

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

"Proclaim the Glory of the Lord" – Kevin McChesney
The Chancel Ringers, Lee Walker- Director

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER - LAY LITURGIST - MARILYN BRUCE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord because He is good!
We declare His Holy Praise!
God's faithful love endures forever!
We hear and we respond to His call on our lives!

*OPENING HYMN

"Amazing Grace" UMH 378 (6 verses)

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

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

"Resilient Grace" – Cathy Moglebust
The Chancel Ringers, Lee Walker- Director

*DOXOLOGY (UMH 95)

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

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TODAY'S SERMON SCRIPTURE

James 2:14-17 (CEB)

"HELP WANTED"

REV. MARK BURGESS

*CLOSING HYMN

"Blessed Assurance" UMH 369 (3 verses)

*BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL SONG

"On Eagle's Wings" UMH 143

POSTLUDE

"Toccata (from 'Plymouth Suite')" – Percy Whitlock

*Special thanks to the Chancel Ringers and Lee Walker for blessing us with
their musical gifts in worship today!*

**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, OCTOBER 11, 2026

Twentieth 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

It's That Time!

The Patch will be open Monday-Friday from 3-7pm, Saturday from 9am-1pm, & Sunday from 12-4pm. Volunteer times are broken up into 2 hour blocks on these days & that sign up sheet can be accessed by scanning the QR code here. You can also reach out to the church office and we'll be happy to get you signed up!



Combined Church Council/Charge Conference

Our next Church Council meeting will be THIS Wednesday, October 14 at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a combined Council/Charge Conference meeting. All members are invited to attend.

Fair Parade

We'll be giving out waters and popscicles and popcorn on the lawn as we wait for the Fair Parade to come by October 19th! Haley will have a couple of games out as well as a little teaser for Fall Festival. Come join us!

Harvest Festival 2026!

Harvest Festival will be Wednesday, Oct 28 from 5:30-7PM. We still need CANDY! You can drop bags of individually wrapped candy off in the box outside the church office anytime. Volunteer sign up sheets are on the table in the Gathering Area. Thanks in advance for your help!

Newsletter

Be sure you are signed up for our weekly newsletter. It typically goes out at 5PM on Thursdays, and contains more detail on items listed in the bulletin as well as other things going on in the life of our church. There are several ways to get connected! Simply check the circle at the bottom of the Connect Card on Sunday. Or, you can sign up from the church website by simply scrolling to the bottom where you'll see the sign up link. If you'd like a shortcut there, you can scan this QR code.



As always, you can contact the church office via email at adminassist@statesborofirst.com.

Helping Hands Luncheon

Our next Helping Hands Senior Luncheon will be Wednesday, Oct 21 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP to the church office.

Church Calendar

Sunday, Oct 11

9:00 AM - Contemporary Service, FH
10:00 AM - Sunday School Hour, FH
10:00 AM - COLLEGE Bible Study, 206
11:00 AM - Traditional Service, Sanct.
2:00 PM - Disciple 1, 306
4:30 PM - SFUMC Students, 306
6:00 PM - BYX Chapter Mtg, FH

Wednesday, Oct 14

12:00PM - Prayer Mtg, 206
6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal, Music Ste

Thursday, Oct 15

4:30 PM - Tai Chi Class - FH
6:00 PM - Handbell Practice, 305
6:30 PM - AA Meeting, 211

Saturday, Oct 17

11:00AM - Soup Kitchen, FH

Monday, Oct 12

10:00 AM - UWF General Mtg, 306
6:30 PM - Scout Meeting, FH

Tuesday, Oct 13

4:30 PM - Tai Chi Class, FH



Church
Calendar
Online

Photo of the Day



SFUMC Prayer Concerns & Praises

World Peace (Yemen, Egypt, Iran, Israel, Ukraine, Russia, Palestine, USA)

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)

Rhonda DeLoach - upcoming medical procedure Oct 15

Luke Anderson (Shannon Burgess's nephew) - general health

John Ray - neck nerve ablation Oct 15

Melinda Brendenberg (Karen LeCain's mother) - general health

Barbara Harris - recovering from a heart cath - no significant blockages!

Lee Luckett (Lisa Blount's father) - recovering from heart procedure at home

Natalie Neville - recovering from wrist surgery at home (broke both wrists)

Grace Collins - (Beverly Walker's mother) - general health

Susan McGlamery - general health

Sydney Dorsey/Adam Howard wedding at SFUMC Oct 17

Madison & Jordan Mettler - recent birth of their son, Wesley

Alyssa DePouli - expectant mommy - due January 2027

Mary Beth Paulk - expectant mommy - due March 2027

Max Manack - pancreatic cancer

Burney Marsh - waiting 6 weeks before implanted pain relief device can be activated

Rev. Charles Cravey - prayers for pain relief & continued mobility

Bran Anderson (Bill Anderson's son) - last 3 month scan showed no cancer!

Susan Campo - treatments once a month in Augusta through September

Children & Student Ministry News

Children:

Make plans to attend the
Harvest Festival!
Wednesday, Oct 28
5:30-7pm.

Students:

Student Sundays this afternoon!
See you at 4:30pm! Pickup at 6.



Attendance

Oct 4, 2026: 223

9:01 AM: 43

11:00 AM: 107

Online: 73

Offering

Offering Received: \$23,636



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 **give** 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.