

**Weekly Calendar  
Schedule**

**Sunday 10/15/23**

8:45am The Depot Service  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Traditional Worship  
1:00pm JAM 345 Trip

**Monday 10/16/23**

NO HANDBELLS

**Tuesday 10/17/23**

10:30am A+ TEAM Meeting

**Wednesday 10/18/23**

9:30am Women's Bible Study  
3:00pm Prayer Shawl Group  
NO SUPPER  
NO CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES  
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday 10/19/23**

12:00pm Finance Meeting

**Worship Attendance**

**10/08/23**

**The Depot — 24**

**Traditional Worship — 91**

**Stewardship**

Budget	\$	530,743.00
YTD Received	\$	376,785.00
Monthly Need	\$	44,229.00
Monthly Received	\$	14,657.00

**Online Giving is available.**

Go to [www.waycrossfirst.com](http://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.

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**Looking Ahead...**

- **TODAY is JAM 345!** Jacksonville Symphony for the, "Stories for Kids by Kids: Spooktacular." Leave church at 1pm. Return by 7pm. Bring \$12 for show and \$ for supper.
- **THERE WILL BE NO CHURCH NIGHT SUPPER OR CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES ON WEDNESDAY OF THIS WEEK, IN OBSERVANCE OF FALL BREAK.**
- **PNO** is Friday, Oct. 20th, 6-9pm. Cost is \$10/child.
- **Sunday, October 22nd is M&M's Luncheon** (\$7/plate) at 11:45am in the church Fellowship Hall and **Charge Conference**, 4pm at Tifton First UMC.
- **Trunk or Treat** will be held on Wednesday, October 25th. Line up on Reed St. and wrap under the portico. Please note Wednesday night supper schedule change for this event.  
+5:00-5:45 is car set up.  
+5:45-6:15 is Trunk or Treat time.  
+6:15-6:45 is Supper.  
**Candy donations can be dropped off by Ivy's office door.**



**Prelude**

Mr. Serrell Zeigler

**Opening Prayer** (Year of Prayer – Breath Prayer)

Rev. Christy Bandy

Read: Philippians 4:1-9 (Let us rejoice no matter what our circumstances are)  
**Dear Heavenly Father,**

**You are God of peace, and abundant joy, help us to stand firm in Your Word. We realize that outside of You there is no place that we are truly safe. Help us to be prepared for the day of Your return. May we even more meditate and pray so that we attain the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Help us to stop complaining about everything or giving into the anxieties of this world. Allow us to experience Your Joy and peace (Nehemiah 8:10).**

**In Jesus name we pray,  
AMEN!**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Rev. Bandy

**Laity Sunday Litany**

**Pastor: Savior, God and Friend – help us speak grace into the lives of those you love**

**Lay Leader: Savior, help us listen and bear witness to Your good news for all.**

Congregation: God, we trust Your scriptures bring life.

**Lay Leader: God, help us remember the words to Your salvation song.**

Congregation: We know you are calling us to something beautiful and new.

**Lay Leader: Friend of the forgotten and lonely, help our deeds and words to heal and help.**

Congregation: God, help us draw near to this broken world through Your church

**Lay Leader: Jesus speak the word, and we will echo Your call.**

Congregation: God, draw us together in Your love for life.

**Pastor: Savior, God, and Friend, we are Your people. Help us remember that Your faithful love is greater than Your best words that speak of it.**

**ALL: AMEN**

**\*Opening Hymn**

"Wonderful Words of Life"

p. 600 (UM Hymnal)

\*Please stand as you are able.

**First United  
Methodist Church**

410 Williams St.  
Waycross, Georgia  
(912)283-2077  
October 15, 2023  
10:30 a.m.  
[www.waycrossfirst.com](http://www.waycrossfirst.com)

October 15, 2023

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:

**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.

### **Sunday School Refreshment Schedule**

**January—Open Hearts Class**

**February—Gen X Class**

**March—Millennial Class**

**April—J-Walker's Class**

**May—Sid Ruff Class**

**June—Forever Young Class**

**July—Open Hearts Class**

**August—Gen X Class**

**September—Millennial Class**

**October—J-Walker's Class**

**November—Sid Ruff Class**

**December—Forever Young  
Class**

#### **\*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**

**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.**

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#### **\*Passing of the Peace of Christ**

Rev. Bandy

#### **Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

Rev. Bandy

#### **Pastoral Prayer and Our Lord's Prayer**

Rev. Bandy

#### **Children's Moment**

Ivy Kratzer

#### **\*Hymn**

"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"

p. 2158 (TFWS)

#### **Laity Prayer**

David Morton

#### **Introduction of Guest Speaker**

Rev. Bandy

#### **Scripture**

2 Timothy 1:13-14

Rev. Bandy

#### **Testimony**

Mr. Chris Maples

#### **Special Music**

Dengler

"Think on These Things"

#### **Invitation to Discipleship**

Rev. Bandy

#### **Hymn of Invitation**

"Softly and Tenderly"

p. 348 (UM Hymnal)

#### **Benediction**

Rev. Bandy

\*Please stand as you are able.

**Pastor: Go into the world, sharing healthy words that bring life,  
always bearing witness to Love's patten of patience, mercy, and  
saving grace. And now may God Our Savior, Creator, Redeemer,  
and Spirit of life be with you today and everyday.**

#### **\*Benediction Response**

"Softly and Tenderly" (Chorus)

#### **Postlude**

Mr. Serrell Zeigler

\*Please stand as you are able.

### **Prayer REQUESTS**

Betty Barber, Marsha Bishop, Patsy Blalock, Bowman Baby, Claire Boyle, Tammy Brown, Kimberly Chapman, Penn Clark, Barbara Coggin, Layne Coleman, Stephanie Coley Coleman, Cindy & Randy Conley, Norm Cover, James Crouch, Bess Davis, Brittini Deal, Savannah Deal, Jennifer Fesperman, Rick Fey, Faye Fletcher, Tripp Gay, Terri Gibson, Olive Griffin, Bill & Ruth Grimes, Rhonda Hart, Bryant Hayman, Jim Hull, David Jackson, Rev. Jim and Barbara Jensen, Matthew Jernigan, Garrett Jolly, Kathy King, Betty Knowlton, Cheryl Lott, Rev. Sonny Mason, Larry Mathison, Jeffery Maxwell, Nancy McBride, Jennifer McGhin, Ann McIntosh, Mack McKown, Lanier Melton, Kathy Metzger, Military Service Members, Sarah Jolly Murray, Shirley Nettles, Chris Ober, E. B. Price, Tyreq Purcell, Lucie Putala, John Rentz, Johnny Register, Jane Ivy Hart-Reid, Tyler Ronan, Pat Rouse, David Grey Russell, Andee Jolley Schroeder, Don Scott, Saralyn Singletary, Nita Skerratt, Desiree Slaughter, Mimi Smith, Jim "Papa" Stewart, Jim Sweat, Joe Sweat, Adam Swindell, Jamar Taylor Family, Brock Thrift, Tyrone Williams, Henry Williamson, Angelia Woodard, Mary Woodruff, Sharon Worton and Barbara Young



Lynn Barber, Pastor at Manor United Methodist Church extends an invitation to join in fall revival services. Manor UMC is excited to have the Revs. Jonathan and Stephanie Smith from Statesboro preaching. Revival will kick off during the 11:00am service on Sunday, Oct. 15th and have services each evening at 6:30pm Sunday night through Tuesday, Oct. 17.