

**OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK**

\* Nursery Available

**Sunday, April 4, 2010**

- \* 9:15 AM Sunday School
- \* 10:30 AM Morning Worship
- No PM Activities

**Monday, April 5, 2010**

10:00 AM Arthritis Exercise Class

**Tuesday, April 6, 2010**

- 10:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting

**Wednesday, April 7, 2010**

10:00 AM Circle 4 at Ruby Jean Keith's Home  
No Activities

**Thursday, April 8, 2010**

8:00 AM Adult Bible Study—Youth Suite

**Friday, April 9, 2010**

PASTOR'S SABBATH  
10:00 AM Arthritis Exercise Class

**THANK YOU** — We express our gratitude to those whose labor of love enhanced our celebration of Holy Week: to those who planned and decorated, to those who lead and participated in the services, and to those whose prayers and presence remain the strength of our worship. Thanks!

**Memorials**

*Donations have been given in Memory of Evelyn Harrell by M/M Ray Holloway, D/M John Wolfe, Sr., Nancy Thomas, D/M Kenneth McDonald, Kathleen Coody, Onnie Osborne, M/M Linton Lewis, M/M Ralph Clark, Carolyn Fordham, Vicki Van, & Vern Strickland, M/M Stewart Jaehrig, Wayne Memorial Hospital, M/M Bob Denty, M/M Mark Miller, D/M Bo Arnall, Mae Hyers, Shirley Warren, M/M R.L. Walker & family, M/M Len Hauss*

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*Donations have been given in Memory of Irma Blanton by D/M John Wolfe, Sr.*

**OUR FAITHFULNESS March 28, 2010**

Sunday School	149
Sunday Morning Worship	176
Evening Worship	37
Budget Needs This Week	8,008. 48
Receipts This Week	5,810. 05
Receipts To Date	93,333. 54

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY**

**April 9 & 10**

A group of people from First UMC will be attending a Celebrate Recovery Seminar in Duluth next week to explore the possibility of a new outreach ministry to people struggling with additions. You are invited to attend. Call the church office for more information.

**STEPHENS MINISTRY TRAINING**

**Savannah Christian Church  
Saturday, May 1**

This seminar at Savannah Christian Church is designed to equip lay persons to provide Christ-Centered Pastoral Care to one another. The pastor will be taking a group by van (leaving at 7:30 AM). The cost is \$15 + Lunch! You are invited to attend. Please call the church office to register.



He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

Matthew 28:6

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**THE RISEN CHRIST**

In the Fourth Century, many throughout the Roman Empire began making pilgrimages to Jerusalem to see for themselves the places where the great events of Jesus' life took place. Two of these pilgrimages are noteworthy. The first was made by Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine. She went to Israel and "mapped out" the historic sights of the faith. These included places that are still visited today like the Church of the Holy Sepulcher and the Church of the Nativity.

The second pilgrimage, which was recorded for us in the pilgrim's diary, sheds light on the practices of worship in Jerusalem. By this time, pilgrimage to Jerusalem was in full swing and the church had responded by developing a liturgy and practices which literally acted out the events of Jesus' life. Reading the diary, you get the sense of a 4<sup>th</sup> Century Passion Play.

Oh to walk in the steps of the Master, especially during that last week! Our journey would begin on the Mount of Olives where He descended with palm branches waving. Then, we'd go to the Temple where His teaching and actions caused such uproar. Then, we'd go to the Upper Room where He instituted our sacred feast and out to the Garden of Gethsemane where He firmly committed Himself to His Father's will. Then, we'd go to that hill just outside the old city where He was executed between two thieves, but most importantly, to that empty tomb, the place where our faith begins.

This Sunday, our Chancel Choir under the leadership of Amy Willoughby will present **The Risen Christ** and through our worship, we will take a mental and spiritual pilgrimage with Jesus and His disciples. And perhaps, by faith, our lives can be gloriously changed as we encounter the Risen Christ.

