

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP		
Traditional Service		
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
OPENING PRAYER		
PRELUDE	Every Time I Feel the Spirit	Spiritual/Turner
INTROIT	Taste and See	
CALL TO WORSHIP		
*HYMN OF PRAISE	Nearer, My God, to Thee	p.528
*Children are dismissed for children's church, which is located in the Children's Building (Ages 3 through 1st grade only)		
PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER		
CHORAL RESPONSE	We Shall See True Light	
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT		
OFFERTORY	Colors of Autumn	S. Turner
*DOXOLOGY		p.95
*HYMN OF PREPARATION	Near to the Heart of God	p.472
*THE WRITTEN WORD		James 4:1-10
THE SPOKEN WORD	"James: A Heart That Matters"	Rev. Scott Stanfill
HOLY COMMUNION		12
*HYMN OF COMMITMENT	I Surrender All	p.354
*BENEDICTION		
SENDING FORTH SONG	Amen	
POSTLUDE	Jesus, Lover of My Soul	J. Parry
*Let those who are able, please stand.		

Nursery care is available in the Children's Building, Classroom #1.

This service is broadcast live at 11:00am on WTUF at 106.3FM and online:
www.youtube.com/@ThomasvilleFirstMethodist

Serving in Worship

Ushers: Ron Dixon, Gary Tucker, Terry Vaughan, Steven Moulds, Mills Herndon

Greeters: Karen Wilks

Reader: Gary Tucker

Tech Team: Steven Hayes - broadcast, sound op.; Jim Lumpkin - broadcast, cameras

Flowers

The flowers this week are given to the Glory of God and to say a Very Happy 101 Birthday to Agnes Carter!

Notes

Thomasville First Methodist Church
425 N. Broad Street
P.O. Box 975
Thomasville, GA 31799
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(229) 226-0840

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER - OCT. 7, 2026

Dinner Served: 5:00pm until 6:00pm

Menu: Chopped Salad, Sausage & Black Bean Soup, White Rice, Cornbread, Dessert. Chicken Nuggets for 12 and under.

10/14: No WNS! Fall Break!

10/21: Coleslaw, Baked BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Cornbread, Dessert. Chicken Nuggets for 12 and under.

10/28: Salad, Cuban Shredded Pork, Flour Tortillas, Black Beans, Rice, Dessert. Chicken Nuggets for 12 and under.

2 ways to make a reservation:

*Call the Church Office at 226-0840

*Online at www.thomasvillefirstmethodist.com

*Reservations due by **5pm Monday**

*Adults - \$8.00 and 3-11 yrs - \$4.00 *Family max - \$24.00

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THOMASVILLE FIRST
METHODIST CHURCH

A Global Methodist Congregation

Share Christ ♦ Build Disciples ♦ Send Ministers

Sunday Worship

October 4, 2026

11:00 AM Traditional

425 N. Broad Street
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www.thomasvillefirstmethodist.com

Discipleship

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

@4pm | FB #2
10/25: *The Life We Bury* by Allen Esekns
11/29: *The Book of Lost Names* by Kristin Harmel

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Men, mark your calendars for **Thursday, November 5 at 6:00 p.m.** and join us for a relaxed evening of good food and fellowship at Oscar Cook's farm near Boston. Come enjoy a great meal, good conversation, and time together with other men from the church. Details and RSVP are available on Realm.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Beginning October 7, the Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study will shift to discussing the New Testament using The Bible Recap. If you're new to TBR, you will start at Day 274 (October 1). We will commit the remainder of the year to going through the New Testament. We meet from 6pm-7:15pm in Upchurch #1 every time we have Wednesday Night Supper.

Church News

INVESTMENT SUNDAY

Sunday, October 25 | 10:30am in the Sanctuary
Join us for Investment Sunday, we will have one Unified Worship Service at 10:30am, with Sunday School classes from 9:15-10:15am. We will have Roots music, lunch, and the Fall Festival will begin after Church service at 11:30pm.

ESTATE PLANNING?

Planning to bless the church after you've moved on to bigger and better places? Please make sure your will reflects our current name. Your will should list Thomasville First Church or Thomasville First Methodist Church. Recently, a church member in our conference had a will contested because it did not reflect the church's post-disaffiliation name change.

RENOVATION UPDATE

The Sanctuary Renovation Subcommittee continues its work toward recommending a scope of work for a potential sanctuary renovation project in 2027. In recent weeks, the Subcommittee has met with a contractor who specializes in church renovations and has engaged local architect Charles Olson to serve as a consultant. The group has also explored several options regarding the future of the organ and met with an organ builder to better understand the possibilities, costs, and considerations involved. In addition, a local audio/visual company has been asked to evaluate our current systems and recommend potential improvements as part of the renovation. There is still much work to be done before specific recommendations are presented to the Trustees and the congregation. As the Subcommittee continues this process, we ask for your prayers for wisdom, discernment, and faithful stewardship. We also encourage you to begin prayerfully considering how God may be calling you to financially support this important work in the life of our church.

