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

Offering Envelopes. If you are not receiving contribution envelopes and would like to, or if you are receiving them and no longer wish to receive them, please contact the church office by ***October 23***.

Missions. The Missions Committee is offering the opportunity to ***purchase T-Shirts, Ballcaps, Aprons and Tote Bags***. We will have ***sign-up sheets*** available at the Welcome Center areas. (Cost will be determined by the number we order.) The ***deadline*** to order your items will be ***Sunday, October 25***. (*This will be the only opportunity to order until next Fall.*) If you have any questions, please ***contact George or Bonnie Isovitsch*** or anyone on the Missions Team.

The Church Has Left the Building. On ***Sunday, October 25***, we will participate in The Church Has Left the Building. We will meet at ***9:00 a.m. in Wesley Hall*** for this community service opportunity. Can you deliver meals? Or help with small outside projects? Or pack our Blessing Bags in the Fellowship Hall? There will be a service project for which everyone may participate. So, Church Family, please be in prayer this week for this mission so that we can be the hands and feet of Jesus and share His love. *Please place your Blessing Cards in the baskets provided at both welcome areas* ***by Friday, October 23***. Thank you from your Missions Committee.

Wednesday Night Dinner. Sign up at the Welcome Center or on the table outside the Sanctuary by ***Monday***, ***October 19***, and join us for ***dinner at 5:30 p.m.*** and a ***program at 6:15 p.m.*** on ***Wednesday***, ***October 21***. The menu includes ***Vegetable Beef and Tomato Soups, Grilled Cheese or Grilled Cheese and Ham Sandwiches, Baked Apples, Dessert, and Water and/or Tea***. The cost is ***$8.00*** and children ***12 and under eat free***.

Upcoming Youth Events. ***Trunk or Treat*** will be ***Wednesday, October 28*** from ***5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.*** Sign ups for trunks will be at the Welcome Center areas of Wesley Hall and the Sanctuary. Candy can be placed in baskets in both places. We look forward to another fun fellowship event as a church family! ***Contact Leslie*** if you have any questions and/or concerns.

Fall Fling. The Fall Fling Committee invites all missional organizations in our church to participate in the ***Fall Fling Marketplace*** on ***Friday***, ***November 20***. All proceeds from your table will go directly to your organization. Contact ***Shirley Stone*** at ***252-481-2420*** by ***November 15*** to reserve your space.

Young Adult Retreat. If you are in your twenties or thirties and need a refreshing weekend with God before starting the holiday season, consider joining us to attend the ***NC and SC GMC Conference Young Adult Retreat***, ***November 20-22***. It's $200 per person, for the room, meals and a t-shirt. The weekend promises to be filled with great fellowship, worship and being in God's Word. Contact Sarah Beth or sign up at ***https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/c7b68743-e7eb-4ea7-9159-a12dcb5f0***

The Helping Hands Missional Group (Rick and Cherri Howdy, Mike and Tish Moore, Tom and Paula Willey, Tim and Kim Copeland, Mark and Gay Reames and Brandon Floyd) want to ***offer service to our church members in honor and glory to Jesus Christ***. We are offering to attend to ***small jobs around the house*** that you can no longer do such as change light bulbs, change HVAC filters, reach high cabinets to put away or retrieve items, put window screens back on. We also ***offer transportation to doctors' appointments and to pick up pre-ordered groceries*** such as Food Lion To Go. This is not an exhaustive list, so if you have a need, we will fill it if we are able. We don't do remodels or new construction, but small household maintenance jobs are up our alley! ***Call Rick Howdy 252-945-1118; Mike Moore 2252-940- 8482 or the church office 252-946-3311***.

