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/də'sīp(ə)l/

noun: **disciple**; plural noun: **disciples**

a personal follower of Jesus during his life, especially one of the twelve Apostles.

Similar: [apostle](#) [follower](#)

- a follower or student of a teacher, leader, or philosopher.



The word disciple is one of the most misunderstood words in the church. If you ask ten people what it means to be a disciple, you will more than likely get ten different answers. While all the answers may share some similarities, this often creates confusion. The unfortunate side of this confusion is that the church's mission is to make disciples. How can the church make disciples if we do not understand what it means to be a disciple?

Beginning in the fall, we will initiate the process of exploring what it means to be a disciple. As part of this process, we will be starting small groups on Wednesday evening, using the book "Practicing the Way" by John Mark Comer. In August, we will start a sermon series, "Covered in the Masters Dust." we will be discussing the discipleship process and our church. So I invite you to begin praying today for our church as we work to understand what it means to be a Disciple.



A BAINBRIDGE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH PROGRAM

MOTHER'S MORNING OUT MINISTRY

MOTHER'S MORNING OUT MINISTRY BEGAN THEIR NEW YEAR ON MONDAY, AUGUST 11.

PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF LITTLE ONES AROUND THE CHURCH CAMPUS FROM 8:15 AM - 12:15 AM ON MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY EVERY WEEK.

LET'S REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE TEACHERS AND FAMILIES INVOLVED IN THIS MINISTRY.
IT IS AN HONOR TO BE A PART OF THEIR JOURNEY.



Prayer Requests

Carol Cochran
Hank Metcalf
Mandy Moye
Edward Brown
Calhoun Family
Todd Martin
Henry Metcalf
Kim Mills
Nina Parello
Chelsey Dalton
Jones Family



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Members Who Minister

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025

USHERS: Jackie Fleetwood, Kevin Lewis, Peanut Enfinger, George Myers

LITURGIST: Pauncho Hufstetler

ACOLYTE:

VIDEO: Beau Hatcher

GREETERS: Terri Fleetwood and Melodee Loeffler

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR: Elizabeth Simmons

*Bainbridge First Methodist Church
would like to*

Welcome!



Honey Louise Hanna

born August 5, 2025.

*We celebrate with Charlton & Hudson Hanna
as they welcome their new daughter,
and with Janie and Bill Reynolds
as they welcome their new granddaughter.*

Welcome to the world

Nash Brooks Dalton

 born 6 August 2025 

**Bainbridge First Methodist
Church celebrates with Chelsey
and Ryan Dalton as they welcome
their new son, and with Christi
and Jason Murray as they
welcome their new grandson.**

Children's Ministry Calendar

"Are You Smarter than a 5th Grader"
Wednesday, August 20th
Wednesday Night Dinner at 6:00PM
Game at 6:30PM

Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser
Wednesday, August 27th
Dinner at 6:00PM
"Hunger Games" at 6:30PM

Children's Activities begin September 3rd
Sunday Night Alive begins September 7th

KidzQuest

What: Children's Weekend Retreat

Where: Epworth by the Sea on St. Simons Island

When: September 12th-14th

Who: 3rd - 6th graders

How much: \$210

**Register and pay your
depost online by Aug. 24th**

Final payment due September 2nd





Attention YOUTH:
Join us for our annual
"Back to School Bash"
at the Walker's
lake house.

Sunday, August 17
Meet at church at 3pm
Sign up and more info
on the app.

PRAYER Night

CALLING ALL
THAT ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A
PRAYER PARTNER
FOR THE YOUTH AND CHILDREN!

WE WILL HAVE A NIGHT TO PRAY OVER THE YOUTH
BASEMENT AND CHILDREN'S AREA AS WELL AS PRAY FOR
OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN ON AUGUST 13.
WE WILL MEET IN THE BASEMENT AT 6PM.

YOUTH MARK YOUR CALENDARS

"Wave Goodbye to Summer"

Annual Tubing at the Walker's Lakehouse
August 17
Meet at church at 3:00 and return by 7pm
Don't forget your swimsuit, towel, and sunscreen.
Sign up on app.

