

Opportunities To LEARN, To GROW, To SHARE, To SERVE

Capital Reserve Campaign “My Father’s House”. In an effort to maintain and repair our facilities now and in the future, the Church Council has recommended the establishment of the Capital Reserve Fund to be pledged and collected over the next three years. We encourage *church-wide prayer daily*, especially at *Noon*, in support of “My Father’s House” Campaign and our Church. Please join us for our *last Wednesday Night Supper* on *May 15* provided by the Hospitality Committee at the regular cost to include a Question and Answer session guided by Rick Howdy and possible strategies for giving by Trey Howdy. On *May 19*, *coffee and dessert* will be provided at *3:00 p.m.* in *Wesley Hall*. The program will be the same for people who could not come on Wednesday evening. To introduce the Campaign, we will have *speakers* on *Sundays through June 16*.

Online Giving. Our Church now offers *secure online giving* through Square! You may designate funds to go towards various ministries of our Church or give to the General Fund. **Contact: Chris Bollow.**



Last Wednesday Night Supper. The menu for *May 15* is *Spaghetti, Mixed Green Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert, Tea and/or Water* beginning at 5:30 p.m. Sign up outside Wesley Hall at the Welcome Center or outside the Sanctuary by *Noon* on *Monday, May 13*, or *call* the church office. Supper will be followed by a *Question and Answer session* on the *Capital Reserve Campaign*. Cost is *\$4.00 for children under 12* and *\$8.00 for adults*.

VBS Meeting. Join us on *May 14* at *6:30 p.m.* in *Wesley Hall*. We will be reviewing the *Child Protection Plan* so ALL volunteers need to attend, if possible.

Youth Group Outing. *All youth* (6th Grade to 12th Grade) are invited to join at the *Washington Park Pickleball courts* on *Sunday, May 19*, from *1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.* for a fun afternoon of pickleball and fellowship and a cold treat! Bring a friend and if you have pickleball equipment, bring it with you. If not, we have extras. **Contact Sarah Beth if you can come!**

Rise Against Hunger. We invite our church family to an exciting *Mission Project* called *Rise Against Hunger* on *Sunday, May 26*, from *3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.* in the *Fellowship Hall*. We encourage all members and families to come and share the excitement of serving with your children, ages 5 and up. You will not want to miss this special event.

Our Global Methodist Church Convening General Conference. The conference will be held on *September 20-26, 2024, in Costa Rica*. The General Conference website is at sotheworldwillknow.org. Found on the website is “The CONVENING CONFERENCE COMMUNITY: PLAN OF ORGANIZATION AND COVENANT FOR OUR LIFE TOGETHER.” This document outlines the objective(s) and agenda (page 4,5) for the conference, fundamentally to ratify the CONSTITUTION and adopt the *Book of Doctrines and Discipline* that will be no longer considered transitional. We are invited to petition the conference (TBDD para 607) concerning issues on the agenda. Should you have an agenda issue or question, please **contact Charlie Moore at 703 859-6175**.

VBS Donations. Help us “cruise” into a successful VBS by checking out our *donations board* under the TV outside Wesley Hall! Flip up the leaves and grab a supply or give a monetary donation, and we will do the shopping for you! We are grateful to have you all as part of our Jungle Journey Crew! If you have questions about supply items needed, **contact Amanda Bazan** or **Stephanie Capehart**.

Weekly Calendar	
Sunday	May 12 Seventh Sunday of Easter Mother’s Day Festival of the Christian Home
9:00 a.m.	Blended Worship Service and Children’s Church—WH/FH
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School—Regular Classes (Children, Youth, and Adults)
11:15 a.m.	Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
Monday	May 13 Newsletter Deadline
5:30 p.m.	Missions Committee Meeting—ACR
6:00 p.m.	Family Ministry Committee—Friendship Classroom
7:00 p.m.	Troop 99 Meeting—FH
Tuesday	May 14
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting—OEB/Parlor
6:00 p.m.	Pack Committee Meeting—Ruble Conference Room
6:30 p.m.	VBS Meeting—WH
7:00 p.m.	Wiccacon Chapter Order of Arrow Meeting—FH
Wednesday	May 15
4:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Men of Redemption (MOR)—ACR
4:30 p.m.	River City Ringers—Choir Room
5:30 p.m. 6:15 p.m.	Last Wednesday Night Supper/ Q&A Session for Capital Reserve Campaign—WH
6:15 p.m.	Children’s Ministry Programming—K-2 Sunday School Classrooms
7:30 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal—WH
Thursday	May 16
7:00 a.m.	Men at the Table—ACR
6:00 p.m.	Child Care Staff Meeting—FH
6:30 p.m.	Pack 99 Meeting—FH
7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting—ACR
Friday	May 17
Saturday	May 18
Sunday	May 19 Day of Pentecost
8:00 a.m.	Methodist Men’s Breakfast—FH/ FH Kitchen
9:00 a.m.	Blended Worship Service and Children’s Church—WH/FH
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School—Regular Classes (Children, Youth, and Adults)
11:15 a.m.	Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Melonie and Edward Lewis renewal of vows—Sanctuary
1:00 p.m.	Youth Outing (Pickleball)—Washington Park
3:00 p.m.	Coffee and Desserts “My Father’s House”—WH

God’s Servants Worship Services

~ May 12 ~

Mother’s Day

Nursery: Brett O’Brien, Delaney O’Brien

Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

Altar Guild: Katherine Davis, Buffy Lich, Anne Baxter, Sarah Purvis, Kim Sawyer

Communion Elizabeth Sweatland,
Servers: Kathy Lake, Fritz and Sheila Tanner, George and Bonnie Isovitsch, Will and Beth Page, Mary Toler (gluten-free)

