

Church Calendar

Sunday

9:30 am Coffee and Donuts on the Porch
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Worship

Wednesday

6:30 pm Choir Practice
7:30 pm Pastor's Bookshelf

Next Sunday

9:30 am Coffee and Donuts on the Porch
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Announcements

- **Pastor's Bookshelf** will meet on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the FLC
- **Our New Website:** <https://tunicamethodist.church>
- **E-Connection:** The E-Connection will continue through email but will be sent on Fridays.
- **Christian Conversations: Real People, Real Faith, Real Talk.** The next meeting will be on the third Monday (July 20th) @ 6 pm. Please let John (662) 606-0300 or Angela (662) 613-0111 know if you plan to attend.
- **Mah Jongg** every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Thursday of the Month

Birthdays

July 6	Jordan Hood Joyce	July 10	Vivian Shelton
	Chris Perry		
July 9	Jimmy Boyd	July 11	Richy Bibb
	Rylee Jefcoat		

MINISTRY STAFF

The Rev. Tim Sisk
Pastor

Mary Siple
Music Director

Pat Robinson
Church Secretary

Office Hours
Mon-Thu: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

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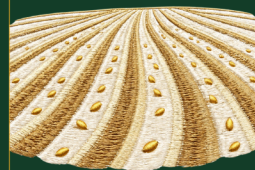
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The Soil, the Field, the Treasure

—Three Parables from Matthew 13—



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July 5, 2026
Color: Green
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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship #328

*Hymn #696

*Invocation

*Affirmation of Faith

*Gloria Patri

*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.*

*Passing of the Peace

Children's Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Choral Response

Collect

First Lesson

Responsive Reading #857

Second Lesson

Hymn #697

Offering

*Doxology

*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.*

Special Music

*Scripture Reading

Sermon

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Hymn #428

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

*Postlude

"Surely the Presence"

"America, the Beautiful" (v.1-3)

The Apostles' Creed

Zechariah 9:9-12 (NIV)

Psalms 145:8-13

Romans 7:15-25 (NIV)

"America" (v.1,4)

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Matthew 11:25-30

"The End of Alone"

#15

"Amen"

*Flowers today were given for the glory of God
and in honor of Tim & Lorie Sisk by Lollie Wenzel*

Prayer List**

Chuck Austin • AJ Britton • Lisa Burke • LakeSha Davis • Rae Graves • Mary Ann Griggs • Frank Klimek • Lee Miller • Monty Nolan • Aiden Smith • Randy Turman • Georgia Turner • Wyatt Young

Long-Term Prayer List

Jimmy Boyd • Dick Flowers • Blaine Goodson • Mary Ann Griggs • Tracy Mallett • Clarence Pegram • Bill Stearnes • Kate Thomas • Georgia Turner • David Vinzant

***Prayer requests (submitted in writing or by email) are listed for four weeks. Resubmit to keep active; note if long-term.*

Every Member in Ministry

Sunday, July 5

Flowers: Lollie Wenzel
Lay Reader: Lindsay Jones
Children's Church: No CC
Sound Tech: Jody Pennock
Acolyte: Sophie Boyd
Crucifer: Anna Koehler Bibb

Sunday, July 12

Flowers: Lou Erwin
Lay Reader: Burchet Griggs
Children's Church: Lindsay Jones
Sound Tech: Jody Pennock
Acolyte: Laura Beach
Crucifer: Anna Vail Robinson

Count Team for July: Tim Boyd • Kate Scott Pennock

Dewey's Doorkeeper for July: Jody Pennock

Lay Readers for July

July 5—Lindsay Jones
July 12—Burchet Griggs
July 19—Tim Boyd
July 26—Erica Garrett

Attendance: June 28—112

Financial Report

July Budget-Expense	\$20,020.00
Cash Income on Hand (7/1)	\$32,935.18
Building Fund	\$79,180.00
July Needed Income	\$20,020.00

The End of Alone

Romans 7:15–25a | Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

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Where We're Going Today

- I. *The War Within* (Romans 7:15–25a) — Paul names the war every honest person recognizes: wanting to be good and being good are not the same thing.
- II. *The Answer* (Matthew 11:28) — Jesus answers the question Paul couldn't live his way out of alone — not with a program, but with an invitation.
- III. *The Yoke* (Matthew 11:29–30) — The invitation doesn't end at rest. It ends at the yoke — shared load, shared direction, the end of pulling alone.

Sticky Statements

- Knowing the answer and living the answer are not the same thing. And the distance between those two — between knowing and living — is where most of us have quietly made our home.
- Grace is not opposed to effort. It is opposed to earning. — Dallas Willard
- Not rest from the yoke. Rest in it.
- This is the end of alone.

Reflection Questions

1. Paul describes a war between what he wants to do and what he actually does. Where do you recognize that war in your own life?
2. Jesus says *come to me* — not *I will come to you*. What does it cost you to make that movement toward him?
3. Where in your life have you been striving alone that Jesus is inviting you to bring under his yoke?

Proper 9

Year A

First Lesson

Zechariah 9:9–12 (NIV)

The Coming of Zion's King

- ⁹ Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!
Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!
See, your king comes to you,
righteous and victorious,
lowly and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
- ¹⁰ I will take away the chariots from Ephraim
and the warhorses from Jerusalem,
and the battle bow will be broken.
He will proclaim peace to the nations.
His rule will extend from sea to sea
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
- ¹¹ As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit.
- ¹² Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope;
even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to
you.

Second Lesson:**Romans 7:15–25 (NIV)**

¹⁵ I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. ¹⁶ And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. ¹⁸ For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it.

²¹ So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. ²² For in my inner being I delight in God's law; ²³ but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. ²⁴ What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Gospel Reading:**Matthew 11:25–30 (NIV)****The Father Revealed in the Son**

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children.

²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ “All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”