

Praise Worship 9:30		
Prelude	Sanctuary	Thompson/Scruggs
Welcome and News of the Church		Christine Lites
Opening Song	Beautiful One	Hughes
Prayers of the People		
The Lord's Prayer		
*The Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed	
Children's Moment	Kristen Lesesne	
<i>Children are welcome up front for the Children's Moment.</i>		
Song of Preparation	How Great Is Our God	Tomlin
Reading of God's Word	Jonah 3:1-5, 10	
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.		
All: Thanks be to God!		
Sermon	Jonah's Escape Room Experience	Pastor Laura
*Benediction		
*Sending Forth (Offering)	Everlasting God	Brown and Riley

Please give online, or drop off your offering in the baskets as you leave.

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Call or e-mail the church office for any prayer concerns or celebrations.
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This Week at First Church	
Sunday, July 11	Tuesday, July 13
8:30 Traditional Worship	6:00 Scout Troop 502
9:30 Praise Worship	6:00 Church Council
11:00 Traditional Worship	
	Wednesday, July 14
Monday, July 12	11:00 Praise Band practice
9:30 Line Dancing	7:00 River Dogs game
9:30 Devotional Beach Walk	
4:30 Trustees Meeting	Thursday, July 15
	Budget requests due to Finance
Visit our church calendar at	
https://iopmethodist.com/connect-with-first-church/church-calendar	

Visitors
 Please stop by our welcome table. We would love to meet you.

Our Commitment in Action on July 4

Traditional 8:30 127
 Praise Online 115

Our Gifts as of July 4

Required Each Week: \$13,465.25
 Required YTD: \$363,561.75
 Received YTD: \$315,045.42

Contribution Options

Please go to our church web site or scan the QR code to give online with credit or debit card. You can give one time or on a recurring basis.
 To text your gift, in the To: field, type in 73256.
 In the body of the text type in FUMCIOP.
 Standard text messaging rates may apply.
 A response text will send you the link to complete your gift.



Prayer Requests

Those serving in the military: Lenny Branch, Jr., Rev. Jason Everson, Katy Forsyth, Sophie and Nick Kuzjak

Military serving overseas: Andy Neipp

Our first responders: Kyle Hause, Karl Morris, and Hoyt Rowell

Our shepherd for the week will be Trudy Bauer.

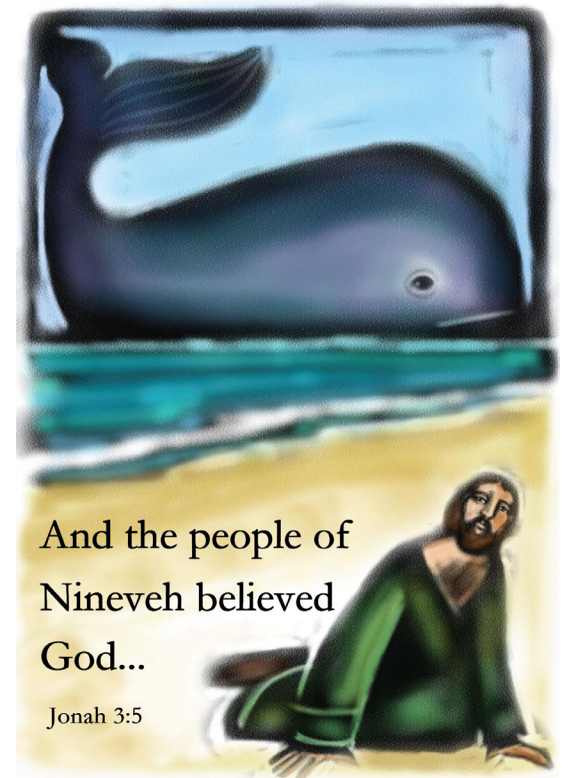
*If you would like to add a church member's name to our Prayer List, with their permission, please e-mail hello@iopmethodist.com.
 If you would like to receive an e-mail copy of our weekly Prayer List, please contact KristenLesesne@iopmethodist.com.*



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Our mission is to discover, celebrate, and share God's love!



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Traditional Worship 8:30 and 11:30		
Prelude		
Welcome and News of the Church		Kristen Lesesne
Hymn	Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty	Hymnal 64
Prayers of the People		
The Lord's Prayer		
Children's Moment		Kristen Lesesne
Hymn	Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross	Hymnal 301
Reading of God’s Word	Jonah 3:1-5, 10	pew Bible page 1122
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.		
All: Thanks be to God!		
Sermon	Jonah’s Escape Room Experience	Pastor Laura
*The Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed	
*Benediction with Youth Mission Commissioning		Pastor Laura
*Sending Forth (<i>Offering</i>)	Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah	Hymnal 127

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Thank you

Bailey Campbell and family would like to thank everyone for their prayers and many expressions of sympathy during Bonnie's extended illness and death.

