


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.

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 or call the church office 318-325-7335.

GIVE  Text "GIVE" to 318-217-8383, go to FIRSTMETHODISTMONROE.COM/GIVE, or Scan the QR code

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

TV ABC KAQY, The CW & KNOE.com
Sundays **11AM**

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

MISSION SPOTLIGHT

THE SKINNER FAMILY



First Methodist Monroe is blessed to partner with the Skinner Family. The Skinners are commissioned workers with World Outreach. They serve on a church planting team in unreached, rural areas in Japan.

THE NARROW ROAD  **SEPT. 27**
Follow us out on Facebook for all Race News and information!
  @THENARROWROAD5K10K
Lace up your running shoes and join us! Whether you're a seasoned runner or just looking for a fun way to get active, this event is for you.

SEPT. 18-20

CHARIS WOMEN'S RETREAT

CAMP CANEY \$150

Whether you're just beginning your walk with God or seeking to renew your spirit, the Charis Women's Retreat is the perfect place to pause, reflect, and reconnect. We'd love for you to spend a few meaningful days with us in community and faith. Cost is \$150

MEN'S SUMMIT 
Oct. 3-4

FIRSTMETHODISTMONROE.COM/RETREATS
All men of First Methodist are invited to come together for a powerful time of fellowship, encouragement, and spiritual growth. The Men's Summit is a chance to connect, reflect, and strengthen your walk with God alongside other men as we seek to Become People of Christ. Registration deadline Sept. 22. Cost is \$100



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THE 14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 14, 2025 at 8:30am & 11:00am

PRELUDE _____ Hunt Neely, organist

THE GREETING

(Text “HERE” to 318-217-8383)

***HYMN #529** _____ *How Firm a Foundation*

***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)

THE LORD’S PRAYER

***HYMN #347** _____ *Spirit Song*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Text “GIVE” to 318-217-8383)

THE OFFERTORY _____ arr. Scholes

Come Thou Almighty King
Westminster Bells
Marcy Hall, Director

*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 _____ Matthew 5:4

THE ANTHEM _____ Courtney

My Wordless Prayer
The Chancel Choir

THE MESSAGE _____ Marcy Hall (8:30)
Rev. Dr. Brian Mercer (11:00)

RIGHTEOUS BEATITUDES

INVITATION TO COMMITMENT

(Text “JOIN” to 318-217-8383)

***HYMN #420** _____ *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE _____ Hunt Neely, organist

*Those who are able please stand

SNACKTEMBER SNACK DRIVE - Benefitting the Community Wellness Pantry at the Children’s Coalition. Help us fight food insecurity by donating individually wrapped, healthy snacks throughout September. Items Needed: Nuts & Trail Mix, Peanut Butter Crackers, Fruit Cups & Applesauce, Veggie Chips, Dried Fruit, and Granola Bars. Drop-off at any of the main church doors. Thank you for helping us share God’s love in a practical way!

BE PART OF OUR BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION - As we prepare to celebrate our church’s 200th anniversary next year, we’re collecting memories from our members. Were you part of the church downtown? Do you remember milestones like the pipe organ purchase or the construction of our current building? We’d love to hear from you! Contact the church office, Alice Prophit, or Beth Cornelison to share your story.

THIS MONTH

MOMS IN PRAYER - Sundays | 5:00 PM | Library
Calling all moms, grandmothers, and caregivers! Join us each week as we gather to lift up our children, schools, and teachers in prayer.

PERCEPTIONS NOW ON TV! Tune in Monday–Friday: KTVE (NBC) at 6:50AM & KARD (FOX) at 8:55AM

WEDNESDAY NIGHT! - Supper at 5:00 PM | Studies at 6:00 PM
Menu: Pulled Pork Sandwiches {Cost: \$7 adults, \$5 children (ages 3–10) \$24 family max} Stay in the loop! Sign up for Wednesday Night Supper texts to see the menu and make reservations. Text “MEAL” to 318-217-8383. For more information about our fall studies go to firstmethodistmonroe.com.

"FAITH OF OUR FOUNDING FATHERS"- Discover Our American Heritage
Tuesday, September 16 | 5:30 PM | Room 6
Join us for a slide presentation for those interested in a faith-based journey to Williamsburg, Mount Vernon, Monticello, & Washington, DC June 19-26, 2026. Visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1369701> for more information or to register online.

ULM WESLEY SPORTSMAN’S AUCTION
Thursday, September 18 | 6:00 PM | Bayou Point Event Center

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER’S - Sept. 20 | Downtown Monroe
If you’d like to be part of our church team, call the church office to sign up.

DAY TOUR OF CHIMP HAVEN
Thursday, September 25 | 7:30 AM - 2:30 PM
The cost is \$120 per person, which includes a 1 ½ hour guided golf cart tour, lunch, and transportation. Please RSVP to Nannette Flowers with a check payable to First Methodist Monroe to reserve your spot.

NEXT MONTH

NEWCOMER LUNCH - Sunday, October 19 | Noon | Garden Room
If you are new to First Methodist Monroe and would like to meet some other new folks we would love for you to join us.

BLUE GRASS ON THE BAYOU - Free community concert!
Sunday, October 19 | 5:30 PM | On the Bayou at First Methodist Monroe

FALL FESTIVAL & CHILI COOKOFF
Sunday, October 26 | 4:00 PM Fun & Games | 5:00 PM Chili Cookoff