

The Church at Worship

January 14, 2018

9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany



† Indicates the congregation shall stand.

We Gather To Meet God

Chiming of the Hour
News of the Church 10:55 a.m.
Phil Smith
Organ
Prelude
Prelude on "Slane" Johnathan Reuss
† Greetings & Hymn of Praise No. 131 Phil Smith
We Gather Together KREMSER
† Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.
* universal
† Gloria Patri MEINEKE
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.
Prayers for the People Phil Smith
Responsive Reading from Psalm 139 Jennifer Wright
O LORD, you have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.
You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue,
O lord, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.
For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works;
that I know very well.
My frame was not hidden from you,
when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.
In your book were written
all the days that were formed for me,
when none of them as yet existed.
How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!
How vast is the sum of them!
I try to count them - they are more than the sand;
I come to the end - I am still with you.

† Offertory Hymn No. 644 Pastor Stan
Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring JESU, JOY OF MAN'S DESIRING
Offering of Our Tithes & Gifts Organ
Tiento1 del primer tono Antonio de Cabezon
† Doxology OLD 100th
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.
Children's Message Carwin Avant
(Children Pre-K, Kindergarten & First Grades are invited to Children's Church.)

God Speaks Through His Word

Act of Praise
Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring J.S. Bach, arr E. Power Biggs
Scripture Reading Pastor Stan
I Kings 19
Sermon Pastor Stan
"The Battle Against Burnout"

We Respond To God's Word

Invitation to Christian Discipleship
† Closing Hymn No. 451 Pastor Stan
Be Thou My Vision SLANE
Postlude Organ
Voluntary in C John Stanley



Sandersville United Methodist Church Foundation, Inc.

We extend an invitation to remember family and friends through a donation to the Sandersville Methodist Church Foundation, Inc. The Foundation was established in 1944 to manage a trust that would earn income designated for maintenance and repairs of our church facility. The principal amount remains intact and only the interest income is available to pay for these needed projects. The Foundation receives no funds from the annual budget and relies solely on gifts and donations to grow the corpus of the trust. These gifts are tax deductible and can be made at any time.

Dr. Jay Harris Preaching Sunday, February 4, 2018

Dr. Jay Harris former pastor of Sandersville United Methodist Church currently serves as Director of Ministerial Services for the South Georgia Conference and is the assistant to our Bishop. Jay will be returning to Sandersville to preach as a part of our celebration of the recent completion of our Heritage Hall and renovations project. Lunch will follow the service in the social hall. Please make plans now to attend this special reunion service.

United Methodist Women General Meeting

The United Methodist Women will meet in Heritage Hall on Monday, January 15th at 7:00.

Blue Bag Sunday



Don't forget to fill your blue bag and leave in the Narthex.

Flowers for Worship

The flowers in the sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in honor of

our children & grandchildren
by Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Holton.



In memory of the
Beverly Thompson
given by
Michelle & Jon Moore
to the foundation.

9:00 A.M. Chapel Service

Prelude

† Greetings & Announcements

† Chorus of Praise

We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise

*We bring the sacrifice of praise into the
house of the Lord. We bring the sacrifice
of praise into the house of the Lord. And we
offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving;
and we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy.*

Prayer

† Offertory Chorus

Give Thanks

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give
thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because
he's given Jesus Christ his Son. (REPEAT)
And now let the weak say, I am strong let
the poor say, I am rich because of what the
Lord has done for us. (REPEAT)
Give thanks, Give thanks!*

Offering of Our Tithes & Gifts

Scripture Reading

I Kings 19

Sermon

“The Battle Against Burnout”

† Closing Chorus:

Father, I Adore You

1. Father, I adore you, lay my life before
you; how I love you.
2. Jesus, I adore you, lay my life before you;
how I love you.
3. Spirit, I adore you, lay my life before you;
how I love you.

Next week at Sandersville UMC

Sunday, January 14

9:00 a.m. Worship - Chapel

10:00 a.m. Sunday School*

11:00 a.m. Worship-Sanctuary*
NO SNL

Monday, January 15

7:00 p.m. United Methodist Women General Mtg.
in heritage hall

Tuesday, January 16

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, January 17

4:00 p.m. BOL

4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

6:00 p.m. Small Groups

7:00 p.m. Adult choir practice

***Nursery Provided**

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Children's Church

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Mary Preston Alexander

Children's Message

Carwin Avant

Infant Nursery Volunteer

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Toddler Nursery Volunteer

Becky Carter

Oliver's Outreach

Ben & Faye Salter

Jennifer Wright

In Our Prayers

Our Church Family

Tarver Averett	Dean McCaskill
Edna Bailey	Brenda Hollingsworth
Pete Booth	Ray Hollingsworth
Ronnie Dorman	Carolyn Sheppard
Billy Kay	Billy Veal
Lynn Miller	Sarah Wilson

ECF Residents:

Alice Carlson Barbara Turner

Sue Durden

Home Bound:

Frances Miller

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Carol Raines Vera Mimbs

Debbie Stanley

Pruitt Magnolia Manor (Moultrie GA):

JoAnn Marshall

Friends & Family of the Church

Larry Mathis

Pam Stewart

Adam Smith

(Brittany Price's friends' son)

Charles Lee

Betty Brett

Shannon Everett

Jessie McWhorter

(Jessalyn Alexander's grandmother)

Casey Ogden

Cecilia Ashley

Sissy English Cooper

(Ted English's sister)

Allyson Maffett

Joy Lord

John Dickey

Tom Siepp

Pat Wolfe

Attendance & Stewardship

January 7, 2018

Sunday School	103
9:00 a.m. Worship	29
11:00 a.m. Worship	143
Total Worship	172
Weekly Need:	\$ 10,588.75
Given This Week:	\$ 10,228.00
Year to Date Need:	\$ 10,588.75
Given Year to Date:	\$ 10,288.00
Pledged:	\$ 550,615.00

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The Value of a Positive Attitude

Several years ago I determined to deal with my attitude. I found myself getting pretty testy, even argumentative at times. Our children were young and often had needs that required my time and attention. More often than I'd like to admit, that irritated me—to the point where my wife said I needed to think about how negative I was becoming, and then I needed to do something about it!

At first, like most husbands would, I resisted her words, but after giving them further thought, I realized that what she was observing was painfully true. To use a popular expression, I was in need of a serious attitude adjustment! I knew that if some of my emotional outbursts didn't stop, I'd not only alienate all four of my children, I would become a lonely, bitter, and crotchety old man. The realization of all that led me to come to terms with my negative attitude.

I am so grateful I did! Among other things, it led me to sit down and write out a carefully worded statement on the importance of choosing the right attitude every single day. I had no idea how God would use it in the lives of people around the world. I've come across it in the most amazing places—and I've had friends tell me of their seeing it in such places as restaurant menus and hanging on walls in machine shops and hearing it quoted in sales conferences, memorized by cadets preparing to be highway patrolmen, and learned by students in school. Here it is:

“Attitudes”

Words can never adequately convey the incredible impact of our attitude toward life. The longer I live the more convinced I become that life is 10 percent what happens to us and 90 percent how we respond to it. I believe the single most significant decision I can make on a day-to-day basis is my choice of attitude. It is more important than my past, my education, my bankroll, my successes or failures, fame or pain, what other people think of me or say about me, my circumstances, or my position. Attitude keeps me going or cripples my progress. It alone fuels my fire or assaults my hope. When my attitudes are right, there's no barrier too high, no valley too deep, no dream too extreme, no challenge too great for me.

I share this with you in hopes that it will help you as much as it has helped so many others, including *me*. Thankfully, I'm a different man today because I came to terms with my attitude a number of years ago. And because I did, as I grow older, I've become a lot easier to live with. Just ask my wife . . . and our kids . . . and their kids!

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— Charles R. Swindoll