

First Methodist Church of Swainsboro

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 8, 2026

Broadcast over WXRS 100.5 FM

Have you found Jesus yet?

Prelude

Dona Nobis Pacem “ Grant Us Peace “
arr. Penny Rodriguez

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Seek the Lord while He may be found,

call upon Him while He is near;

let the wicked forsake his way,

and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the Lord, that He may have mercy on him,

and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

Invocation

***Opening Hymn** Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise MH 103

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles’ Creed MH 881

***Gloria Patri**

Passing of the Peace

***Gathering Chorus** *Something Good Is Going to Happen to You*
On Screen

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

***Morning Hymn** Be Thou My Vision MH 451

Offering and Prayer

Anthem

***Doxology**

Children’s Moment

Melinda Hall

***Scripture**

Matthew 5:13-16

Sermon

“ Salt “

Rev. David Unkles

****Invitation Hymn** O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee MH 430

***Benediction**

Postlude

Christ Is the World’s Light
Schlesische Volkslieder, 1842; arr. Richard S. Willis, 1850

* Please stand as you are able.

**Our chancel rail is open for prayer.

Nursery: 11:00 a.m. Tammy Gray

February Altar Guild: Whitney Wheeler

Ushers: Dean Gowen, Tyler Hendley, Gary Mason, Cliff Smith, Jansen Ware

***The flowers this Sunday are in loving memory of
Ms. Jenna Opal Ware by her family.***

**The 2026 Chamber of Commerce Banquet honored
Attorney Richard McNeely as “ Citizen of the Year ” and
Miss Addalyn Terwilliger was recognized as “ Star Student “
for David Emanuel Academy. Congratulations to both of
You ! We are so very proud.**

***The Thrift Shop is in need of donations to the “ Get One
Free “ personal hygiene box. Items needed include: wet
wipes, shaving cream, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste,
body wash and shampoo. Please bring your contributions to
the church office.***

Thanks to everyone who supports the Thrift Shop ministry !

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Church Members:

John Allen Bailey, Linda Baker, Ada Lee Correll,
Cherry Curry, Peggy Denny family, Nancy Flanders,
Marilyn Freese, Butch Frye, Jerry Hooks, David
Kettles, Bonnie Lanier, Gail Lewis, Bob Neil, George
Smith, Sue Stockholm, Richard Smith, Pat Tiller

Extended Church Family:

Georgia Kate Anderson, Tracy Avery, Brandi Brown,
Lee Canady, Larry Canady, Marie Canady (Melissa
Canady step-mother), Randy Carter, Lynn Chance,
Cindy Claxton, Keri Grimm Claxton, Sam Daniels,
Jim Derden (John Derden’s brother), Brandon
Dickens (Cathy McDaniel’s nephew), Kenny Doss,
Deborah Duckworth, Jean Hunnicutt DuPree, Kevin
Edenfield, Wanda Ellison, Teresa Ely, Ruby Fagler,
Martha Flanders, Judy Garrett (Kelli Torpy’s
Mother), Jimmy Gowen (Dean Gowen’s father),
Maralyn Graham, Tom Graves (Carolyn Derden’s
brother) Georganne Hairr (Kim Hooks’ mother),
Phyllis Hutcheson (Karol Key’s mother), Clay
Johnson, Fay Key, Cleve Kinard (Tony Waters
brother), Jerry Lawson, Aubrey Long (Nancy
Lisenby’s niece), Brit Marchman (George Smith’s son
-in-law), Gloria Mason, Ken McGee (Sharon
Edenfield’s father), Bob Mitchell, Sandy Moody,
Judy Moore, Emma Moran, Mike Morris, Belins
Muniz, Joy Nasworthy, Joan Neil (Bob Neil’s
Mother), Eliza Noles, Tim Palmer, Marty Payne
(Teresa Mason’s brother), Bobby & Kay Peacock,
Wade Peebles, Clark & Bonnie Petersen (Kathy
Palmer’s sister & brother-in-law), Charles Price,
Gayle Rainwater, Richard Reddish, Chandler Rogers,
Doris Lewis Small, Wes Terry, John Terwilliger, Julie
Todd, Gail Thompson, Kal Thompson, Roy
Thompson, Connie Thurman, Heather Townsend,
Shirley Underwood, Frances & Lee Vaitha, Ashley
Walling, Lamar Way, Margaret White, Macy
Wiggins, Sara Wilkes (George Smith niece), Gregg
Wolff, Vicki Youmans

This Week’s Scripture Verses

Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12)
Psalm 112:1-10 (MH 833)
1 Corinthians 2:1-12, (13-16)
Matthew 5:13-20

**This Week's Schedule
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

Sunday, February 8, 2026

9:00 a.m. - Early Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
**5:30 p.m. - YOUTH
FELLOWSHIP**

6:00 p.m. - Evening Service with
Rev. David Unkles

Monday, February 9, 2026

5:30 p.m. - Seedling Garden Club
in Social Hall

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

4:00 p.m. - Shirley Reid Circle in
New Beginnings Classroom

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

**5:30 p.m. "PRAYER TIME" for
our Church in Social Hall**
6:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Practice

Friday, February 13, 2026

6:00 p.m. - PACKING FOR
LAZARUS PROJECT

Saturday, February 14, 2026

"HAPPY VALENTINES DAY"
10:00 a.m. - LAZARUS FOOD
PROJECT
(VOLUNTEERS NEEDED)

ADVANCE NURSERY SCHEDULE:

02/15 - Cindy Ware
02/22 - Teah Canady
03/01 - Renae McNeely
03/08 - Whitney Wheeler

Access the church calendar from
your mobile device.



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**Monday, February 16th,
6:00 p.m. the S. P. R. C.
Committee will meet in
the N. B. Classroom.**

**Sunday, February 22nd, at
12:00 p.m., will be the first
General Meeting of the
Swainsboro Methodist
Women for 2026.**

**Beginning Sunday,
March 1st, Rev. David
Unkles and Ms. Melinda
Hall will be offering a
"Confirmation Class"
for 3rd graders and up.
Please watch your bulletin
for updates.**

**Sunday, March 15th, is
S. M. W. Sunday and the
annual Candle Burning
Sunday.**

**Summertown Food
Distribution Report:**

January 24, 2026

**462 Families served
1250 People served
377 Under the age of 17
322 Over the age of 60
39 New Families served**

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Last Sunday's Attendance

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 39
9:00 a.m. Early Service 20
11:00 a.m. Worship Service 87
6:00 p.m. **NO** Evening Service
Total Worship 107

Last Sunday's Gifts

Weekly Budget \$ 10088.00
Received for Budget \$ 8655.00
Amount over (Under) \$ 1433.00

YTD Budget \$ 40352.00
YTD Rec'd for budget \$ 34717.00
Amount over (Under) \$ 5635.00

Received for Budget \$ 8655.00
Designated Giving \$ 113.00
\$ 8768.00

**" B. O. K. OFFERING " \$ 6943.00
(to date)**



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You are the salt of the earth
and the light of the world....
(Matthew 5:13-16)



Rev. David Unkles, Pastor
Connie Peebles, Music Director
Melinda Hall, Children & Youth Director
Judy Wells, Administrative Assistant