

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

**Farewell Reception.** Please join us in the *Fellowship Hall* following today's Worship Service as we *celebrate and honor Lyda Talley*, our Office Administrator. Best wishes are extended to her in retirement.

**Lost and Found.** If you have lost a *wedding band* engraved 1-21-62, it is secure in the church office.

**Want to Know How to Get Involved in Our Church?** Pick up a *Membership Companion Booklet* outside the Sanctuary on the table or outside Wesley Hall at the Welcome Center. Learn how you can be the "*Hands and Feet*" of Jesus.

**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*. Extra Lenten envelopes will be at the Welcome Center outside Wesley Hall and on the table outside the Sanctuary during all the days of Lent.

**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*.

**Lenten Lunch.** On *Tuesday, April 1, at 12:00 noon*, we will gather in *Wesley Hall* for our *fourth of six Lenten lunches* and a special time of sharing. This series is *sponsored by FMC Women*. We will have a lunch of *soup, sandwich, and water*. Lunch will be *provided by Channels Missional Group*. Our *speaker* will be *Carol Jones*. Carol is a retired Beaufort County school teacher and has served in many capacities with The Washington Women's Bible Study.

**Family Night Dinner.** Join us for Family Night Dinner on *Wednesday, April 2*, beginning at *5:30 p.m.* The menu includes *Tacos, Chips and Salsa, Spanish Rice, Mixed Green Salad, Dessert* with *tea* and/or *water*. The *cost is \$8.00 for adults* and *\$4.00 for children under 12*.

**Egg Hunt.** We are collecting bags of *individually wrapped candy* that can fit inside Easter eggs for our children and youth egg hunts! If you'd like to provide some, there are white laundry baskets placed in Wesley Hall and the Sanctuary vestibule to receive them! Thank you for your generosity and supporting our youth and children ministries! Questions? Contact *Leslie Keely* at *252-945-1222*.

**Washington Women's Bible Study Spring Luncheon** - Ladies, please join us on *Wednesday, April 9, at 11:00 a.m.* for a time of fellowship. You will feast on a lunch provided by the *Agape and Kind Blessings Circles* and receive a blessing from our speaker, *Wanda Kleber*. Wanda is a former certified speaker for Christian Women's Club and presently leads Bible Study Fellowship in New Bern. The cost of our event is \$20 per person. Registration forms are at the information centers outside of Wesley Hall and the Sanctuary. Bring family members and friends, and you do not have to have done any of our Bible Studies to attend. *Contact Laura Davis* with any questions at *252-943-4711*.

**Easter Bake Sale.** The *Circle of Mary and Martha* will be offering assorted *homemade desserts* to purchase for your Easter Dinner on *Sunday, April 13, before and after services*. Cheesecakes go fast! *Call Shirley Stone* at *252-481-2420* to *reserve yours today*. Proceeds will be used for the Mary and Martha Circle's Preschool Scholarship.

**Family Picnic.** Make plans now and put *Sunday, May 4*, on your calendar for a *church family picnic!* This will be a time for fellowship, food, and fun for the entire church family! Look for more information in the April Newsletter.

**VBS.** Wonder Junction! *Sign up to volunteer* on [fmcwashington.com](http://fmcwashington.com) or contact *Leslie Keely* at *252-945-1222*. Marvel at Jesus and live for His glory with us *June 16-20!* Scan the **QR Code** to sign up today!



Weekly Calendar	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 30</b>
10:00 a.m.	Combined Worship Service—Sanctuary followed by Reception for Lyda in the FH.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>March 31</b>
7:00 p.m.	Troop 99—FH
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 1</b> Circle Meetings
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting—Parlor/OEB
12:00 p.m.	Weekly Lenten Service—WH/WH Kitchen
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 2</b>
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.	Open Door Program—WH
7:30 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal—WH
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 3</b>
7:00 a.m.	Men at the Table—ACR
9:00 a.m.	History/Archives Meeting—History/Archives Room
6:30 p.m.	Pack 99 Meeting—FH
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 4</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 5</b>
2:00 p.m.	Ed Rummel Memorial Service—Sanctuary
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 6</b> Preschool Sunday
9:00 a.m.	Blended Worship Service—WH Children's Church—FH
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Children, Youth, and Adults—Regular Classrooms
11:15 a.m.	Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

