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

Adult Sunday School Classes

9:30am

Anchor: Uses Bible-based Cokesbury study materials. Meets in the classroom across from the nursery. For more information, contact Teresa McKenzie at teresaiop@gmail.com

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, contact
Nancy Wood at (843)-830-7363

Boone Bowen: A non-traditional approach to fostering a Christian faith. Meets in the Administrative building, first door on the left. For more information, contact Mary Chason at (843)-270-9092.

Announcements:

ECCO (East Cooper Community Outreach): For the next month of November, ECCO is in need of the following items:
Food Items: Canned tomato products, canned carrots, cammed salmon, bakes beans, oatmeal, and grits.
Hygiene Items: Deodorant and hygiene products.
Donations can be dropped off in one of three locations: below the narthex, in the Fellowship Hall, or in the Administrative building. Thank you for supporting our neighbors in need!

MLBSG "Scott's Socks": MLBSG has begun its yearly sock collection beginning now and continuing through March. In memory of Scott Morris who began this ministry, the name has been changed to "Scott's Socks." Each year, our Church has donated hundreds of pairs of socks to charities such as 180 Place, ECCO, and Star Gospel Mission. All socks are accepted as long as they are new and come in their original packaging. Bins are placed in the office and in the Fellowship Hall.

New Member Sunday: New Member Sunday will be November 15th during our 10:30am Worship Service in the Sanctuary. Please contact Jen Robertson at jenrobertson@iopmethodist.com if you are interested in joining or getting involved!

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, November 8		**Tuesday, November 10**	
9:15 AM	First Friends	10:00 AM	Church Staff Meeting
9:30 AM	Adult Sunday School Classes	1:00 PM	Coastal Belle Singers (Fellowship Hall)
9:30 AM	Pre-k – 3rd grade Sunday School	5:00 PM	Jesus in the Gospels Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
10:00 AM	Chancel Choir (choir room)		
10:30 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)		
4:00 PM	Children's SNL		
5:30 PM	Youth SNL		
Monday, November 9		**Wednesday, November 10**	
9:30 AM	Devotional beach walk	10:00 AM	MLBSG (Anchor Classroom)
9:30 AM	Line dancing (Fellowship hall)	4:30 PM	Handbell Choir (Sanctuary)
3:00 PM	Mahjong Monday (Fellowship hall)	6:30 PM	Chancel Choir (Choir Room)

Serving Today:

Ushers: Alice and Donny Taylor

Lay Reader: Barb Keefer

First Friends: Set Up- Alice Taylor Clean Up- Teresa McKenzie

OUR CHURCH STAFF

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Color: Green **November 8, 2026**

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10:30

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Chiming the Holy Trinity

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit
Sanctuary (x2) Thompson and Scruggs

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true;
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living
sanctuary for you

Prelude
God, We Have Gathered Here David Cherwein

† **The Processional Hymn** UMH 540
I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord ST. THOMAS

† **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 Alex Wilson

Anthem
In Christ Alone Joel Raney

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 78:1-7

The Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

† **The Scripture Lesson** Matthew 25:1-13
The Message "The Time is Now" Pastor Charles

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

† **Hymn of Response** UMH 369
Blessed Assurance ASSURANCE

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer
L: Lord, in your mercy,
P: Hear our 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 Offertory

† **The Doxology** UMH 94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

† **Hymn of Dedication** UMH 701
When We All Get to Heaven HEAVEN

† **Words of Blessing and Choral Response** UMH 143
On Eagle's Wings ON EAGLE'S WINGS

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of God's hand. Amen.

† **Postlude**
Toccata on LEONI Joel Raney

Altar Flowers:

Our Flowers are to the glory of God
in appreciation of our Pastor, Staff,
Music Program, and Trustees.

Our Commitment In Action
Sunday, November 1

10:30 Worship Service Total – 148

Our Gifts As Of Sunday, November 1:
Annual Budget: $750,000.00
Required each week: $14,423.08
Required YTD: $634,615.38
Received YTD: $518,817.94
To give online, please scan the QR code or
go to www.iopmethodist.com