

ISLAND PRAISE WORSHIP

9:00

Prelude Child of Love/ ‘Famous For (I Believe)
Cash, Cash, Cash, Cash and Bergthold/ Wells, Butler, Nordhoff, Slifer, and Sapp

Words of Welcome Pastor Charles

Opening Song Blessed Be Your Name Redman and Redman
(see lyrics insert)

†**Passing the Peace of Christ**

Children’s Message Kristen Duclos

Morning Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer Pastor Charles

†**Song:** How Great Is Our God Tomlin, Cash, and Reeves
(see lyrics insert)

Scripture: Matthew 22:1-14 Pew Bible 1201

Message: “The Wedding Banquet” Pastor Charles

Offering Abundantly More
Armstrong, Balltzglier, Condrey, and Hulse

† **The Doxology** OLD HUNDREDTH Hymnal 95

† **Song** Goodness of God
Johnson, Cash, Ingram, Fielding, and Johnson
(see lyrics insert)

†**Dismissal with Blessing**



**The flowers today are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Carlton Whelan
by Wayne, Whitney and Karen.**

Our Gifts of Stewardship

You should receive a stewardship letter and pledge card for 2024. We ask that you pray earnestly over your tithe/pledge...then be prepared to personally bring it forward to the alter rail during our closing hymn on Sunday 10/22. As you pray over your pledge and the many rich blessings you have received, you may also be led to share your stewardship testimony. If so, please reach out to either Pastor Charles or myself...and we will provide that opportunity for you to share as you wish.

In His service,
Murray Small
Stewardship

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, October 15	Tuesday, October 17
9:00 AM Island Praise	1:00 PM Coastal Belles
10:00 AM First Friends	5:00 PM Chili and Dessert Contest
10:10 AM Sunday School	
11:00 AM Traditional Service	Wednesday, October 18
	10:00 AM Crafty Ladies
Monday, October 16	10:00 AM MLBS
9:30 AM Line Dancing	4:45 PM Praise Practice
9:30 AM Devotional Beach Walk	6:00 PM Choir Practice
	6:00 PM Disciple 2 Bible Study
	Thursday October 19
	10:00 AM Disciple 1 Bible Study
	6:00 PM Disciple 1 Bible Study

A new directory is in the works for First Church.

We are currently scheduling photo sessions for:
- **November 6,7, 20 & 21.**
Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.
• Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at church or simply go online and follow the instructions below.
If we don’t see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
• Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!
• Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church!
You’ll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!



To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com or scan the QR code , click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter sc290 in the Church Code field and enter photos in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family’s appointment time. If you have 6 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time.

Call or e-mail the church office for any prayer concerns or celebrations.

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM–5:00 PM,
Friday 9:00 AM–1:00 PM
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**Our mission is to discover, celebrate, and
share God’s love!**



**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Laity Sunday**

**Ministers: All People
Pastor: Rev. Charles A. Phillips
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Color: Green **October 15, 2023**

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 11:00 AM WE GATHER TO WORSHIP		
Prelude	Let All Things Now Living	arr. Gerard Krapf
Words of Welcome		Pastor Charles

† **Call to Worship**
You have been called to the banquet.
This is the feast.
You have been summoned to the wedding.
This is the feast of life and light.
From the streets and the byways, God has invited us.
We have come to the banquet that has no end. Alleluia! Amen!

† The Processional Hymn	Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart	Hymnal 160
† Opening Prayer		Pastor Charles
† Gloria Patri	UMH 71	GREATOREX

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Children’s Message		Kristen Duclos
† Hymn of Preparation	Lead Me, Lord	Hymnal 473
Prayer for Illumination Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit; that as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear joy what you say to us today. Amen.		

The Psalm	Psalm 106: 1-12	Pew Bible 748
The Second Reading	Philippians 4:1-9	Pew Bible 1432
† The Gospel Lesson	Matthew 22:1-14	Pew Bible 1201
The Message	“The Wedding Banquet”	Pastor Charles

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

† Hymn of Response	Near to the Heart of God	Hymnal 472
Prayers of the People and 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.		

