



Welcome Visitors...The *Road* UMC is the place to be!

The mission of **The Road UMC** is to become a community of believers committed to helping all people to personally know Jesus Christ by delivering a biblically based teaching and preaching of the gospel to those saved and seeking Christ and thereby developing disciples, families and communities through the power of the Holy Spirit. If you are new to our community and looking for a church home or desire to explore your spirituality, please consider us.

At The ROAD, we are engaged in the **L4** experience:

- Loving** God with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength and loving neighbor as thyself.
- Living** a life that is Christ-centered and biblically oriented.
- Learning** to be a disciple of Jesus Christ as we live counter to the culture following wholeheartedly after God in a broken world.
- Leading** others to experience God; being light in darkness and salt in a decaying environment.

If you would like to enter into fellowship with *The ROAD UMC*...

- Come during the Invitation to Discipleship
- See our pastor or a member after church
- Call the church office and schedule an appointment to speak with the pastor
- Email us at stmarysrd@theroadumc.org
- See one of our ushers after the worship service

This is the working church!
The lazy church is down the street



Rev. Dr. L.K. Pendleton, Pastor

The SMRUMC Staff

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ST. MARY'S ROAD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*"A Christ-Centered Community
where we are Loving, Living and Learning in the kingdom of God"*

Celebrating
Cancer Awareness Sunday
October 22, 2017 / 10:00 A.M.

From Pain to Promise and Praise

*"Lord my God, I called to you for help
and you healed me." Psalm 30:2*

*"But you are a chosen people. A royal priesthood, a holy nation.
God's special possession that you may declare the praises of him
who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light." I Peter 2:9*

Words About Our Speaker



Cindra B. Taylor has over 31 years' experience in the management of Non-profit organizations. Currently she serves as the Executive Director of Premier Academy, Inc., and has served in this capacity since 1996. In this role, she is responsible for the planning and daily administration of two (2) childcare centers.

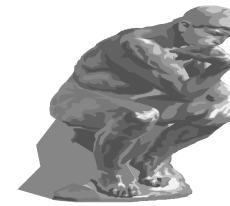
Ms. Taylor recently shared her expertise and experience to the National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI) of Washington DC, where she served as the Interim CEO/President during the transitional phase of this organization.

Prior to joining Premier Academy, she served as the Director of Administrative Services for the YWCA of Greater Atlanta. Her experience as the Asst. Fiscal Affairs Director of the American Red Cross has certainly added to her abilities to work in a Board Structure and a non-profit environment. Ms. Taylor was educated at Clark Atlanta University where she received her degree in Business Administration and then received a Master Degree in Organizational Leadership from Shorter University.

Ms. Taylor is active in the childcare industry and has served on Board of Directors for organizations such as the Georgia Association for Young Children and the Early Learning Center. She was appointed to serve on the Early Child Care and Education Task Force for the City of Atlanta. Ms. Taylor's facilitation skill is extraordinary and is demonstrated in teaching CDA classes and a trainer for the Get Ready To Read National Literacy project. She is also a member of several organizations for the enhancement of quality education for young children such as the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and serves as the President of the Black Child Development Institute, Atlanta Affiliate (BCDI). She is also a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and the United Way Volunteer Initiative Program. Her affiliation with the YWCA allowed her to take advantage of several global and local assignments with an emphasis on poverty and the wellbeing of children.

Additionally, Ms. Taylor is a member of Central United Methodist Church where she has worshipped for over 34 years. During her tenure at Central UMC, she has served in a number of capacities that include but not limited to the Staff Parish Relations Committee, Finance, and the Evangelism Committee. She has given much to the building of God's kingdom by using her spiritual gifts in not only in leadership but also in using her gifts as a Teacher and Speaker. She currently serves as a Sunday School teacher of the women's bible study and a member of a community bible study group of Decatur, Georgia.

Cindra was diagnosed with colorectal cancer in 2015. She realizes that the race has not been given to the swift nor to the strong but to the one who trusts in Jesus and endures until the end.



Thought for the Month

One is responsible to life. It is the small beacon in that terrifying darkness from which we came and to which we shall return.

