

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP  
Fourth Sunday of Easter - White

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE *This is My Father's World* F. Sheppard

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Victory in Jesus* 370

\*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 *Alleluia*

OFFERTORY *Take Up Thy Cross* A. Ackley

\*DOXOLOGY 95

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Because He Lives* 364

ANTHEM *You Are Mine*

\*THE WRITTEN WORD Mark 10:17-22

THE SPOKEN WORD **"Freedom to Fail"** Scott Stanfill

TIME OF RESPONSE

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT *It is Well With My Soul* 377

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING FORTH SONG

POSTLUDE *Standing On the Promises* R. Carter

Ushers: Erv Brock, David Cochran, Bruce Fykes, Mills Herndon, Jack Wilks

Greeter: Miranda McInnis

Reader: Nick Sellers

\***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](http://www.youtube.com/@ThomasvilleFirstMethodist)

THE CHURCH STAFF

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April 26, 2026

BIBLE RECAP UPDATE: GOD'S FAITHFUL STORY

As we continue reading through The Bible Recap, we have been tracing God's story from Genesis through 1 Samuel, and a powerful picture is emerging.

We began in Genesis with creation, seeing God's design, goodness, and purpose, with sin and brokenness entering into the picture. Even then, God began revealing His plan to redeem and restore His people.

Through Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy, we watched God deliver Israel from slavery, establish His covenant, and call His people to live in obedience and holiness. Though they often struggled, God remained patient, present, and faithful.

In Joshua, Judges, and Ruth, we saw God lead His people into the Promised Land while also witnessing a recurring cycle of disobedience and restoration. Even in unstable and uncertain times, God was still at work, raising up leaders and preserving His redemptive purposes.

Now, in 1 Samuel, we see a major transition as Israel moves from judges to kings. Through Samuel, Saul, and David, we are reminded that God is concerned with the heart and that true leadership flows from obedience to Him.

The big picture: God is consistently faithful, even when His people are not. From the very beginning, we see God is always working to draw His people back to Himself.

If you've fallen behind, don't be discouraged! Jump back in and stay in the story.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER - APRIL 29, 2026

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

Menu: Low Country Boil, Salad, & Dessert

2 ways to make a reservation:

\*Call the Church Office at 226-0840

\*Online at [www.thomasvillefirstmethodist.com](http://www.thomasvillefirstmethodist.com)

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

**Sunday, April 26, 2026**

8:45am Contemporary Worship  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Traditional Worship  
3:30 Youth Scholarship Committee  
4:00pm Intercessory Prayer Team  
4:00pm Women's Ministry Book Club  
4:00pm Youth Band  
5:00pm Sunday Night Youth  
5:00pm Children's Activities

**Tuesday, April 28, 2026**

6:30pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal

**Wednesday, April 29, 2026**

5:00pm Wednesday Night Dinner  
6:00pm Kids' Activities PreK-5th  
6:00pm Youth Band Rehearsal  
6:00pm Youth Activities 6-12th

## HOSPITAL AND CONCERNS

**Prayer Concerns:** Janet Barnes, Anne Barr, Gary Blair, Mary Dixon, Delaney Dyksterhouse, Pat Gainey, Gerrie Dixon Harris, Cheryl Harvey, Billy Hunt, Marie Hunt, Nell Jones, Charlie McPherson, Andy Seery, Jr., Robert Sullivan, Jamie Thompson, Carmine Wills, Jack Wilks, Beth White, Mable York  
*\*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

04/27: Wayne Newsome, Becky Sanders  
04/28: Stephen Prothro, Felicity Swann  
04/29: Yvonne Cox, Bonnie Keene, Robert Kryder  
04/30: Tammi Mott  
05/01: Mandy Hall, Cindy Springs  
05/02: Sydney McKay, Jay Myhre, Brock Shiner

## ATTENDANCE

Total In-Person Worship Attendance April 19th:  
8:45am Contemporary Worship Service 224  
11:00am Traditional Worship Service 167  
Total 391

## FOUNTAIN OF LIFE

1. Seeking meal donations for: May 3 & 17, July 5, July 19
2. Shop the FOL Amazon Wish List for shelter needs.
3. Donation box (@Fellowship Hall welcome desk) drop canned protien (vienna suasage, tuna, etc.) and/or bottled water.



## 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](http://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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## 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!



## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Come join us in as we host The National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 7, at 12:00pm in the Fellowship Building.

## HELP US UPLOAD SERMONS AS PODCASTS

Do you have experience editing audio files? Tim Peck would like to partner with church members to upload sermon audio each week to podcast platforms such as Spotify and Apple. If you can help with this, please contact Tim: [tpeck@thomasvillefirstmethodist.com](mailto:tpeck@thomasvillefirstmethodist.com).

## 2026 GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY

We are thrilled to celebrate our Graduates this year on **Sunday, May 3rd!** Graduates will be recognized during both the 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM worship services. If you have a student graduating from high school or college, please email Nicolas Mandolini at [nmandolini@thomasvillefirstmethodist.com](mailto:nmandolini@thomasvillefirstmethodist.com). Be sure to include the graduate's name, the school they are graduating from, and the college or university they will be attending in the fall. Don't forget to RSVP for the Seniors' Banquet, a special evening celebration for graduates and their families, taking place on the evening of **May 3rd**. We look forward to celebrating these students and their accomplishments together!

## COFFEE AREA MINISTRY - JOIN US!

A team of volunteers has launched a new Coffee Area Ministry, setting up coffee before the 8:45am Contemporary Service each week to create a greater sense of welcome alongside our Welcome Teams and Staff. Currently, we have one volunteer per week signed up with room for more. If you're interested in serving with our Coffee Area Ministry -- setting up around 8:15am on Sunday mornings -- please email Tim Peck: [tpeck@thomasvillefirstmethodist.com](mailto:tpeck@thomasvillefirstmethodist.com).

## SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER – MAY 6

We are excited to welcome Corey Wise, Executive Director of Goal Line Ministries, to First Church on Wednesday, May 6, following our Church Night Supper.

Goal Line Ministries is a non-denominational Christian organization serving students at Thomas University. The heart of this ministry is its deep commitment to students through strong community support, equipping, empowering, and encouraging them to make a difference for Christ both in the classroom and on the playing field.

Through impactful ministries such as the Adopt-a-Student program, Survivor events, Bible studies, mission projects, and team devotions, Goal Line creates a safe place where students can be themselves while exploring God's plan for their lives and growing spiritually.

Whether students are searching for answers or simply a place to belong, Goal Line Ministries meets them with the love of Jesus Christ—reminding them that the greatest victory in life is found in a relationship with Him.

Corey will be sharing about the powerful work God is doing through this ministry and how lives are being transformed on the campus of Thomas University.

## 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**  
*Who You Say I Am*  
*God So Loved*  
*Reckless Love*  
*It is Well With My Soul*  
*I Am Set Free*

**Today's Teaching**  
**"Freedom to Fail"**  
Mark 10:17-22  
Rev. Scott Stanfill

**Worship Team:** Demarcus Barron - drums; Dave Bedell - bass, vocals; Desiree Celaya - vocals; Tim Peck - keys, vocals; Kyle Swann - el. Guitar  
**Tech Team:** Rebecca McKemie - visual Media; Anthony Stape - sound op  
**Welcome Team:** Dave Anderson, Margaret Cook, Oscar Cook, John Exum, Bobby Maxwell, Jason Prothro, Doug Stape, Keith Stone, Heeth Varnedoe

## FOOD BANK - SATURDAY OPENINGS

The Thomas County Food Bank is trying to serve more working clients by opening on May 9, from 9am-12pm. This is a trial run to assess the need for more hours. A final decision will be made at the end of May. So spread the word to people in need. More hours also means more opportunities to volunteer! If you would like to know more you can call (229) 226-4277 and leave a message.

TFMC YOUNG LEARNERS  
ACADEMY CORDIALLY  
INVITES YOU TO OUR  
**ANNUAL ART  
SHOW**  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>  
DROP IN BETWEEN  
6:00 - 7:00 PM  
PLEASE COME TO THE CHILDREN'S  
BUILDING LOBBY FOR A QUICK VISIT,  
WHERE YOU'LL SEE OUR "UNDER THE  
**SEA**" EXHIBIT, CREATED BY ALL  
YOUNG LEARNERS ACADEMY  
STUDENTS TAUGHT BY OUR ART  
TEACHER, MRS. FAITH.