

**Welcome to Worship at Valdosta FUMC**  
**March 21, 2021**

5th Sunday in Lent

Purple

**SANCTUARY**

**11:00 AM**

THE PRELUDE.....Cindy Lovan  
*Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) arr. Thygerson*

THE OPENING SONG.....No. 334  
*Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

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

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE.....No. 370  
*Victory in Jesus*

\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....The Apostles' Creed.....No. 881

THE SPECIAL MUSIC.....Sarah Grant, flute  
*Erhalt Uns. Herr arr. Farrell*

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE.....Brad Tarpley

THE SCRIPTURE READING.....Dr. McPhail  
*John 16:7-15*

THE ANTHEM..... Ensemble  
*Down to the River to Pray arr. Curry*

THE SERMON.....Dr. McPhail  
*Unknown: The Confrontation of the Spirit*

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Dr. McPhail

THE OFFERTORY.....Linda Downing and Cindy Lovan  
*Lift High the Cross arr. Hayes/Gaspard*

\*THE DOXOLOGY.....No. 95  
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

THE MORNING and THE LORD'S PRAYER.....Rev. Diane Shedd

\*THE HYMN OF INVITATION.....No. 354  
*I Surrender All*

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

THE POSTLUDE.....Cindy Lovan  
*The Joy of the Lord Sewell*

\*Please stand if able.

**Nursery is available for children ages infant to 5 years**

**Church Night Supper and Bible Studies**

**Church Night Supper - Wednesday, March 24, 2021**

Catfish, Cheese grits, Coleslaw, Hush puppies and Lemon pie.

(In person and pick up)

Adult, youth 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](http://WWW.VALDOSTAFIRSTUMC.ORG/CHURCH-NIGHT-SUPPER)

**An Account of Our Stewardship**

**3/14/2021**

Total In Person Worship Attendance	179
Sunday School Attendance	107
Total Online Worship Attendance	185
YTD Income	\$166,361.64
YTD Expenses	\$188,527.08
2021 Budget	\$1,108,522.55

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 [epreaves@valdostafirstumc.org](mailto:epreaves@valdostafirstumc.org). All photos are appreciated and do not need to be recent, "throwback" pictures encouraged!

**Directory**

Rev. Dr. Anthony McPhail.....Senior Pastor  
 Rev. Diane Shedd.....Associate 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 .....Interim 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  
 Carri Bedene.....Custodian  
 Mary Ann Saliba.....Church Hostess  
 Matt Mullis.....Clergy Intern  
 Ross Tucker.....Youth Ministry Assistant  
 Josh Holloway.....Maintenance

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**THE BULLETIN**

**March 21, 2021**

*Celebrating Our 162nd Year*

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

Get Ready for Holy Week!

Next Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> is the official kickoff of the best full week on the Christian calendar! Historically Christians have celebrated Holy Week with a celebratory kickoff on Palm Sunday, devotions or small worship services Monday through Wednesday, and then full worship services on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and in some cases Holy Saturday as well. Over the years churches have waned over how to observe Holy Week in a holy fashion that tells the whole story while acknowledging participation may be sparse for parts of the week. How should we proceed?

Our "Creative Team" (our intentional name for our worship and ministry staff) has come up with a plan that we believe will enable us to observe Holy Week to its fullest while also acknowledging the busyness of people's lives, and that it may be difficult to gather daily:

- Palm Sunday Outdoor Worship Service on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am – On Palm Sunday we will be worshipping outside with a celebration full of singing, children waving palms, and an Easter Egg Hunt to follow! On this Sunday we will not be holding any services or functions at the church buildings, as everything will take place out at Allen and Sally Woods's house 4235 Val Del Road. In the event of inclement weather we will be on our normal schedule at the church.
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Good Friday Online Devotions at 12:00pm – Each weekday of Holy Week (other than Thursday), we invite you to join us for a short online devotion each day at noon with reflective music and a brief teaching. This will enable us to tune in wherever and whenever is convenient, but still take part in the movements of Holy Week together.
- Maundy Thursday Worship Service at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary – On Maundy Thursday we will gather for a full worship service in our Sanctuary and online, and for this particular day we will gather in the evening just as Jesus and his disciples gathered in the evening on his last night before the crucifixion.

Following our Holy Week observance, we will be ready to celebrate on Easter Sunday with our full, normal schedule! Make plans to attend in person or online, as we worship together April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Anthony<><

## ALTAR GUILD MINISTRY TEAM March 2021

Flowers – Ann Schutt

Communion - Joanna Bridges | Dee Broadfoot

Baptism - Angie Davis

The Altar Guild Assignments for 2021 are posted on the FUMC website under Useful Links.

[www.valdostafirstumc.org/useful-links](http://www.valdostafirstumc.org/useful-links)

### FLOWERS:

The flowers in the sanctuary are offered to the glory of God by the family of **Slade McCranie** in honor of his 80th birthday.

