

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Sunday Study

Join the Traveler's Class at 10 a.m. in the Conference Room as they journey through time and space with a new study on The Salvation of Doctor Who. Following the cult classic, Doctor Who, they will explore the intersection of faith and science and its impact on our lives today.

Wellspring Small Groups

Brew Theology | May 14 | 7 p.m.

O'Reilly's Public House

–contact epalmer@ssumc.org for more info

Women's Group | April 16

–contact lisanich@gmail.com for more info

Men's Group | May 9 | 6:30 p.m.

El Azteca, 5925 Roswell Rd

–contact ken.nicholas@gmail.com for more info

Annual Talent Show

Our Annual SSUMC Talent Show will be Friday, April 26 from 6-8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are now available after worship on Sundays and online at ssumc.org/events. Questions? Contact: Lisa Nicholas at lisanich@gmail.com.

Fresh Expressions Training

How do we "church" for people not in church? We create a "Fresh Expression" of church outside the walls of the church campus in places where our neighbors are already gathering. Join us on Sunday, June 9 from 12:30-3 p.m. for a Fresh Expressions Training with Rev. Heather Jallad (FX specialist for the NGUMC). Lunch is provided.

Vacation Bible School

"Just Like Me" VBS is happening July 15-19, 9 a.m. - noon, with aftercare available. Throughout VBS, campers will meet neighborhood gardeners who will help them explore Biblical stories of people who were able to change things for the better. Register online today at ssumc.org/children.

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SERVE Sunday

Our next SERVE Sunday will be on May 5 at 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Activities will include assembling goodie bags for ministry partners, bagging Backpack Buddy bags, and gardening. A pizza lunch will follow. Join Us!

GUESTS:

We are glad to have you worshiping with us!

We invite you to connect with us by filling out a Connect Card in the back of the pew with any information you would like to share. You may drop it in the offering basket or hand it to a Staff/Connect Team member for a special visitor gift. Your presence enriches our community, and we look forward to getting to know you better!

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Kate Floyd

Senior Pastor

Candace Johnson, M.Div.

Dir. of Family Ministries

Don Jones

Dir. of Music Ministries

Emma Palmer

Dir. of Community Connection

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Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024

Easter isn't just one day—we celebrate Easter for fifty days! We hear, tell out, and live the great resurrection stories of Jesus. In doing so, we too rise up, and find new and abundant life.

At Sandy Springs UMC, we are a wellspring of love hospitality. We seek to live out the Easter story by building life-changing relationships, nurturing spiritual growth, and fostering service through impactful partnerships.



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GATHERING

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dick Kruger by Kelley and Tommy Dopson.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We have not seen the risen Christ,
**But we see him in the lives
of those transformed by grace.**

We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

**But we have seen him in the faces
of everyone whose love encourages us.**

We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

But we have been called

to bring healing to the scarred of the world.

So let us worship Holy God.

Let us worship the risen Christ!

*OPENING HYMN

"Christ is Alive"

–United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) #318

LISTENING

MINISTRY MOMENT

Audrey LeSage

–Camp and Retreat Ministries of NGUMC

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

We invite children ages 4-10 to meet our volunteers in the narthex before going to room 211 for Children's Church. Caregivers will pick them up in 211 after worship.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Christ Has Risen" –see insert

*SCRIPTURE

Listen for the word of God:

Our Ears are Open!

John 20:19-31

This is the Word of God for the People of God:

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

RESPONDING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who
works in us and others**

**by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be
the Church:**

**to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in
Creation, to love and serve others,**

**to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

*(Statement of Faith of the United Church of
Canada, UMH #883)*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Ways To Give:

- Offering Plates: Make a check out to the church or prepare your cash offering.
- Online: Give securely at ssumc.org/give, or by scanning the QR code.
- Text to Give: Text ssumc.org to 73256.



OFFERTORY MUSIC

"JLM" –Words and Music: Anna Warner;

Arr: Bradley Phillips

*DOXOLOGY:

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

DEPARTING TO SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN

"When Thomas Heard from Jesus" –see insert

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE