

Welcome to Worship at Valdosta FUMC
November 22

Christ the King/Reign of Christ

White

Sanctuary

11:00 AM

- THE PRELUDE.....Cindy Lovan
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come- arr. Page
- THE INTROIT.....Ensemble
Come and Be Joyful- arr. Hopson
- THE INVITATION TO WORSHIP.....Kenji Bolden
- *THE HYMN OF PRAISE.....No. 92
For the Beauty of the Earth
- *THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....The Apostles' Creed.....No. 881
- THE MORNING PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER.....Rev. Diane Shedd
- CHILDREN'S MESSAGE..... Brad Tarpley
- THE HYMN OF PREPARATION.....No. 694
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come
- THE OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Kenji Bolden
- THE OFFERTORY.....Linda Downing and Cindy Lovan
How Great Thou Art -arr Ralston
- THE ANTHEM.....Ensemble
All Good Gifts- Martin
- THE SERMON.....The Core: COMPASSIONATE to Others.....Emily Reaves
 Luke 10:25-37
- *THE HYMN OF INVITATION.....Congregation
Give Thanks-arr. Barker
- *THE BENECTION AND BLESSING.....Emily Reaves
- *POSTLUDE.....Cindy Lovan
When Morning Gilds the Skies- arr. McDonald

- Please stand if able.

Nursery is available for children ages infant to 5 years

Thanksgiving Agape Meal: #sgaumc

Sunday, November 22 at 6:00 PM

Bishop Lawson and Mrs. Sherrill Bryan invite the South Georgia Conference to join them in a virtual Thanksgiving Agape Meal.

Lasting 30 minutes, the Agape Meal unites Christians in table fellowship using bread, cup, scripture, and prayer for encouragement and support. Participants are encouraged to prepare their favorite meal or snack to eat during the service.

“This is the perfect opportunity to reach out to friends, relatives and neighbors wherever they may live,” Bishop Bryan said. “Share the link and invite them to a unique experience of Thanksgiving. Visit www.sgaumc.org/agapemeal for more information and to join the meal.

An Account of Our Stewardship
11/15/2020

Total In-Person Worship Attendance	170
Total Online Worship Attendance	383
Sunday School Attendance	98
YTD Income	\$808,959.24
YTD Expenses	\$823,699.24
2020 Budget	\$1,120,925.00

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 Student Ministries
 Kenji Bolden..... Director of Music Ministries
 Brad Tarpley..... Director of Children's Ministries
 Vacant..... Preschool Director
 Cindy Lovan..... Organist/Children's Music Director
 Linda Downing..... Pianist
 Vacant..... Nursery/Childcare Director
 Laura Leonard..... Congregational Care/Visitation
 Lily Spittal..... Financial Administrator
 Cheri Fugate..... Administrative Assistant
 Davis Nipper..... Audio/Visual Tech Assistant
 Wendy Hart..... Audio Tech Specialist
 James Siler..... Custodian/Church Host
 Carri Bedene..... Custodian
 Mary Ann Saliba..... Church Hostess
 Matt Mullis..... Ministry Intern

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THE BULLETIN

November 22, 2020

Celebrating Our 161st Year

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

A Helpful Reminder at a Helpful Time

As we close out our series on our core values, we arrive this week with the challenge to be COMPASSIONATE to Others. All of our core values come as challenges and charges to us as a church, but this one in particular fits the category of challenge more than value. We all would agree to “value compassion”, but it is quite a different thing to embrace the challenge of actually being compassionate. What an appropriate time for us to hear such a message, as we enter the final chapter of a tough year and think of all of those that need our compassion right now. I am excited that we will have the opportunity to hear this message from a different voice, as Emily Reaves our Director of Student Ministries and Social Media/Website brings us the message this week.

After catching my breath during the week of Thanksgiving, I am excited to be back next Sunday as we enter into the sacred and hope filled season of Advent. Our focus for Advent and Christmas this year will be *Redeeming the Unredeemable*, which offers us an opportunity to reflect on how the hope of Christmas breaks through with redemption for a seemingly lost situation. This year has in many ways felt unredeemable, and for many the suffering they have experienced this year has left wounds that may never fully heal this side of eternity. Advent and Christmas offer us the opportunity to experience anew the hope we can encounter in this life, and to anticipate the everlasting hope offered through an eternal life with Christ. The message of the incarnation is that redemption encountered a world in an unredeemable state, and redemption won.

I want to encourage you to participate as much as you can during the final weeks of 2020. When it seems that not much can be redeemed, our presence together in worship strikes against that message and invites us to proclaim hope in the midst of darkness together. Let us worship together either in person or online, as we eagerly anticipate the hope and joy of Christmas again.

