

Adult Sunday School Classes
10:00 after the Early 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.

For more information, call Nancy Wood. Cell: (843) 830-7365

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

For more information, call Mary Chason. Cell: (843) 270-9092

Sisters of Soul (all female class): Meets downstairs in Admin building. Last room on the left.

Spend the summer with Matthew: Beginning June 1, for all ages, come when you can for an in-depth, close reading of the Gospel of Matthew. Join Suzan Phillips in the Fellowship Hall every Sunday during the summer at 10:00am. Kiddos? No worries; child care will be provided. Hope to see you there!

Announcements:

Music Ministry News: Music Ministry is in full swing! Our rehearsals are as follows: Handbell Choir will be Wednesday nights in the Sanctuary at 5:00-6:00pm and Chancel Choir will be Wednesday nights in the Choir room at 6:30-8:00pm.

The Good Shepherd Hymn Festival this upcoming Sunday, August 24th at 5:30pm: We hope to see you there as Jeffery Raub leads the congregation and the Chancel Choir in song. It will be a beautiful time of worship and fellowship.

Rally Day: We will have **ONE worship service on Sunday, September 7th at 10:30** and there will be a **POTLUCK lunch to follow that**. Think of this day as a fresh start to the Fall. If you do not know how you would like to get involved you can check out our ministry fair that will be going on after worship. Each ministry will be represented and someone will be at each booth to answer questions.

Disciple IV Bible Study: Join us for the continuation of DISCIPLE IV: Under the Tree of Life, a 32 WEEK in-depth Bible Study beginning Tuesday, September 9th at 6:00pm. The study explores key writings from the Old Testament, the Gospel of John and the Book of Revelation, offering rich insight into Scripture and its relevance to our lives today. Whether you're continuing from a previous Disciple course or looking to deepen your understanding of the powerful texts, you're welcome to join. Come grow in faith, community and the Word.

For more information, please contact Mike Holman at 704-477-4846 or mikeandleeholman@gmail.com

ECCO (East Cooper Community Outreach): Summer is a time of especially high need. This month, ECCO is in need of the following items.

Food Items: Cereal, Grits, Oatmeal, Snack Bars, and Boxed Milk.

Hygiene Items: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Shampoo, and Conditioner.

Donations can be dropped off in one of three locations: below the Narthex (next to the flower calendar), in the Fellowship Hall, or in the Admin building. Thank you for supporting our neighbors in need!

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, August 17		Tuesday, August 19	
8:30 AM	Kirk Choir	10:00 AM	Church Staff Meeting
9:00 AM	Early Service (Blessing of the Backpacks)	Wednesday, August 20	
10:00 AM	First Friends	10:00 AM	MLBS (Contact Wessie Mitchell for Address)
10:00 AM	Sunday School	5:00 PM	Handbell Choir Practice (In the Sanctuary)
11:00 AM	Traditional Service (Blessing of the Backpacks)	6:30 PM	Chancel Choir Practice (In the Choir Room)
Monday, August 18		Thursday, August 21	
9:30 AM	Devotional Beach Walk	5:00 PM	Folk Band Practice (In the Sanctuary)
9:30 AM	Line Dancing (Fellowship Hall)		
5:30 PM	Mahjong (Fellowship Hall)		

New FUMC IOP T-Shirts:

The link for our new Comfort Color brand Church T-Shirts is in the weekly e-blast. Or you could scan the QR code below! Choose your sizes by August 18th, pay online (\$22.50), and pick them up at the Church beginning September 2nd. Just in time for Rally Day! If you are not on the weekly e-blast, email hello@iopmethodist.com to ask for the link, or to be added to the email chain.



OUR CHURCH STAFF

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



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ministers: All People
Pastor: Rev. Charles A. Phillips
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Color: Green

August 17, 2025

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 & 11:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Gathering Music

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Dearest Children, God is Near You

James Kasen

† The Processional Hymn

UMH 374

Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

† Opening Prayer

† Affirmation of Faith

UMH 883

A Modern Affirmation

We are not alone; we live in God’s world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God’s presence,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

† Gloria Patri

UMH 71

Glory Be to the Father

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen. Amen.

Receiving New Members

(11:00)

† Passing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Message

Courtney Kraus

Anthem

Be Still

Mary McDonald

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

The Psalm

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19

The Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

† The Gospel

Luke 12:49-56

The Message

“Decisions and Commitments”

Pastor Charles

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

† Call to Prayer

TFWS 2193 (x3)

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

CHILDREN PRAYING

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.

Offertory

† The Doxology

UMH 94

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFRUEUN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

† Hymn of Dedication

UMH 577

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

† Words of Blessing and Choral Benediction

UMH 672

God Be with You till We Meet Again

GOD BE WITH YOU

God be with you till we meet again;

by his counsels guide, uphold you,

with his sheep securely fold you;

God be with you till we meet again.

† Postlude

Improvisation on CWM RHONDDA

Wilson

Visitors & Members

Please register your attendance on the pads located at the end of each pew. We are so glad you are worshiping with us today! Please find an usher or staff member 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

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.

Serving Today:

Ushers:

9:00—Jan Wurtzel and Mary Chason

11:00—Judy Bailey and Jule Smith

First Friends:

Set Up—Louanne Lassiter

Clean Up—Teresa McKenzie

Our Commitment In Action

Sunday, August 10

9:00 Early Worship86

11:00 Traditional103

Worship TOTAL189

Our Gifts As Of Sunday, August 3:

Annual Budget: \$755,000.00

Required each week: \$14,519.23

Required YTD: \$479,134.62

Received YTD: \$461,920.51

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