



Welcome to Hampstead United Methodist Church

World Communion Sunday

October 5, 2025

“Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

*Order of Worship
10:00 in the Morning*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

“Softly and Tenderly”

By Will Thompson, Arranged by Joel Rancey

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, people of God, and bring your mustard-seed faith.

We come, trusting that even the smallest faith can move mountains.

Come, people of God, and bring your weary hearts and hopeful spirits.

We come, ready to be renewed by grace.

Come, people of God, from north and south, east and west.

We come to gather at Christ’s table with believers around the world.

Come, people of God, and be the body of Christ.

We come to love, forgive, and serve—together.

The Lord our God is here.

Let us worship in spirit and in truth!

***OPENING HYMN**

“Standing on the Promises”

#374

***OPENING PRAYER**

Gracious and loving God, Creator of all nations and peoples,

**Redeemer who calls us by name, and Sustainer who binds us together in love,
we give you thanks for the gift of community—in this place and across the world.**

**Today we gather as one body, many members with many stories,
yet one in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Bless our worship, our fellowship, and this day of holy communion with believers everywhere.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

#452

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 12: 1-5, 9-13, 18

ANTHEM

“I Will Remember Thee”

Chancel Choir

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES *(At this time, all children may leave for Children’s Church.)*

**Congregation please stand as able.*

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 17:5-10

SERMON

“You Already Have Enough Faith”

Rev. Dr. Debbie Matthis

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD

INVITATION

...So therefore, let us repent of our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not always lived in unity.

**We have clung to our own ways, spoken more than we’ve listened,
and judged more quickly than we’ve loved.**

We have not loved one another nor forgiven as we have been forgiven.

And we have not served with the faith you have already placed within us.

**Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have doubted your Spirit’s work among us,
for when we have failed to nurture and act on our faith,**

and for the moments we have forgotten that your grace is already enough.

**Forgive us, we pray, and free us to serve you joyfully with the faith we already have
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

Hear the good news:

God’s mercy is from everlasting to everlasting.

In Christ, grace has already been given,

forgiveness has already been spoken,

and new life has already begun. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

THE PEACE

OFFERING *(please bring your offerings to the front when you come to receive the elements)*

WE CELEBRATE AT THE TABLE OF GOD

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,...

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son, Jesus Christ,...
.... as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Holy God, pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here.....
.....all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen**

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Please bring your offering to the front when you come to receive the bread and wine.

"He Looked Beyond My Fault and Saw My Need"

Medley: Londonderry Air/Cheryl's Theme; Arranged by B. George and Dino K.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Gracious God, we thank you for this holy meal,
shared with our brothers and sisters around the world.
In this bread and cup, you have made us one body in Christ,
strengthened our faith, and renewed our hope.
Now send us out in your Spirit, to live as people of grace,
sowing seeds of peace and love wherever we go.
And may our lives bear witness to the unity and mercy we have found at your table,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

WE DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*CLOSING CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"One Bread, One Body"

#620

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Go now into the world in peace, to love and serve with the faith you have.
Even if it feels small, trusting that God will make it grow.
May the Creator who planted the seed, Christ who tends and nourishes it,
and the Spirit who brings the harvest of love and unity, go with you and remain with you always.
Amen.

*POSTLUDE

"Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus"

George Webb; Arranged by Clarence Kohlmann

Hampstead United Methodist Church



Sunday, October 5, 2025
10:00 AM Worship Service

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www.hampsteadumc.org

~Announcements~

First Time & Frequent Visitors, we welcome you!

For information about Hampstead UMC, please see our greeters in the Narthex (lobby). If this is your first worship experience here, please let the ushers or greeters know, so we can better assist you!

A nursery is provided for worship services, located in the main building—see an usher for assistance.

If you wish to receive additional weekly updates or be contacted, please print your contact information in the red attendance pew pads or you may email the church office at office@hampsteadumc.org.

Pumpkin Patch Volunteers Patch!!

We still need volunteers to man the Patch!

We can't sell pumpkins without your help!



Shifts are 2 hours, each day of the week. Contact the church office, or scan the QR code to sign up. Thank you for supporting our Youth!

