

The Good News

First Methodist Church, Senatobia, Mississippi

October 2025

Dear Church Family,

October is always one of my favorite months. In Mississippi, summer rarely gives up its fight right on schedule, and so we're often well into October when we begin to experience cooler temperatures, changing leaves, and the other blessings that arrive with the fall season. One of the opportunities we always have this time of year is our fall stewardship campaign. My prayer is that we all view this as God blessing us with a means of grace to grow

Malachi 3:10 instructs us to bring our tithes “into the storehouse,” and for our context the “storehouse” is the church. So, every fall we have a time of prayer, preparation, and commitment which culminates with Commitment Sunday when we make our financial commitments to God’s work in our church. This year’s Commitment Sunday will be October 19, and we will have a special time at the close of each service to make our commitments to the Lord.

Friends, this act of faithfulness is vital for a healthy church as our giving sustains the mission and ministry of our congregation. Through our collective generosity to God’s Work, we are able to proclaim the Gospel, be a powerful witness to Christ in our community, host wonderful programs and opportunities for children and youth, help one another grow deeper in our discipleship, and minister to the least, last, and lost. When we lock arms together and invest in the things of God, we ensure all of these ministries continue to impact lives both within and beyond our congregation.

Will you be an investor? Will you make a commitment to Christ’s work in our church? Will you do so with a cheerful heart?

I encourage you to pray about these questions over the next several weeks. Know that our fall stewardship packets have been mailed out this week, but if you didn’t receive one or have questions, please call me and let me know. I’m excited that we will be including a Service Form this year in addition to our Giving Card. The Service Form will allow us to self-volunteer for ministries we feel match our gifts and abilities, and I believe it will help many of our church members find valuable ministry opportunities.

Let me close by saying, “Thank you.” I have never encountered a congregation with faithfulness like yours, and I am proud as a peacock to be your pastor. Let us together invest in Christ’s work among us as we seek to make more disciples for Him.

Blessings,

Bro. Tim

Schedule of Activities

Wednesday, October 1 (same schedule October 8, 15, & 22)

5:15 p.m. Dinner
6:00 p.m. Discipleship groups, Bible, and book studies
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, October 2

9:30 a.m. Explorer's Bible study (**every Thursday in October**)

Saturday, October 4

Camp Lake Stevens Fall Retreat

5:00 p.m. Peyton McClure Wedding

Sunday, October 5

8:45 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
4:45 p.m. Sexton Connect Group
6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights in the Prayer room

Tuesday, October 7 (same schedule October 14, 21, & 28)

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible study in the Fellowship Hall
3:30 p.m. Love in Action group meeting

Saturday, October 11

New building reserved for birthday party

Prayer retreat at Home of the Brave

Sunday, October 12

8:45 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
4:45 p.m. Sexton Connect Group
6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights in the Prayer room

Monday, October 13

***Church office closed**

Sunday, October 19—Commitment Sunday

8:45 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
4:45 p.m. Sexton Connect Group
6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights in the Prayer room

Sunday, October 26

8:45 a.m. Worship and Live Stream (**Kingdom Kids Sing**)
9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
4:45 p.m. Sexton Connect Group
6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights in the Prayer room

Wednesday, October 29 (No meals or studies)

5:30 p.m. Trunk or Treat

Remember in Prayer

HEALING OF CANCER

Bernadean Taylor Morganti
Lindsey Massey
Renee King
Granville Sherman (John Goodwin's brother-in-law)
Rodney Cain (uncle of Alysca Webb)
Kent Davis (friend of Linda & Terry Kroush)
Robert Donner
Ladarius McCoy (Strayhorn High student)
Johnny Clark
Robin Mackey Spahn
Brooke Ramsey (step-daughter of Judy Smith)
Debra Young (cousin of Les Young)
Erika Holland
Sandra Savage
Howard Patterson

