

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

1st Sunday of Advent - Blue

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

PRELUDE *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent*

INTROIT *Prepare the Way of the Lord*

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* 196

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881

*GLORIA PATRI 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

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY 95

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* 211

*THE WRITTEN WORD John 1:1-5; 14

THE SPOKEN WORD **"The Word Became Flesh"** Rev. Scott Stanfill

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT *Blessed Be the God of Israel* 209

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH SONG *People, Look East*

POSTLUDE

***Let those who are able, please stand.** *This service is broadcast live at 11:00am on WTUF at 106.3FM and online: www.youtube.com/@ThomasvilleFirstMethodist*

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER - DECEMBER 03, 2025

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

Menu: Fresh Fruit, Sausage and Cheese Grits Casserole, Biscuits and Gravy, Baked Apples

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



Thomasville First Methodist Church



November 30, 2025

CHURCH-WIDE READ: THE BIBLE RECAP

Have you ever read the Bible and felt unsure about what you just read? Starting January 1, the staff at Thomasville First Methodist invites you to embark on an adventure of exploring the Bible through a 1-year chronological reading plan. Bible Recap guides us on a day-by-day journey through Scripture with clarity, context, and confidence. Instead of reading simply to finish, the goal is to understand and encounter God through His Word—day by day. The Bible Recap combines daily Bible readings with brief explanations that help us see the big picture. It helps answer questions like:

What’s happening in the story?

What does it reveal about God?

How does this fit into Scripture as a whole?

Bible Recap is available in various formats, including book, podcast, or video. It also offers kid-friendly and youth-focused versions, making it easy for children and teens to understand the story of Scripture in a simple, engaging, and age-appropriate way. Each day’s Bible reading takes about 12 minutes, and each recap lasts around 8 minutes. An optional weekly discussion guide can be used for Sunday School, small groups, or families to facilitate conversations about the insights gained from each reading. As a church family, we’re committing to an intentional season of grounding ourselves in the Word. Regardless of your Bible experience—whether you're new to reading Scripture or have been walking with Jesus for decades—this church-wide read is for you. Together, we’ll:

Grow deeper in God’s story

Strengthen our faith through daily devotion

Better understand Scripture’s context

Encourage one another to keep going

See how every page points to Jesus

To learn more about Bible Recap, go to <https://www.thebiblerecap.com>. I look forward to growing with you in our trek through scripture!

Because He lives,

Ken

HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
Sunday, Nov. 30, 2025	Wednesday, Dec. 03, 2025
8:45am Contemporary Worship	5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper
9:45/10:00am Sunday School Classes	6:00pm Kids' activities (PreK-5th)
11:00am Traditional Worship	6:00pm Youth Activities (6-12th)
2:00pm Choir Practice	7:15 Contemporary Worship
4:00pm Intercessory Prayer Team	Rehearsal
4:00pm Children/Youth Handbells	
4:00pm Women's Book Club Meeting	Thursday, Dec. 04, 2025
5:00pm Sunday Night Youth	6:30pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal
5:00pm Kids' activities: Gingerbread	
Nativity Making	Saturday, Dec. 06, 2025
5:00pm Women's Advent Wreath Making	10:00am Cantata Rehearsal

HOSPITAL AND CONCERNS
Prayer Concerns: Janet Barnes, Gary Blair, Pat Gainey, Welch Goggins, Diane Hayes, Gerrie Dixon Harris, Cheryl Harvey, Billy Hunt, Marie Hunt, Nell Jones, Mark King, Charlie McPherson, Amanda Ponder, Andy Seery, Jr., Margaret Simmons, Jacquee Smith, Hilda Walker, Beth White, Mable York
**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
11/30: Ron Bannister, Margaret Baker
12/02: Jesse Booth
12/03: John Flowers, Katherine Jones, Katie Marcum
12/04: Martha Rumfelt, Austin Stone, David White
12/05: Becky Bracey, Chad Parkerson, Nick Sellers, Steven Turner

SAVE THE DATE
Lloyd's Supper will be held December 17th at 5:30pm in Mary's Kitchen in Metcalfe. Please make reservations by December 11th by calling Theresa Brown at 229/421-4250. The cost is \$15 per person.

