

# The Church at Worship

March 24, 2019

9:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

*Third Sunday in Lent*



† Indicates the congregation shall stand.

## We Gather To Meet God

Chiming of the Hour 10:55 a.m.  
News of the Church Jeffery Smith  
Prelude Organ

*Six Concert Meditations: no. 6 "Londonderry Air" Darwin Wolford (b. 1936)*

† Greetings & Hymn of Praise No. 96 Jeffery Smith  
*Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above AMSTERDAM*

† 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 Jeffery Smith  
Responsive Reading from Psalm 63 Deana Bibb

O God, you are my God, I seek you,  
my soul thirsts for you;  
my flesh faints for you,  
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
beholding your power and glory.**

Because your steadfast love is better than life,  
my lips will praise you.

**So I will bless you as long as I live;  
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.  
My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips  
when I think of you on my bed,  
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;  
for you have been my help,  
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.  
My soul clings to you;  
your right hand upholds me.**

† Offertory Hymn No. 370 Pastor Stan  
*Victory in Jesus HARTFORD*

Offering of Our Tithes & Gifts Organ  
*Praeludium Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)*

† 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.**

## God Speaks Through His Word

Act of Praise SUMC Choir  
*Our God is Love Atticus Mellor-Goldman*  
Guest Cellist

(Children Pre-K, Kindergarten & First Grades are invited to Children's Church)

Scripture Reading Pastor Stan

**Colossians 3:1-3**

Sermon Pastor Stan

**"The Unseen Reality"**

*Reception of New Members* Pastor Stan

## We Respond To God's Word

† Closing Hymn No. 62 (vv. 1-4;7) Pastor Stan  
*All Creatures of Our God and King LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

Benediction



## Emergency Action Plan Update

Over the past year our Emergency Oversight Committee has been researching security measures for our church. We have also researched emergency weather and emergency medical responses. We are in the process of forming a security team. Recently we ordered AED devices, several 2 way radios, and will be installing emergency panic buttons in strategic locations throughout the building. We will be executing limited access procedures soon to help us monitor who enters the building after worship services begin.

***In April we will begin locking all of the doors at 11:05 a.m.  
on Sunday mornings. If you come after this time you will need  
to enter the doors coming into Heritage Hall.***

*We welcome our guest cellist Atticus Mellor-Goldman  
to our service today.*

## ATTENTION SNL PARENTS:

SNL kids grades 2-6 will meet in the sanctuary at 4:15 today in order to prepare for our musical.  
Grades pre-k-1 will meet at regular time 5:30.



## Mark your calendar!

Make plans to join us this afternoon at 6:00 p. m. for  
The SNL Kid's musical, Faith News Network.



Mark your calendar for March 31, 2019, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.  
North Central District Conference at SUMC. We will join  
with others in our district for a special  
**"Rise Against Hunger"** event.



It is hard to believe that the school year is passing so quickly, and it is already time to register for our fall classes. We are pleased to announce that tuition and early morning care rates will stay the same. We will offer classes for one-year-olds through four-year-olds. There is a registration fee of \$45.00 if paid by April 15, after April 15 \$60.00 and is due when the form is turned in. It is non-refundable, unless there are not enough children to fill a class.

We look forward to having your child with us next year.

Patti Hitchcock  
SUMC Preschool Director

## Flowers for Worship

The flowers in the sanctuary  
are given to the Glory of God  
and in honor of  
**the SUMC staff  
and volunteers**  
by Judy & Sandy Mercer.



Your gifts of \$2,251.00 this year  
will provide for 450 Bibles or its  
equivalence of approximately 1,800  
Testaments —doubled from last year!  
Thank you for allowing Gideons  
International to play a small role in  
your missionary out reach!

**Mark G. Riner**

### 9:00 A.M. Chapel Service

Prelude  
† Greetings & Announcements  
† Hymn

#### Lord, Be Glorified

*In my life, Lord,  
Be glorified, be glorified.  
In my life, Lord,  
Be glorified today.*

*In my song, Lord,  
Be glorified, be glorified.  
In my song, Lord,  
Be glorified today.*

*In Your Church, Lord,  
Be glorified, be glorified.  
In Your Church, Lord,  
Be glorified today.*

Prayer  
† Offertory (Instrumental)  
Offering of Our Tithes & Gifts  
Scripture Reading

**Colossians 3:1-3**

Sermon  
**"The Unseen Reality"**

#### Next week at Sandersville UMC

**Sunday, March 24**  
9:00 a.m. Worship - Chapel  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary\*  
4:15 p.m. Kids Musical Practice  
6:00 p.m. SNL Kids Musical

**Tuesday, March 26**  
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

**Wednesday, March 27**  
6:00 p.m. Small Groups  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

#### \*Nursery Provided

#### Sandersville UMC Staff

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Nursery Workers

**Debbie Sanford**  
Housekeeper

**Ricky Pinkston**  
Custodian

#### Assisting in Worship

#### Worship Leader

Jeffery Smith

#### Lay Reader

Deana Bibb

#### Usher Captain

Jason Alexander

#### Acolytes

Deana Bibb

Ady Davis

Maggie Levie

#### Children's Church

Andrea Hindmon

Wynn Andrews

#### Infant Nursery Volunteer

Leia Giddens

#### Toddler Nursery Volunteer

Mary Preston Alexander

#### Oliver's Outreach

Peggie Cheatham, Faye Salter  
and Nancy Tarbutton

#### Sound

Matthew Shelton

## In Our Prayers Our Church Family

Edna Bailey      Billy Kay  
Ronnie Dorman      Dean McCaskill  
Carol Gardner      Carolyn Sheppard  
James Goodman      Wendell Tompkins  
Lillian Hood

#### ECF Residents:

Sue Durden  
Shirley Friedman

#### Home Bound:

Carolyn Craft

#### Heritage Inn:

Idanne Buhler

Sarah Wilson

#### Tennille Assisted Living:

Vera Mimbs

Carol Raines

#### Pruitt Magnolia Manor (Moultrie GA):

JoAnn Marshall

#### Friends & Family of the Church

Charles Roberson  
*(Carol Anderson's son)*  
Otis Smith  
Debbie Johnson  
*(Christy Wallace's mom)*  
Joe Meeks  
Eric Brock  
*(Jon Moore's friend)*  
Shirley Godin  
*(Anne Bivings friend)*  
William Sheppard  
*(Carolyn Sheppard's son)*  
Linda Vaughan  
*(Emilee Jacksons' niece)*  
Wade Brown  
Suzanne Van Loo  
Betty Brett  
Shannon Everett  
Casey Ogden  
Tom Siepp

#### Attendance & Stewardship

March 17, 2019

Sunday School	95
9:00 a.m. Worship	21
11:00 a.m. Worship	157
Total Worship	178
Weekly Need:	\$ 10,851.72
Given This Week:	\$ 7,192.37
Year to Date Need:	\$ 119,368.92
Given Year to Date:	\$ 166,116.81
Total Budget	\$ 564,289.44



2019  
South Georgia  
Conference Theme

# The Messenger

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This year at our North Central District  
Conference we will be working with the rest  
of our district churches to help end hunger!  
This year's goal is to pack 10,000 bags filled  
with meals to distribute in our communities.

Join us on **March the 31<sup>st</sup>** here at SUMC  
from **4:00 to 5:30 pm** we will need help to  
move tables, pack bags, and have fun with  
brothers and sisters from all over our district!

For more information

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