

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Traditional Service

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE

Simple Gifts

Chancel Bells

arr. Susan E. Geschke

INTROIT

Taste and See

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN OF PRAISE

O God, Our Help in Ages Past v.1, 4-6

p.117

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

p.881

*GLORIA PATRI

p.71

*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

Steal Away & My Jesus, I Love Thee

arr. Bob Burroughs

Chancel Bells

*DOXOLOGY

p.95

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

p.427

ANTHEM

The Father's Love

Kimberly Hill

Chancel Choir with Jaden Sanzo, cello

*THE WRITTEN WORD

James 4:13-5:6

THE SPOKEN WORD

"James: A Generosity That Matters"

Rev. Scott Stanfill

TIME OF RESPONSE

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

p.382

*BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH SONG

Amen

POSTLUDE

*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:

Michael Simmons, Ed Simmons, Pam Wright, Nick Sellers

Greeters:

Bubba Bullington & Ella Clare Thomas

Reader:

Mary Gebel

Tech Team:

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

Notes

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER - OCT. 14, 2026

No Wednesday Night Supper or Evening Activities.

*Don't forget to vote early on Oct 13 - 29,

or with voting day Nov 3, 2026

*Cover art adapted from the artistry of Steven Turner.

THOMASVILLE FIRST
METHODIST CHURCH

A Global Methodist Congregation

Share Christ ♦ Build Disciples ♦ Send Ministers

Sunday Worship

October 11, 2026

11:00 AM Traditional

425 N. Broad Street

Thomasville, GA 31792

(229) 226-0840

office@thomasvillefirstmethodist.com

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

PLEASE NOTE

10/14 - No Wednesday Night Supper or evening activites. Don't forget early voting is on Oct. 13-29 with regular voting on Nov. 3.

INVESTMENT SUNDAY/FALL FESTIVAL

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. The Fall Festival will have activities for the whole family with bounce houses, face painting, bake sale, and much more. So mark your calendar for a Sunday full of fun and fellowship.

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

Most Needed Items: Individual bags of pretzels, chips, popcorn, hot chocolate, candy, candy canes, greeting cards, and word puzzle books. Drop-off: Leave items in the church office or fellowship hall. Can't shop? Venmo Susan Varnedoe, and she will gladly purchase the items for you. Volunteer Opportunity: Give 2 or 3 hours of your time this Christmas season. Contact: Susan Varnedoe at 229-221-1451.

FOUNTAIN OF LIFE

Our FOL committee is collecting items to assemble morning bags. Donation baskets are located in Sunday School classrooms and the fellowship hall. Most Needed Items: Fruit bars, breakfast bars, crackers, and hotel/travel-sized soap, deodorant, shampoo, and conditioner. **Fountain of Life Shelter Meals**
Please consider volunteering to provide a meal for the Fountain of Life Emergency Shelter (located at 612 E. Clay St.). We typically feed 12 to 14 people.Open Meal Dates: January 3, January 17, February 7, and February 21.



LOCAL MISSIONS VISIONING COMMITTEE MINISTRY

Our Visioning Committee continuously seeks innovative ways to serve the needs of Thomasville. Whether you want to lead a new initiative or share fresh ideas on how our church can support the community, we welcome your input and leadership!
Contact: Fran Herndon at 229-224-5298.

Calendar

Sunday, October 11, 2026 8:45am Contemporary Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Service 12:30pm Youth Lunch Brunch 4:00pm Intercessory Prayer Team 5:00pm Youth Group	Tuesday, October 13, 2026 6:30pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal Wednesday, October 14, 2026 Fall Break No WNS or Evening Activities.
--	---

Monday, October 12, 2026
Columbus Day
YLA Fall Break

Congregational Care

PRAYER CONCERNS

John Avard, 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

10/11: Pam Wright
10/12: David Flowers, Emily Seal
10/14: Blythe Hattink, Sheri Manley
10/15: Mary Caroline Cone, Bob Dyksterhouse, Corey Lewis, Lillia Prine, Margaret White
10/16: JP Rehberg
10/17: Al Bozeman, Emily Shiver, Annette Warren

Stewardship

ATTENDANCE

In-Person Worship Attendance October 4:	
8:45am Contemporary Service	203
11:00am Traditional Service	145
Total	348

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



GIVE

GET REALM!

Our church management software has a lot of features that benefit you and the church! Use this QR Code to download the "Realm Connect" app, and get your account set-up today!