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Lindsey Todd
Steven Dossett (son of Ken)
Ken Gutheridge (friend of Bubba & Heidi Terrell)
Cayce Willis (daughter of Nina Baxter McGee, former member)
Lisa Lucius (friend of Mary Ann Walker)
Melanie Edwards
Hazel Mae Edwards (granddaughter of Jackie McGregor, friend of Brandi Malin)
Fay Tomlin (friend of Joyce Ingram Casillas)
Levi & Lindsey Lance (family of Kristen Prince, South Asia)
Jere & Gail Gammon (father & step-mother of Heidi Terrell)
Charlie Vail
The Ward Family
The Family of Randy Lakey

NURSING/REHAB/RETIREMENT HOME

William Dorr (Providence — father of Jimmy Dorr)
Sue Anthony (Providence — mother of Marvin Lishman)
Robbie Sissell (The Langford of Collierville)

MILITARY SERVICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Landon Riley (great-nephew of Glenda Rhodes)
Brian Englund (nephew of Val Lyle)
David Neal (brother of Beth Dickerson)
Members of Mississippi National Guard Units
Members of the Senatobia Police Department
Members of the Tate County Sheriff's Department
Members of the Mississippi Highway Patrol
Will Parker (Navy; nephew of Phil & Sharon Coleman)

Flower Calendar

October 5.....McClure Wedding
October 12.....Gay Bell
October 19.....Open
October 26.....Nickens Wedding

October 2025 Worship Volunteers

OFFERING COLLECTORS.....John Spencer & Judy Smith
MONDAY MORNING COUNTER.....Faye Dorr

AUDIO/VISUAL OPERATORS (8:45) October 5.....Derek Prince
October 12.....Phillip Frazier
October 19.....Calvert Shideler
October 26.....Garrett Nickens

AUDIO/VISUAL OPERATORS (11:00) October 5.....Eric McAlexander
October 12.....Robert Barnard
October 19.....Calvert Shideler
October 26.....Peggy Williams

USHERS.....8:45 a.m.....Jimmy Dorr & Micah McClure
11:00 a.m.....Phil Coleman, Travis Carpenter, Keith Godbold

Upcoming Activities

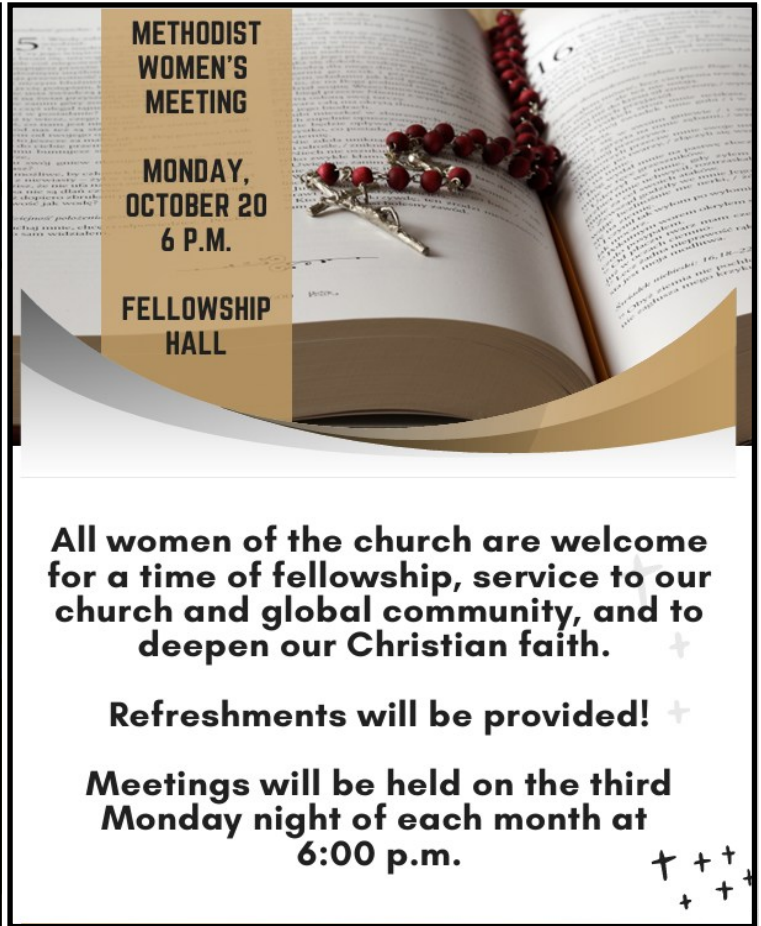


**REGISTRATION:
AUG. 11**

CPS Fall Children's Retreat

CAMP LAKE STEPHENS
3RD - 6TH GRADE
OCT. 04 - 05
\$130 PER PERSON OR
\$75.00 AND CHURCH WILL PAY
REMAINDER.

**WORSHIP SESSIONS,
SPORTS, MUSIC,
CRAFTS FOR KIDS!**



**METHODIST
WOMEN'S
MEETING**

**MONDAY,
OCTOBER 20
6 P.M.**

**FELLOWSHIP
HALL**

**All women of the church are welcome
for a time of fellowship, service to our
church and global community, and to
deepen our Christian faith.**

Refreshments will be provided!

**Meetings will be held on the third
Monday night of each month at
6:00 p.m.**

Save the Date Sat.-OCT. 11, 2025

PRAISE HIM



RETREAT

Hosted by Senatobia First Methodist Church

Location
HOME OF THE BRAVE



TRUNK OR TREAT

**FELLOWSHIP, FUN, TREATS, &
MOVIES ON THE LAWN!**

October 29

**5:30pm - 6pm:
Special Needs Children**
**6 - 7pm:
Birth - 6th grade**

**Sign up to
host a trunk here:**



**Senatobia Methodist Church
Parking Lot**

Happy **Birthday**

1 Logan Earp	21 Kyle Dixon
2 Destinee McConnell	21 Erin Peterson
6 Linda Hankins	23 Craig Shideler
6 Tim Steward	23 Faye Dorr
7 Terri Morris	24 Laura Givens
9 Jeanine Walton	24 Jake Johnston
10 Thomas Perry	27 Debbie Perkins
11 Maggie Day	29 Josh Hammons
11 Blaire Nickens	30 Elizabeth Clark
14 Johnny Clark	
14 Connie Jo Jenkins	
14 Kate Givens	
15 Scott Billingsley	
16 Glenn Anderson	
16 Bonnie James	
17 Frank Givens	
17 Emerson Dodson	
18 Jack Prather	
19 Derek Prince	

Happy **Anniversary**

2 Terry & Clarann Spence
3 Adam & Alysca Webb
12 Christopher & Darla McConnell
13 Larry & Gwen Hogan
17 Phil & Sharon Coleman
18 Barry & Bre Howard
20 John & Mary Elinor Goodwin
21 Jesse & Jennie Pearson
22 Bubba & Heidi Terrell
24 Chad & Caroline Lanier
29 Jamie & Liza Beckham



PARENT'S NIGHT OUT FOR OUR EXCEPTIONAL FOLLOWERS

**First Methodist Church
102 W. Gilmore St
Senatobia Ms 38668**

November 22nd. 4:00-8:00 pm
RSVP via text Emily - 662-292-1025

SFMC YOUTH MISSION
Camp Wesley Pines
November 15-16 No cost to youth



JOIN US IN DEMOING PORCHES AND DECKS OF CABINS THAT ARE IN DISREPAIR & MAKING CONTRIBUTION FOR MATERIALS FOR THE NEW DECKS FOR CAMPERS TO ENJOY FOR YEARS TO COME AS THEY LEARN ABOUT CHRIST

MORE INFO: [HTTPS://WESLEYPINES.COM/](https://wesleypines.com/)