

**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.

Fore 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:**

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

**Staff Appreciation Week:** Join us in celebrating Staff Appreciation Week Sept. 8-14 as we honor the hard work and dedication of our wonderful church staff. Throughout the week, we invite you to share your gratitude by sending cards, flowers, sweet treats, or small gifts as a way of saying “thank you” for all they do to serve our church family. Your kindness will help remind them how much they are loved and appreciated! From FUMC IOP Staff Parish Relations Committee.

**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](mailto: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**

<b>Sunday, August 24</b>	<b>Tuesday, August 26</b>
8:30 AM Kirk Choir	10:00 AM Church Staff Meeting
9:00 AM Early Service	
10:00 AM First Friends	<b>Wednesday, August 27</b>
10:00 AM Sunday School	10:00 AM MLBS
11:00 AM Traditional Service	(Contact Wessie Mitchell for Address)
1:30 PM 6th Grade Welcome (Top Golf)	3:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting (Admin Bldg)
5:30 PM The Good Shepherd Hymn Festival (In the Sanctuary)	5:00 PM Handbell Choir Practice (In the Sanctuary)
	6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice (In the Choir Room)
<b>Monday, August 25</b>	<b>Thursday, August 28</b>
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)	

**Serving Today:**

Ushers:


**9:00**—Doug and Carol Truslow

**11:00**—Jim and Hale Edwards

First Friends:

**Set Up**—Kathy Elliott

**Clean Up**—Katie Kegal

<b>Our Commitment In Action</b>		
<b>Sunday, August 17</b>		
<b>9:00 Early Worship</b>	<b>73</b>	
<b>11:00 Traditional</b>	<b>98</b>	
<b>Worship TOTAL</b>	<b>171</b>	
<b>Our Gifts As Of Sunday, August 3:</b>		
Annual Budget: \$755,000.00		
Required each week: \$14,519.23		
Required YTD: \$493,653.85		
Received YTD: \$471,187.66		
To give online , please scan the QR code or go to <a href="http://www.iopmethodist.com">www.iopmethodist.com</a>		
		

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



**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**Ministers: All People**

**Pastor: Rev. Charles A. Phillips**

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**Color: Green**

**August 24, 2025**

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost		
9:00 & 11:00 AM		
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP		
Gathering Music		
Words of Welcome and Announcements		
Prelude		
† The Processional Hymn UMH 102		
Now Thank We All Our God		NUN DANKET
† 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		GREATOREX
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.		
† Passing the Peace of Christ		
Children’s Message		Courtney Kraus
Anthem		
Shepherd Me, O God		Marty Haugen

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 71:1-6		
The Second Reading		
Hebrews 12:18-29		
† The Gospel		
Luke 13:10-17		
The Message		“This Is the Day”
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!		

Altar Flowers:

Today’s flowers are to the glory of God

and in loving memory of Moose Morris

from his family.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD	
† Hymn of Dedication	
O God Beyond Our Praising	THAXTED
O God Beyond All Praising	
	
1. O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to-day	
2. The flow'r of earth-ly splen-dor in time must sure-ly die,	
3. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav-ior, ac-cept the love we bring,	
	
and sing the love a-maz-ing that songs can-not re-pay;	
its frag-ile bloom sur-ren-der to you, the Lord most high;	
that we who know your fa-vor may serve you as our King;	
	
for we can on-ly won-der at ev-ery gift you send,	
but hid-den from all na-ture th'e-ter-nal seed is sown-	
and wheth-er our to-mor-rows be filled with good or ill,	
	
at—bless-ings with-out num-ber and mer-cies with-out end.	
though small in mor-tal stat-ure, to heav-en's gar-den grown:	
we'll tri-umph through our sor-rows and rise to bless you still,	
	
We lift our hearts be-fore you and wait up-on your word;	
for Christ, the Man from heav-en, from death has set us free,	
to mar-vel at your beau-ty, and glo-ry in your ways,	
	
we hon-or and a-dore you, our great and might-y Lord.	
and we through him are giv-en the fi-nal vic-to-ry.	
and make a joy-ful du-ty our sac-ri-fice of praise!	
† 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	