

**This Week's Schedule**  
1st Sunday after Christmas

**Sunday, December 30th**

9:00 a.m. - Early Service  
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
6:00 p.m. - No Evening Service

**Monday, December 31st**

6:00 a.m. - No Prayer Group  
(Will resume on January 7th)

**Tuesday, January 1st**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
(Office Closed)

**Wednesday, January 2nd**

(Office Closed)  
No Regular Activities  
No Fellowship Supper

**Saturday, January 5th**

8:00 a.m. - Noon - Thrift Shop  
Mae Vann Circle

*Please come and pick up your Poinsettia which you purchased for our beautiful Sanctuary. It added so much beauty during the Christmas Season. We now hope you will let it be a blessing to someone else, perhaps a shut-in, neighbor, friend, the nursing home, etc. THANKS*

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](http://umc.org)

[sgaumc.org](http://sgaumc.org)

[wesleyan covenant.org](http://wesleyan covenant.org)

[goodnewsmag.org](http://goodnewsmag.org)

The Church Office will be closed Tuesday, January 1st and Wednesday, January 2nd. We will not be mailing a bulletin next week.

The January / February edition of the Upper Room is now available.



**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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**CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES LEADERSHIP TOUR**

*Sunday, January 13, 2019, Pine Forest UMC Dublin, Georgia  
Registration begins at 1:45 p.m. with Closing Prayer 5:30 p.m.*

*This event is designed to help equip and empower us for service and any ministry role we may have in our church.*

*We have the option of numerous areas of study:*

*Path One Classes: A Heart for Justice, Asset Based Community Development, Church Security, Finance Committee, SPRC*

*Path Two Classes: Age Level Ministries, Apportionments, Church Membership Roll, Lay Leaders, Trustees, Lay Member to Annual Conference*

**Last Sunday's Attendance**

Sunday School	69
9:00 a.m. Worship	17
11:00 a.m. Worship	171
Candlelight Service	97
Total Worship	285

**Last Sunday's Gifts**

Weekly Budget	\$ 9022.00
Received for Budget	\$ 10957.70
Amount (Under)	\$ 1935.70
YTD Budget	\$ 451100.00
YTD Rec'd for Budget	\$ 475638.70
Amount over (Under)	\$ 24538.70
Received for Budget	\$ 10957.70
Designated Giving	\$ 7457.25
This Week's Giving	\$ 18414.95

**Stained Glass Window**

Needed to Complete our Project:  
\$ 5000.00

**B.O.K. Offering** \$7075.00

Rev. David Unkles, 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 30, 2018 Broadcast over WXRS 100.5 FM

Introit Lead Me Lord UMH 473

Prelude People Look East Joseph Bertolozzi

## 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

Opening Hymn I Love to Tell the Story UMH 156

\*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 Little Town of Bethlehem UMH 230

## 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 Bring a Torch, Jeannette Isabella arr. Mark Hayes

\*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 Luke 2:41-52

Message "Treasure"

Invitation Hymn There's a Song in the Air UMH 249

\*Benediction

\*Choral Amen

Postlude Once in David's Royal City Henry J. Gauntlett

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

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

*Nursery: 9:00 a.m. Sky Ware, 10:00 a.m. Melinda Hall, 11:00 a.m. Brooke Frye*

*Ushers: Zac Frye, Captain, Rodney Beckworth, Sidney Lanier, Bill McWhorter, Jim Williams, Chuck Wofford.*

*Today's flowers were given by Carolyn and John Derden in loving memory of William Ralph Graves, Sr., Carolyn's father, who went to meet our Father in Heaven on Christmas Day twenty-five years ago.*

**We wish to express our love and sympathy to the family of  
L. C. "Shot" Strange.**

### This Week's Scripture Verses

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Psalms 148 (UMH 861)

Colossians 3:12-17

Luke 2:41-52

### **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, Ada Lee Correll, 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), Betty Jo May, Johnny McEuen, Shirley McNeely, Joan Neil (Bob Neil's Mother), Charlotte Parrish, Joe Peebles (Connie's brother), Faye & John Rountree, Michelle Scott, Gene & Gretta Simmons, Charlotte Sowell (Jackie Drake's sister), Kal Thompson, Ned Waller, Eloise Wood (B. J. Williams Mother), Andy Worthington.

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

***Please notify us when we may remove a name from our list***

### ***ATTENTION!!!!***

***We have several items missing from the kitchen. Everyone please check and make sure you haven't forgotten to return something. We are especially looking for a small shallow pan that fits on the serving line, this pan is frequently used on Wednesday nights.***