

ISLAND PRAISE WORSHIP

9:00

Prelude of Praise  
Sanctuary Thompson and Scruggs

Words of Welcome

† Call to Worship  
This is the day the Lord has made,  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Let us come away to a deserted place,  
There we will find quiet rest.  
There the Lord will refresh our souls,  
Thanks be to God.

† Opening Prayer

† Opening Song of Praise  
Here I Am to Worship Hughes

Children’s Message Courtney Kraus

† Affirmation of Faith

Prayer for Inspiration  
Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept you Word. Silence in us any  
voices but your own, so that we may hear your Word and also do it;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lesson Mark 9:30-37  
The Message “Hidden Greatness” Pastor Charles

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.

The Offering  
Here I Am to Worship (reprise)

† The Doxology OLD 100th

† Song of Sending Forth  
How Great Is Our God Tomlin

† Blessing and Sending Forth

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

<b>Sunday, September 22</b>	<b>Tuesday, September 17</b>
9:00 AM Island Praise	10:00 AM Church Staff Meeting
10:00 AM First Friends	1:00 PM Coastal Belle Singers
10:00 AM Sunday School	6:00 PM Disciple III Class
11:00 AM Traditional Service	
4:00 PM Sunday Night Live Pre-K—5th Graders	<b>Wednesday, September 18</b>
5:30 PM Sunday Night Live 6th—12th Graders	10:00 AM MLBS
	5:00 PM Praise Practice
	6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

**Monday, September 23**  
9:30 AM Line Dancing  
10:30 AM Devotional Beach Walk

**Our Commitment In Action**  
**Sunday, September 15**

9:00 Island Praise	76
11:00 Traditional	97
<b>Worship TOTAL</b>	<b>173</b>

**Our Gifts As Of**  
**Sunday September 15**

Annual Budget:	\$683,892.00
Required each week:	\$13,151.77
Received YTD:	\$416,053.55
Required YTD:	\$499,767.23

**Thank you First Church for your Generous Giving!**  
\*\*\*If giving cash, please write your information legibly.\*\*\*

**Contribution Options**  
Please go to our church website: [www.iopmethodist.com](http://www.iopmethodist.com) or scan the QR code to give online with credit or debit card. You can give one time or on a recurring basis.



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and share God’s love!




Eighteenth Sunday of Pentecost


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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
11:00 AM		
Prelude	Surrender	Michael Shea
Words of Welcome		
A Missions Moment Cindy Carpenter		
† Call to Worship		
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† The Processional Hymn	UMH 559	
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation		WESTMINISTER ABBEY
† Pastoral Prayer		
† Affirmation of Faith Hymnal 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.		
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WE HEAR GOD’S WORD		
Children’s Message		
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	Psalms 1	Pew Bible 665
The Second Lesson		
James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a		
† The Gospel Lesson	Mark 9:30-37	Pew Bible 1227
The Message	“Hidden Greatness”	Pastor Charles
WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD		
† Hymn of Response	TFWS 2158	
Just a Closer Walk with Thee		CLOSER WALK

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.		
The Offering and The Anthem		
The Heavens Are Telling		arr. R, McKinney
† The Doxology	UMH 94	LASST UNS ERFREUEN
WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD		
† Hymn of Dedication	UMH 664	
I Surrender All		
† Benediction and Response	UMH 664	
Sent Forth by God’s Blessing		
Sent forth by God’s blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from this dwelling take leave. The service is ended, O now be extended the fruits of our worship in all who believe. The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. God’s grace did invite us, and love shall unite us to work for God’s kingdom and answer the call.		
† Postlude	Jig Fugue	D. Buxtehude



Today’s altar flowers are to the glory of God,  
In celebration of Carolyn and Harvey Walters  
74th wedding anniversary!



Serving Today:

Ushers:

9:00 Lee and Mike Holman  
11:00 Mary and Charlie Perry

Shepherd:

Scott Morris

First Friends:

Set Up - Kathy Elliott      Clean Up - Dianne Mullins

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! We invite you to visit our guest registration area in the narthex. 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 hel-lo@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.

Adult Sunday School Classes

**10:00 after the Worship Service. All ages welcome!**  
**Anchor:** Uses Bible-based Cokesbury study material. Meets in the Handbell Room.  
**All Comers:** Uses Bible-based Cokesbury study materials. Meets in the classroom next to the kitchen on the first floor of the Sanctuary building.  
**Boone Bowen:** A non-traditional approach to fostering a Christian faith. Meets in the Admin Building, first door on the left. For more info. Call Mary Chason, cell: (843) 270-9092

Announcements:

**Marilyn Lipscomb Bible Study Group:** Everyone is invited to join the MLBSG (Marilyn Lipscomb Bible Study Group) and travel with us on this “Journey Through the Bible “ series. We will be studying Judges through Ruth during this Fall season. Study books will be available and all men and women are invited! The class meets on Wednesdays at 10:00 in the All Comers classroom. It is an hour or so of fellowship, perspectives, opinions and discussion on the lesson. We will begin on September 11th. Contact Wessie Mitchell or Scott Morris.

**Coastal Belle Singers :** Rehearsal will be on Tuesdays from 1:00-3:00pm in the Fellowship Hall and will continue through November 19th.

**Our Beautiful Church:** Our sweet little church is getting some more LOVE! Last month the old part of the church which is now our narthex, got a fresh new paint job. Stairs and columns too. The original banisters are being refurbished. This month our new entry doors will be installed. All of this plus new pavers, sprinkler system, and sod have been gifted to our church by some very sweet members. Thank you all for helping to keep our church “the pretty little white Church on the bend of the road.”

**International Mission:** Medical Missions, INC. Mission Trip to Chiapas, Mexico. June 7-14, 2025. Email lindamarie727@yahoo.com for more information.

Local Mission:

ECCO Outreach

The ECCO request for the month of September is **Can Tuna** and **Can Chicken**. Protein is so important for a healthy body. Please let’s fill up the **FOOD TROLLEY!**