


**WELCOME** WELCOME members and guests!  
Attendance books are located at the end of each row. Please take a moment to share your contact information with us. We are glad you selected this church as your place of worship today and hope you will come again. Please stop by one of our information centers to learn more about our church.

**WORSHIP** TRADITIONAL 8:30AM & 11AM  
CONTEMPORARY 9AM & 11AM  
FOUNDRY CAMPUS 9AM

**NURSERY** For infants & toddlers through age 4. Rooms 36 & 38.

**KIDS** Kid's Church (Pre-K4 -2nd grade) at **9AM & 11AM** worship services following the offering, held in Room 30. **\*\*Kids must be potty trained to participate in Kid's Church.**

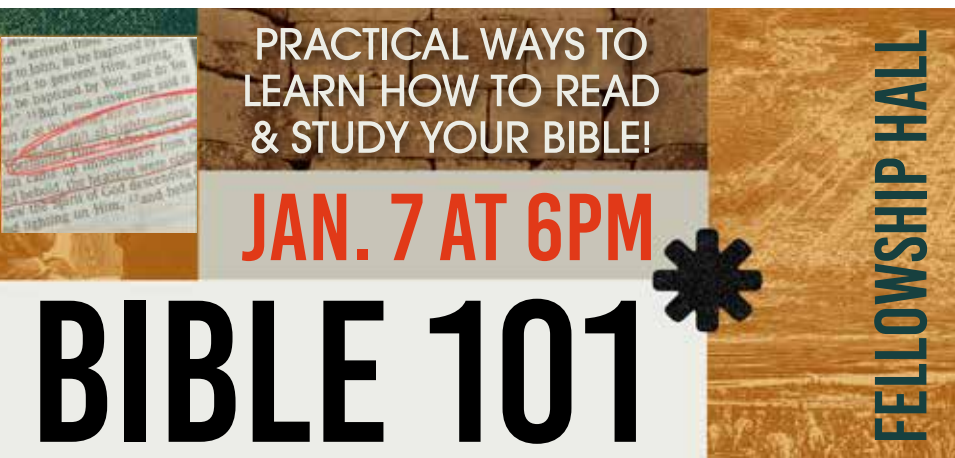
**COMMUNICATIONS** Sign up for our newsletter & other communications! Email us at [info@firstmethodistmonroe.com](mailto:info@firstmethodistmonroe.com) or call the church office 318-325-7335.

**GIVE**  Text "GIVE" to 318-217-8383, go to [FIRSTMETHODISTMONROE.COM/GIVE](http://FIRSTMETHODISTMONROE.COM/GIVE), or Scan the QR code

**WEB** Sundays at **9AM & 11AM**  
[firstmethodistmonroe.com/watch](http://firstmethodistmonroe.com/watch),  
Facebook: @methodistmonroe  
YouTube: @firstmethodistmonroe

**TV** Sundays **11AM**  
The CW & ABC KAQY  
(when not preempted by special programming)

**RADIO** Sundays **8:30AM**  
KMLB 540AM



Join us for Bible 101, where we'll cut through the confusion and give you practical tools to actually understand what you're reading. No matter where you are in your faith journey, total beginner or seasoned reader looking for a fresh perspective, you'll leave with confidence and clarity.

**STUDIES RETURN JAN. 14**

**wednesday**  
**NIGHTS** SUPPER 5PM  
STUDIES 6PM



Sign up for Wednesday Night Supper texts!  
Find out what's on the menu and make reservations.

**Text "MEAL"**  
**to 318-217-8383**

\$7 for adults & \$5 for children ages 3-10 (\$24 max.)

