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

**Love Gift**. The Staff-Parish Relations Committee ask you to please refer to the letter insert—*Lisa Love Gift*. Our Financial Administrator, *Lisa Capehart*, will retire at the end of May. A Love Gift will be collected and may be put in the offering plate, taken to the office or mailed. We wish her the best in her retirement.

Update from Your Missions Committee. Please join us *today*, *May 18*, from 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in the *Fellowship Hall* as we gather for the exciting Mission Project *RISE AGAINST HUNGER*. We encourage all members and families with children ages 5 and up and friends to come and share the excitement of serving others and our Lord. You will not want to miss this event.

Car Wash Eagle Scout Project Fundraiser. In support of Caden Perry of Troop 99 with his Eagle Scout Project Fundraiser, please stop by on Saturday, May 24, from 8:00 a.m. through noon at the First Methodist Church Washington parking lot, 304 West Second Street. The car wash project will raise money to improve the Old Ford Volunteer Fire Department. Donations are accepted.

VBS Volunteer Meetings. We'll have two Wonder Junction VBS volunteer meetings to go over our child protection plan, background checks, and rotation schedules! These meetings will be on *May 19 at 7:00 p.m.* and *June 2 at 7:00 p.m.* in *Asbury Conference Room*. Please plan to attend at least one of these meetings if you are planning to volunteer for VBS this year, June 16-20! Volunteers and students can register at *https://fmcwashingtonanswersvbs.myanswers.com/wonder-junction/* or scan the *QR Code*. For more information, contact *Leslie Keely* at 252-945-1222.

Wednesday Night Children's Program. Being Church with Lego Lessons, May 21-June 11 from 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.! We'd love to have you join us, even if you've never been before or can only come once or twice. Grades K-5th. For more information, contact Leslie Keely at 252-945-1222.

Four First Churches Community Concert. The Four First Churches in Washington will combine their choirs to perform a *Community Concert* on *Sunday*, *June 1*. This will be held at *First Baptist Church* at 4:00 p.m. The concert is *made possible by the generous Endowment for Hannah Bagwell from First Christian Church*.

**Graduation**. We will celebrate Graduation on *Sunday*, *June 8*, at *both services* with a brunch for our graduates in the Fellowship Hall between services. Please send (1) the graduate's name as you would like it printed in the bulletin, (2) from where they are graduating and (3) their next steps. We will also need a head count of how many will be attending the brunch and preferably which service they plan to attend. Contact: *Leslie Keely* at 252-945-1222 or email *lkeely@fmcwashington.com*.

Youth Excursion. The Youth Excursion to *Busch Gardens* is planned for *Tuesday*, *July 1*. Please *RSVP* to *Leslie at 252-945-1222 by Tuesday*, *May 20*, if you want to be part of the group rate!

Family Picnic. Everyone is invited to join us on *June 1* for a church family picnic at 4:00 p.m. at the home of *Paige and Laura Davis* on 105 Southeast Avenue, Washington. Please contact Sarah Beth at DFM@fmcwashington.com to let her know you are coming!

Global Methodist. Please note that the North Carolina Global Methodist Church Webpage has changed to https://ncglobalmethodist.org/. You can find information on what the Global Methodist Church believes, information about the upcoming Annual Conference, June 24-28 and mission work the conference is involved with.

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	May 18
8:00 a.m.	Methodist Men's Breakfast—FH
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 Service— Sanctuary
3:00 p.m.	Rise Against Hunger—FH
Monday	May 19 Financial Review Team
5:30 p.m.	Child Care Board Meeting—Ruble
7:00 p.m.	Troop 99—FH
7:00 p.m.	VBS Meeting—ACR
Tuesday	May 20 Financial Review Team Preschool Last Day for Students
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting—Parlor/OEB
6:30 p.m.	Preschool Graduation—WH
Wednesday	May 21 Financial Review Team Preschool Teacher Workday
4:00 p.m.	Men of Redemption—ACR
4:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Children Ministries—SS Rooms
7:30 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal—WH
Thursday	May 22 Financial Review Team
7:00 a.m.	Men at the Table—ACR
6:30 p.m.	Jensen/Nobles Rehearsal— Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Pack 99 Meeting—FH
Friday	May 23 Financial Review Team
Saturday	May 24 Financial Review Team
8:00 a.m.	Car Wash-Eagle Scout Project— Parking Lot
1:00 p.m.	Jensen/Nobles Wedding— Sanctuary
2:00 p.m.	Nobles Reception—WH/WH Kitchen
Sunday	May 25 Financial Review Team
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 Service— Sanctuary

# God's Servants Worship Services

~ May 18 ~

Nursery: Brett O'Brien, Kim Hernandez

# Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

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

Acolyte: Cassie Culbertson

Communion Mike and Jean Ash,
Ed and Buffy Lich, Richard and
Ann Jones, Sarah Purvis,
Betty Jo Bradshaw,
Many Toler (Gluten free)

Mary Toler (Gluten-free)

Holy Java: Methodist Men

Praise & Prayer: Dixon Davis

Welcome Center: Paula Willey

Camera: Greg Cushing

Sound: Jerry Cessna

Streaming: Sarabeth Franz

Video: Moses Move

#### Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

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

Acolyte: Stephen Oden Sound: Charlie Moore

~ May 25 ~

Nursery: Delaney O'Brien, Morgan Bullard

# Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

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

Acolyte: Brad Dudley

Communion Beth Litchfield,
Janice Williamson, Dal and
Ginger Newbold, Sarah Purvis,
Will Jefferson,
Mary Toler (Gluten-free)

Holy Java: BathTime
Praise & Prayer: Paige Davis
Welcome Center: TBDetermined

Camera: Bill Rompilla
Sound: Steve Toler
Streaming: Ingrid Hall
Video: Moses Moye

# Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

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

Acolyte: Weston Keely 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

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

# Fírst Methodíst Church Washington

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18, 2025



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#### BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

9:00 a.m.

Gathering Song Praise Team

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call the Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God from the

heights!

PEOPLE: LET US PRAISE THE NAME OF THE LORD, FOR

GOD'S NAME ALONE IS EXALTED.

Worship Song Praise Team

Praise and Prayer Concerns and The Lord's Prayer Dixon Davis

**Worship Songs** 

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 John 7:37-38

**Sermon** "Refilling the Pitcher" 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**

Mike and Jean Ash, Ed and Buffy Lich, Richard and Ann Jones, Sarah Purvis, Betty Jo Bradshaw, Mary Toler (Gluten-free)

\*Concluding Song

Praise Team

#### **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** "Holy, Holy" John Dykes Arr. by Joel Raney

\*Call the Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God from the

heights!

PEOPLE: LET US PRAISE THE NAME OF THE LORD, FOR

GOD'S NAME ALONE IS EXALTED.

\*Hymn "To God Be the Glory" No. 98

\*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

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#### Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "In This Very Room" Ron and Carol Harris
Megan Dixon, Mezzo-Soprano

\*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 "You are Mine" Haas Chancel Choir Arr. by Hayes

Scripture Lesson John 7:37-38

**Sermon** "Refilling the Pitcher" Rev. Ken Hall, Jr.

\*Hymn "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee" No. 142

\*Benediction

\*Postlude "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Oliver Holden

\*Congregation standing.

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GMC 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 Altar Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God.

#### **Chancel Choir**

Lynette Amick, Jerry Cessna, CeeCee Carroll, Ron Champion, Sarabeth Franz, Alma Friedman, Charley Hopkins, Wayne Hopkins, Patty Jackson, Melonie Lewis, Jim McPherson, Mike Moore, Patricia Moore, Tish Moore, Gay Reames, Mark Reames, Nic Stembridge, Melanie Tilley, Barbara Van Vliet, Stephen Vaughn

#### Ushers

Charlie Alligood, Rick Amick, John Gunnels, Will Jefferson, Brian McCormick, Brad Skerik

# Vital Signs as of May 11, 2025 Worship Attendance (In Person) 281 Worship Attendance (Online) 283 Sunday School Attendance 48 YTD Giving thru 04/30/2025 \$334,181 YTD Amount Needed to Meet Budget \$296,268 YTD Expenditures thru 04/30/2025 \$300,406 Monthly Giving thru 05/11/2025 \$24,042





<sup>\*</sup>Benediction

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand as led.