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.

## **NURSERY**

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

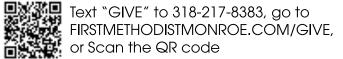
Kid's Church (Pre-K4 -2nd grade) at 9AM & 11AM worship services following the offering, held in Room 30. \*\*Kids must be potty trained to participate in Kid's Church.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Sign up for our newsletter & other

**communications!** Email us at <u>info@firstmethodistmonroe.com</u> or call the church office 318-325-7335.

**GIVE** 





Sundays at 9AM & 11AM firstmethodistmonroe.com/watch, Facebook: @methodistmonroe YouTube: @firstmethodistmonroe



ABC KAQY & KNOE.com Sundays 11AM

**RADIO** 

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

LOOK FOR US ON THE CW BEGINNING AUGUST 3, EVERY SUNDAY!

# **SPOTLIGHT!**





LINDA CRAWFORD
Director of
After School Care



Monday - Friday | 3 til 5:30pm After school pick up available for Sallie Humble

You can register online at FIRSTMETHODISTMONROE.COM/AFTERSCHOOL



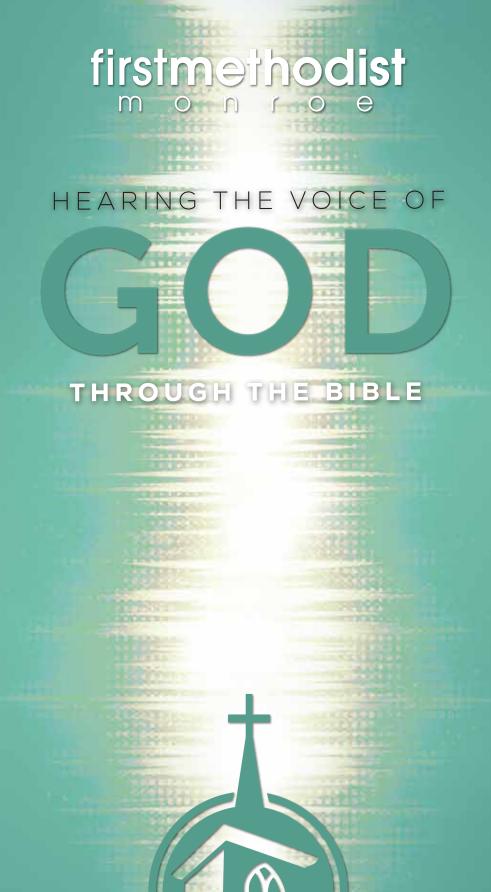








CALL OR TEXT 318-217-8383
FIRSTMETHODISTMONROE.COM





#### THE 8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 3, 2025 at 8:30am & 11:00am

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRELUDE	Joey Gardunio, organist
THE GREETING	
(Text "HERE" to 318-217-8383)	
*HYMN #64 H	loly, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
*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 #314	In the Garden
PRAYER OF DEDICATION	
(Text "GIVE" to 318-217-8383)	
THE OFFERTORY  Speak, Lord The Ch	Schwoebel d, In the Stillness ancel Choir
*THE DOXOLOGY	
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	
After the Children's Message all Pre-K4 - 2nd graders	

during the 9am & 11am services.

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Timothy 3:16, Psalm 119:105 THE MESSAGE Rev. Dr. Brian Mercer **HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD** Through the Bible INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**RECEPTION OF THE ELEMENTS** 

Communion offerings will be used for our teacher gifts

#### 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 #436 The Voice of God Is Callina

\*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

\*Those who are able please stand,

#### **TODAY**

TODAY IS BLESSING OF THE TEACHERS! We're celebrating and praying over all teachers and school support staff as a new school year begins. Be sure to stop by and pick up your back-to-school gift—just a small token of our appreciation for all you do!

NEW CHECK-IN ROUTINE FOR KINGDOM KIDS - Beginning this Sunday, we're implementing a new check-in system for all children ages 0 through 5th grade. Check-in stations will be located at each of the three main entrances. If your child will be in the nursery or attending Children's Church or Sunday School, please be sure to check them in before service begins. We appreciate your help in making this an important part of your Sunday morning routine as we continue to prioritize the safety and care of every child.

#### THIS WEEK

GENEVA CASTLE SCHOLARSHIP FALL 2025 - Applications and spring grades must be submitted by tomorrow, Monday, August 4. A new application must be submitted each semester in order to be considered. Applications available at the church office.

**BACK TO SCHOOL BINGO** for grandparents & grandkids is Wednesday, August 6, at 1pm in the Fellowship Hall! To reserve a table please RSVP to nflowers@firstmethodistmonroe.com.

#### THIS MONTH

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FAIR** - <u>Sunday, August 10</u>. Looking for a smaller group to connect with and deepen your knowledge of the Bible? Come visit our Sunday School Fair to see all of our Sunday School class options, find out more ábout each group and decide which class you would like to attend.

**LUNCH AND LEARN** on "Prearranging a Funeral" will be Monday, August 11 at 11am in classroom #6. Lunch is being provided on site at no cost, but you must RSVP to nflowers@fisrtmethodistmonroe.com by Wed., Aug. 6 to reserve a seat, meal, and materials!

RISE BACK TO SCHOOL KICKOFF & PARENT MEETING (6th-12th grade) -Sunday, August 17. All are welcome to join us for food, worship, and powerful testimony.

**NEXT STEPS** - Are you looking for ways to take a next step in the life of our church? Plan to attend our Next Step's Class Sunday, August 24 at 10:10am in the Parlor!

**ADULT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** - <u>August 25-27, 10:30am-1pm</u>. Pick up a registration form at the church office or go to firstmethodistmonroe.com. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS AUG. 18** 

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

J-FORCE - CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY (1st-5th grade) begins Sept 3. Join us Wednesdays after school from 3:15-5:15pm! School pickup is available for Lexington and Sallie Humble. firstmethodistmonroe.com/JFORCE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KICKOFF - September 3 at 5pm.

CHARIS WOMEN'S RETREAT - September 18-20. Whether you are looking to begin your walk with God or want to revive your spirit, we would love for you to spend a couple of days with us! firstmethodistmonroe.com/retreats.

THE NARROW ROAD 5K/10K - Saturday, September 27.

FIRST METHODIST MEN'S SUMMIT - October 3-4. The men of First Methodist are invited to gather together and encourage one another in their faith.