Operation Christmas Child- IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS. Please ***pick up*** a ***shoebox and a "How to pack a shoebox***" brochure from the display in Wesley Hall or outside the Sanctuary. ***Fill it*** with personal care items, small toys, and school supplies. ***PRAY*** for the child who will receive your box, and ***bring it back*** to church ***no later than November 22***. That's how easy it is to share your love and the good news of Jesus with a child somewhere in this great big world that God created. God bless you! Questions? Call ***Jean Ash*** at ***252-945-9129.***

Candlelight Outing. Adult Ministries is looking to see if there is interest in a night out to visit the ***Beyond the Palace Tour*** at ***Tryon Palace*** on ***Saturday, December 12***. There will be all sorts of fun activities as well as food trucks and hot beverages. The night ends with a wonderful show of black powder fireworks. Please ***sign up at the Welcome Center areas*** if you are interested. If you have questions, email ***Sarah Beth at DFM@fmcwashington.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 our pastor.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday	**October 18 Consecration Sunday**
8:00 a.m.	Methodist Men's Breakfast—FH
9:00 a.m.	Blended Worship Service—WH/ Children's Church—Library
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School (Children, Youth, and Adults)—Regular Classrooms
11:15 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service—Sanctuary/ Children's Church—Parlor/OEB
1:00 p.m.	Usher Training—ACR
1:00 p.m.	Youth Praise Practice—WH
Monday	**October 19**
12:00 p.m.	Beth Page Bible Study—ACR
5:30 p.m.	Child Care Board Meeting—Ruble
7:00 p.m.	Troop 99—FH
Tuesday	**October 20**
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting—Parlor/OEB
6:30 p.m.	Scout Pack 99 Meeting—FH
Wednesday	**October 21**
9:30 a.m.	WWBS Meeting—WH
4:00 p.m.	Men of Redemption—ACR
4:15 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Family Night Dinner—WH
6:15 p.m.	Wednesday Night Programming—WH
6:15 p.m.	Young Women's Study (Beth Page) —Friendship SS Class
7:30 p.m.	Praise Team Rehearsal—WH
Thursday	**October 22**
7:00 a.m.	Men at the Table—ACR
6:00 p.m.	Yahoos—WH Kit
Friday	**October 23**
Saturday	**October 24**
	Youth Busch Garden Trip
12:00 p.m.	Circle of Mary & Martha—WH Kit / Lunch Prep (The Church Has Left the Building)
Sunday	**October 25 The Church Has Left the Building**
9:00 a.m.	Combined Worship Service—WH/
10:00 a.m.	Circle of Mary & Martha Lunches (preordered)—WH Kit
1:00 p.m.	Youth Praise Practice—WH

God's Servants

~October 18~
Consecration Sunday
Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

Nursery: Lilly Ann Davis, Savannah O'Brien
Acolyte: Marilyse Keely, Elaina Deans
Altar Guild: Mary Toler, Elizabeth Sweatland, Brenda Anderson, Betty Jo Bradshaw
Communion: Keith and Gail Travis, Lentz and Tricia Stowe, Marshall and Kathleen Taylor, Rachel Cessna, Allison Harris Mary Toler (gluten-free)
Holy Java: Methodist Men
Praise and Prayer: Dixon Davis
Welcome Center: Judy Griffin
Camera: To be determined
Sound: Erin Franz
Streaming: To be determined
Video: Butch Weston

Sanctuary—11:15 a.m.

Acolyte: Stephen Oden
Altar Guild: Bettye Nichols, Missy Deaner, Kaye Buckman, Becky Buck
Sound: Charlie Moore

~October 25~
The Church Has Left the Building
Wesley Hall—9:00 a.m.

Nursery: Delaney O'Brien, Morgan Bullard
Acolyte: Eileen Culbertson, Cassie Culbertson
Altar Guild: Mary Toler, Elizabeth Sweatland, Brenda Anderson, Betty Jo Bradshaw
Communion: Missions Team
Holy Java: BathTime
Praise and Prayer: Rev. Ken Hall
Welcome Center: Tammy Howerton
Camera: To be determined
Sound: Steve Toler
Streaming: To be determined
Video: Seth Edwards

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

Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost
October 18, 2026



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BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

Wesley Hall **9:00 a.m.**

Gathering Song Youth Praise Team

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**
Leader: Let us hope in the Lord; for with the Lord is steadfast love.