Children

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, October 25 will be our Fall Festival! Bring the whole family and join us for lunch. We will have our annual chili cookoff with hot dogs and baked potatoes. There's plenty for everyone to enjoy with a bake sale, bounce houses, treat walk, face painting, and much much more!
We are asking for donation of snack cakes, candy, sweet treats for the bake sale, and chili for the chili cookoff. We will be taking donations until **12pm 10/23** at the Church Office.

Youth

CONFIRMATION 2027 INFORMATION MEETING

Confirmation 2027 is coming! During Confirmation, students will explore what it means to follow Jesus, grow in their understanding of the Gospel, and discover what it means to live out their faith within the Church and in everyday life. Parents and guardians of Confirmation students are invited to attend a Parent & Guardian Information Meeting on Sunday, October 11, from 4:00–4:30 PM in the YAC. We will discuss the Confirmation curriculum, schedule, important dates, expectations, and other details for this year's class, with time for questions. Questions? Contact Nicolas Mandolini, Director of Youth Ministry, at nmandolini@thomasvillefirstmethodist.com.

Missions

FOODBANK CHRISTMAS

Please help collect items for the Food Bank Christmas party! **Drop off in the Church Office by Nov 10th.** We are filling 730 treat bags! Friendly faces are needed to hand out bags on Mondays (3-5pm) Tuesday & Thursday (9am-12pm) and 2nd Saturday of the month (9am-12 pm). Call or text Susan Varnedoe (229)221-1451 or email susanvarnedoe10@gmail.com.
peppermints
candy canes
playing cards (any type such as uno or plain cards)
hot chocolate packets
individual bags of chips, pretzels, cheez its, nuts, beef jerky sticks
microwave popcorn
fruit snacks
(These items or something similar)

FOUNTAIN OF LIFE

Our church FOL committe has made it super easy to donate items for our morning bags! These bags are made by Frankie Darby and our FOL committee members. FOL hands out these bags in the morning as our sheltered homeless individuals leave the facility. Please text me if you would like to help make these bags.

Most Needed Items: Fruit Bars, Breakfast Bars, Crackers, Hotel Sized/ Travel Sized Soap, Hotel Sized/ Travel Sized Deodorant, and Hotel Sized/ Travel Sized Shampoo and Conditioner. Please consider volunteering to take a meal to the Fountain of Life Emergency Shelter. We are located at 612 E Clay St. We typically feed 12-14 people. Meal dates needed are Jan. 3, Jan 17, Feb. 7, and Feb 21. Text Marnee Stone @ (229)221-6846.



Calendar

Sunday, October 4, 2026
8:45am Contemporary Service
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Service
3:00pm Youth Band
4:00pm Intercessory Prayer Team
4:00pm Children/Youth Handbells
5:00pm Youth Group/Worship
5:00pm Children's Ministry

Tuesday, October 6, 2026
6:00am Men's Discipleship (Portico # 2)
11:00am Practicing the Way Class (Library)

Wednesday, October 7, 2026
10:00am Discipleship Essentials (FB #2)
10:00am Disciplines of the Spirit (Library)
5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
6:00pm Children's Activities
6:00pm Youth Ministry
6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
6:00pm Discipleship Essentials (FB #2)
6:00pm Disciplines of the Spirit (FB #1)
6:00pm Women's Ministry Group (Upchurch #1)
7:15pm Contemporary Worship Rehearsal
7:15pm Trustee Mtg.

Thursday, October 8, 2026
7:00pm Practicing the Way (Zoom)

Congregational Care

PRAYER CONCERNS

Janet Barnes, Ann Barr, Gary Blair, Fred & Kate Brown, Pat Gainey, Gerrie Dixon Harris, Cheryl Harvey, Billy Hunt, Marie Hunt, Nell Jones, Charlie McPherson, Andy Seery, Jr., Andy Seery, Sr., Jamie Thompson, Jennifer Vaughan, Carmine Wills, Beth White, Ken Wright
**If you have a specific prayer request you would like the prayer team to pray over please text (229)226-5485. If God has answered the prayer and/or you would like to be removed from this list, call the church office and let us know.*

BIRTHDAYS

10/05: Agnes Carter
10/06: Christa Carter, Ed Shaw
10/07: Abby Faircloth
10/08: Emily Drew
10/09: Adelyn Peck
10/10: Gene Autry, Kyla Peck

Stewardship

ATTENDANCE

In-Person Worship Attendance September 27:
8:45am Contemporary Service 186
11:00am Traditional Service 150
Total 336

2026 YTD thru August Totals:
Income: \$1,253,685
Expenses: \$1,122,892



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