**Happy Easter ... Tucker**



*The Worship of Almighty God*  
*Easter Sunday*  
*Liturgical Color: White*  
*April 4, 2010 10:30 A.M.*

**PRELUDE** Johnnie Hayes

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please register your attendance, using the pew pads, during this time

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Pastor TA Lewis

Christ is Risen!  
**He is risen indeed!**  
 The Risen Lord is among us!  
**Thanks be to God, He is Risen!**

**\* OPENING HYMNS**

*Here I am to Worship*  
*Christ, the Lord is Risen Today* (v. 1-3) No. 302

**\* THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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**\* THE DOXOLOGY** No. 95

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 through Third Grade may attend Children's Church.  
 A Nursery is provided for small children.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**\* HYMN** No. 364

*Because He Lives*

**THE RISEN CHRIST**

Performed by the Chancel Choir

**THE GOSPEL** Kenny Carswell

*Luke 24:1-12*

**THE SERMON** Pastor TA Lewis

*A Woman's Witness*

**\* CLOSING HYMN** No. 310

*He Lives! He Lives!*

**\* BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH**

Christ is Risen!  
**He is risen indeed!**  
 The Risen Lord is among us!  
**Thanks be to God, He is Risen!**

**\* THE POSTLUDE** Johnnie Hayes

*\* Congregation Standing*

*The beautiful flowers placed at the altar this week  
 are given by Pete & Lauren Amis to the Glory of  
 God in Celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus and  
 in Honor of their Second Wedding Anniversary.*

**NO PM Worship Today**

(All Activities Canceled)

**WEDNESDAY IN THE WORD**

The Book of Galatians at 6:40 pm



**CHRIST THE LORD**  
**IS RISEN TODAY!**

**WELCOME VISITORS**

*All who worship here enter into God's presence as  
 family. Worship is designed to honor God and to  
 strengthen us in our faith. We trust your experience has  
 been a blessing and that you will join us again soon.*

**Our Mission in the World**

*God envisions Jesus First United Methodist Church as a  
 vibrant community of faith, courageously bearing fruit for  
 the Kingdom of God, as we Reach out in Christian love to  
 those around us, Welcome everyone into our church  
 family, Nurture one another in Christian faith and love,  
 and Equip God's people for ministry in the church and in  
 the world.*

**THOSE ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS WEEK**

**GREETERS:** First Sunday School Class

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Lori Lewis

**ACOLYTES:** Amanda Sharp, Laura Raczkowski, Daniel Schleder,  
 Richie Schleder, Alan Schleder, Jacob Popkin

**ALTAR GUILD:** Vicki Freeman, Dinah Purvis, Ann Causey

**VISITATION TEAM:** 1

School of Discovery is now accepting registrations for  
 the 2010-2011 school year. Classes are offered for  
 2, 3, & 4 year old children. Using the A Beka Book and  
 Bible curriculum, we offer spiritual, social, emotional, and  
 academic guidance. The school is in session Monday  
 through Friday from 9 am until noon. Registration forms  
 are available at the school or church office. For more  
 info, call 427-2914.

**COMMUNITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** Sunday, April 18—The  
 Evangelism Committee will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast  
 that will be opened to the community. The meal will flow  
 directly into the Contemporary Worship Service. Invite your  
 friends and family to share this event with us.

**ADVANCED LAY MINISTRY TRAINING**

Statesboro FUMC

Saturday, May 1, 9:00—5:00

Sunday, May 2, 2:00—4:00

Registration is \$20 which includes cost of course and  
 lunch on Saturday. Deadline to register is April 27.

*Our Ministry of Prayer*

**Members:** Faye Lee, Larry Collins, John Wolfe, Fred Donica,  
 Derek Raczkowski, John Lee, Kathy McCormick, Layton Martin

**Friends and Family:** Wyatt Johnson (Beth Hatton's cousin),  
 Tommy Causey, Jr. (Tommy & Ann's son), W.A. Alsobrook,  
 S.S. Mackey (Jane Yeoman's dad), Cecil & Mary Jane Lassiter,  
 Pam Chappell, Laura Lynn Nichols in Haiti, Laura Haley (Marianne  
 Patton's niece), Ham & Marianne Hamlet (Pam Carswell's parents),

**Shut-In's:** Lucille Collier, Tom James, Adele Long, Ashley Madray,  
 Carolyn Littlefield, Mitzi Riggins