PEOPLE: GOD WILL REDEEM US AND FREE US FROM ALL SIN.

***Worship Song** Youth Praise Team

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

Worship Songs Youth Praise Team

(The children are invited to meet in the back for Children's Church and will return following the Sermon.)

Scripture Reading II Corinthians 9:6-7

Sermon "A Crash Course in Giving" Rev. Chris Aydlett

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
Keith and Gail Travis, Lentz and Tricia Stowe, Marshall and Kathleen Taylor, Rachel Cessna, Allison Harris, Mary Toler (gluten-free)

Dedication of Commitment Cards

***Concluding Song** Youth Praise Team

***Benediction**

****Please stand as led.***

Youth Praise Team (*3rd Sunday of each month***)**
Rebekah Bollow, Eileen Culbertson, Sarabeth Franz, Darcy Keely, Carole Musselwhite, Leader: Laurie Weston

Praise Team
Gail Breed, Pam Carson, Neva Cashion, Dixon Davis, Travis Davis, Jim O'Brian, Bill Peele, Dale Peele, Les Sheridan

Ushers
Ron Branch, Paige Davis, Alton Griffin, Walter Jessup, Richard Jones, Lawrence Mallard, Wayne Oestreich

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

Sanctuary **11:15 a.m.**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "May the Mind of Christ, My Savior" Gould
Leigh Stanley, Piano Arr. by Halberg

***Call to Worship**
Leader: Let us hope in the Lord; for with the Lord is steadfast love.

PEOPLE: GOD WILL REDEEM US AND FREE US FROM ALL SIN.

***Hymn** "Standing on the Promises" No. 374

***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

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory "Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)" Matt Crocker, Joel Houston, and Salomon Ligthelm
Rebekah Bollow and Darcy Keely

***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 "Lead Me to the Cross" Brooke Fraser
Youth Praise Team Brooke Ligertwood
Rebekah Bollow, Darcy Keely, Sarabeth Franz, and Carole Musselwhite

Scripture Reading II Corinthians 9:6-7

Sermon "A Crash Course in Giving" Rev. Chris Aydlett

Dedication of Commitment Cards

***Hymn of Response** "What Gift Can We Bring" No. 87

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

****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.

Please welcome Reverend Chris and Mrs. Angie Aydlett to worship with us this morning. Chris is currently Presiding Elder in the Edenton District of the NC Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church, and they reside in Edenton, NC. A special note of thanks is extended to their daughter, Rachel and son-in-law, Jerry Cessna, for sharing Chris and Angie with us.

The Altar Flowers
are given to the
***Glory of God*.**

Youth Praise Team
Rebekah Bollow, Eileen Culbertson, Sarabeth Franz, Darcy Keely, and Carole Musselwhite,
Leader: Laurie Weston
We thank them for being with us during the 11:15 a.m. Worship Service.

Chancel Choir
Lynette Amick, Cheryl Carroll, Jerry Cessna, Alma Friedman, Charley Ann Hopkins, Wayne Hopkins, Patty Jackson, Melonie Lewis, Jim McPherson, Mike Moore, Patricia Moore, Tish Moore, Gay Reames, Mark Reames, Nic Stembridge, PJ Stembridge, Melanie Tilley, Barbara Van Vliet, Rhonda Vickers, Laurie Weston

Ushers
Charlie Alligood, Rick Amick, Steve Gravely, John Gunnels, Brian McCormick, Brad Skerik, Kelly Tabor, Chris Tilley

Vital Signs as of October 11, 2026

Worship Attendance (*In-Person Services*)	273
Worship Attendance (*Online*)	233
Sunday School Attendance	75
Monthly Giving thru 10/11/2026	$ 33,843

Online Contributions