October 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Health screenings Children's Church @ 10:00 a.m. Tuskegee Choir Worshipping	2 Trustees Mtg. @ 6:30 p.m. Worship Mtg. @ 6:30 p.m.	3 Men's Bible Study @ David Simmons Home @ 6:00 p.m. Praise Dance Rehearsal @ 6:00 p.m.	4 Bible Study @ 12:00 p.m. Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m. Prayer Ministry @ 6:15 p.m. Unity Choir @ 7:00 p.m. Youth Group @ 7:00 p.m.	5 Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m.	6 Church Conference Forms DUE!!	7 Boy Scout Mtg. @ 10:00 a.m.
8 Bible Study in Library @ 8:30 a.m.	9 Married Couples Mtg. @ 6:20 p.m.	10 Men's Bible Study @ Mr. Bob Burton's Home @ 6:00 p.m. Praise Dance Rehearsal @ 6:00 p.m.	11 Bible Study @ 12:00 p.m. Kids Night Out @ 6:00 p.m. Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m. Prayer Ministry @ 6:15 p.m. Unity Choir @ 7:00 p.m. Youth Group @ 7:00 p.m.	12 Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m.	13	14 UMM Mtg. @ 8:00 a.m.
15 Health screenings Children's Church @ 10:00 a.m. Laity Sunday	16 ROCK Mtg. @ 11:30 a.m. Finance Mtg. @ 6:00 p.m.	17 Men's Bible Study @ Hutman Upshaw's Home @ 6:00 p.m.	18 Same as Oct 4th Lifeline Screening Event @ 8:30-5:30 p.m.	19 REACH Mtg. @ 5:30 p.m. Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m.	20 FOOD PANTRY DEADLINE	21 Disciple's Mentoring Program @ 9:00 a.m. Boy Scout Mtg. @ 10:00 a.m.
22 Bible Study in Library @ 8:30 a.m. Cancer Awareness Sunday	23 Church Charge Conference @ 6:30 p.m.	24 Men's Bible Study @ SMRUMC @ 6:00 p.m. Praise Dance Rehearsal @ 6:00 p.m.	25 Same as Oct. 11th UMW Mtg. @ 6:00 p.m. Fall Festival @ 6:00 p.m-8:00 p.m..	26 FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTE Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m.	27	28
29	30	31 Men's Bible Study @ SMRUMC @ 6:00 p.m. Praise Dance Rehearsal @ 6:00 p.m.	Trustees October 2017 James Jones (706) 332-9698 William Winder (706) 593-1609		Pro-Active Care Team October 2017 Susan Cooper (706) 681-4306	

Goal \$60,000.00
2017 BIRTH MONTH PLAN

In addition to our tithes and offering each member is asked to contribute \$425.00 to offset our 2017 apportionment assessed by our annual conference.



Birth Month Coordinators

January	B. Levins & S. Gamble	July	A. Spraggins
February	S. Conwell	August	S. Cooper & L. Johnson
March	L. Quick	September	M. Powell & C. Lamar
April	T. Carter	October	W. Winder & P. Alexander
May	P. Ekins, Milliner, Stewart	November	M. Wells & L. Gibbs
June	R. McRae	December	H. Holt & V. Swanson

Birthdate Update - October 2017

GOAL: \$60,000

To Date: \$30,745.00



January	\$2,458.00	July	\$3,530.00
February	\$1,041.00	August	\$2,068.00
March	\$2,632.00	September	\$3,561.00
April	\$ 520.00	October	\$4,355.00
May	\$1,478.00	November	\$4,123.00
June	\$1,860.00	December	\$3,119.00

Each Birth Month Group is asked to raise \$5,000.00. Our desire is to remit balance to annual conference by November 15, 2017.

October is Eat Healthy Month



I want to challenge you to eat healthy for the month of October by including in your daily diet a smoothie for breakfast or lunch from:
Smoothie & Juice Bar



Cluster Meetings

Our 2017 Church Cluster Meeting will convene at South Columbus United Methodist Church on November 5th at 4:00 p.m.

Our church leadership and members should plan to attend.

OUR WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

20th Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdomtide

Color: Green

Cancer Awareness Sunday

THE GATHERING – (Please take this moment to silence your mobile devices.)

Lighting of Candles		Acolytes
*Song of Praise	Hallelujah To The King	Choir/Congregation
*Call to Worship		Carlos Wise

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People: We pray for those who are going through cancer. Lord Hear Our Prayer.

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People: We pray for those who have experienced loss due to cancer. Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People: We pray for those who have overcome cancer. God of grace and peace, we have come to you lifting up those who have been affected by cancer. May your healing presence be felt in all of us gathered in worship on this day. Come Healing Spirit, come. Thanks be to God Amen.

