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 to five 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 program that deals with the Capital Reserve Fund with Q&A 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.

Wednesday Night Supper. The menu for May 8 is Baked Ham, Mac 'n' Cheese, Green Vegetable, Rolls, 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 6, or call the church office. Cost is \$4.00 for children under 12 and \$8.00 for adults.

Boy Scout Troop 99 Fundraiser. Come out and support Troop 99! They will offer sales of hand-chopped barbecue sandwiches, chips and drinks and a limited supply of BBQ by the pound and homemade baked goods at the Annual Eastern Antique Power Association Tractor and Engine Show on Saturday, May 11 at The Plaza on 15th Street, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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.

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*.

Preschool Employment Opportunities. The Preschool has two openings for *teacher assistants* for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year — *Pre-K* and *three-year-old* classes. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact *Amanda Bazan* at 252-532-7604 or email *fmcwpreschool@gmail.com*.

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.

Weekly Calendar		
Sunday	May5 Sixth Sunday of Easter	
Launch of "My Father's House" Campaign		
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 6	
9:30 a.m.	Methodist Women Executive Board Meeting—ACR	
7:00 p.m.	Troop 99 Meeting—FH	
Tuesday	May 7 Circle Meetings	
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting—OEB/Parlor	
6:00 p.m.	Methodist Women Memorial Service—Sanctuary	
6:30 p.m.	Methodist Women Dinner and General Meeting—Wesley Hall	
Wednesday	May 8	
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.	Wednesday Night Supper—WH	
6:15 p.m.	Children's Ministry Programming—K-2 Sunday School Classrooms	
7:30 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal—WH	
Thursday	May 9	
7:00 a.m.	Men at the Table—ACR	
6:00 p.m.	Staff-Parish Relations Committee—ACR	
6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Crossover—FH, Kitchen and WH	
Friday	May 10	
8:00 a.m.	Matthew 25 Cooks—WH Kitchen	
Saturday	May 11	
11:00 a.m.	Matthew 25 Fellowship Lunch— FH, FH Kitchen	
Sunday	May12 Seventh Sunday of Easter Mother's Day	
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	
6:00 p.m.	Yahoos—Off-Campus	

God's Servants Worship Services ~ May 5 ~

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 Beth Litchfield,
Servers: Sarah Purvis,
Chris and Allyson Bollow,
Richard and Ann Jones,
Tom and Paula Willey,
Mary Toler (gluten-free)
Holy Java: ABC
Project Property Chris Smith

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Praise/Prayer: Chris Smith
Welcome Ctr: Sarah Beth Wood
Camera: Bill Rompilla
Sound: Rob Baxter
Streaming: Ingrid Hall
Video: Will Jefferson

Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

Altar Guild: Kay Smith, Kaye Alligood, Gay Reames, Jane Weaver Sound: Charlie Moore

~ 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: Larry Lang

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

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
Joy ACR

ABC Ruble Conference Room
Children's Sunday School
Youth Room

Downstairs
Upstairs

Upstairs

Downstairs



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Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024



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BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

11:15 a.m.

No. 327

9:00 a.m. Praise Team Welcome and Announcements **Gathering Song** Welcome and Announcements Prelude *Call to Worship *Call to Worship Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud Leader: songs of joy! songs of joy! PEOPLE: SING PRAISES TO GOD, SING PRAISES! SING PRAISES TO OUR KING, SING PRAISES! Praise Team **Worship Songs** *Hymn "Crown Him with Many Crowns" 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. *Affirmation of Faith Rick Howdy Capital Reserve Campaign "My Father's House" *Gloria Patri Chris Smith Praise and Prayer Concerns and Lord's Prayer 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. Luke 24:44-53 **Scripture Lesson** "Entrusted to Us" Rev. Ken Hall, Jr. Sermon **Baptism and Reception of New Members 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. **Offertory** The invitation to Communion is open to all who love and seek to serve Christ. **Communion Servers** *Doxology 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 Ghost. Amen. *Benediction **Special Music** *Sending Song Praise Team *Please stand as led. **Scripture Lesson**

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

We welcome into our First Church Family:

Charles "Grant" and Erin Culbertson. "Grant" joins by Profession of Faith and Erin through Profession of Faith and Baptism. They reside in Washington, NC, along with their children Eileen, Cassandra, and Charles.

> The Altar Flowers in Wesley Hall are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Bill Lake by Kathy and Family.

"Bread of the World" Douglas E. Wagner

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud

PEOPLE: SING PRAISES TO GOD, SING PRAISES! SING PRAISES TO OUR KING, SING PRAISES!

The Apostles' Creed No. 881

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.

Capital Reserve Campaign "My Father's House" Rick Howdy

Prayers of the People and Pastoral Prayer

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.

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" by Georg Boltze Arr. by Osman

No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ve heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy

"Yet There Is Room" Lou Ann Shafer Chancel Choir

Luke 24:44-53

Sermon "Entrusted to Us" Rev. Ken Hall, Jr.

Sharing the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Prayer Following Communion

Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn "I Come with Joy" No. 617

*Benediction

*Postlude "Praise to the Lord, The Almighty" John S. Dixon

*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 April 28, 2024		
Worship Attendance (in person)	235	
Worship Attendance (online)	159	
Sunday School Attendance	64	
YTD Giving thru 03/31/2024\$	236,425	
YTD Amount Needed to Meet Budget.\$	210,000	
YTD Expenditures thru 03/31/2024 \$	208,914	
Monthly Giving thru 04/28/2024	71,024	