The Offering and The Anthem	The Summons	arr. John Bell
† The Doxology	OLD HUNDREDTH	Hymnal 95

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

† Hymn of Dedication	Just As I Am (Verses 1, 3, 5 & 6)	Hymnal 357
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† Benediction and Choral Response Let Us Now Depart In Thy Peace (Hymnal 668) Let us now depart in thy peace, blessed Jesus. Send us to our homes with God’s Love in our hearts. Let not the busy world claim our loyalties. Keep us ever mindful, dear Lord, of thee. Amen.		
Postlude	If We but Suffer God to Guide Thee	J. S. Bach

† **Please stand as you are able.**



It's that time of year again! Come out and have some food and fun! Its time for the First Church Chili and Dessert Contest and Cornhole Tournament and Annual Trunk or Treat! We are having this event on Tuesday, October 17 at 5:00 PM. We had so much fun last year and hope to see everyone again! Please contact the office to sign up for Chili or dessert! Email: sdoctor@iopmethodist.com Phone 843-886-6610

If you would like to provide a trunk please email Kristen @ kristenduclos@iopmethodist.com

We are still in need of Chili and Dessert contestants.
Please sign up if you are able!

Serving Today:

Ushers: 9:00 - Karen and Chuck McCoy
11:00 - Dolly Cannon and Linda Brawley

First Friends: Set Up - Kathy Elliott Clean Up - Laura Whitley

Our Commitment In Action
Sunday, October 8

Worship Service 9:00	76
Traditional service 11:00	112
Online	104
Worship TOTAL	292

Our Gifts As Of
Sunday, October 8

Required this week:	\$5,020.13
Received YTD:	\$476,591.64
Required YTD:	\$481,611.74

***If giving cash, please write your information legibly. ***

Contribution Options
Please go to our church website: www.iopmethodist.com or scan the QR code to give online with credit or debit card. You can give one time or on a recurring basis.

An Important Update from Church Council

In a recent e-blast, our Church Council published an update to the current state of First Church in the context of issues facing the United Methodist Church. There are hard copies of this letter in the narthex. We encourage you to send any questions to askiopmethodist@gmail.com. You may also check the church website under UMC Information (found under the Connect With First Church tab) for links to important resources on this topic.

Visitors

We are so glad you are worshiping with us today! We invite you to visit our guest registration area in the narthex. Please look for the ushers if you have any questions.

Church Information

If you would like to receive our weekly e-blast, please e-mail us at hello@iopmethodist.com

Visit our church calendar at
<https://iopmethodist.com/connect-with-first-church/church-calendar>

Name tags

We encourage everyone attending services to please wear your name tag. If you need to order a name tag, please ask an usher for an order form, then return it in a collection basket.

Children

A nursery is available for babies and toddlers downstairs. However, children are always welcome in our services.

We offer Wee Worship (age 3 through second grade) following the children's moment. A volunteer will greet your children in the narthex. Please pick up your children in the Wee Worship room downstairs.

Adult Sunday School Classes
10:00 after the Worship Service. All ages welcome!

Anchor: Uses Bible-based Cokesbury study material. Meets in the Fellowship Hall.

All Comers: Uses Bible-based Cokesbury study materials. Meets in the classroom next to the kitchen on the first floor of the Sanctuary building.

Boone Bowen: A non-traditional approach to fostering a Christian faith. Meets in the Admin Building, first door on the left.

Sisters of Soul (all female class): SOS will start Jennie Allen’s, Find Your People on Monday, September 4th. Our first class will meet on Sunday September 10th. We will watch a streamed video for 30 minutes and then have a discussion based on what we read and our study guide work. Please call or text Carrie Wilson with questions. 704-564-3339

The MLBS is resuming their Second Sunday Socks Outreach beginning the first Sunday in October.

Socks (Men, Women and Children) are the most requested item at homeless shelters. A member of the class will pick up and deliver to a homeless shelter each month. Bins will be in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall for donations of new and unopened socks. Please consider a donation to help keep the feet warm and dry for those less fortunate as we approach the winter season”. Contact: Scott Morris, cell:843-860-6615