

Welcome to Worship at Valdosta FUMC
May 16, 2021

7th Sunday of Easter

White

SANCTUARY

11:00 AM

THE PRELUDE.....Cindy Lovan
Prelude on "Webb" arr. Payne

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Children's Choir
He's Got the Whole World in His Hands
Jesus Loves Me

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

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Children's Choir
The Zacchaeus Story

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

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE.....No. 328
Surely the Presence of the Lord

UNDER THIS ROOF STORIES

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Matt Mullis

THE OFFERTORY.....Linda Downing/Cindy Lovan
It Is Well With My Soul arr. Whitworth

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

THE ANTHEM.....Chancel Choir
God Is There arr. Althouse

THE SERMON.....Dr. McPhail
Who Can Change the World? People that Wait (Go)
Acts 1:1-11

GIDEON SPEAKER

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

*THE HYMN of INVITATION.....words on screen
I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*THE BENECTION and BLESSING.....Dr. McPhail

*THE POSTLUDE.....Cindy Lovan
Jesus Shall Reign arr. Price

Hospitality: Wade & Annabelle Henry | Jon & Maggie Miller

*Please stand if able.

Nursery is available for children ages infant to 5 years

Church Night Supper and Bible Studies

LAST Church Night Supper - Wednesday, May 19, 2021
 Chicken Divan, Yellow Rice, Zipper Peas, Biscuits and Banana Pudding.
 (Dine-in or take out)

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

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An Account of Our Stewardship
5/9/2021

Total In Person Worship Attendance	235
Sunday School	134
Total Online Worship Attendance	98
YTD Income	\$301,484.50
YTD Expenses	\$349,922.32
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. 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

May 16, 2021

Celebrating Our 162nd Year

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

"It's Time for a Change"

You would be hard pressed to find a more loaded word in our common vernacular than the word "change". Change causes a whole range of emotions to come to the surface. I believe two things are true about change: 1) it comes with a cost, and 2) it produces some sort of outcome. If we want to make a change to improve our finances, then we know it will have a cost of discipline and hopefully a positive outcome. If we want to improve our home, then we know we will have the cost of the project but also the outcome of satisfaction of enjoying the finished product. If we want to help change someone's life then it might cost some of our time and effort, but the outcome may end up being eternal and worth the investment.

As a congregation we find ourselves responding to the call of a few challenges or you might say "changes". First, we have the charge of "regathering" the church to get people back in the habit of participating via their prayers, presence, giving, service, and witness. Now is a fantastic time to ramp up our efforts to rebuild participation and move forward as a church. The cost will be our time and resources, but the outcome can set us up to make a huge impact in our community and in the lives of others.

Second, we have the joyous calling of rebooting our "Under this Roof" Capital Campaign. With us being over two-thirds of the way to our \$1.8m goal, now is the time for us to complete this project and make the changes to our church facilities that are needed. The cost of course is financial, as we are calling on all those that have not made a pledge or have previously given but might feel led to give more now to invest in this project through two-year pledges (2021-2022) and one-time contributions between now and the end of June. The cost is significant, but the change outcome will be a restored sanctuary ready to serve our congregation and community for many years to come, renovated ministry areas to reach more families and kids for Christ, and an investment in future revitalization.

Lastly, we remember our calling to transform the world. The United Methodist mission statement is "To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." This mission comes with a significant cost, but also an important opportunity to make a difference in the world.

Anthony<><

MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS:

In memory of **Doris Townsend:** Slade & Margaret McCranie
 In memory of **Larry Tatum:** John T. McTier
 In memory of **Suzi Shingler:** Judy & David Bridges
 In memory of **Paul McNeal:** Slade & Margaret McCranie

FLOWERS: Flowers for the sanctuary on Sunday morning may be placed in memory or honor of a loved one. Please contact the church office or write your name on the flower calendar outside of the church office.

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!



Baby Bottle Boomerang for Options Now
(Mother's Day through Father's Day)

Sunday School and Individual Mission Project
Take a bottle and fill with your pocket change: Return Sunday, June 20

Options Now is a local ministry offering free and confidential pregnancy services.