Fall Kickoff for Wednesday Night **August 20**

"Are YOU Smarter than a Fifth Grader?"
Come find out.
Dinner at 6:00 and the friendly
competition starts at 6:30.

August 27

Join us for "Hunger Games" Fundraiser and games.
Dinner at 6:00
"Let the Games Begin" at 6:30

Wednesday Night Small Groups
begin September 3
Sunday Night "Alive"
begins September 7.

ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A FIFTH GRADER?

WHAT: Supper, with Game to follow

WHERE: J.O. Smith Building

WHEN: August 20, 2025
at 6:00 pm

Register using
QR Code, on
the app, or
call the
Church Office
229-246-1864



Adults \$8
Seniors \$7
Children \$6

**Chicken Nuggets,
Fries, Salad, Fruit, Dessert,
and Drink**

Plate pick
up
begins at
5:30pm

SPAGHETTI PLATE FUNDRAISER

Dine-in or Pick up (beginning at 5:30pm)
at the J.O. Smith Building
Bainbridge First Methodist Church

August 27
6:00 pm

\$10.00

Purchase tickets from
Serve Mission Team Members
or from the church office.

229-246-1864



* Proceeds benefit
Serve Mission Team Projects of
Bainbridge First Methodist Church.

Keenagers

September 3, 2025 at 12:00pm

Please join us for an exciting presentation
from Amanda Glover from the Downtown
Development Authority as she updates us
on all that's going on in our beautiful
downtown!

Menu:

Chicken Tetrazzini
Steamed Broccoli
Salad
Bread
Dessert
Drink

RSVP by August 29, 2025

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Ladies' Night

September 9, 2025

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

It's a Craft Night!

Sign up to do an Acrylic Pour with Marjorie Mayfield. We will meet in the JO Smith Building for a night of fellowship and crafts! Donations to cover supplies will be accepted.

(Next month we'll have Mahjong Night, but we need table leaders. Let us know if you're willing to teach beginners.)

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Call the Church Office at 229-246-1864



Practicing the Way

Be with Jesus
Become like him
Do as he did

John Mark Comer

New York Times bestseller
From the author of *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry*



GROWTH GROUPS
ADULT SMALL GROUPS

Beginning
Wednesday, September 3,
2025, at 6:30pm.

Adult Groups Led By:

Rev. Nate & Erica Lehman
Ginger Johnson
Penny Reynolds
Bruce Kirbo

Books can be ordered on Amazon for
about \$14.00

Connect - Grow - Serve



OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT > GROW > SERVE

At **Bainbridge First Methodist**,

we know that our mission and calling are to

LOVE GOD and LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR.

So how do we do that?

By **CONNECTING, GROWING, and SERVING.**

We **CONNECT** to the body of Christ,

GROW as a disciple of Christ, and

SERVE as Christ served.

CONNECT GROUPS- Connect Groups are a great way to connect to the church in a low-pressure way. If you would like to get to know others in the church, this is your opportunity. Once a month, connect groups get together to share a meal. Depending on the plans, meals may be at a home or local restaurant. If you would like to join a Connect Group, it's easy, just click the link in the app or talk to:

Lynn Walker lynnmatthewswalker@gmail.com or

Elizabeth Simmons elizabethc.simmons@yahoo.com.

GROW GROUPS- Our Grow groups are the next step. Grow groups use a small group design to build relationships and support your growth as a disciple of Christ. Organized by life stage, we currently have four Grow groups that will meet on Wednesday Nights (Possibly expanding to other days) following our Wednesday night meal. For more information about grow groups, please contact Nate at nateclehman@gmail.com

Other growth groups include our Sunday School classes and Youth or Children's Programming.

SERVE GROUPS- We have numerous ways to serve in the church, including the Community Food Bank and Lifeline Ministries led by our Missions Team. Every year, we have our Serve Campaign to encourage our congregation to serve in many ways throughout church ministries. The servants of our church are pivotal to our mission of Loving God and Loving our Neighbor.



Contact the Church Office for more information
(229) 246-1864