Second Pumpkin Toss! Join us **Saturday, October 11th** at **9:00 AM** as we unload the 2nd pumpkin delivery. Free pizza and drinks will be provided. Come be a part of our giant assembly line and help our Youth!

Pumpkin Patch Hours The Patch is open through October 31st. Patch hours of operation are **Monday through Thursdays, 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Friday and Saturdays 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM, and Sundays 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM.** Payment of pumpkins are accepted via Zelle, check, or cash only.

Bake Sale in the Patch The United Women in Faith will hold a bake sale to benefit the youth on **Saturday, October 18th, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM** (unless we sell out before). See you at the Pumpkin Patch!

Upcoming Circle Meeting The **October 14th** United Women in Faith program will be presented by Michele Bennett with Lower Cape Fear Hospice Community Outreach. The meeting will begin at **10:00 AM in room 5/6**. Any questions please call or text Cheryle Shaffer at 910-620-5904.

TODAY is World Communion Sunday

The UMC will receive one of the six Special Offerings, while celebrating Communion with Christians around the world. The World Communion Offering supports a diverse mix of national and international ethnic young adults to make a global impact for Christ. 50% of the offering benefits World Communion Scholarships for graduate students in the U.S. and other countries; 35% supports ethnic scholarships for undergraduate students; 15 % funds In-Service Training for racial and ethnic persons. If you would like to give, make your check payable to 'HUMC', and write "World Communion" on the memo line. If giving by cash, there are offering envelopes available from an usher. Write your name and "World Communion" on the envelope. You can also give online by debit/credit card (see "Worship Through Giving" on the church website).

Church Council Meeting We will meet **Tuesday, October 7th** at **6:30 PM** in the sanctuary.

Nametags If you don't have one, or need a replacement, please contact the church office to have a new tag made (910-270-4648, office@hampsteadumc.org).

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are given

By Andrew & Laura Bibby ...

*"In celebration of our
9th wedding anniversary."*

~Prayer Requests~



Kathy Barnes	Bill Russell
Angie Bolin	Vicki Russell
Sally Jo Capozio	Conne Schwarz
Dot Cotman	Dasha Sharp
Chris Gibson	Emily Skinner
Judy Harrelson	Karen Smith
John Harris	Carolyn Southerland
Gavin Johnson	Dee Stolk
Laura Kiyabu	Costas Tchouros
Fred Phillips	Jane Tchouros
Buddy Rogers	Hiram Williams
Peggy Rose	Jean Withers
	Brian Wright

Online Giving Made Simple:

We're excited to offer a new way to give! You can now support our church by scanning the QR code below with your smartphone or tablet's camera. It will take you directly to our secure online giving page.



If you need help, our greeters or office staff are happy to assist you. Thank you for your generosity!

~ Contact Information~

Pastor **Rev. Dr. Debbie Matthis**
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~Calendar of Events~

October 5, 2025—October 12, 2025

Sunday—10/5

10:00 AM Worship Service
4:00 PM Power Kids (FLC)
5:00 PM Jr.Sr. High Youth (FLC)

Monday—10/6

8:30 AM ROMEOs (Library)

Tuesday—10/7

9:00 AM Prayer Team (Library)
6:00 PM Divorce Care (Rm. 9)
6:30 PM Church Council (Sanc)

Wednesday—10/8

6:20 PM Bible Study Fellowship (Rms.2, 3, 5/6, 9)

Thursday—10/9

9:00 AM Bible Study "Luke in the Land" (Rm. 5/6)
6:00 PM Handbell Practice
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice (Sanc)

Friday—10/10

10:00 AM Meals on Wheels Prep (FLC)

Saturday—10/11

8:00 AM Meals on Wheels Pack & Deliver (FLC)
9:00 AM Second Pumpkin Toss

Sunday—10/12

10:00 AM Worship Service
4:00 PM Power Kids (FLC)
5:00 PM Jr.Sr. High Youth (FLC)

Available Altar Flower Sponsorships

October: 19
November: 9, 30
December: 7

If you would like to sponsor an arrangement, contact the church office at 910-270-4648 or office@hampsteadumc.org. Flowers are on a first come-first served basis. Each arrangement is \$45.