Youth Ministry

6th - 12th grades

This Sunday, May 16th

Regular Sunday Night Youth + WORSHIP + A GENDER REVEAL!
If you haven't heard...Emily & Chris are expecting a baby in November!
This Sunday at the end of SNY we will have a gender reveal for the youth! Exciting!

TIME | 5:00PM-7:00PM

DROP OFF | 108 W Central Ave

PICK UP | Fellowship Hall Parking Lot

Snack Supper Provided!

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER | Come see who it is!

Graduation Sunday is coming up! May 23! We will be recognizing our High School AND College graduates! Have or know of a graduating high school or college senior? Please make sure that Emily Reaves knows! You can email her at epreaves@valdostafirstumc.org. On May 23 our Grads will be recognized at both services and have a graduation breakfast in between services!



Youth Mission Trip 2020

June 13 - 19 to Wilmington, North Carolina

Please email Emily Reaves at epreaves@valdostafirstumc.org if you have any questions.

Updates about the fundraiser, mission trip training & other details coming this week!



Week of May 16 - May 23, 2021 Looking Ahead

Sunday, May 16

9:00 AM Worship in the Loft*
 9:45 AM Sunday School*
 11:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary (Children's Choir)*
 Children's Church
 11 AM - 1 PM Youth Missions BBQ plate pick-up (Fellowship Hall)
 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship (Youth Room)

Monday, May 17

9:00 AM Preschool/MMO
 9:30 AM Preschool Music
 10:00 AM Operations Meeting (Wesleyan)
 10:30 AM Creative Team Meeting (Wesleyan)

Tuesday, May 18

7:00 AM Men's Group
 8:30 AM Financial Counseling with Danny Jones (Library)
 9:00 AM Preschool
 10:00 AM Precept Bible Study (Wesleyan)

Wednesday, May 19

9:00 AM Preschool/MMO
 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel
 11:00 AM End of Year Program/4K Graduation in Sanctuary
 5:30 - 6 PM Church Night Supper take out
 5:45 PM Church Night Supper dine in
 6:15 PM Adult and Youth Bible studies
 6:15 PM Mission Possible for Children
 7:00 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Thursday, May 20

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

Friday, May 21

9:00 AM Preschool Year End Class parties/Last day of school

Sunday, May 23 Graduation Sunday!

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)

*Nursery available for children, age birth to five years



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 | Aliene Nazzaro | Nursing home members



Join us for an afternoon of church-wide fellowship and fun with swimming, fishing, and outdoor activities for all ages!

Supper will be served. Please bring your picnic blankets, outdoor chairs, and fishing poles.

**Sunday,
May 23rd
4:00-6:30pm**

HOME OF
ALLEN & SALLY WOODS
4235 VAL DEL ROAD
HAHIRA, GEORGIA 31632

**Donations to Second Harvest of South Georgia will be collected. Canned proteins and canned vegetables are needed most, but any and all donations will be greatly appreciated.*

Please **RSVP** by Sunday, May 17th to Cheri Fugate at 229-242-4050 or cfugate@valdostafirstumc.org

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

**Limited spots remain open for the 2021-2022 school year.
A waitlist for full classes has been opened.**

We will be hiring for the 2021-2022 school year.

Email resumes to Mallory Thompson, Preschool Director at mthompson@valdostafirstumc.org

Next week:

May 19th: End of Year program and 4K Graduation-Sanctuary at 11:00 AM

May 21st: End of Year Class Parties; Last day of School!

Children's Ministry

K - 5th grade

This Sunday, May 16, 2021

9:00 AM Children's Moment in the Loft Service
 10:00 AM ROCK Music practice in Sanctuary
 11:00 AM Children's Choir Presentation during the 11:00 AM Worship.
 Children's Church immediately following in Fellowship Hall.

Upcoming:

Wednesday, May 16, 2021

5:45 PM Church Night Supper

6:15 PM MISSION POSSIBLE in the Loft Youth Room!

Last Wednesday night events before summer!

FINANCIAL COUNSELING:

Has this past year been difficult on your finances? Would you like assistance in building a plan to get out of debt, building a budget, learning to save, or general questions about money? Financial Counseling will be available at the church Tuesday mornings from 8:30 to 10:30 by appointment.

For more information or to set an appointment call Danny Jones at (229) 563-3761 or to set an appointment call the church office at (229) 242-4050.