### God's Servants Worship Services

~ March 30 ~

#### Combined Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Nursery: Delaney O'Brien, Morgan Bullard

#### Sanctuary

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

**Acolyte:** Weston Keely  
**Sound:** Will Jefferson

~ April 6 ~

Nursery: Brett O'Brien, Kim Hernandez

#### Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

**Altar Guild:** Nancy Jessup,  
Nancy Hemink, Sheila Tanner,  
Joan Campbell, Bea Dillon

**Acolyte:** Isaac Bazan  
**Communion** Rob and Libby Cameron,  
Tom and Paula Willey,  
Dal and Ginger Newbold,  
Elizabeth Sweatland,  
Janice Williamson  
Mary Toler (Gluten-free)

**Holy Java:** ABC

**Praise & Prayer:** Sarah Beth Wood  
**Welcome Center:** Judy Griffin

**Camera:** Greg Cushing

**Sound:** Jerry Cessna

**Streaming:** Sarabeth Franz

**Video:** Kari Hall

#### Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

**Altar Guild:** Marsha Bowes,  
Shirley Stone, Kasey Stone,  
Alma Friedman

**Acolyte:** Marilyse Keely  
**Sound:** Will Jefferson

### 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 and Ruble Conference** Downstairs

**Children's Sunday School** Upstairs

**Youth Room** Upstairs



# First Methodist Church

## Washington

### Fourth Sunday in Lent

### March 30, 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.

# COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE

## Sanctuary

10:00 a.m.

We wish to extend a warm welcome to any visitors who may be worshipping with us today. Today's special worship service is designed to bring our members together who usually worship at either 9:00 a.m. or 11:15 a.m., and we hope you feel welcomed and made to feel at home among us today. We are glad you are here.

We wish to invite you back to **First Methodist Church Washington** to experience usual Sunday Worship Services and Sunday School continuing next Sunday.

At **9:00 a.m.**, we worship in Wesley Hall. It is a relaxed atmosphere with blended contemporary music, and we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion every Sunday. During this service, we offer Children's Church every week for children ages five through Second Grade.

At **10:15 a.m.**, we encourage everyone to grow in their faith by joining a Sunday School Class. For children, we offer nursery, classes for Preschool, Elementary, and a joint Youth for Grades 6 through 12. For adults, we offer the Absolute Basics Class, the Friendship Class, the Joy Class, Scholastic Class, and Young Adults Class. We pray one of these options will fit where you are on your discipleship journey.

At **11:15 a.m.**, we worship in the Sanctuary. It is a more formal and traditional Worship Service where we sing from the hymnal to music provided by our traditional music staff. Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month. We offer Children's Church every week for children ages five through Second Grade.

For our youngest disciples, nursery is provided every Sunday throughout the morning.



*The Teny Tanner Memorial Rosebud*

*is given to the*

**Glory of God**

*and in loving memory of Teny Tanner in celebration of the birth of*

**Heidi Jade Talley.**

*Born on February 8, 2025, Heidi Jade is the daughter of*

*David Hayes and Brandi Sawyer Talley of Chocowinity, NC.*

*Maternal Grandparents are John and Lisa Sawyer of Pantego, NC. Paternal*

*Grandparents are Seth and Lyda Talley of Bath, NC.*



### Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude** "Come Thou Almighty King" Arr. by Douglas E. Wagner

### \*Call to Worship

**Leader: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in God.**

**PEOPLE: BE GLAD IN THE LORD, O RIGHTEOUS AND SHOUT FOR JOY, YOU UPRIGHT IN HEART.**

**\*Hymn** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" No. 400

**\*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.**

### \*Passing of the Peace of Christ

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.  
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through your loving,  
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

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

*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.*

### Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory** "Just as I Am, I Come" Arr. by McDonald  
Megan Dixon and Susan Crawford, Vocal Duet

**\*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.**

**Anthem** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Chisholm and Runyan  
Arr. by Schrader

**Scripture Lesson** Luke 15:17-24

**Sermon** "Remembrance, Repentance and Restoration" Rev. Ken Hall, Jr.

**\*Hymn** "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" No. 340

### \*Benediction

**\*Postlude** "Jubilant Ringing" Phil Lebenbauer

**\*Congregation standing.**

**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.**



### 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.**



### 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, John Gunnels, Will Jefferson, Brian McCormick, Brad Skerik*

### Vital Signs as of March 23, 2025

Worship Attendance (In Person).....	274
Worship Attendance (Online).....	318
Sunday School Attendance.....	80

YTD Giving thru 02/28/2025.....	\$143,938
YTD Amount Needed to Meet Budget ..	\$148,134
YTD Expenditures thru 02/28/2025 .....	\$160,434

Monthly Giving thru 03/23/2025 .....	\$124,821
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Contributions

