

First United Methodist Church Waycross, Georgia

October 24, 2010

One Service Only Today at 11:00 a.m.

*Homecoming Sunday with Special Guest Speaker,
Rev. Sam Rogers*

Welcome to the Rogers...

Sam and Helen Rogers served at Waycross First as the Associate Pastor June 1959-1961. Their firstborn, Gordon, was less than a month old when they moved to Waycross. Their daughter, Claire, was also born here at the Waycross Hospital, after their move to Kingsland. Their daughter, Holly, has a connection with Waycross because she has heard Sam and Helen speak so fondly of the Church over the years. They reside in Tifton, GA.

Serving 42 years as an appointed minister with the South Georgia Conference and 52 years in the ministry all together, we welcome the Rogers' to our Church this Sunday, knowing we will be blessed by their presence.



“Coming Home” Luke 15:11-32

Then Jesus^{*} said, “There was a man who had two sons. ¹²The younger of them said to his father, “Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.” So he divided his property between them. ¹³A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶He would gladly have filled himself with^{*} the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷But when he came to himself he said, “How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! ¹⁸I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.’ ” ²⁰So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹Then the son said to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.”^{*} ²²But the father said to his slaves, “Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!” And they began to celebrate. ²⁵Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷He replied, “Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.” ²⁸Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹But he answered his father, “Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!” ³¹Then the father^{*} said to him, “Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.” ’

Community Outreach Opportunity

Thanksgiving will be upon us before we even realize it...Once again, our Missions and Outreach Committee is asking you to participate in an outreach project for those less fortunate in our community by donating Thanksgiving boxes filled with the following items. Last year 65 boxes were donated. Let's top that number this year!

- 3, 1 lb. size Canned Cooked Hams
- 1, 28 oz. can Green Beans
- 1, 29 oz. can Sliced Peaches
- 2, Macaroni & Cheese boxed dinners
- 1, 28 oz. jar creamy peanut butter
- 1, 48 oz. can cut sweet potatoes in syrup
- 1, 13.3 oz. box complete instant mashed potatoes
- 2, 14.5 oz cans diced tomatoes
- 1, 40 oz. bag long grain rice

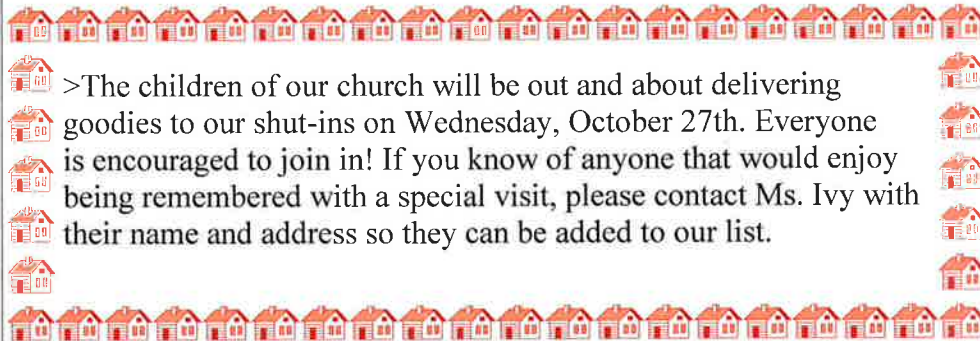
You may use any brands to complete your Thanksgiving box, or add extra food items. Please deliver your donation by Sunday, November 14th. Place them in the Williams Street entrance hall along the wall. If at all possible, bring your items in a coordinating sized box. Remember to use non-perishable items. Call the Church Office for any additional information at 283-2077.

65
needed

30
given
away

20
given
away

10
given
away



>The children of our church will be out and about delivering goodies to our shut-ins on Wednesday, October 27th. Everyone is encouraged to join in! If you know of anyone that would enjoy being remembered with a special visit, please contact Ms. Ivy with their name and address so they can be added to our list.

Name _____

Permanent _____ Weekly _____

How Many Adults _____
and/or Children (10 & below) _____

Costs: \$6.00 for those 10 & above
\$2.00 for 3-9 yrs
Below 3 yrs eat free

Reservations must be made by Noon on Tuesdays.

Reservations not cancelled before Tuesday at Noon,
are asked to be paid.

All take-out plates are \$6.00.

