

**This Week's Schedule**  
1st Sunday in Lent

**Sunday, February 21st**

10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
9:00 a.m. - Early Worship Service  
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
**11:00 a.m. - Worship Service on "Facebook" or Radio 100.5 FM**  
4:00 p.m. - Missions Committee Meeting - Social Hall  
5:00 p.m. - Evening Worship Service with Rev. Bob Norwood

**Monday, February 22nd**

6:30 p.m. - Church Council Meeting in Social Hall

**Wednesday, February 24th**

6:00 p.m. - Fellowship Supper  
6:30 p.m. - Study Classes (all ages)  
7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Practice

**YOUTH NEWS!!!!!!**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20th, THE YOUTH WILL WATCH THE MOVIE "THE CASE FOR CHRIST" PIZZA SERVED 6:00 p.m. MOVIE BEGINS 6:30 p.m. IN YOUTH ROOM**

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Access the church calendar from your mobile device.   
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**F. Y. I.**

**Sunday, February 28th, the United Methodist Women will meet in the Social Hall following the Worship Service for their "Prayer and Self Denial" meal.**

**The next Red Cross Blood Mobile is scheduled for Thursday, March 11th, noon until 6:00 p.m. at the FBC Family Life Center**

**Sunday, March 22nd, will be United Methodist Women's Day in the life of our church. The 11:00 a.m. Worship Service will be highlighted by a UMW speaker.**

**Monday, March 23rd, 5:30 p.m. the Children's Ministry Committee will meet in the Social Hall to begin planning for Vacation Bible School. If you wish to help in any way please plan to attend.**

*The January / February issue of the Upper Room is now available in the hallway by the Church Office. Please come by and pick up your copy.*



**The Children's News**

**Be sure to join First United Methodist Church or Swainsboro Childrens Ministry Facebook group for videos, games and all the latest information.**

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**Last Sunday's Attendance**

Sunday School	35
9:00 a.m. Service	28
11:00 a.m. Worship	69
5:00 p.m. Evening Service	7
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>104</b>

**Last Sunday's Gifts**

Weekly Budget	\$ 9544.00
Received for Budget	\$ 7745.00
Amount (Under)	\$ 1799.00
YTD Budget	\$ 66808.00
YTD Rec'd for Budget	\$ 64993.80
Amount over (Under)	\$ 1814.20
Received for Budget	\$ 7745.00
Designated Giving	\$ 1163.00
This Week's Giving	\$ 8908.00
<b>"BIRTHDAY OF THE KING" TO DATE:</b>	<b>\$ 8355.00</b>

**Donations left at the altar rail on Communion Sunday go to the Golden Harvest Food Bank.**



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**Lent IS A TIME TO GROW CLOSER TO JESUS**

Rev. David Unkles, Pastor  
Dr. Ennis Bragg, Choir Director  
Melinda Hall, Children's Ministry Coordinator  
Joseph Gomez Associate Minister / Youth  
Connie Terwilliger, Music Director  
Judy Wells, Administrative Assistant

Swainsboro First United Methodist Church  
First Sunday in Lent

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Broadcast over WXRS 100.5 FM

Prelude Berceuse Ernest Tomlinson

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us test and examine our ways, and return to the Lord!  
**God has blessed us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!**

Seek the Lord while He may be found,  
call upon Him while He is near;  
let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
let them return to the Lord.

**The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.**

Invocation

\*Opening Hymn Come Thou, Almighty King UMH 61

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH 881

\*Gloria Patri

Passing of the Peace (Pandemic style)

\*Gathering Chorus We Have Come into His House

Children's Moment Melinda Hall

\*Morning Hymn Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed UMH 359

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

"Plate-less" Offering

Doxology

Anthem

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon: "Temptation."

Invitation Hymn Precious Name UMH 536  
Benediction

Postlude Out of the Depths I Cry to You  
Attr. to Martin Luther

\*Please stand as you are able.

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

Nursery: 9:00 a.m. Cassie McIntyre 10:00 a.m. Melinda Hall 11:00 a.m. Jodi Singletary

Ushers: John Allen Bailey, Frank Canady, Sidney Lanier, Paul McDaniel,  
Richard McNeely, Bob Neil

***The lovely flowers this morning are given in memory of  
Ms. Anna Smith by Nancy and Mike Lisenby***

***The church wishes to express their sympathy and offer  
their prayers to Mr. Barry Golden and his family in the  
passing of his father Mr. William C. Golden.***

***If my people, which are called by my name, shall  
humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face,  
and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear  
from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will  
heal their land.***

***II Chronicles 7:14***

**This Week's Scripture Verses**

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-10 (UMH 756)

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

**Church Members:**

Ennis & Lei Bragg, Bobbie Daughtry, Chesley Flanders Jr., Mary Foskey, Terry & Fran Gay, Vernon Hardy, Linda Lamb, Mary Ellen Smith, Sue Stockholm, Phil Thompson, Virgil Wells

**Extended Church Family:**

Pat & Wade Bedingfield, Buddy Bonds (Lori Bonds Mother-in-law), Susie Bryant, Lee Canady, Jean Clifton, Patricia Coleman, Sam Daniels, Brandon Dickens (Cathy McDaniel's nephew), Frances Dryden, Kevin Edenfield, Helen & Tom Graves (Carolyn Derden's bother & sister), Georganne Hairr (Kim Hooks' mother), Ronnie Hopkins, Kaylan Lamb (Terry and Tanya Lamb's granddaughter), R. L. Marshall (Kay Peacock's brother), Deborah Martin, Bill Mathis Sr., Ken McGee (Sharon Edenfield's father), Shirley McNeely, Sandy Moody, Wes Moye, Art & Joan Neil (Bob Neil's parents), Tim Palmer, Mitch Proctor, Vaughn Riner, Wes Terry, Keith & Kal Thompson, Roy Thompson, Frances & Lee Vaitha, Rev. Ronnie Wills, Charles Whatley, Eloise Wood (B. J. Williams mother)

**Military Family:**

CWO2 Kirk Palmer

***The United Methodist Women will host the "PRAYER AND SELF DENIAL" soup and bread lunch in the Social Hall immediately following the Worship Service Sunday, February 28th. All ladies of the church are invited.***