ATTENDANCE	
Total In-Person Worship Attendance November 23rd:	
8:45 Contemporary Worship Service	158
11:00 Traditional Worship Service	142
Total	300

GIVING IS EASIER THAN EVER!
Your faithfulness and generosity enables ministry! There are now four ways you can give:

- Give online at www.thomasvillefirstmethodist.com
- Give through TXT - text tfmcgive to 73256
- Checks can be mailed (P.O. Box 975 / Thomasville, GA 31799)
- Contributions can be brought to the Church Office

Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.
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Terms of Service - <https://legal.acst.com/terms-service-use>

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!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENT
Sunday, November 30th children ages PreK-5th grade are welcome to join our Gingerbread Nativity Making event. Its from 5pm to 6:30pm and includes a snack supper. This event will take place at the same time as the Women's Ministry Advent Wreath Making.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SERVICE SCHEDULE
Sunday, November 30 – 8:45am Contemp. & 11am Trdl. Services*
5pm Women’s Ministry Wreath Making & Children’s Gingerbread Making Activities*
Sunday, December 7 – Christmas Cantata: 10:30am Sanctuary*
9:15am Sunday School
Wednesday, December 10 (Fellowship Building):
5pm Wednesday Night Supper
6:15pm Children’s Christmas Program & Reception*
December 13-14: Youth Progressive Dinners
Sunday, December 14 – 8:45am Contemp. & 11am Trdl. Services*
Sunday, December 21 – 8:45am Contemp. & 11am Trdl. Services*
Christmas Eve – Wednesday, December 24
4pm Contemporary Service (Fellowship Bldg)*
6pm Traditional Service (Sanctuary)*
Services include Communion & Candle Lighting
Sunday, December 28 – 10:30am Unified Worship (Sanctuary)
*No Sunday School
*Nursery Care available where indicated



DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR THE

TFMC Women’s Ministry Advent Wreath Workshop

Sunday, November 30th | 5:00 - 6:30 PM
TFMC Fellowship Hall

The cost of the event is \$25 and includes a wreath mold and candles. You can pay at the door when you arrive. Please bring your own greenery (feel free to clip from your yard!) and any additions that you would like along with garden shears if you have them.
(Addition ideas: ribbon, pine cones, dried citrus, cinnamon sticks, twinkle lights, berries, feathers, etc)

We are looking forward to a wonderful time of fellowship as we kick off the Advent season! Please RSVP by using the QR code below or by calling Kym Naylor in the front office at (229)226-0840.

Childcare will be provided.



CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

8:45am

We aim to worship God with our whole selves in our family-friendly Fellowship Building, seeking to honor God through engaging and reflective Contemporary Worship music. Our Worship Service is centered in the prayers and creeds foundational to our Christian living. There are many ways to get involved in our service too! You are always welcome to worship at TFMC.

Today’s Songs	Today’s Teaching
<i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus</i>	"The Word Became Flesh"
<i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i>	John 1:1-5; 14
<i>Waiting Here For You</i>	Rev. Scott Stanfill
<i>Heaven Has Come to Us</i>	
<i>Jesus Messiah</i>	

Worship Team: Desiree Celaya - vocals; Bree Howell - vocals; Tim Peck - ac. Guitar, vocals; Chris Salveter - drums; John Streets - bass, vocals; Nic Streets - el. Guitar
Tech Team: Brett James - sound op; Rebecca McKemie - visual media

Christmas Cantata - Dec 7 @ 10:30am Unified Service
Come and hear the sounds of the Christmas Season as the Chancel Choir presents its Christmas Cantata, Come, Ye Faithful by Hal Hopson. This work features the playing of Steven Turner (organ), Dr. Karl Barton (flute), and the Chancel Bells. Readings of the Christmas story are interspersed through congregational and choir singing of classic Christmas Carols. This unified Service will be a highlight of the Advent Season!
Sunday School classes will meet at 9:15am on 12/7. Nursery Care is available throughout the morning, and Children's Church will dismiss from the Service.

SUPPORT FOUNTAIN OF LIFE
The Fountain of Life Rescue Shelter is in need of undergarments, socks, jackets, towels/blankets, toiletry/cleaning supplies and bottled water. There are still Dinner Donation dates that are open: Feb.15, March 1, April 5, April 19, May 3, May 17, & June 7. The Ornament Fundraiser Sale for \$20 per ornament is being sold in the Fellowship Building. March 21st will be the Pickleball Tournament Fundraiser.

TIME TO ORDER POINSETTIAS!
The Altar Guild will use red poinsettias in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Building this holiday season. If you would like to give a plant in honor of or memory of someone, please contact the Church Office (226-0840). Each plant is \$14.00, plants may be picked up after the December 24th Communion Service. Deadline for purchase is Friday, December 14th.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BOOK CLUB MEETING
Sunday Nov. 30 at 4pm Book Club will meet to discuss *I Just Wish I Had a Bigger Kitchen: And Other Lies I Think Will Make Me Happy* by Kate Strickler. There are no books to read for December but there will be a Christmas party so be on the look out for potential dates. January's book will be *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi.