



The Americus FMC Bulletin

May 17, 2026

ENJOY Navigating Transitions *Joshua 1:1-9*

Today, we honor our high school and college students for GRADUATION SUNDAY! We are proud of the accomplishments each have made in their journey of education and pray for each of them as they navigate transitions in their life. We look forward to seeing the impact you have on those around you and pray for your faith journey.

- 1) Joshua was moving up as the new leader, replacing a monumental figure, Moses. How did this transition impact Joshua and the Israelites? What transition are you navigating and how can you better prepare yourself for the transition? How can you have a better impact on others through this transition?
- 2) How does God’s command to Joshua and the Israelites resonate in your own life? How does God help us prepare to “get ready” and “arise and go”?
- 3) How does trusting God’s promises strengthen Joshua? How does trusting God’s promises strengthen your faith?
- 4) What hinders you from moving forward into the new, and how does this promise change your perspective?
- 5) God repeats the command “Be strong and courageous”. Discuss your understanding of why God emphasized strength and courage. What does it actually mean, and look like, to be “courageous” when you feel weak?
- 6) How does following God’s word act as a map for navigating transitions?

God bless,
Daryl

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First Methodist Church of Americus

Worship 11:00 am
May 17, 2026
Ascension of the Lord
Graduation Sunday

WORSHIP Sam Morris
Standing on the Promises (#434 OGRP; #374 UMH)
My Hope Is Built (#102 OGRP; #368 UMH)

PRELUDE Alwen Yeung

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881 Rev. Daryl Brown

GLORIA PATRI #71 Sam Morris

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Daryl Brown

ANTHEM Chancel Choir
On That Great, Great Mornin' (arr. Mary McDonald)

OFFERTORY PRAYER Sam Morris

OFFERTORY Alwen Yeung

DOXOLOGY #95 Sam Morris

GRADUATE PROCESSIONAL Alwen Yeung
Pomp and Circumstance (E. Elgar)
from *Military Marches Op.39*

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES Rev. Daryl Brown

SERMON Rev. Daryl Brown

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WORSHIP Sam Morris
Rise Up, O Men of God (#518 OGRP; #576 UMH)

ACOLYTE RECESSIONAL

BENEDICTION Rev. Daryl Brown

POSTLUDE Alwen Yeung

Media: Bob Slenker
Greeters: Charlene Dudley and Hope Usry
Ushers: George Ellis (Captain), John Fowler, Bob McNeill,
Craig Potter, Sonny Shealy, Casper Speegle

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

May 17th - 9:00AM - Social Hall

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Rev. Daryl Brown

This Week's Worship

John Cook, Rebecca Ferguson , Nathan Bateman

Rev. Daryl Brown, Paul Farr

Media & Sound

Camille Cochran

Greeters

Jay Roberts & Carla Cook

Gifts in Memory of

Floyd Marin

From

Wes & Jean Wheeler
Tucker & Mary Rush

Jerry Rowland

From

Judy Wanner

Jeremiah Rhyné Buchanan

From

Leon Holloway

Betty Ellis

from

Sen. George Hooks and Family

Joyce Buchanan

Wes & Jean Wheeler

Tucker & Mary Rush

Mike & Kathy Greene

Ben F. Easterlin IV

Joe & Jarrrett Hooks

Don & Sybil Smith

Bill & Ann Harris

Betty Lee Scott

from

Tucker & Mary Rush

Welcome! We're so glad you're here.



We welcome our new member to our church family, Kevin Prisant; who joined last Sunday.

Thank you for making FMC of Americus your church home.



The Flowers were placed in the church today in honor of the 2026 Graduates by the Youth of Americus Methodist Church. Congratulations and our prayers for each of you is to always keep Christ first in everything you say and do.



This school year has flown by! This week, our theme is End of the Year/Friends. We will have our 3K Graduation on Wednesday at 9am. Our EOTY bash is on Thursday with a noon dismissal. We'll be closed until May 27th when we start our Summer session. We look forward to celebrating together!

Casey Pitts, Director



JUNE 15-19
KINDERGARTEN-5TH GRADE

Youth News

***Sunday Gathering**

Join us Sundays at 10:00 AM in the Foundry

***Bible Study**

Wednesdays, 6:00–7:00 PM in the Foundry
Meeting through the summer

Tampa, FL



Oct. 22-24, 2026

Register with Teresa Flynt by June 7th
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PRESENTS:

UNDER THE DOME

A PATRIOTIC TALENT SHOWCASE

JUNE 28, 2026

5:00PM



RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

A PATRIOTIC TALENT SHOW
CELEBRATING "GOD AND COUNTRY,"
FEATURING LOCAL TALENT FROM OUR
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY. JOIN US FOR
AN INSPIRING EVENING OF FAITH,
MUSIC, AND CREATIVITY!

FREE ADMISSION!

INTERESTED IN PERFORMING?

CONTACT SAM MORRIS, DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP ARTS
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TREE OF LIFE

At First Methodist Church

In our Memorial Hall, you will find a wall with the beautiful Tree of Life that represents our church family. On this wall, we remember our loved ones who have gone before us, we celebrate new life and we honor those we love. If you would like to know more about how you can add a leaf to the Tree of Life with your own personal message, please contact our church office at office@fmcamericus.org or call (229) 924-3169.

THANK YOU!



Family Night Supper

Stir-Fry Chicken, Egg Rolls, Rice & Dessert

Monday at Noon

to the office or on Communication Cards for
May 20th at 5:15 pm in the Social Hall

Come Enjoy the Food and Fellowship!

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Cuyler Barr, Holly Roquemore Bickel, Penny Bolin, Alice Buchanan Brown, Christina Brown, Mary Tom Byram, Diane Corning, Evelyn Dean, Trey Dixon, Lyn Dozier, Sharon Dutton, George Ellis, Waylon English, Anne Gilfoil, Melanie Hahn, Tyler Mazey, Brooks Starlin Mechler, Tracy Palmer, Christian, Robert & Jennifer Parks, Lutrelle Perry, Joyce Perry, Gene Pierce, Chris Revell, Gene Richardson, George Roquemore, Sybil Smith, Connor Taylor, Landon Thorpe, Terry Thorpe, Emily Waller, Jimmy Whaley, Rick Whaley, Karen Willis, Carolyn Wright, Kathleen Wright

Events This Week

Sunday, May 17th

9:00 am Early Worship in the Social Hall
10:00 am-12:00 pm Infant Nursery in the Sanctuary Building
10:00 am Graduation Brunch in the Social Hall
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

Monday, May 18th

11:00 am WSC Circle luncheon in the Social Hall
1:30 pm Staff Meeting in the Coffee Café
6:00 pm Wesley Epworth Class homeless meal at Friendship Baptist Church

Tuesday, May 19th

8:00 am Red Roosters Reunion Group in the Coffee Café
8:00 pm FMC Softball game at Parks & Rec Field

Wednesday, May 20th

10:00 am Bright Beginnings 3k graduation in the Social Hall
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 Youth Bible Study in the Foundry

Thursday, May 21st

6:45 pm FMC Softball game at Parks & Rec Field

Friday, May 22nd

Office/ Bright Beginnings Closed

Upcoming Events

May 25th, ~~Church Council Meeting~~ **Cancelled**
June 1st at 5:30 pm, Mission Committee will be meeting in the Coffee Café
June 2nd at 5:30 pm, Handbell practice in the Music Suite
June 8th at 5:30 pm, the Trustees will be meeting in the Coffee Café

Total Sunday Worship Attendance for May 10th: 307

OUR RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship 64 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship ... 164
Sunday School.....79 Wednesday Activities.....79

Giving as of May 10th

Budget Giving This Week..... \$ 10,240.01
YTD Budget Giving \$ 219,528.37
YTD Budget Expenditures \$ 305,473.91