

Welcome to Worship at Valdosta FUMC

February 6, 2022

5th Sunday after the Epiphany

White

SANCTUARY

11:00 AM

THE PRELUDE.....Cindy Lovan

Prelude on "Webb" arr. Payne

*OPENING SONG.....No. 451

Be Thou My Vision

THE INVITATION TO WORSHIP.....Rev. Dr. Anthony McPhail

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE.....No. 575

Onward, Christian Soldiers

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Matt Mullis

THE OFFERTORY..... Linda Downing/Cindy Lovan

Like a River Glorious with 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus arr. Miller

*THE DOXOLOGY.....No. 95

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

SCRIPTURE READING.....Matt Mullis

Luke 5:1-11

THE ANTHEM.....Chancel Choir

We Walk By Faith Martin

THE SERMON.....Dr. McPhail

A Life of Meaning: Necessary Sacrifices

*THE HYMN OF INVITATION.....words on screen

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*THE BENEDICTION and BLESSING.....Dr. McPhail

*THE POSTLUDE.....Cindy Lovan

Christ, the Sure Foundation Birchwood

Hospitality: John & Mary Margaret Williams | Lee Kurrie

*Please stand if able.

Nursery is available for children ages infant to 5 years

Church Night Supper and Bible Study

Church Night Supper - Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Pork Loin, Sweet Potatoes, Butter Beans, Grape Salad, Rolls, Strawberry Shortcake.

Dine-in or take-out!

Adult and children's studies to follow the meal and starts at 6:15 PM.

- Reservations and payment online!
- Quick curbside pick up Wednesday's 5:30-6:00 PM
- \$7 per meal for adults
- \$4 per meal 5th grade and below
- \$25 Family Max
- Online reservations due Tuesday's at 12 noon

WWW.VALDOSTAFIRSTUMC.ORG/CHURCH-NIGHT-SUPPER

An Account of Our Stewardship 1/30/2022

Total In Person Worship Attendance	227
Sunday School Attendance	130
Total Online Worship Attendance	191
YTD Income	\$72,807.26
YTD Expenses	\$72,170.15
2022 Budget	\$1,120,480.83

Follow us on social media @valdostafumc and use our hashtag #valdostafumc when sharing your FUMC moments! To assist with our website, publications and social media; please email your FUMC photos to mmullis@valdostafirstumc.org. All photos are appreciated and do not need to be recent, "throwback" pictures encouraged!

Directory

Rev. Dr. Anthony McPhail.....Senior Pastor
Emily Reaves.....Director of Youth Ministries
Kenji Bolden.....Director of Music Ministries
Brad Tarpley.....Director of Children's Ministries
Mallory Thompson.....Preschool Director
Cindy Lovan.....Organist/Children's Music Director
Linda Downing.....Pianist
Mary Clare Tarpley.....Nursery/Childcare Director
Laura Leonard.....Congregational Care/Visitation
Lily Spittal.....Financial Administrator
Cheri Fugate.....Administrative Assistant
Matt Felts.....Director of Audio Visual Production
Davis Nipper.....Visual Tech Specialist
Wendy Hart.....Audio Tech Specialist
James Siler.....Custodian/Church Host
Dutchess Caldwell.....Custodian
Petra Bogroff.....Custodian
Mary Ann Saliba.....Church Hostess
Matt Mullis.....Connections Pastor

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THE BULLETIN

February 6, 2022

Celebrating Our 163rd Year

Alive Together in Christ. Loving, Growing, & Serving.

A Look Ahead at February

February is one of the most unusual months of the year for ministry. It is cold, people tend to get sick, you have Valentines events that throw a kink in plans, and then there's a long weekend thrown in as well. This becomes a time of year that people drift in and out of church, which prompted one ministry I was a part of to rename February as "Fun February". The goal of that mini campaign was to make sure that we did not get caught up in doldrums and distractions, but instead tried to make the most of it. At our church, we have a few things to look forward to this month:

- We have two weeks left of our *A Life of Meaning* series, including this Sunday. So far, we have talked about the importance of living lives of love (both towards God and others), remembering our identity as God's children through Christ, having an intentional life purpose rooted in God's purposes for the world, and how we ought to embrace God's kingdom movement regardless of if it lines up with what we expect or even benefits us. In the two remaining weeks we will talk about the sacrifices involved in living a life of meaning and following Jesus, and the company we take along the way.
- We also have a very important meeting on Monday night! On February 7th at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall, we will have our first Church Council meeting of 2022, to hear updates from the various committees of the church, review the work of the Strategic Planning Team, and spend a few moments updating the congregation on the state of our denomination. All are welcome!
- I am going on vacation! Emma and I are heading to England to celebrate the wedding of one of my best friends, and we will be gone February 17th through 26th. On February 20th Matt Mullis, our Connections Pastor, will lead the preaching, and while I plan to be back to lead the services on February 27th, C.J. Harp of the VSU Wesley Foundation will preach the sermon that day (I figured he would be more awake than me, and it also gives us a backup plan if my flight is delayed). Both are fantastic communicators, and I am excited to hear them share. Additionally, while I am gone, please communicate any pastoral care needs to the office or directly to Laura Leonard, our Congregational Care leader. If a clergyperson is needed for a critical concern or a funeral, former pastor Charles Adams has said he will be in town and available.

