SERMON SERIES
Lectionary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Activities: There will be **No** Wednesday Night Chapel, Supper, or Youth on Wednesday, November 11th in Honor of Veterans Day. The church office will also be closed. There will be choir practice at 6:30 pm.

Children's Sunday School Launch: All kids K5-5th grade are invited to participate in our new Sunday School from 8:45am-9:45am! Join us for music, games, a snack, and a Bible lesson! The kids will sing in worship on December 13th and 20th.

Baby Sprinkle: Join us for a Baby Sprinkle in honor of Olivia Newell today in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 AM.

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox: Shoeboxes are due by Thursday, November 12th and may be turned into the church office. If you would like to participate and you did not receive a box, please consider donating towards shipping costs.

Churchwide Lunch: Following worship on November 15th, we will have a churchwide lunch.

Church Work Day: On November 22nd, wear or bring your work clothes for a church work day!

Hanging of the Greens: Join us for Hanging of the Greens on November 29th during our 10:00 AM worship service! This special interactive service launches us into the season of Advent and helps us see the true meaning of Christmas through the symbolism of our decorations.

Christmas Poinsettias: We will adorn our sanctuary with 60 poinsettias on Sunday, December 13th. They may be purchased in honor or in memory of loved ones. Poinsettias are $17 each. Because quantities are limited, payment must be received by December 1st to reserve yours. Order forms are available in the Narthex and Church office.

Name Tags: If you would like a name tag, please contact Bill Webster at 913-221-3957 or w.h.webster1@att.net.

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

Last Sunday Attendance: 146
Finance Reports:
2026 Budget: $615,000.00
Received to date: $371,391.43

Online Giving:
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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, November 8, 2026
8:30 AM.....Men's Sunday School Rm 109
8:45 AM...Women's Sunday School(Wesleyan Class)Rm 106
8:45 AM.....Kid's Sunday School, Rm 104
8:45 AM.....Parents' Sunday School, Church Office

Monday, November 9, 2026
12:00 PM.....Monday Prayer Group

Tuesday, November 10, 2026
3:00 PM.....Terrific Tuesday

Wednesday, November 11, 2026
7:00 AM.....Biscuits, Bacon & Bible Study, FH
6:30 PM.....Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
*No Chapel, Supper, or Youth

OUR STAFF

Senior Pastor: Rev. Wilson Newell
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TODAY'S ACOLYTES:

Calvin King & Maddie King

PRAYER CONCERNS

At Home:
Steve and Carolyn Capps, Sue Edwards, Pat Goodwin, Rich and Lynda Touart, Turner Rhodes, Randy Anderson, Alicia McBryar, Robin Rhodes, Edna Dixon,Deborah Lundberg, Shirly Plymesser (Crowne Health), Marjorie Gibson (Crowne Health), Cleveland Robertson (The Brennity, Daphne), Karen Robertson (Grand South Living, Dothan), Virginia Liles (Seagrass Daphne), Anne Freas, Amy Hall

Health Concerns:
Sue Nelson, Jack Robertson, Claude Steele, Infant Aria May



First Methodist Church
Bay Minette

November 8, 2026

Be Prepared

Leading Worship Today

Senior Pastor:
Rev. Wilson Newell

Music Director:
Mike Johnson

Asst. Music Director:
Lydia Van Cleave

Order of Worship

Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost **Liturgical Color: Green**

GREETING — Rev. Wilson Newell

PRELUDE — *Because He Lives* — Gaither

***CALL TO WORSHIP** — Christi King

L. The God of our ancestors has called us here.

P. We are witnesses to his glory.

L. The choice to follow Christ has called us here.

P. We are witnesses to his grace.

L. The Holy Spirit has called us here.

P. We are witnesses to his love.

*OPENING HYMN — ***Love Lifted Me*** — 89

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI — GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER — Joe Nash

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, amen.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION — ***Fairest Lord Jesus*** — 113

OFFERTORY PRAYER — Katrina Zarr

OFFERTORY INTERLUDE — *I Love To Tell The Story* — Hankey

*DOXOLOGY — ***Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow***

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH — Sarah Beth Knizley/Myca Brooks

Children 4 years old through 5th grade are invited to join us in Rooms 104-105.

SPECIAL MUSIC — *Blessed Assurance* — Speck

*SCRIPTURE READING — Matthew 25:1-13

SERMON — **Be Prepared** — Rev. Wilson Newell

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Those desiring to unite with this church by profession of faith in Christ or
by transfer of membership are invited to come forward during the hymn of invitation

*HYMN OF INVITATION — ***Burdens Are Lifted At Calvary*** — 494

*BENEDICTION — Rev. Wilson Newell

POSTLUDE — *Because He Lives* — Gaither

*Please stand as you are able.

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