Holmes - recovering from back surgery
- Shelby Haskins - expectant Mommy due May 31, 2026
- Israa Margocs - expectant Mommy (Michele Rupar-Smith’s Daughter-in-law) due June 30
- Rev. Charles Cravey - needs back surgery
- Susan Campo - treatments once a month in Augusta through September
- Mary McKoy - still in N.Y caring for 11 yr old granddaughter (Valen)
- Bran Anderson (Bill & Jane Anderson’s son) – second 3 month scan showed no cancer!
- 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 Iran, Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Russia & Mexico)

Children & Student Ministry News

Students:
Remember that last week was our final SFUMC Student Sunday, but don’t worry, you can still get involved & help! Mrs. Haley needs YOUTH volunteers for VBS the week of June 8-11. Register with the QR code on the left!



Attendance

May 17, 2026: 170	
9:01 AM: 40	11:00 AM: 130
Online:	
Offering	
Offering Received: \$7,680	



The rose is placed on the altar today in honor of all veterans past and present.

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.*