Anthony<><



FLOWERS: The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Valdosta First United Methodist Women in grateful appreciation for our dedicated and talented staff who joyfully nourish, protect, connect, teach, lead, and minister to our congregation and community for the glory of God

Valdosta FUMC Preschool Program/MMO Program

Now enrolling for January 2021!

Preschool ages 2-4 years old
and

MMO Program from 8 weeks-2 years old

For more information email thompson.gooding@gmail.com or visit the church website at valdostafirstumc.org/preschoolmmo

Front Office Hours: Week of Thanksgiving

Monday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM (12:30 - 1:30 lunch)
Tuesday: 8:00 AM-4:30 PM (12:30-1:30 lunch)
Wednesday-Friday: Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

It is time to decorate the church for Christmas! This is a BIG job but so much fun and so rewarding. Come join us.

Friday, November 27 at 11:00 AM
Saturday, November 28 at 10:00 AM

Plan ahead. We will be undecorating on Wednesday, December 30 at 10:00 AM. If changes occur, they will be posted on the website.

Thank you in advance.
Altar Guild

FUMC Charge Conference- Sunday, November 29

Park Avenue UMC at 3:00 PM with
Wright's Chapel, Statenville, Lake Park and The Porch

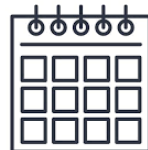
College Sunday School:

The class meets at 9:45 am in the downstairs Loft back room. This is led by Matt Mullis.

CARING CHRISTMAS 2020

Caring Christmas packets were picked up in the Loft and Sanctuary last Sunday, November 15, they will also be available this Sunday in both services. If you miss getting one, please contact Leigh Jordan @ 229-563-0995. Leigh will get a packet to the church main office for you which you can pick up during business hours.

Gifts can be returned "unwrapped" in the distributed bags Sunday, December 13 at 9:00 am and 11:00 am in the sanctuary carport under balcony area.



**Week of November 22 - November 29, 2020
Looking Ahead**

Sunday, November 22

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 Movie Night
6:00 PM Thanksgiving Agape Meal

Tuesday, November 24

7:00 AM Men's Group
11:30 AM Ladies Bible Study-(Ricketts)
12:00 Noon Hybrid Hymn Study with Kenji

Wednesday, November 25

Office closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

Thursday, November 26

Office closed for Thanksgiving

Friday, November 27

Office closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

Sunday, November 29- First Sunday in Advent

9:00 AM Worship in the Loft
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship in Sanctuary
3:00 PM Charge Conference @ Park Ave UMC

*Nursery available for children, age birth to five years



**Remember in Prayer
Known illness and/or need as of Tuesday**

Community **Church leaders** **Country** **Capital Campaign**
Sarah Moon Rathel **Nursing home members**

To Think About:

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.
Ephesians 4:32

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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

November 22, 2020 9:00 AM

The Core: COMPASSIONATE to Others

Luke 10:25-37

Emily Powell Reaves

Praise Team

Kenji Bolden, Worship Leader, keyboard

Judy Varnado, vocals Matt Mullis, guitar
Kasey McQuitty, vocals Mike Godwin, bass

**Youth Ministry
6th - 12th grade**

This Sunday, November 22, 2020

Youth Movie Night (6th-12th grade students)

TIME: 5:00 PM-7:45 PM **DROP OFF:** 108 W Central Ave **MOVIE:** Elf (PG)

PICK UP: Fellowship Hall Parking Lot (corner of Toombs/Valley Street)

WHAT TO BRING: Mask! We will provide snacks and drinks!

Sunday Mornings: 10:00 AM Sunday School (youth room next to Loft lobby). For All youth grades 6th-12th.

Next Sunday, November 29: No Sunday Night Youth

Want to received our Youth Newsletter to stay current on our happenings? Email Emily Reaves at epreaves@valdostafirstumc.org to get signed up!

**Children's Ministry
K - 5th grade**

This Sunday, November 22, 2020

9:00 AM Children's Moment in The Loft
9:45 AM Music with Mrs. Cindy and The Rock Sunday School immediately following
11:00 AM Sanctuary Service with Children's Church

Thank you to all our 3rd and 4th graders for doing such a great job getting your bibles!

Please mark your calendars:

*7 Acts of Kindness for Thanksgiving. Details to follow Sunday at church and on social media.

*December 6th: Children will perform special Christmas Music at Church.

Music Ministry

In efforts to minister and connect with you during the week, our ministry would like to offer "Notes of Inspiration." What you'll receive is a brief commentary on a song or hymn along with a link to listen to the music. No apps or downloads needed to participate.

To sign up for a weekly "note of inspiration" from Kenji Bolden text the following message @notesofi to number 81010. Email kbolden@valdostafirstumc.org for more information.

Be sure to check the church's Facebook page for "Vintage Friday's with Kenji" insight and inspiration with vintage hymns.