Check out all of the available studies at  
[FIRSTMETHODISTMONROE.COM](http://FIRSTMETHODISTMONROE.COM)

**WE HAVE SOMETHING FOR ALL AGES!**



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EPIPHANY SUNDAY  
January 4, 2026  
8:30am & 11:00am

THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRELUDE \_\_\_\_\_ Hunt Neely, organist

THE GREETING

(Text “HERE” to 318-217-8383)

\*HYMN #254 \_\_\_\_\_ *We Three Kings*

\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. Kem Alexander  
  
The Apostles’ Creed

\*GLORIA PATRI  
  
All are invited to pray at the altar.  
Please come down during the Gloria Patri.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

(Text “PRAY” to 318-217-8383)

\*HYMN #245 \_\_\_\_\_ *The First Noel*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Text “GIVE” to 318-217-8383)

THE OFFERTORY \_\_\_\_\_ Fields  
  
*A Babe Is Born*  
The Chancel Choir

\*THE DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

After the Children’s Message all Pre-K4 - 2nd graders  
are invited to Kid's Church, in Room 30,  
during the 9am & 11am services.

SCRIPTURE READING \_\_\_\_\_ Jonah 1:1-4:11, 2 Peter 3:9,  
Hebrews 12:15

THE MESSAGE \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. Dr. Brian Mercer

NEW YEAR SAME MISSION  
No One Should Perish

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD’S PRAYER

RECEPTION OF THE ELEMENTS

Offerings made during communion  
will go to the Tarver Braddock Foundation

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Communion & visitation team members please  
come forward during the final hymn to receive  
your communion sets.

INVITATION TO COMMITMENT

(Text “JOIN” to 318-217-8383)

\*HYMN #500 \_\_\_\_\_ *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

\*Those who are able please stand.

## TODAY

The rosebuds on the altar today are in celebration of the births of  
**Dorothy Nicole Adams and Gwendolyn Abby Adams**,  
born December 29, 2025. They are the daughters of Nick and Libby  
Adams, sisters of Ruth, and granddaughters of Tom and Sara Herman.

**THANK YOU** everyone who gave to our Christmas Eve offering! We now  
have \$13,200 for our Benevolence Fund, to help those in our community  
who are in need.

**IT'S TIME TO UNDECK THE HALLS! TODAY at 2pm** in the Sanctuary. We need  
helping hands to take down lights, take down the Christmas trees and put  
away our large nativity.

**MOMS IN PRAYER** - Please join us for life changing prayer for your children  
and grandchildren on **Sundays at 5pm** in the Library.

**GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP:** June 2–9, 2026  
Join us for an incredible opportunity to serve in Guatemala! To register or  
for more information go to [firstmethodistmonroe.com](http://firstmethodistmonroe.com). **Sign up by Jan. 4.**

## THIS MONTH

**END OF YEAR GIFTS** - We will be accepting 2025 end of year gifts until **Jan. 5.**

**BE FIT EXERCISE CLASSES RESUME!**  
Be Fit classes are back tomorrow and Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the  
Fellowship Hall. Please wear comfortable clothing, athletic shoes, and  
bring a water bottle as we enjoy a fun, full-body workout together. We  
can’t wait to see you there!

**CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING**  
**Sunday, January 11, 2026 | 10:10-10:50 AM | Upstairs Youth Room**  
All parents of 6th graders are invited to a Confirmation information meet-  
ing. Mark your calendars and plan to join us as we prepare for this import-  
ant season in your student’s faith journey.

**NEXT STEPS** - Are you looking for ways to take a next step in the life of our  
church? Plan to attend our Next Steps Class **Sunday, January 25 at  
10:10am** in the Parlor!

**50+ ADULT GOLDEN YEARS LUNCHEON**  
**Thursday, January 29 | 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM | Tennison Hall, 311 Mill St., WM**  
Join us for a free, three course lunch, Golden Years Luncheon featuring a  
special performance by the ULM Choral Group. Please RSVP by Wednes-  
day, January 21 to [nflowers@firstmethodistmonroe.com](mailto:nflowers@firstmethodistmonroe.com) so a seat can be  
reserved for you at one of our First Methodist Monroe tables. We look  
forward to enjoying this wonderful time of fellowship and music with you!

## SAVE THE DATE

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** (Entering PreK 4 - 5th graders) **July 13-17, 2026**