Church Night Supper Sign-Up
6:00 p.m. this Wednesday
Please Take Note Of
Time Change

Next Sunday, October 31st, we will celebrate

All Saints Sunday

at the 11:00 a.m. service. All music and spoken words will bear witness to the resurrection and the life everlasting now enjoyed by those who entered immortality during the past year. Join us as we remember our loved ones and offer our thanks and praise to God for the lives of all the saints.



!!Attention Veterans!!

- ★ We encourage you to join us for a special worship service on Sunday, November 7th at either 9:00 or 11:00, as we recognize you for your dedicated service to our country.
- ★ We also invite you to a special luncheon on Monday, November 8th, in the Fellowship Hall at Noon. We will enjoy a time of food and fellowship and then gather in the Chapel for a time of prayer. Bob, Serrell, and Michael are providing and preparing the meal, so all you need to bring is your appetite!
- ★ All veterans will be recognized and honored at the Wednesday Night Supper, November 10th at 6:30 p.m. Please join us as we once again express our love and appreciation.

Pledge 2011 Continues To Grow....

As of October 18, 2010, the total amount for **2011** pledges received is \$473,431.00. If you are in need of an Estimate of Giving Card, or have any questions about your 2011 pledge, please call the Church Office at 283-2077. Thank you in advance for your stewardship and commitment to the Church.

2010 Stewardship Fulfillment....

As the end of 2010 approaches, please remember that to be able to use your paid pledge amount for 2010 tax purposes, it is necessary all check or cash payments be turned into the Finance Office of the Church by December 31st. Statements for this purpose were mailed recently. If you have any questions or more information is needed, please call the Finance Office at 283-2077.

Weekly Calendar of events

***(Pastor's Schedule
This Week)***

MONDAY 10/25/10

9:00 a—12N Office hours
10:00 a Staff meeting
12:00 N Men's Prayer Lunch
1:00 p-5:00 p Sermon Preparation

TUESDAY 10/26/10

9:00 a-12 N Office Hours
1:00 p Visitation

WEDNESDAY 10/27/10

9:00 a-1:00 p Office hours
1:00-5:00 p Study Preparation
6:00 p Church Night Supper
6:30 p Charge Conference

THURSDAY 10/28/10

9:00 a-12 N Office Hours
1:00 p-4:30 p Visitation

FRIDAY 10/29/10

Pastor' Day Off

SUNDAY 10/24/10

9:45 a Sunday School
11:00 a Morning Worship, *Homecoming*
(Nursery provided)

MONDAY 10/25/10

10:00 a Staff meeting
12:00 N Men's Prayer Luncheon
6:00 p Cub Scouts
7:00 p Boy Scouts meet @Scout Center

TUESDAY 10/26/10

4:30 p Adult Handbells
6:00 p Scouts Event in Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY 10/27/10

9:30 a Every Day With Love
4:00 p Kids Reverse Trick-or-Treat
6:00 p Church Night Supper
*(Notice Time Change
& Be Sure To Sign Up)*
6:30 p Charge Conference
7:00 p Chancel Choir Rehearsal



United Methodist Men's Fellowship meet on
Mondays at Noon in the Fellowship Hall.
Ralph Brown has the devotional this week.

This Sunday's Volunteers:

Ushers: (Team # 6): Forest Sweat, Capt.; Craig McDonald, Pat Reid
Greeters: Moi & Cheryl Monroe
Altar Flowers for October: Penn Clark

Our Charge Conference will be on October 27, 2010 in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. Supper will start at ***6:00 p.m.*** and Conference will start promptly at ***6:30 p.m.*** ***There will not be a Bible Study or a Chapel Service this week. Also, there will not be Children's Choir this week because of Reverse Trick-or-Treat and Charge Conference.***

New Wednesday Night Study.....Beginning Wednesday, November 3, the study, "*Three Simple Rules, A Wesleyan Way Of Living,*" will begin at 5:00 p.m. This will be a 5 week study that explains a way of life patterned after the life ministry of Jesus and first brought into this form by John Wesley for the early Methodist movement. The video portion of the study will be led by the author of the book, Bishop Reuben P. Job. The discussion will be led by our pastor. Study books are available for \$5.00 each.

