

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

Missions. Our mission for Lent this year is the *Barnabas Fund*. The Barnabas Fund helps those in our community who are having difficulty paying their utility bills. However, it is also an opportunity for our pastors, who meet with the clients, to share Jesus. The challenge for each person is **\$2.00/day for the 40 days of Lent = \$80.00**. You will find an *envelope in today's bulletin* for your offering. Extra envelopes will be at the Welcome Center outside Wesley Hall and on the table outside the Sanctuary during all the days of Lent.

The Lent Experience. Our Youth will start The Lent Experience by Eric Ferris on RightNowMedia on **Sunday, March 9**, at **5:00 p.m.** and **Wednesday, March 12**, at **6:15 p.m.** We will explore why we celebrate Lent and how it prepares us for Easter. Youth can *pick either one to attend or both*, but they will be the same lesson each week, so you have options that fit with your schedule! Questions? Contact Leslie Keely, 252-945-1222.

Family Night Dinner. Please *sign up* at the *Welcome Center* or *outside the Sanctuary* by **Noon on Monday, March 10**, or call the church office. The menu for **Wednesday, March 12**, at **5:30 p.m.** includes *Turkey/Cheese Sliders, Ham/Cheese Sliders, Pasta Salad, Mixed Salad, Dessert*. The cost is **\$8.00 for adults** and **\$4.00 for children under 12**.

Easter Love Letters from God. On **Wednesday, March 12**, at **6:15 p.m.**, following Wednesday Night Supper, we will begin our children's gatherings with Easter Love Letters from God by Glenys Nellis. We will explore the events leading up to the death and resurrection of Christ by receiving the love letters God wrote to us in His Word. Questions? Contact Leslie Keely, 252-945-1222.

Acolyte Training. Acolyte training will be **Sunday, March 16, following each service**. Third Grade and up! Questions? Contact Leslie Keely, 252-945-1222.

Fun Park. On **Sunday, March 16**, Youth meet at **12:45 p.m.** to go to Sawyer's *Fun Park* together in the van. Questions? RSVP to Leslie Keely, 252-945-1222.

Children's Church. Sign up to volunteer for Children's Church! Come experience pure joy one Sunday with our kiddos. Questions? Contact **Leslie Keely, 252-945-1222**.

Preschool. FMCW Preschool is in need of more *substitutes* for their sub list! If you love kids and want to help out or find out more information, contact **Amanda Bazan** at **252-532-7604**, or you may email her at **fmcwpreschool@gmail.com**.

Matthew 25. We are thankful for the generosity of our church family in making it possible to host fellowship meals each month. We **currently have 10 cook/meal teams** committed for 2025. We **need two more teams**; one for **April 12** and one for **May 10**. Please prayerfully consider serving on a team on either of those dates. Our board members are there to work with you in every aspect of this process. Serving others in the Name of Jesus is a very powerful and rewarding experience. For more information contact **Lorre Bowen** at **252-944-6548** or **lorrebowl@gmail.com**.

VBS. Wonder Junction! **Sign up to volunteer** on **fmcwashington.com** or contact **Leslie Keely** at **252-945-1222**. Marvel at Jesus and live for His glory with us **June 16-20!**

Ushers Needed. The **11:15 a.m. Worship Service** is in need of **additional ushers**. If you are interested in joining us, please contact **Rick Amick** or **call the church office**.

Weekly Calendar	
Sunday	March 9 Daylight Saving Time Begins First Sunday in Lent
9:00 a.m.	Blended Worship—WH/ Children's Church—FH
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Children, Youth, and Adults—Regular Classrooms
11:15 a.m.	Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Youth Small Group—Youth Room
6:00 p.m.	Yahoos—Off Campus
Monday	March 10 Newsletter Deadline
10:30 a.m.	Washington Women's Bible Study Board Meeting—Ruble
5:30 p.m.	Missions Committee Meeting— ACR
6:30 p.m.	Family Ministries—Parlor/OEB
7:00 p.m.	Troop 99—FH
Tuesday	March 11
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting—Parlor/OEB
12:00 p.m.	Weekly Lenten Service—WH/ Kitchen
1:00 p.m.	Circle of Kind Blessings—ACR
7:00 p.m.	Wiccacon Order of Arrow—Ruble
Wednesday	March 12
9:30 a.m.	WWBS "Revelation" by Jen Wilkin—WH
4:00 p.m.	Men of Redemption—ACR
4:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Family Night Dinner—WH/WH Kitchen
6:15 p.m.	Children and Youth Ministries—FH
6:15 p.m.	Purpose of God Program—WH
7:30 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal—WH
Thursday	March 13
7:00 a.m.	Men at the Table—ACR
6:00 p.m.	SPRC—ACR
6:30 p.m.	Pack 99 Meeting—FH
Friday	March 14
Saturday	March 15
Sunday	March 16
8:00 a.m.	Methodist Men's Breakfast—FH/ Kitchen
9:00 a.m.	Blended Worship—WH/ Children's Church—FH
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Children, Youth, and Adults—Regular Classrooms
11:15 a.m.	Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Youth Excursion to Sawyer's Fun Park—FH