**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 worshiping 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!*

**FUMC Monthly Spotlight:** The FUMC staff would like to extend a "BIG" thank you to **Mrs. Lucy Greene** for her kind and thoughtful heart. Lucy surprises the staff with her famous pimento and cheese on occasion and it is so delicious! We love and appreciate all you do! Thank you Mrs. Lucy!

## Youth Ministry

6th - 12th grades

This Sunday, March 21, 2021

Regular Sunday Night Youth + Worship  
Invite a Friend!

TIME | 5:00PM-7:15PM (P3 gathering with Pastor Anthony | 6:45-7:15 PM Fellowship Hall)



**DROP OFF** | 108 W. Central Avenue

**WHAT TO BRING** | mask and Bible!

**SNACK SUPPER** | Zacadoos & cheddar rounds!

**PICK UP** | Fellowship Hall Parking Lot

**WHAT WE'LL BE DOING** | Snack supper, WORSHIP, games, lesson, small groups!

### Upcoming:

Youth Mission Trip 2021: The Carolinas

More info and details about Mission Trip Training/Parent's Meeting & fundraisers coming soon!



## Week of March 14 - March 21, 2021

### Looking Ahead

#### Sunday, March 21

9:00 AM Worship in the Loft \*  
 9:45 AM Sunday School\*  
 11:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary \*  
 Children's Church  
 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship (Youth Room)  
 6:45 PM Pastor Parents Partnership (Fellowship Hall)

#### Monday, March 22

9:00 AM Preschool/MMO  
 10:00 AM Alignment Meeting (The Rock)

#### Tuesday, March 23

7:00 AM Men's Group  
 9:00 AM Preschool  
 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study (Becky Anthony)  
 10:00 AM Precept Bible Study (Wesleyan)  
 12 Noon Hymn Study with Kenji (Parlor)

#### Wednesday, March 24

8:30 AM Donuts with Dad (Fellowship Hall)  
 9:00 AM Preschool/MMO  
 12 Noon Handbells  
 1:00 PM Ensemble Practice  
 5:30-6:00 PM Church Night Supper: take out  
 5:45 PM Church Night Supper: in-person  
 6:15 PM Adult/Youth/Children Bible Studies \*

#### Thursday, March 25

7:00 AM Men's Group (Watt)  
 9:00 AM Preschool  
 12:30 PM Staff Lunch Club  
 4:00 PM Staff Bible Study  
 6:15 PM Loft Rehearsal

#### Friday, March 26

9:00 AM Preschool

#### Sunday, March 28

10:00 AM Outdoor Palm Sunday Worship (Woods Home)  
 Easter Egg Hunt  
 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship (Off Campus)

\*Nursery available for children, age birth to five years

### DONATIONS NEEDED:

We will be having our Easter egg hunt outdoors along with our Palm Sunday Celebration on **Sunday, March 28th** at The Woods' Home. You don't want to miss it!



We need  
candy donations!

Remember:

No Chocolates or Nuts!



## CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

March 21, 2021 9:00 AM

Unknown: The Confrontation of the Spirit  
John 16:7-15

Rev. Dr. Anthony McPhail

(At the conclusion of our service, please join us for the baptism of **Anne Carlisle Maixner** in the Sanctuary)

### Praise Team

Kenji Bolden	Worship leader
Tori Maxwell, vocals	Matt Mullis, guitar and vocals
Maggie Tarpley, vocals	Mike Godwin, bass
	Leslie Smith, drums

## Preschool/MMO Ministry

2-4 year olds/8 weeks old - 2 year olds

**Fall registration continues. Limited spots are available.**

For more information email [mthompson@valdostafirstumc.org](mailto:mthompson@valdostafirstumc.org) or visit the church website at [valdostafirstumc.org/preschoolmmo](http://valdostafirstumc.org/preschoolmmo)

### Upcoming Events:

Donuts with Dad is on Wednesday, March 24th at 8:30 a.m.  
Class Easter Egg Hunt is on Friday, April 2nd.  
Spring Break is the week of April 5th-April 9th! No Preschool/MMO

## Children's Ministry

K - 5th grade

This Sunday, March 21, 2021

9:00 AM Children's Moment in the Loft Service  
 9:45 AM ROCK Music with the ROCK Sunday School immediately following  
 11:00 AM Children's Church in Sanctuary Service

### Upcoming:

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

5:45 PM Church Night Supper

6:15 PM MISSION POSSIBLE at The Rock!

Children are invited to participate in mission projects and games.

Sunday, March 28th: Easter Egg Hunt following Palm Sunday Celebration (Woods)

## HYMN STUDY

Every Tuesday at Noon in The Parlor

Lead by Kenji Bolden



**Remember in Prayer**

**Known illness and/or need as of Tuesday**

**Community**

**Country**

**Church leaders**

**Capital Campaign**

**Teresa Steinberg**

**Sarah Moon Rathel**

**Joanne Harrison**

**Kathryn Connell**

**Dennis Fenstermaker**

**Aliene Nazzaro**

**Nursing home members**