Welcome and Thank you

We are thankful to have Dr. Margaret "Happy" Byrd here to serve as our guest pianist/organist while Kayleen Sánchez, our Director of Worship Arts, is on maternity leave. Dr. Byrd is a native of Charleston, South Carolina. She performed for several seasons with the Magnetic South Concert Series, a New Classical Music concert series in collaboration with the Charleston Symphony Orchestra.

Update on Kayleen Sánchez, our Director of Worship Arts

Kallias Gonzalo Sánchez
was born July 7
in O.B. room number 7 of the hospital
weighing 7 pounds 7 ounces
each name has 7 letters

8:30 Worship Service

Today, our 8:30 am worship service resumes gathering inside our sanctuary.

Wee Worship

We are currently offering Wee Worship at our 11:00 service. If you are interested in volunteering, please e-mail Kristen Lesesne.

First Friends

Our coffee/social time is coming back! We are excited to start this ministry back on August 8. Get ready for some wonderful fellowship along with coffee and snacks! We need help in making this happen. If you would like to be part of this ministry...either set up or clean up...contact Lee Holman for information.

Church Family Fun Night with the River Dogs

Join your First Church family this Wednesday, July 14, for some baseball and bonding at the Joe! Our Charleston River Dogs will be playing the Augusta Green Jackets at 7:05 and tickets are \$9 each. We have 35 seats reserved. To purchase tickets in our section, use the link: <https://fevo.me/fumciop>.

Church Family Fun Day

We will have a church wide beach fun day on Wednesday, August 4, beginning at 2:00 pm. We will meet at the beach near the 21st Avenue beach access.

HALOS

Make a difference for a child in kinship care!
Sponsor a child for back to school!

While the school year just ended, it's not too early to think about how you can help a child in kinship care start school prepared in August!

It is time for HALOS’ back to school drive. It is different this year. Many churches are not yet back in person, we did not get a list of names and a set of cards for the children. Instead, each person who wants to participate can go on line to <https://signup.com/go/wQFNehM> and choose a child to sponsor.

This year HALOS received a grant for school uniforms for the children they serve, so we will be providing just book bags and supplies. The website will give you a list of supplies for the appropriate grade.

Sponsoring a child is as easy as 1, 2, 3:

Visit <https://signup.com/go/wQFNehM>

Choose a child to sponsor

Go shopping!

Drop off at the church before August 1.

*Please make sure to clearly label your donation with your child's tag number, which you will receive upon sign up. If the supplies do not all fit in a backpack, you can place them in a large plastic bag and write your child's tag number on a piece of masking tape affixed to the bag.

If you would like help doing this online, please sign up with Cindy Carpenter.

Youth Mission Week

Please pray for our youth this week, July 11 - 16, as well as adult leaders Jen Robertson, David Cohen, and Pastor Laura, as they help those in need and work with these amazing local organizations. We’ll be joining John Wesley U.M.C., Aldersgate U.M.C., and St. Andrews Parish U.M.C. to focus on being called by God to serve our community.

Middle School Youth

Monday- Tricounty Family Ministries

Tricounty Family Ministries is a non-profit, ecumenical ministry providing food, clothing, medical care, counseling, job placement, shelter, financial assistance, and vital services to the less fortunate in the tricounty area. We offer a safe, compassionate, and inviting place for all people in need.

Tuesday- L.E.A.R.N. Horse Rescue

L.E.A.R.N. Horse Rescue is an all-volunteer horse rescue organization based in Charleston. We take in and rehabilitate horses from throughout South Carolina who have endured starvation, abuse and neglect and educate our community’s youth as to proper animal care. We have successfully rescued, rehabilitated, retrained, and re-homed over 300 previously neglected horses since our founding in 2009.

Wednesday- Shifa Hunger Prevention Program

Many children who rely on free and reduced price lunches during the school year go home to meager or no meals on weekends. The Shifa Clinic Child Hunger Prevention program works to fill that gap. We started the program with five children per month in 2014, and we now currently serve 100 children a month. We will be expanding the program to include more children depending on the funding and resources available.

Thursday- Beyond Our Walls

A place where children and adult relationships highlight the importance of achieving increasing levels of academic, behavior, and social skills for personal success. Our goal is to expose children living with limited resources to the many cultural and educational opportunities available in our community. All children deserve "the best" regardless of their family's income or the zip code where they live.

Friday- ECCO (East Cooper Community Outreach)

ECCO was founded in 1989 in response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Hugo. The destruction caused by this major storm exposed needs that many leaders in the community had not previously identified. Those needs included:
Poverty
Substandard housing
Lack of access to health and dental care
Hunger
Threat of homelessness
The creation of ECCO answered this challenge to offer a permanent resource to provide hope and help to those in need.

High School Youth

Our high school youth will be helping with various Home Works Sites around the local community assisting with home repairs.

We appreciate you lifting up our youth and adults as they seek to be at the hands and feet of Jesus on the greater Charleston community.