Anthony<><

MEMORIALS:

In memory of **John T. Milhous, Jr.:** Beth Dinkins, Sandi Herrington, Lucy Greene, Juanita Morgan, Karen Steinberg, Sandra Connell, Ann Bassford, Bill & Nancy Parker, John & Dixie Trollinger, Jim & Susan Wheeler, Kentucky Fried Chicken of Valdosta, Susan Mackey, Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Morgan, Hugh Warren, Don & Susan Crews, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 13, Woodman Lodge 6018.

In memory of **Mary Ann Wetherington Ratcliff:** Buddy & Sharon Coleman

FLOWERS: The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of the church staff.

TEXT SIGN-IN: Text (229) 459-4646 with one of these keywords to let us know you are a part of worship today:

- *Joining worship online today? Text **ONLINE** to (229) 459-4646 so we know who is worshipping online!*
- *Attending worship here for the first or second time today? Text **NEW** to (229) 459-4646 so we can connect with you better!*
- *Are you a member and/or regular attendee of Valdosta FUMC? Text **HERE** to (229) 459-4646 so we know you are present!*

You may be prompted to fill out a brief "digital connection card" with basic contact information to help us connect with you better. Thanks!



You're Invited: Taste of Wesley

February 25th at 6:30 PM | Valdosta State University | Student Unions Ballrooms
A Fundraising Dinner Benefitting Valdosta State University Wesley Foundation
RSVP online at www.vsuwesley.com or email vsuwesley@gmail.com

College & Young Adult Home Group at the Mullis's House
Thursdays at 8:00 PM
Food, Worship, Fellowship, Bible Study

Contact Matt Mullis for more information: mmullis@valdostafirstumc.org

Youth Ministry

6th - 12th grades

THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6
SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH

TIME: 5:00PM-7:00PM

Drop off: Youth Room
108 W Central Ave

Pickup: Fellowship Hall Parking

Snack Supper provided!



Confirmation Class 2022

February 6:
The Holy Spirit

Class #3: 10:00 am - 10:50 am
Fellowship Hall



MORE INFO & REGISTRATION

[HTTPS://WWW.VALDOSTAFIRSTUMC.ORG/CONFIRMATION-CLASS-2022](https://www.valdostafirstumc.org/confirmation-class-2022)



Week of February 6 - February 13, 2022 Looking Ahead

Sunday, February 6

9:00 AM Worship in the Loft * (Communion)
10:00 AM Sunday School *
10:00 AM Confirmation Class (Fellowship Hall)
11:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary * (Communion)
3:00 PM Langdale Place (Communion)
5:00 PM Sunday Night Youth (Youth Room)

Monday, February 7

9:00 AM Preschool/MMO
10:00 AM Table Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
5:30 PM Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 PM Bible Study Fellowship

Tuesday, February 8

9:00 AM Preschool
9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (Becky Anthony)
6:00 PM Mobile Midweek

Wednesday, February 9

9:00 AM Preschool/MMO
12 Noon Handbells (Handbell Room)
5:30 PM Church Night Supper TAKE-OUT (Fellowship Hall Parking Lot)
5:45 PM Church Night Supper DINE-IN (Fellowship Hall)
6:15 PM Adult Bible Study
6:15 PM "Kids" Mission Possible
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, February 10

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Watt)
9:00 AM Preschool
4:00 PM Staff Bible Study
6:15 PM Loft Rehearsal (Loft)
8:00 PM College & Young Adult Group (Mullis)

Friday, February 11

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
9:00 AM Preschool/MMO Winter Break

Sunday, February 13

9:00 AM Loft Service *
10:00 AM Sunday School *
10:00 AM Confirmation Class (Fellowship Hall)
11:00 AM Sanctuary Service *
6:00 PM Youth Super Bowl Party (Youth Room 6:00-9:00 PM)

*Nursery available for children, age birth to five years



Remember in Prayer

Known illness and/or need as of Tuesday

Prayer concerns will be left on prayer list for 5 weeks unless office is notified.

Community | Country | Church leaders

Capital Campaign | Nursing Home Members

Kathryn Connell | Joy Sanders

PRECEPT STUDY First Peter Bible Study (www.precept.org)

Please join us as we search out the answers from God's Word, which promises we will grow in our faith.

- **Title:** How to Stand Firm When Tested
- **Date:** Tuesday, February 15, 2022
- **Time:** 9:30 AM
- **Place:** Valdosta First United Methodist Church (Wesleyan Classroom)
- **Call:** 229-444-0731 to register/questions



Preschool/MMO Ministry 2-4 year olds/8 weeks old - 2 year olds

**Preschool and MMO registration dates
for the 2022-2023 School Year:**

Church Members: Today, February 6

Mallory will be available during the morning to answer questions and register Families.

Open Registration to the Community: February 7 starting at 9:00 AM

For more information contact Mallory Thompson at mthompson@valdostafirstumc.org

MMO NEED:

"Our MMO Infant Room is in need of a baby carrier, wrap or ring sling for holding infants. If you have one in good condition you would be willing to donate, MMO would be grateful!"

UPCOMING

February 9: Valentine's Day Celebrations!

February 11 thru February 14: Preschool Winter Break!

Children's Ministry

K - 5th grade

This Sunday, February 6, 2022

9:00 AM No Children's Moment in the Loft Service (Communion)
10:00 AM ROCK Music with the ROCK Sunday School immediately following in The Rock.
11:00 AM No Children's Church in the Sanctuary (Communion)



Tonight: Sunday, February 6

****Operation Valentine Shine****

Where: The Rock

Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Mission for People with Special Needs.

Food, Fun, and Missions!!

Please come and enjoy!!

UPCOMING:

Wed. Feb. 9: Kids Mission Possible following Church Night Supper!