*Hymn of Praise	We've Come This Far By Faith	Choir/Congregation
	I Will Trust In The Lord	

*Altar Call Maria Greene

Choral Response Choir/Congregation

Introduction of Speaker Pamela Shaw-Grant

The Ministry of Music Choir

The Message Cindra B. Taylor

Invitation to Discipleship

The Presentation of Tithes, Commitments & Offerings Congregation

Parish Notices/Welcome & Recognition of Visitors Helen Gibson

Butterfly Release Front Steps

*Benediction

*Those that are able please stand.

Because of their unique life cycles and beauty, butterflies have been sources of symbolism in many cultures and religions for thousands of years.

There is no single “meaning” to the butterfly; even within a single religious tradition, the butterfly may take on a wide variety of significations.

However, given the nature of their development — starting as caterpillars, entering cocoons, and emerging as colorful, winged creatures — it should be no surprise that butterflies are very often associated with transformation and rebirth, associations that would speak powerfully to cancer survivors and people who have lost loved ones to cancer.

In Christianity, butterflies symbolize the resurrection of Christ, as well as the eventual resurrection of his followers. The flight of butterflies is further associated with freedom, as well as creativity.

Today, we ask that you join us at the close of our service in front of the church as we release the butterflies to symbolize and remember loved ones who have survived a diagnoses, others who have transitioned to the next level of life, recently diagnosed persons and the caretakers and families who have supported persons along the journey.

Health and Welfare Team

Pamela Shaw Grant | Carlos Wise, Co-Leads

Grace Akpan

Joyce Copeland

Maria Greene

Sylvester McRae

Mary Neil

Andrea Taiste

Diane Walker

News & Announcements

FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

Welcome to our Worship Experience! We are glad that you are here. Please take a moment to sign the attendance REGISTER and pass it to the end of your pew. An usher will collect these at the end of worship service. If you do not have a church home, we pray that you will find one with us.

CHURCH COUNCIL will convene in the fellowship hall on, Monday, October 23, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. If you are part of the leadership team you are strongly encouraged to attend.

ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL is scheduled for Wednesday, October 25th from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. The Children’s Ministry Team is in need of your support with candy donations, ministry teams to host activities/booths, set-up/take down teams and Safe Sanctuary trained adult supervision for extra support. Contact Courtney Lamar at cnsanmar@gmail.com or Cheryl Walker at neltwin@hotmail.com.

THE ROCK MINISTRY requests that all recipes for the cookbook must be turned in to Ms. Emma Griggs at eagriggs@aol.com or a member of the ROCK Ministry no later than October 31, 2017.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is in need of persons to give time to the front office, Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and from 1:00 pm. – 5:00 p.m. Don’t hesitate! Call Phyllis Jones today!

TRUSTEES request that if you need to enter the church during non-business hours, please contact the Trustee “on call” no less than 24 hours in advance.

WISHING WELL - Bring your dollars and loose change each Sunday and deposit it into the well, which is located in the narthex upon entering or exiting the church. This money is used for our Outreach Ministry.



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@ www.theroadumc.org

LECTIONARY READINGS, WEEK OF OCTOBER 22, 2017

Exodus 33:12-23

Psalm 99

I Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22



Prayer Warrior On-Call | October

Ms. Sheila Woodbury (706) 687-9562

Cynthia Blanks	2503 GA Hwy. 208, Cataula, GA 31804	(706) 582-3056
Brown Family	1006 Mitchell Ridge Drive (07)	(706) 392-1388
Brenda Curry	5500 St. Mary’s Road (07)	(256) 220-0805
Stewart/Williams Family	555 Claradon Avenue (06)	(706) 687-0704
The Snell Family	2438 Gould Street (06)	(706) 576-6598
Linda Stokes	357 Lincoln Avenue, Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097	
Emily Walker	5339 Rockwell Court (07)	(706) 569-0760
Patricia Willis	738 Arbour Way, Suwanee, GA (30024)	(706) 573-6113

Christ in our Homes, Christ in our Church,
Christ in our Community, Christ in Us!

We are here for you! If you or someone you know is in the hospital, has a death in the family, etc. please contact our church office at 706.689.8707 or you may also enter your prayer request at www.theroadumc.org