

This Week's Schedule
13th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 19th

9:00 a.m. - Early Service
 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 4:30 p.m. - Trustees Meeting
 6:00 p.m. - Evening Service with Nancy Lisenby
 6:45 p.m. - Mission Committee Meeting

Monday, August 20th

6:30 p.m. - N.E. District meeting with Bishop Bryan in Statesboro at Pittman Park UMC

Tuesday, August 21st

6:30 p.m. - Mae Vann Circle in Social Hall
 6:30 p.m. - SPRC Meeting - New Beginnings Classroom

Wednesday, August 22nd

5:30 p.m. - Children & Youth Activities & Adult Bible Study Classes
 6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Supper
 7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, August 23rd

6:00 p.m. - 55 and Alive in Social Hall

Saturday, August 25th

8:00 a.m. - Noon - Thrift Shop
 Vicki Rogers Circle

We are planning on resuming the Monday AM Prayer Group on September 10th, at 7:00 a.m. in the church library. We will begin with a short devotional, then we will discuss the prayer needs of our church, community, nation and world. Ladies please plan to join us in this mission.

Access the church calendar from your mobile device.



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“Commission on a Way Forward”

With the called General Conference of our United Methodist Church coming up in February 2019, it is vital that we as a congregation be as informed as possible. **Bishop Bryan will update us on the progress of this very important issue facing our denomination on Monday, August 20th, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at Pittman Park UMC, Statesboro, Ga. The church will be offering the vans for transportation for those wishing to attend. The vans will depart at 5:15 p.m.**

Resources to be used:
umc.org
sgoumc.org
wesleyancovenant.org
goodnewsmag.org



We will not be meeting temporarily
 Send a text to 810-10 with the Message @fumcs to subscribe to the Youth News & Events



The Children's

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Children's Church

Kids for Christ Clubs

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From the desk of Bishop Bryan:

Now that the full report of the “Commission on a Way Forward” has been released to the public, I am looking forward to discussing it with laity and clergy at our Northeast District meeting on Monday, August 20th, at Pittman Park UMC, Statesboro, Georgia.

In preparation for the meeting please read the report describing the three plans being offered for consideration as a Way Forward for the United Methodist Church. In addition, I invite all South Georgia clergy and laity to join me in the worldwide prayer movement for the General Conference and I ask for daily prayers from 2:23 to 2:26 as delegates prepare for General Conference 2019.

FORMAT: *The meetings will begin with a time of spiritual reflection and centering. A video will then highlight the specifics of each of the three proposed plans, taking them in the order listed in the report of the “Commission on a Way Forward.” This will be followed by a question and answer time, moderated by Rev. Chris Ramsey, during which I will lead those present in a discussion of the implications of each plan. I will then offer ways the South Georgia Conference might helpfully respond to each of the three plans. The meeting will conclude with a time of prayer.*

Last Sunday's Attendance

Sunday School	71
9:00 a.m. Worship	20
11:00 a.m. Worship	122
Evening Service	17
Total Worship	159

Last Sunday's Gifts

Weekly Budget	\$ 9022.00
Received for Budget	\$ 10271.00
Amount (Under)	\$ 1249.00
YTD Budget	\$ 288704.00
YTD Rec'vd for Budget	\$ 307916.00
Amount over (Under)	\$ 19212.00
Received for Budget	\$ 10271.00
Designated Giving	\$ 1735.00
This Week's Giving	\$ 12006.00
Stained Glass Window Fund to Date :	\$ 5860.00

Rev. David Unkles, Senior Pastor
 Melinda Hall, Children's Ministry Coordinator
 Judy Wells, Administrative Assistant

Dr. Ennis Bragg, Choir Director
 Connie Terwilliger, Music Director

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Introit Lead Me Lord UMH 473

Prelude In Highest Praise Lani Smith

Welcome and Greetings

Call to Worship

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise with songs of praise!

O come, let us worship and bow down,

let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For the Lord is our God,

**we are the people of God's pasture,
the sheep of God's hand.**

Invocation

Opening Hymn Standing on the Promises UMH 374

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH 881

*Gloria Patri UMH 70

Passing of the Peace

*Gathering Chorus I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God,
I've been washed in the fountain,
Cleansed by His blood!
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod.
For I'm part of the family,
The Family of God.

Children's Moment Melinda Hall

Morning Hymn Great Is Thy Faithfulness UMH 140

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Prayer Chorus

Seek Ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness

And all these things shall be added unto you.

Allelu, alleluia

Offertory Come, All Christians, Be Committed
from The Sacred Harp, 1844, arr. Vicki Collinsworth

*Doxology UMH 62 Stanza 7

Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness,

O praise ye! Alleluia!

Praise, Praise the Father, Praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One!

O praise ye! O praise ye!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Anthem

Scripture John 6:51-58

Message "Are You God's Rosetta Stone?"

Invitation Hymn Be Thou My Vision UMH 451

*Benediction

*Choral Amen

Postlude O Food to Pilgrims Given
German melody 15th cent., harm. By J. S. Bach

**Please stand as you are able. **Our chancel rail is open for prayer.*

*Nursery: 9:00 a.m. Judy Wells, 10:00 a.m. Melinda Hall, 11:00 a.m. Jennie-Wren Denmark
Ushers: Bob Neil, Captain, Jim Daughtry, Travis Garrett, Bo Lairscy, Bob Norwood,
Guy Singletary.*

***Our lovely flowers this morning are given by Mr. "Shot" Strange in
memory of his beautiful wife Ms. Jean Strange***

This Week's Scripture Verses

I Kings 2:10-12,3:3-14

Psalm 111 (UMH 832)

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Church Members:

Mary Rose Brown, Patty Cowart, Dr. Michael Daniel, Myra Downer, Charles & Jackie Drake, Mary & Ralph Foskey, Vernon Hardy, David Hill, Jerry Hooks, Tanya Lamb, Sybil Lamb, Bonnie Lanier, Catherine Mattox, David Price, Mollie Smith Family, Ted & Sue Stockholm, Danny Tapley, Annette Thompson

Extended Church Family:

Lynne Drake (Jackie & Charles daughter-in-law), Frances & Louie Dryden, Bill Edenfield (Smith Edenfield's brother), Hope Fagler, Teah Fennell, Charles Lanier, Buddy Lockhart, Leah H. Maile (Jean Hunnicutt's daughter), Shirley McNeely, Joan Neil (Bob Neil's Mother), Charlotte Parrish, Mary Ann Pearce, Roger Pearce, Joe Peebles (Connie's brother), Bessie Neal & Wyatt Rich, Faye & John Rountree, Michelle Scott, Gene & Gretta Simmons, Charlotte Sowell (Jackie Drake's sister), Don Spier, Herb "Benjii" Taylor, Kal Thompson, Roy Thompson, Binion Turner, Ned Waller, Tony Watkins (Betty Watkins husband), Andy Worthington.

Military Family: Major Kristy Cohen (Nancy & Mike Lisenby's niece), CMDR. Michael D. Heltzel, (the Drake's Grandson)

LOOKING AHEAD:

Monday, August 27th, 6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting in Social Hall

Wednesday, August 29th, 6:00 p.m. N.E. District presentation of "NAVIGATE" a Spiritual Formation Event. Adult classes will meet together. No Fellowship Supper, No Chancel Choir practice.

Thursday, August 30th, 6:00 p.m. U.M.M. Meeting with Supper in Social Hall.