Holy Java: Friendship

Praise/Prayer: Trey Howdy

Welcome Ctr: John and Janie Hauser

Camera: Bill Rompilla

Sound: Steve Toler

Streaming: Will Jefferson

Video: Seth Edwards

Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

Altar Guild: Kay Smith, Kaye Alligood,

Gay Reames, Jane Weaver

Sound: Charlie Moore

~ May 19 ~

Nursery: Brett O’Brien, Delaney O’Brien

Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

Altar Guild: Katherine Davis, Buffy Lich, Anne Baxter, Sarah Purvis, Kim Sawyer

Communion Janice Williamson,
Servers: Tony Wilkinson, Fritz and Sheila Tanner, George and Bonnie Isovitsch, Darwin Woolard, Marquis Woolard, Mary Toler (gluten-free)

Holy Java: Methodist Men

Praise/Prayer: Larry Lang

Welcome Ctr: Mike and Jean Ash

Camera: Chris Stembridge

Sound: Erin Franz

Streaming: Sarabeth Franz

Video: Kari Hall

Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

Altar Guild: Kay Smith, Kaye Alligood,

Gay Reames, Jane Weaver

Sound: Charlie Moore

Legend

ACR Asbury Conference Room
FH Fellowship Hall
MYF Methodist Youth Fellowship
NEB/OEB New / Old Education Building
MM / MW Methodist Men / Methodist Women
WH Wesley Hall

NEB and ACR Classrooms

Adult Sunday School:

Friendship Upstairs
Joy ACR Downstairs
ABC Ruble Conference Room Downstairs

Children’s Sunday School

Youth Room Upstairs



First Methodist Church Washington

Seventh Sunday of Easter Mother’s Day

Festival of the Christian Home

May 12, 2024

Growing In Christ



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Welcome, Friends, as we worship God today. May the time we share together in this place be a blessing to you. If you are interested in learning more about or becoming a member of First Methodist Church Washington, contact the church office to speak with a pastor.

BLENDDED WORSHIP SERVICE

9:00 a.m.

Gathering Song Praise Team

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,

PEOPLE: FOR THE LORD WATCHES OVER THE WAY OF THE RIGHTEOUS, BUT THE WAY OF THE WICKED WILL PERISH.

Worship Songs Praise Team

*Children’s Church is held for ages five to seven.
The children are directed to meet in the back and will return following the Sermon.*

“My Father’s House” Message Chris Bollow

Praise and Prayer Concerns and Lord’s Prayer Trey Howdy

If you wish for the pastors to receive your concern privately, we invite you to please fill out a Prayer Card and place in the offering plate.

Scripture Lesson II Timothy 1:5

Sermon “Lessons from our Mothers” Rev. Ken Hall, Jr.

Sharing the Sacrament of Holy Communion

*Come forward as directed by the ushers.
Offering will be received by ushers as we come to the table.
The invitation to Communion is open to all who love and seek to serve Christ.*

Communion Servers

*Beth Litchfield, Sarah Purvis, Chris and Allyson Bollow,
Richard and Ann Jones, Tom and Paula Willey,
(Mary Toler gluten-free server on the right side)*

***Concluding Song** Praise Team

***Benediction**

***Sending Song** Praise Team

***Please stand as led.**

Praise Team

*Amanda Barnes, Neva Cashion, Dixon Davis, Nicole Jackson,
Jim O’Brian, Bill Peele, Dale Peele, Les Sheridan*

Ushers

Paige Davis, Alton Griffin, Walter Jessup, Richard Jones, Ken Matveia



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and in loving memory of and with love for
All Mothers
by the Methodist Women.*

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

11:15 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude “I Love to Tell the Story” William Fischer
Arr. By Raney

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,

PEOPLE: FOR THE LORD WATCHES OVER THE WAY OF THE RIGHTEOUS, BUT THE WAY OF THE WICKED WILL PERISH.

***Hymn** “Jesus Loves Me” No. 191

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles’ Creed No. 881

***Gloria Patri** No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

“My Father’s House” Message Chris Bollow

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer, and Lord’s Prayer

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Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “O Savior, Precious Savior” Healey Willan

***Doxology** No. 95

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.

Special Music “This Is Love” Mary Kay Beall
Chancel Choir

Scripture Lesson II Timothy 1:5

Sermon “Lessons from our Mothers” Rev. Ken Hall, Jr.

***Hymn** “Happy the Home When God Is There” No. 445

***Benediction**

***Postlude** Voluntary on “Picardy” Douglas E. Wagner

Congregation standing.

The 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.



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Chancel Choir

*Lynette Amick, Ron Champion, Alma Friedman, Kari Hall,
Patty Jackson, Melonie Lewis, Mary Maddox, Jim McPherson, Mike Moore,
Patricia Moore, Tish Moore, Gay Reames, Mark Reames,
Barbara Van Vliet, Stephen Vaughn*

Ushers

*Charlie Alligood, Rick Amick, Stan Friedman, John Gunnels,
Will Jefferson, Brian McCormick, Stephen Oden*

Vital Signs as of May 5, 2024

Worship Attendance (in person)	256
Worship Attendance (online).....	178
Sunday School Attendance.....	70
YTD Giving thru 04/30/2024.....	\$ 314,629
YTD Amount Needed to Meet Budget .	\$ 280,000
YTD Expenditures thru 04/30/2024	\$ 277,468
Monthly Giving thru 05/05/2024	\$ 10,687