

**This Week's Schedule
First Sunday of Advent**

Sunday, December 2nd

9:00 a.m. - Early Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
5:00 p.m. - Missions Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m. - "CHRISTMAS CAROLS"

Monday, December 3rd

7:00 a.m. - Prayer Group - Church Parlor
5:00 p.m. - 55 and Alive - Farmhouse Café

Tuesday, December 4th

7:00 p.m. - Connie & Lacey's Christmas Concert at First Baptist Church

Wednesday, December 5th

7:00 a.m. - Men's Prayer Breakfast
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, December 6th

5:30 p.m. - Downtown Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 8th

8:00 a.m. - Noon - Thrift Shop
Shirley Reid Circle

YEAH !!!!!!!!!!!!!

The Cookbooks have arrived and are ready for sale.

**Cost : \$15.00 each
See Cassie McIntyre for your copies.
The perfect gift.**

Are you checking your Christmas list twice?

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. Below are some sources of information that will be helpful as we navigate these uncertain waters with faith and integrity.

umc.org

sgaumc.org

wesleyan covenant.org

goodnewsmag.org

"WEEKEND BLESSINGS"

Please support this ministry with your donations of food or money. The current need is individual cereal serving boxes. They are preparing for the Christmas break.



The Children's

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School

11:00 a.m.—Children's Church

Kids for Christ Clubs

Send a text to 810-10 with the message @swains to subscribe to the Kids for Christ News and Events.

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Last Sunday's Attendance

Sunday School	68
9:00 a.m. Worship	29
11:00 a.m. Worship	140
No Evening Service	0
Total Worship	169

Last Sunday's Gifts

Weekly Budget	\$ 9022.00
Received for Budget	\$ 6774.00
Amount (Under)	\$ 2248.00
YTD Budget	\$ 424034.00
YTD Rec'd for Budget	\$ 445236.00
Amount over (Under)	\$ 21202.00
Received for Budget	\$ 6774.00
Designated Giving	\$ 948.00
This Week's Giving	\$ 7722.00
Stained Glass Window Fund to Date :	\$ 12219.00

Advent



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

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

Swainsboro First United Methodist Church

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December 2, 2018

Broadcast over WXRS 100.5 FM

Introit Lead Me Lord UMH 473

Prelude Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending Charles Wesley /
Trad. English melody

Welcome and Greetings

Call to Worship

Lift up your heads, O ye gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is the King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O ye gates!

and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord of hosts,
the Lord is the King of glory!

Invocation

Lighting of the Advent Candle Guy Singletary & Family

Opening Hymn Hail to the Lord's Anointed UMH 203

*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 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel UMH 211

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

Anthem

*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!

Scripture Luke 21:25-36

Message "Stand up strait!" Rev. David Unkles

Holy Communion UMH 12

Invitation Hymn Take Time to Be Holy UMH 395

*Benediction

*Choral Amen

Postlude Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Edward Dearle

**Please stand as you are able.*

***Our chancel rail is open for prayer.*

*Nursery: 9:00 a.m. Teresa Mason, 10:00 a.m. Melinda Hall, 11:00 a.m. Tammy Gray
Ushers: Zac Frye, Captain, Rodney Beckworth, Sidney Lanier, Bill McWhorter, Jim Williams,
Chuck Wofford.*

Acolytes: Emily McRae & Hensley Terwilliger

**The flowers today are given in memory of Elaine Smith and
Wilder Smith III by their Family**

"Christmas At The Keyboard"
with Connie Terwilliger, Lacy Bishop & Friends
Tuesday, December 4th, 7:00 p.m.
First Baptist Church

This Week's Scripture Verses

Jeremiah 33:14-16
Psalm 25:1-10 (UMH 756)
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Luke 21:25-36

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Church Members:

Mary Rose Brown, Patti Cowart, Myra Downer, Charles & Jackie Drake, Mary & Ralph Foskey, Vernon Hardy, Sybil Lamb, Bonnie Lanier, Catherine Mattox, Richard Peacock, David Price, Ted Stockholm, Danny Tapley, Annette Thompson, Phil Thompson.

Extended Church Family:

Wayne Carter, Patricia Coleman, Brandon Dickins (Cathy McDaniel's nephew), Lynne Drake (Jackie & Charles daughter-in-law), Frances & Louie Dryden, Bill Edenfield (Smith Edenfield's brother), Teah Fennell, Jan Hemphill (Mary & Ralph Foskey's daughter), Charles Lanier, Martha Jane & Al Lawson, Buddy Lockhart, Leah H. Maile (Jean Hunnicutt's daughter), Shirley McNeely, Joan Neil (Bob Neil's Mother), Charlotte Parrish, Mary Ann Pearce, Joe Peebles (Connie's brother), Faye & John Rountree, Michelle Scott, Gene & Gretta Simmons, Charlotte Sowell (Jackie Drake's sister), Don Spier, Kal Thompson, Ned Waller, Andy Worthington.

Military Family: CMDR. Michael D. Heltzel, (the Drake's Grandson)

You're Invited !!!!!

To the wedding of

***Jodi Elizabeth Brannen
to
Richard Hamilton Gilmer***

***Saturday, December 8, 2018
5:00 p.m.***

***The Copper Barn
740 Aaron Station Road
Portal, Georgia
Reception to follow***