

Sunday School Class

The 11:30 Adult "Growing Together Sunday School Class" will resume **today**. Our new study will be *Christianity and World Religions: Questions We Ask About Other Faiths*, by UMC Reverend Adam Hamilton.

Blessing of the Animals

The Blessing of the Animals will take place in the front parking lot of the church at 4:00 pm on Sunday, October 4, 2026. All pets are welcome on a leash or in a carrier (or to remain in their vehicle and drive through) - pet parents and friends can determine their needs.

There will be a brief service of general thanksgiving and blessing. Then, each animal may receive a personal blessing to include a pet or wave from the pastor, a treat, and a certificate of blessing. This year we ask, if you would like, that you bring a Walmart gift card (in any amount) to be donated to All 4 Paws Animal Rescue in Pawleys Island.

Fall Newsletter

Have something you'd like to share in our Fall Newsletter?

Please email Dee at sumc@socasteeumc.org by September 15. We'd love to include highlights and photos from recent events and activities, as well as information about upcoming events and special activities for our congregation!

Blue Star Mothers Collection

The Blue Star Mothers of Coastal Carolina are humbly asking for your continued support of our deployed military by contributing various items that can be sent in our "Hero Boxes." Our next packing will be for Halloween and may include such things as travel-size toiletries, snacks, microwave popcorn packets, crackers, single serve cereals, protein bars, water drink packets, and socks. We do include holiday themed candies, etc. We cannot send any pork items or aerosols. Totes for the collections will be in the Narthex throughout September and October. If you have any questions or have any deployed military that you would like to include for our next packing, please contact Janice Heilman at 843-742-0232 or Marilyn Burch at 843-421-9527. Thank you for your contributions to help give our deployed military a taste of home.

OUR PRESENCE 9/6/26

10 am Service	102
On-Line Views	39

OUR PRAYER AND SUPPORT

In Hospital	No one at this time.
In Rehabilitation	No one at this time.
In Home Visitations	Charlotte Minnick, Emily Michael, Kate Eley

OUR GIFTS as of 9/6/26 Operating Fund

Received this week	\$10,865.00
YTD Receipts	\$256,076.13
Receipts through July 2026	\$216,352.03
Expenses thru July 2026	\$233,150.84

Fellowship Hall

Received this week	\$600.00
YTD Receipts	\$15,610.00
Required Monthly	\$3,176.26
Loan Balance as of 8/25/26	\$136,525.22

1875 Sanctuary

Received this week	\$0
YTD Receipts	\$50.00
Account Balance as of 4/12/26	\$6,895.00

Improvements for Present Building/Grounds

Coins of Change Received this week	\$85.00
YTD Receipts	\$2,776.50
Balance as of 8/30/26	\$11,975.29



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SOCASTEE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, September 13, 2026

Pastor: Rev. Paula J. Stover



Our Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Vision

Our Vision is to love God and our neighbors. As faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, we welcome, receive, and nurture all who come to us.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 13, 2026

10:00 am

Green

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*LET US GREET OUR WORSHIPING NEIGHBORS

PRELUDE: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

INTROIT: *Great is the Lord*

Chancel Choir

INVOCATION:

Paula Fryer

*HYMN OF PRAISE: *Rise Up, O Men of God*

UMH #576

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: People of God, bless the Lord,

People: **bless God’s holy name.**

Leader: For as the heavens are high above the earth,

People: **so great is God’s steadfast love for us.**

*RINGING OF THE TRINITY

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Mary Lehr

CALL TO PRAYER: *Come, Holy Spirit Come*

Chancel Choir

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LET US WORSHIP WITH OUR COINS OF CHANGE

*during this time, the children may meet on the steps of the chancel area

CHILDREN'S TIME:

Lindsay Jackson

LET US WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *Just As I Am, Without One Plea*

*DOXOLOGY: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH #95

ANTHEM: *Lift Up Your Voice*

Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, by the power of your Holy Spirit, open our understanding

that we may receive the Word of Life. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Chronicles 24:1-13

Katrina Barton

SERMON: “Cheerfully Generous”

Rev. Paula Stover

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

UMH #881

*RESPONSE: *Gloria Patri*

UMH #70

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF DEDICATION: *Freely, Freely*

UMH #389

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION: *Go ye, Go ye into the World*

*POSTLUDE: *Onward, Christian Soldiers*



The flowers for today are given to the glory of God by John and Peggy Packard in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

We WELCOME you to Socastee United Methodist Church! Thank you for worshipping with us today. We love our new and returning guests and ask that you please put your name and contact information in one of our red pads found in the pews so we can welcome you and get to know you.

New Members

We will welcome new members into our church family next on October 25. If you are interested in joining, please see Pastor Paula Stover for more information.

Serving Today

Choir Director/Pianist: Lauren Willis
Organist: Marianne Eaton
Ushers: Dale Faulkner, Don Jones
Susan Williamson, Jimmy Redmon
September Steward: George Grzeszkowiak
October Steward: Jay Barton

Nursery Available

A nursery is available in the rear of the sanctuary for children through age 4 during Sunday School and worship. Children’s Church is available for ages 4 yrs – 5th grade in the Fellowship Hall after Children’s Time.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK AT SUMC	
Today: 8:45 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	September 13 Sunday School (Covenant Keepers)/JW Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost/NS Sunday School (Growing Together)/FH-201
Monday: 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	September 14 Cub Scouts/FH Boy Scouts/FH
Tuesday: 9:00 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm	September 15 Stitchers/JW Girl Scouts/FH Men in Ministry/FH
Wednesday: 9:15 am 12:00 pm 5:45 pm 6:45 pm	September 16 TLC Chapel//NS Book Club/JW Adult Bell Choir/Bell Choir Room Chancel Choir Practice/Choir Room
Thursday: 10:30 am	September 17 Thursday Bible Study/JW
Friday: 6:00 pm	September 18 Line Dancing
Saturday:	September 19 No events scheduled

Remember our Military Members in Prayer

The addresses of all our military family members will be held in the office and can be made available to anyone who would like them.

*Major Jon-Michael Farino (USAF)

*CT4 Halle Rae Anderson

*Captain Jennifer and Marc Melfi

*SSgt. Warren Scoggin

*Airman First Class Cassie Edwards

*CM SGT. Jessica Heilman

*Captain Melissa Hedges

*M/Sgt. Nicolas McLaughlin

*Specialist Isaac Hedges

*Airman William Rogers