



The Americus FMC Bulletin

October 25, 2026

THE ART OF HOSPITALITY

Ministry of the Threshold

Romans 15:7

The idea of hospitality is so much larger than simply entertaining others, or hosting others for a party. A Biblical idea of hospitality includes a spiritual discipline component. Today, we look at an aspect of what it means to practice the ministry of the threshold – intentionally opening our lives, hearts, and spaces to welcome others.

1. What is the command in this text?
What is the standard we use to evaluate our hospitality toward others?
2. What is the goal of hospitality?
How do you believe you are doing with this concept?
How could you be better?
3. What does it mean to “accept one another”?
How are you challenged to go deeper in your understanding of acceptance?
Is it more than just tolerating someone?
4. Describe your story of how you realized Christ accepted you.
How does His daily grace shift your perspective of practicing hospitality?
5. What barriers are the threshold holding you back from sharing with others?
6. How can you transition your view of hospitality from “impressing others” to “serving others with an open heart”?
7. Discuss one practical step you can take this week to better practice hospitality toward others.

Anticipating opportunities to witness the art of hospitality as you serve Christ and others around you!

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First Methodist Church of Americus

Worship 11:00 am | October 25, 2026
Reformation Sunday

WORSHIP..... Dr. Ken DiNella

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God #35

When in Our Music God Is Glorified #402

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #691..... Rev. Daryl Brown

GLORIA PATRI #667..... Dr. Ken DiNella

PRELUDE..... Alwen Yeung

PASTORAL PRAYER..... Rev. Daryl Brown

ANTHEM.....Dr. Ken DiNella & Dr. Michael Yates, Jr.

OFFERTORY PRAYER..... Dr. Ken DiNella

OFFERTORY..... Alwen Yeung

DOXOLOGY #682..... Dr. Ken DiNella

SERMON..... Rev. Daryl Brown

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Blest Be the Tie That Binds #405

BENEDICTION..... Rev. Daryl Brown

POSTLUDE..... Alwen Yeung

Media: Bob Slenker

Greeters: Casper, Meagan, Maddox, Amelia and Eliza Speegle;
Sammy & Myra Bledsoe

Ushers: Ginger Starlin(Captain), Karen Austin, Lisa Simpson,
Jan Bird, Mara Durham, Nancy Jones, Sandra McNeill,
Lydia Ann Fowler, Judy Tott, Meagan Speegle, Jean Buchanan,
Beth NeSmith, Catey Simmons, Hope Usery

Bright Beginnings



Thank You!

Thank you to the WSC group for providing a wonderful meal for our teachers this past week! We are so appreciative.

This Week's Theme:
Bats, Cats, and Hats!

Truth & Treat
Thursday
at 9:30 AM

Fall Parties
Friday
at 10:00 AM

We hope everyone has a blessed week! ♥

KIDS

Giving Thanks Giving Back Giving Mats

KidsMin is decorating placemats for Magnolia Manor's Thanksgiving Dinner. Anyone from our church is invited to decorate a mat if they feel led. Please help us make the residents feel a little extra loved this season!

See Jessica for a blank placemat and return it when finished. We will laminate and deliver the mats to Magnolia Manor on November 23rd.



Confirmation Class Meets Weekly!

Confirmation Class meets every Sunday, starting November 1st at 10:00 AM in the Youth Foundry.

We look forward to growing together in faith as our students continue their confirmation journey.

Special thanks to Beth NeSmith and Beth Carroll for their dedication.

YOUTH



Best Day Ever!

Sunday, November 1

Leaving FMC @ 11 AM
(Immediately following Sunday School)

\$80 registration fee

See Teresa to register.



A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther — 1529

*"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." —
Psalm 46:1*

Martin Luther is best remembered as a great reformer, preacher, and theologian, but he was also a gifted musician. Growing up in Germany, he developed a love for music through his mother's singing and his participation in a boys' choir.

During the Protestant Reformation, Luther believed that music should be an important part of worship. He encouraged congregational singing and wrote hymns that allowed everyone to join in praising God.

His most famous hymn, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," was written around 1529 and inspired by Psalm 46. Its powerful words remind us that God is our refuge, strength, and protector through life's trials.

The hymn has been translated into English many times and remains one of Christianity's most treasured hymns.

Luther once wrote, "Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world."

A timeless reminder that our strength and security are found in God alone.

Family Night SUPPER
Food • Fellowship • Faith • All Are Welcome! ♥

5:15 PM IN THE SOCIAL HALL

TAILGATE DINNER
Chicken Wings
Pig in Blankets
Chips & Dip
and much more!

Adult Bible Study
6:00 PM
in the Social Hall

Children & Youth Activities
6:00 PM
in their areas

Choir
7:00 PM
in the Music Suite

Heart of Georgia Emmaus Gathering

Thursday, October 29th • 6:30 PM • Social Hall

Join us for a covered dish supper, fellowship, music,
and a Fourth Day Talk.

We've missed being together—hope to see you there!

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Women's Walk October 22–25

*May God bless each person attending and serving, and may they
be filled with a deeper walk with Christ.*

COVENANT OF CARE

At First Methodist Church, the safety and well-being of every child, youth, and vulnerable adult entrusted to our care is a sacred responsibility. Our church faithfully follows and remains compliant with all Covenant of Care and MinistrySafe policies and procedures, providing established safeguards designed to promote a safe, secure, and nurturing environment for all who participate in our ministries.



Events This Week

Sunday, October 25th

9:00 am Early Worship in the Social Hall
 10:00 am-12:00 pm Infant Nursery in the Sanctuary Building
 10:00 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
 5:00 pm Youth Bible Study in the Foundry

Monday, October 26th

10:00 am Women Serving Christ in the Parlor

Tuesday, October 27th

7:45 am Youth Prayer Breakfast at Chick Fil A
 8:00 am Red Roosters Reunion Group in the Coffee Café
 5:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal in the Music Suite
 6:00 pm ACF at Grace Baptist Church

Wednesday, October 28th

3:30 pm Stitches in the Parlor
 4:30 pm Butterfly Reunion Group in the Coffee Café
 5:15 pm Family Night Supper in the Social Hall
 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study in the Social Hall
 6:00 pm Children's Activities in Children's Ministry Area
 6:00 pm Youth Bible Study in the Foundry
 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal in the Music Suite

Thursday, October 29th

1:00 pm Patterns of Grace Bible Study in the Coffee Café

Friday, October 30th

Office Closed

Our Record of Faithfulness

Total Sunday Worship Attendance for October 18th: 273

9 am Contemporary Service..... 50 Sunday School.....78
 11 am Traditional Worship.....145 Wednesday Activities... 70

Giving as of October 18th

Budget Giving This Week..... \$ 6,911.48
 YTD Budget Giving \$ 575,374.78
 YTD Budget Expenditures..... \$ 641,394.50

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

John Argo, Cuyler Barr, Holly Roquemore Bickel,
 Alice Buchanan Brown, Christina Brown, Diane Corning,
 Evelyn Dean, Sharon Dutton, George Ellis, Anne Gilfoil, Melanie Hahn,
 Joe Hooks, Tommy Jackson, Marcia Johnson, Nick Klein, Tyler Mazey,
 Brooks Starlin Mechler, Jimmy Nelson, Christian, Robert & Jennifer Parks,
 Lutrelle Perry, Joyce Perry, Kenny Phillips, Chris Revell, Gene Richardson,
 Tippi Shierling, Sara Kate Shorter, Aubrey Stoyall,
 Connor Taylor, Terry Thorpe, Carl Tott, Maureen Turner, Kaye Tye,
 Emily Waller, Jimmy Whaley, Rick Whaley, Karen Willis,
 Carolyn Wright, Kathleen Wright