Prayer Concerns: Lylburn Booker, Jim Brewer, Deborah Brooks, Tommy Christian, Helen Culbertson, Bob Davis, Maurie DeVane, Doris Douglas, Bob Ford, Sonja Grieco, Lois Groszmann, Robert Groszmann, Imogene Hatfield, Becki Hines, Tommy Herrin, Eric & Erin Lairsey, Timmy Lowman, Jim McDonald, Jack & Faye McCall, Jenny McMillan, Ethel Mohan, Bett Pigge, Wesley Rentz, Garry Russell, Mac Spangenberg, Adam Swindell, Lottie Vanhoy, Joy Woodard, Julie Tomlinson

O Lord, our God the majesty and glory of your name
Transcends the earth and fills the heavens.

O Lord, our God, little children praise You perfectly,
And so would we, and so would we.

Alleluia, Alleluia!
The majesty and glory of Your name.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
The majesty and glory of Your name!
Alleluia!

Laitly Prayer

Scripture Luke 15:11-32(N.T. pg. 74)

Sermon "Coming Home" Rev. Sam Rogers

Hymn No. 348 "Softly And Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" THOMPSON

Benediction

Benediction Response "Here I Am, Lord" HERE I AM, LORD

Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

Postlude "Festive Postlude" Purcell

**Please Stand*

Our 11:00 a.m. service may be viewed on channel 98

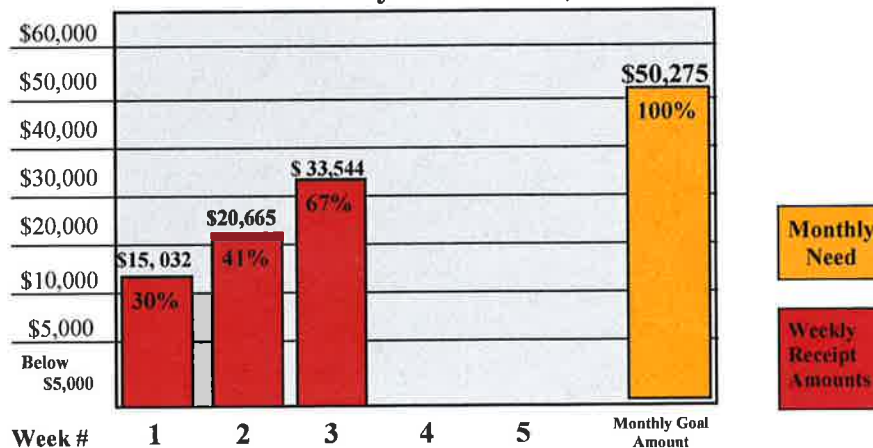
Our Staff...

- >Senior Pastor **Rev. Bob Norwood**
bob@waycrossfirst.com
- >Associate Pastor/Youth Director **Rev. Michael Davis**
michael@waycrossfirst.com
- >Director Of Music **Serrell Zeigler**
serrell@waycrossfirst.com
- >Director Of Religious Education **Ivy Kratzer**
ivykratzer@yahoo.com
- >Church Secretary/Office Manager **Lynn Allen**
lynn@waycrossfirst.com
- >Financial Secretary **Charlene Bennett-Hale**
charlene@waycrossfirst.com
- >Custodial Care **Peter Walker**

Contact Information...

- >410 Williams St., Waycross, GA 31501
- >912-283-2077(Office) 912-285-2688 (Fax)
- >www.waycrossfirst.com

October Pledge Receipts Accrual Scale
Monthly Needs=\$50,275



Sunday Morning Worship

October 24, 2010 11:00 a.m.

Events in the Life of the Church and Welcome Rev. Bob Norwood

Prelude HOLY MANNA
"We Have Come To Join In Worship"
Chancel Handbells

Call To Worship Raney
"A Welcome Place"

***Hymn No. 158** SPANISH HYMN
"Come Christians, Join To Sing"

The Apostles' Creed (in unison) Rev. Michael Davis

*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.*

***Gloria Patria No. 71** GREATOREX

*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.*

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Norwood

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

***Greeting** Rev. Norwood

*Jesus loves me! This I know for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong ; they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! For the Bible tells me so.*

Children's Sermon Ivy Kratzer

***Hymn No. 545** AURELLA
"The Church's One Foundation"

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Nicholson/Young
"Lift High The Cross"

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Ushers

***Doxology**

*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.*

Anthem Fettke
"The Majesty And Glory Of Your Name"

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of your fingers;
The moon and stars suspended in space.
Oh what is man that you are mindful of him?
You have given man a crown of glory and honor,
And have made him a little lower than the angels.
You have put him in charge of all creation;
The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.
But what is man that you are mindful of him?