



The Americus FMC Bulletin

June 28, 2026

A FIRM FOUNDATION MINISTRY TO OTHERS

Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

- How does the authority of Christ, and the Word of God, impact your life?
How does Jesus having all authority change your approach toward others?
- In what areas of life are you currently struggling to rely on Jesus' authority to guide you?
How do you rely on your own strength rather than His authority?
- What is one practical step you can take to "go" for Jesus this week?
- What is your understanding of baptism?
Why is it important?
What impact does it have on your life?
- How does your ministry to others connect them to the broader body of Christ, rather than just yourself?
What does it mean to represent the Triune God when you serve others?
- What is the goal in making disciples?
What is the difference between simply sharing information and actively discipling someone?
- Reflect on the mentors of your life?
What is their impact on you?
How can you be a mentor for others?
- How does the promise of Christ's presence with you at all times provide a firm foundation for your daily life and service opportunities?

God bless,
Daryl

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First Methodist Church of Americus

Worship 11:00 am

June 28, 2026

5th Sunday After Pentecost

WORSHIP Sam Morris
Battle Hymn of the Republic (#283 OGRP; #717 UMH)
God of Our Fathers (#59 OGRP; 698 UMH)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881 Rev. Daryl Brown

GLORIA PATRI #71 Sam Morris

PRELUDE Alwen Yeung

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Daryl Brown

ANTHEM Chancel Choir
America the Beautiful (arr. Buryl Red)

OFFERTORY PRAYER Sam Morris

OFFERTORY Alwen Yeung

DOXOLOGY #95 Sam Morris

SERMON Rev. Daryl Brown
A Firm Foundation
Ministry to Others
Matthew 28:19-20

WORSHIP Sam Morris
Here I Am, Lord (#589 OGRP; #593 UMH)

BENEDICTION Rev. Daryl Brown

POSTLUDE Alwen Yeung

Media: Bob Slenker

Greeters: Virginia Watson; Sue Freshwater

Ushers: Ginger Starlin (Captain), Jan Bird, Karen Austin,
Nancy Jones, Mara Durham, Judy Tott, Beth NeSmith,
Jean Buchanan, Lisa Simpson, Sandra McNeill,
Meagan Speegle, Lydia Ann Fowler, Penny Bolin,
Pam Smith, MaryLen Walker

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

June 28th- 9:00AM - Social Hall

A FIRM FOUNDATION
MINISTRY TO OTHERS
Matthew 28:19-20

Rev. Daryl Brown

This Week's Worship

John Cook, Rebecca Ferguson,
Rev. Daryl Brown, Randy Saye

Media & Sound
Camille Cochran

Greeters
Ryan & Mandy Young



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS
TO SERVE AS LEADERS AND HELPERS IN OUR
CHILDREN'S CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL
MINISTRIES.

VOLUNTEERS SERVE ONLY ONCE A MONTH, AND
ALL LESSONS AND MATERIALS ARE PROVIDED
AHEAD OF TIME. NO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING OR WOULD
LIKE MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE WHITNEY.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN OUR
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM!

Men Serving Christ Donation to The Perry Wellness Center



The Men Serving Christ ministry is pleased to make a donation to The Perry Wellness Center in support of its mission to serve our community. We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with organizations that promote health, wellness, and care for others.

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Patriotic Sanctuary Decorations

The patriotic bunting displayed across the choir rail has been generously provided by the Council of Safety Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). Red, white, and blue cloths adorn the bell choir tables.

The Council of Safety Chapter, DAR, proudly partners with First Methodist Church as we honor America 250 and celebrate our nation's heritage, history, and enduring spirit.



Happy Fourth of July Week!

We will be closed Friday, July 3rd in observance of Independence day on Saturday.
We hope everyone has a fun and safe holiday weekend!
Casey Pitts, Director



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

Fun trips for youth ages 11–18! Younger youth may attend with a parent or grandparent.

