THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
Contemporary Service

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
OPENING PRAYER

Rest on Us

New Name Written Down in Glory

*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
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT
OFFERING

Great Are You Lord

THE WRITTEN WORD — James 3:1-12
THE SPOKEN WORD — **"James: Taming the Tongue"** Rev. Scott Stanfill

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Made for More

BENEDICTION

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

This service is broadcast live online: www.youtube.com/@ThomasvilleFirstMethodist

Serving in Worship

Worship Team: Demarcus Barron -drums; Desiree Celaya - vocals; Linsey Cone - vocals; Brandon Merrill - ac. Guitar; Tim Peck - keys, vocals; John Streets - bass, vocals; Austin Taylor - el. Guitar; Julie Von Hellens - vocals
Tech Team: Kyle Register - visual media; Anthony Stape - sound op.
Welcome Team: Brent Bradshaw, Alan Dennard, April Fletcher, Roy James, Brad Johnson, Daivd Logue, Walt Ponder, Carla Turner, Ty Turner

Notes

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER - SEPT. 23, 2026
Dinner Served: 5:00pm until 6:00pm
Menu: Italian Chopped Salad, Baked Spaghetti, Sauteed Green Beans, Garlic Rolls, Dessert. Chicken Nuggets for 12 and under.
9/30: Sausage, Egg & Cheese Hashbrown Casserole, Biscuits & Gravy, Jelly & Jam, Baked Apples, Chicken Nuggets for 12 and under
10/7: Chopped Salad, Sausage & Black Bean Soup, White Rice, Cornbread, Dessert. Chicken Nuggets for 12 and under.
10/14: No CNS! Fall Break!
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

September 20, 2026

8:45 AM Contemporary

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Discipleship

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

@4pm | FB #2
9/27: *The Extraordinary Deaths of Mrs. Kip* by Sarah Brusnvold
10/25: *The Life We Bury* by Allen Esekns
11/29: *The Book of Lost* Names by Kristin Harmel

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Tuesdays
6:00am Men's Group @Portico #2
11:00am Practicing the Way @FB #5
Wednesdays
10:00am Discipleship Essentials @FB #2
10:00am Disciplines of the Spirit @FB # 6 (Starts Sept. 16)
6:00pm Women's Group: *Breathe* @Upchurch #1
6:00pm Dicipleship Essentials @FB # 2
6:00pm Disciplines of the Spirit @FB #6 (Starts Sept. 16)
Thursdays
7:00pm Practicing the Way (Zoom)

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 Fountain Of Life Committee has placed new donation baskets in all Sunday School rooms. These baskets make it easy for church members to contribute items for our morning bags and ongoing Fountain Of Life needs. Most Needed Items: **Fruit Bars, Breakfast Bars, Crackers, Hotel Sized Soap, Shampoo, and Deodorant.** Please consider volunteering to take a meal to Fountain Of Life Emergency Shelter. We are located on 612 E Clay St. We typically feed 12-14 people. Dates needed for meals: **Nov 1, Nov 14, Dec 6, Jan 3, and Jan 17**. Text Marnee Stone @ (229)221-6846.

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!

Youth

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED THIS FALL!

As we begin a new Sunday School year, we're looking for adults to serve as group leaders, assistants, and substitute teachers. Whether you can commit every week or are available to fill in as needed, there is a place for you to serve! No teaching experience is necessary. All curriculum and lesson materials are provided. Contact Nic Mandolini for more details!

Church News

BIBLE STUDY CLASS

The Bible Study class will begin a study of Ecclesiastes on October 4th. All are welcome to join in this study. We meet during the Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Bldg Room #2.

LETTER FROM THE SALVETERS

Dear friends at First Methodist Church,

We wanted to share an update with you all about our current situation. Many of you know that Dan suffered a stroke with two seizures while we were on our trip to Croatia in July. He was in the hospital there for 21 days. When we returned to Thomasville, we learned that the seizures had caused major shoulder damage to both shoulders. He has now had two shoulder replacements and we are happy to report that he is currently recovering at home and has shown no signs of neurological damage as a result of the stroke! This congregation's prayers, gifts, and support during our time of need is an overwhelming example of God's love through God's people. Words cannot begin to express the deep gratitude we feel for all the love that has covered us during this situation.

Forever grateful for our brothers and sisters in Christ,
Dan and Lisa Salveter

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.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

A new Sunday School class is forming with young adults in mind. It starts September 27 in Fellowship Bldg room #6.

Calendar

Sunday, September 20, 2026
8:45am Contemporary Service
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Service
4:00pm Intercessory Prayer Team
4:00pm Youth Ministry Adult Steering Cmte
4:00pm Youth Band Practice
5:00pm Youth Group/Worship

Monday, September 21, 2026
5:30pm Nominations Cmte Mtg

Tuesday, September 22, 2026
6:00am Men's Discipleship (Portico # 2)
11:00am Practicing the Way Class (FB #2)
6:30pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 23, 2026
10:00am Discipleship Essentials (FB #2)
10:00am Disciplines of the Spirit (FB #6)
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 #6)
6:00pm Women's Ministry Group (Upchurch #1)
7:15pm Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, September 24, 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., Eddie Simmons, 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

09/20: Brewer Anderson, Michael Douglas, Jo Ann McGrotha, Ann McKinnon, Tom Solomon, Kelly Shiner, Mason Wilson
09/23: Chris Wright
09/24: John Blackmon, Joe Brown, Maylon Cochran, Bert Hodges, Eli James, Kelly Miano, Laura Parkerson, Meredith Camille Turner, Bayley Wright
09/26: Ken McInnis, Grace Stanfill, Sam Stelly

Stewardship

ATTENDANCE

In-Person Worship Attendance September 13:	
8:45am Contemporary Service	186
11:00am Traditional Service	230
Total	416

GIVE

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