God's Servants Worship Services

~ March 9 ~

Nursery: Morgan Bullard, Delaney O'Brien

Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

Altar Guild: Laura Davis,
Jackie Monroe, Jean Ash,
Kathleen Taylor

Communion Brooke Baxter,
Sullivan Howdy, Sarah Purvis,
Tony Wilkinson, Beth Litchfield,
Rachel Cessna, Keith and
Gail Travis, Sarabeth Franz
(Gluten-free)

Holy Java: Friendship

Praise & Prayer: Chris Smith

Welcome Center: Nancy Jessup

Camera: Chris Stenbridge

Sound: Steve Toler

Streaming: Will Jefferson

Video: Seth Edwards

Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

Altar Guild: Barbara Smith,
Jane Dockins, Mary Rummel,
Sally Brodie

Sound: Charlie Moore

~ March 16 ~

Nursery: Brett O'Brien, Kim Sawyer

Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

Altar Guild: Laura Davis,
Jackie Monroe, Jean Ash,
Kathleen Taylor

Communion Mike and Jean Ash,
Kathy Lake, Janice Williamson,
Fritz and Sheila Tanner,
Dal and Ginger Newbold,
Sarabeth Franz (Gluten-free)

Holy Java: Methodist Men

Praise & Prayer: Beth Page

Welcome Center: Ken/Lee Matveia

Camera: Greg Cushing

Sound: Erin Franz

Streaming: Sarabeth Franz

Video: Kari Hall

Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

Altar Guild: Barbara Smith,
Jane Dockins, Mary Rummel,
Sally Brodie

Sound: Charlie Moore

Legend

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

NEB and ACR Classrooms

Adult Sunday School:
Friendship Upstairs
Joy ACR Downstairs
ABC and Ruble Conference Downstairs
Children's Sunday School Upstairs
Youth Room Upstairs



First Methodist Church

Washington

First Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2025



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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: Let us sing to the Most High,

PEOPLE: THE GOD IN WHOM WE TRUST.

Worship Songs Praise Team

Praise and Prayer Concerns and Lord's Prayer Chris Smith

*Children's Church is held for ages five through 2nd Grade.
The children are directed to meet in the back and will return following the Sermon.*

Scripture Lesson Luke 4:1-13

Sermon "Lies and the Truth About Them" Rev. Ken Hall, Jr.

Sharing the Sacrament of Holy Communion

*Come forward as directed by the ushers.
Offering is 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

*Brooke Baxter, Sullivan Howdy,
Sarah Purvis, Tony Wilkinson, Beth Litchfield, Rachel Cessna,
Keith and Gail Travis, Sarabeth Franz (Gluten-free)*

*Concluding Song Praise Team

*Benediction

*Please stand as led.

Praise Team

*Pam Carson, Neva Cashion, Dixon Davis, Jim O'Brian, Bill Peele,
Dale Peele, Les Sheridan, Laurie Weston*

Ushers

*Ron Branch, Paige Davis, Alton Griffin, Walter Jessup,
Richard Jones, Ken Matveia, Ray Peede*

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.*

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

11:15 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Lead Me to Calvary" William Kirkpatrick
Arr. by Larson

*Call to Worship

Leader: Let us sing to the Most High,

PEOPLE: THE GOD IN WHOM WE TRUST.

*Hymn "Come, Thou Almighty King" No. 61

*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.

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer, and The Lord's Prayer

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Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "The Church's One Foundation" Charles Callahan

*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 "Beautiful Savior" Tom Fettke
Chancel Choir

Scripture Lesson Luke 4:1-13

Sermon "Lies and the Truth About Them" Rev. Ken Hall, Jr.

*Hymn "I Want a Principle Within" No. 410

*Benediction

*Postlude "Piece Triumphant" Craig A. Penfield

*Congregation standing.

*The Altar Flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the
Glory of God
and in loving memory of
Elizabeth "Betsy" Drummond
by Barbara, Robert, and Fred.*

Our Mission | The Global Methodist Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ and spread scriptural holiness across the globe.

Our Vision | Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, the Global Methodist Church envisions multiplying disciples of Jesus Christ throughout the earth who flourish in scriptural holiness as we worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

Notes:

Chancel Choir

*Lynette Amick, Jerry Cessna, CeeCee Carroll, Ron Champion, Alma Friedman,
Charley Hopkins, Wayne Hopkins, Patty Jackson, Melonie Lewis,
Mary Maddox, Jim McPherson, Mike Moore, Patricia Moore, Tish Moore,
Jim O'Brian, Gay Reames, Mark Reames, Melanie Tilley,
Barbara Van Vliet, Stephen Vaughn*

Ushers

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

Vital Signs as of March 2, 2025

Worship Attendance (In Person)..... 310
Worship Attendance (Online)..... 798
Sunday School Attendance..... 97

YTD Giving thru 1/31/2025..... \$ 57,332
YTD Amount Needed to Meet Budget ... \$ 74,067
YTD Expenditures thru 1/31/2025 \$ 76,470

Monthly Giving thru 03/2/2025 \$112,497

Online
Contributions

