

**Weekly Calendar
Schedule**

Sunday 07/09/23

8:45am The Depot Service
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Traditional Worship
5:00pm Youth to Gathering Place

Tuesday 07/11/23

9:30am Kids to St Marys Water Park

Wednesday 07/12/23

12:00pm Women's Bible Study
4:00pm Worship Committee

Friday 07/14/23

6:00pm Blessing of the Animals



**First United
Methodist Church**

410 Williams St.
Waycross, Georgia
(912)283-2077
July 9, 2023
10:30 a.m.
www.waycrossfirst.com

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We're glad you're here!

We are delighted that you joined us to worship today! So that we may know you better, please take a moment to complete the following and place in the offering plate.

Also, please **update** any information that we may already have on file.

This connection card helps the office keep attendance that is turned in to the conference on a monthly basis.

Your attendance is important!

Please Print. Thanking you in advance!

Name _____

Children _____

Address _____

City, St., Zip _____

Contact# _____

E-mail _____

1st time guest _____

Regular Attender _____

Member _____

Prayer Request:

**Waycross First United Methodist
Church Staff**

Senior Pastor *Rev. Christy Bandy*
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Prelude

Mr. Serrell Zeigler

Opening Prayer (Year of Prayer – Breath Prayer)

Rev. Christy Bandy

Read: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, and 58-67
O God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,

You sent out Abraham's servant to be at the right place at the right time and to find the right person. That person, Rebekah, married Isaac, one of the heirs of our covenant story of faith. Help us to be faithful in keeping our part of the covenant. Help us to trust You in faithful obedience with our lives. Direct us as You did our ancestors in the faith to the places You are leading and blessing.

In Jesus name we pray,

AMEN!

***Opening Hymn**

"Since Jesus Came Into My Life"

Cokesbury p. 84

***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.

***Gloria Patri**

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.**

*Please stand as you are able.

Looking Ahead...

- **Kids to St Mary's Aquatic Center** on Tuesday, July 11th. Leave Church at 9:30 a.m. **Please note departure time change. Cost is \$15 plus lunch money.**
- **Blessing of the Animals in Monroe Park** on Friday, July 14th at 6pm.
- **Children First** Board meeting on Tuesday, July 18th.
- **YOUTH** Breakfast & Mission Project 10:15am @ Hog-n-Bones on Thursday, July 20th.
- **Finance Meeting @ Noon** on Thursday, July 20th.
- **PNO** is Friday, July 21 @6-9 pm.
- **Vacation Bible School** is set for July 24-27, 9a-12p. Volunteers needed. See Ivy to register.

Worship Attendance

07/02/23

The Depot — 22

**Traditional
Worship — 95**

Stewardship

Budget \$ 530,743.00
YTD Received \$ 246,097.00
Monthly Need \$ 44,229.00
Monthly Received \$ 6,495.00

Online Giving is available.

**Go to
www.waycrossfirst.com
and click the tab for
"Online Giving." Several
methods of payment are
now available for your
convenience. If you have
any questions or
concerns, feel free to
contact the church office
at 912-283-2077.**



**No need to miss a worship service!
Here's how to stay connected:**

1. On Vyve Cable TV: Channel 15
2. Online: Go to waycrossfirst.com. Choose "Sermons" then "Watch Live Sundays." You may watch live or recorded Sundays.

A+ Mission Team

Save the Date

"Christmas in July"

Open House for Educators

Wednesday, July 26th

Adult Bible Classroom

2:00pm-5:00pm

(Door prizes of \$50 Amazon gift cards to be given away. Must be present to register.)

Stock the teacher supply closet by donating to the A+ baskets located at entry points.

Requested donations are as follows:

Ink pens, Sticky Notes, Expo Markers, High Lighters, Glue Sticks, Vinyl/Cardboard folders with pockets, Hand Sanitizer, & Boxes of Kleenex



***Passing of the Peace of Christ**

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Bandy

Pastoral Prayer and Our Lord's Prayer

Rev. Bandy

Children's Moment

Ivy Kratzer

Hymn

"Living For Jesus"

Cokesbury p. 173

Scripture

James 4: 1-2

Rev. Bandy

Laity Prayer

Angie Coleman

Songs of Praise

"I've Found a Friend in Jesus"

Cokesbury p. 93

"There's Something about that Name"

UM Hymnal p. 171

{Congregation & Choir}

Sermon

"What We Do Shows What We Believe"

Rev. Bandy

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Bandy

Hymn of Invitation

"I Surrender All"

UM Hymnal p. 354

Benediction

Rev. Bandy

***Benediction Response**

"Here I am, Lord"

Postlude

Mr. Zeigler

*Please stand as you are able.

Christian Sympathies are extended to Mr. John Westberry and family in the death of his wife, Mrs. Carolyn Westberry. Please keep the Westberry family uplifted in prayer.

Christian Sympathy and love are extended to Tiffany, Jason, Jocelyn, and Hutch Harkleroad in the death of Tiffany's aunt, Mrs. Kaye Woodard Carter of Waycross. Funeral arrangements were with Miles-Odum Funeral Home. Please keep Tiffany and family uplifted in prayer.



Marsha Bishop, Patsy Blalock, Claire Boyle, Tammy Brown, Kimberly Chapman, Penn Clark, Barbara Coggin, Layne Coleman, Stephanie Coley Coleman, Cindy & Randy Conley, James Crouch, Bess Davis, Savannah Deal, Dr. Tom Ferrell Family, Jennifer Fesperman, Rick Fey, Faye Fletcher, Tripp Gay, Olive Griffin, Bill & Ruth Grimes, Rhonda Hart, Bryant Hayman, Tommy Herrin, Jim Hull, David Jackson, Rev. Jim and Barbara Jensen, Matthew Jernigan, Garrett Jolly, Johnny Jones, Betty Knowlton, Cheryl Lott, Rev. Sonny Mason, Jeffery Maxwell, Nancy McBride, Jennifer McGhin, Ann McIntosh, Lanier Melton, Military Service Members, Sarah Jolly Murray, Shirley Nettles, Chris Ober, E. B. Price, Lucie Putala, John Rentz, Johnny Register, Jane Ivy Hart-Reid, Pat Rouse, David Grey Russell, Andee Jolley Schroeder, Don Scott, Saralyn Singletary, Nita Skerratt, Mimi Smith, Jim "Papa" Stewart, Jim Sweat, Adam Swindell, Jamar Taylor Family, Brock Thrift, Carolyn Westberry Family, Henry Williamson, and Sharon Worton



"Feed the Gap" needs your help packing food bags EVERY WEEK this summer!

REMEMBER: Many hands make light work

VBS 2023



July 24-27

9am-12pm

**Contact Ivy to Volunteer
& to Pre-Register.**

Donations needed for VBS. The following items can be dropped off in Ivy's office.

Snacks: Goldfish Crackers, Teddy Grahams, Scooby Doo Fruit Snacks, Small bottled water, and Freeze Pops/Popsicles.

Miscellaneous: Baby Wipes, Paper Towels, T-Shirts cut into 2" wide strips, Band Aids, green crepe paper streamers, and clear/white balloons