- July 24th – Rigby Water Park, Warner Robins, GA — \$60
- August 15th – Braves Game, Atlanta, GA — \$85
- September 5th – Six Flags Over Georgia, Austell, GA — \$60
- October 17th – Wild Adventures LumiLights, Valdosta, GA — \$70

Fees include ticket, meal, and transportation.

Registration deadlines are firm.

Adult Safe Sanctuary Certified Chaperones are needed.

Teresa Flynt



God of Our Fathers

[1876]

“God of Our Fathers” is one of America’s most beloved patriotic hymns, expressing gratitude for God’s guidance and faithfulness throughout the nation’s history. The text was written in 1876 by Episcopal priest and Civil War veteran Daniel C. Roberts for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. While serving a congregation in Brandon, Vermont, Roberts composed the hymn as a reminder that God’s providence (not human strength alone) had sustained the nation through its first century.

The hymn was first sung in 1876 to a melody known as *Russian Hymn*. More than a decade later, organist and composer George W. Warren wrote the stirring tune *NATIONAL HYMN* for the 1888 centennial celebration of the United States Constitution. Warren’s melody proved to be an ideal match for Roberts’s text and was later included in the 1892 Episcopal Hymnal, helping establish the pairing that remains familiar today.

The hymn’s message is both patriotic and deeply Christian. Rather than glorifying a nation, it offers thanks to God for His blessings, seeks His continued guidance, and prays for peace, righteousness, and faithfulness among His people. Its opening line, “God of our fathers, whose almighty hand,” reminds worshipers that God is the Lord of history and the source of every good gift.

Today, “God of Our Fathers” continues to be sung in churches across the United States during national holidays and civic observances. More than a patriotic song, it is a prayer that future generations will remain faithful to the God who has guided His people throughout the ages. Through its enduring message of gratitude, dependence, and trust, the hymn calls believers to remember that true national strength is found not in power or prosperity, but in the faithful care and sovereignty of God.

Gifts in Memory of

Jerry Rowland

From
Jerry Rowland, Jr.

Betty Ellis

from
Ginger Startin

PASTOR DARYL BROWN

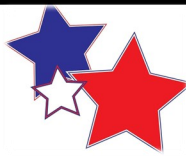
Summer

BROWN BAG
— BIBLE STUDY —

Americus

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

5:15pm
in the
Social Hall
6:00pm
Bible
Study



Events This Week

Sunday, June 28th

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 **Under The Dome Concert in the Sanctuary**
 6:00 pm Reception for all in the Social Hall

Tuesday, June 30th

8:00 am Red Roosters Reunion Group in the Coffee Café

Wednesday, July 1st

5:15 pm Brown Bag 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, July 3rd

Office Closed

Friday, July 4th

Office Closed

Upcoming Events

July 6th at 5:30 pm, Missions Committee Meeting in the Coffee Café
 July 13th at 5:30 pm, Trustee Meeting in the Coffee Café

Total Sunday Worship Attendance for June 21st: 311

OUR RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship 87 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship 136
 Sunday School..... 88

Giving as of June 21st

Budget Giving This Week..... \$ 24,130.00
 YTD Budget Giving \$ 323,995.38
 YTD Budget Expenditures \$ 383,743.66

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Cuylar Barr, Holly Roquemore Bickel, Judy Bridges, Penny Bolin,
 Alice Buchanan Brown, Christina Brown, Diane Corning, Evelyn Dean, Trey Dixon,
 Lyn Dozier, Sharon Dutton, George Ellis, Anne Gilfoil, Melanie Hahn,
 Marcia Johnson, Tyler Mazey, Brooks Starlin Mechler, Jimmy Nelson,
 Christian, Robert & Jennifer Parks, Lutrelle Perry, Joyce Perry, Gene Pierce,
 Chris Revell, Gene Richardson, George Roquemore, Sybil Smith, Tippie Shierling,
 Connor Taylor, Landon Thorpe, Terry Thorpe, Carl Tott, Kaye Tye, Emily Waller,
 Jimmy Whaley, Rick Whaley, Karen Willis, Carolyn Wright, Kathleen Wright