

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 material. Meets in the classroom across from the nursery. For more information, contact Teresa McKenzie at teresaiop60@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, 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

Children & Youth Sunday School Classes 9:45am

Pre-K—2nd Grade: Meets in the classroom next to the kitchen.

3rd—5th Grade: Meets in classroom across from the nursery.

6th—12th Grade: Meets in the Youth Loft in the Admin Building.

Announcements:

ECCO (East Cooper Community Outreach): For the month of **May**, ECCO is in need of the following items:

Food Items: Canned beef stew, hamburger helper, rice, and breakfast items.

Hygiene Items: Toilet paper and laundry detergent.

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!

HALOS Summer Campaign: Thank you to all who contributed to HALOS' Summer Camp Drive. You helped provide a special summer activity to those children served by HALOS. Your generosity helps them build resilience and confidence. -Cindy Carpenter

"Connections" (Formerly the Men's Club): Our Mission is connecting through spiritual fellowship, connecting through service outreach to the local community, and connecting through fundraising for local charities.

Who we are: Men from all walks of life growing in faith, building relationships, and serving others. The first meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 28th at 6:00pm**. Dinner will be steak medallions with chimichurri sauce, twice baked potato casserole, caesar salad, rolls, and banana pudding. For more information, contact dorrisgc@gmail.com (843)640-5819

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, May 17

- 9:15 AM First Friends
- 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School Classes
- 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 PM Pre-k-5th Grade End of Year Party (at the Church)
- 5:30 PM Youth SNL

Monday, May 18

- 9:30 AM Line Dancing (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:30 AM Devotional Beach Walk
- 4:00 PM Mahjong (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 PM Youth Group End of Year Party (Crush Yard)

Tuesday, May 19

- 10:00 AM Church Staff Meeting

Wednesday, May 20

- 10:00 AM MLBS (Anchor classroom)
- 4:30 PM Handbell Practice (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 PM Chancel Choir (Choir Room)

IN MEMORIAM

The South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind presents the prestigious Douglas F. Dent award to the late Scott Brawley for his many years of dedicated service to the mission of the school. His family will receive this high honor on his behalf on Thursday, May 21st during this year's graduation program at the Spartanburg, South Carolina campus.

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Charles Phillips, Pastor

Jen Robertson, Director of Member Care and Development

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

Ascension Sunday

Ministers: All People

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May 17, 2026

Seventh Sunday of Easter

10:30

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Chiming the Holy Trinity

Choral Introit

Come, Father, Son and Spirit

Lloyd Larson

Words of Welcome

Prelude

Grazioso

Handbell Choir

Arnold Sherman

† The Processional Hymn UMH 312

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

LLANFAIR

† Opening Prayer

† Affirmation of Faith UMH 881

“The Apostles’ Creed”

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.
**universal

† 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

Children of God

Mark Hayes

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

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 with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

The Psalm

Psalm 47:1-9

The Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

† The Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:44-53

The Message “Blessed to Be a Blessing”

Pastor Charles

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

† Hymn of Response UMH 494

Kum Ba Ya

DESMOND

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 529

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

† Benediction and Choral Response

May the Peace of the Lord Go with You

Charles Yannerella



† Postlude

Organ Sonata in D Minor-Allegro

Paul Fey

Serving Today:

Ushers: Mark and Susan Crocker

Lay Readers: Suzan Phillips

First Friends: Set Up—Louanne Lassiter Clean Up—Lee Holman

Our Commitment In Action
Sunday, May 10

10:30 Worship Service TOTAL - 189

Our Gifts As Of Sunday, May 10:

Annual Budget: \$750,000.00

Required each week: 14,423.08

Required YTD: \$274,038.46

Received YTD: \$224,978.31

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