

The Americus FMC Bulletin

August 16, 2026

Ordinary People/Extraordinary God
Faithful Worker
Ruth 1:16-18

PROMOTION SUNDAY

- † Discuss the details of the story of Ruth. What background information do you know and how does that challenge you in your life?
- † In verse 16, Ruth makes a dramatic vow – what is she saying and what sacrifice is she making?
How does her choice make a difference to you?
- † How does her pledge to embrace Naomi’s people and God show transformation in her faith?
- † What does it mean to you to be a “faithful worker”?
Who have been faithful workers that made an impact on your life?
- † The Hebrew word Hesed refers to a deep, loyal, steadfast, and committed love. How does Ruth impact your understanding or exhibit this type of love?
- † How do you respond when you faithfully serve someone and don’t get an immediate acknowledgement of that service?
- † Where is God calling you to step out in faith, out of your comfort zone, to trust Him in a new way?
- † What do you need to do, or not do, to become a more “faithful worker” in your daily life?

God bless,
Daryl

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First Methodist Church of Americus

Worship 11:00 am

August 16, 2026

12th Sunday After Pentecost

WORSHIP.....Sam Morris

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (#88)

How Deep the Father's Love for Us (#93)

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

GLORIA PATRI (#667)Sam Morris

PRELUDE..... Alwen Yeung

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Daryl Brown

ANTHEM.....Chancel Choir

Abide with Me

(arr. Jantz A. Black)

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Sam Morris

OFFERTORY Alwen Yeung

DOXOLOGY (#682)Sam Morris

SERMON Rev. Daryl Brown

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WORSHIP.....Sam Morris

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (#44)

BENEDICTION..... Rev. Daryl Brown

POSTLUDE Alwen Yeung

Media: Bob Slenker

Greeters: Reda Rowell; Leon Holloway

Ushers: George Ellis (Captain), John Fowler,
Bob McNeill, Craig Potter,
Sonny Shealy, Casper Speegle

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

August 16th - 9:00AM - Social Hall

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Rev. Daryl Brown

This Week's Worship

John Cook, Rebecca Ferguson, Jackson McSweeney,

Rev. Daryl Brown, Randy Saye

Media & Sound

Camille Cochran

Greeters

Ginger Starlin & Wade Halstead



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Good News. Great Joy.

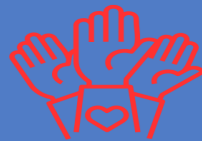
Help us share the *love of Christ* with children around the world through Operation Christmas Child. We are currently collecting personal hygiene and school supplies for our shoebox ministry.

This month's collection items:

-  Washcloths
-  Crayons (12- or 24-count boxes)
-  Glue sticks
-  Pencils



Thank you for your generosity as we work together to bring joy, hope, and the *Good News of Jesus Christ* to children around the world.



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!



We have a Bright Beginnings' Board meeting at 11:30 am
on August 17th.



Have a blessed week!
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

Six Flags Trip

Registration Deadline: Sunday, August 30

Trip Date: Saturday, September 5

We look forward to seeing you there!

Teresa Flynt
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GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS 1923

Your mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.
—Psalm 36:5

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866–1960) was born in a Kentucky log cabin and began teaching at age sixteen despite having little formal education. He came to faith at age twenty-seven under evangelist H. C. Morrison. Throughout his life, recurring health problems forced him to move between careers in teaching, journalism, insurance, and evangelistic work. Through every season, he found comfort in Lamentations 3:22–23: “His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.”

While serving in Vineland, New Jersey, Chisholm sent a collection of poems to his friend, composer William M. Runyan, who was inspired to set one of them to music. Published in 1923, *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* gained widespread recognition after being embraced by the Moody Bible Institute and later popularized worldwide through George Beverly Shea and the Billy Graham Crusades.

Chisholm spent his final years in Ocean Grove, New Jersey, where he remained a gentle and faithful witness until his death in 1960. During his lifetime he wrote more than 1,200 hymns and poems, leaving a lasting legacy through beloved hymns such as *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*, *Living for Jesus*, and *O to Be Like Thee*.

Gifts in Memory of
Russell Thomas
From
Rick & Kelley Whaley

Family Night SUPPER

WEDNESDAY,
August 19



SUPPER:
5:15 PM
IN THE
SOCIAL HALL

Join us for a
delicious meal!

-  Pulled Pork BBQ
-  Baked Beans
-  Brunswick Stew
-  Slaw
-  Dessert

Then Stay for Our Evening Activities!



6:00 PM

- Adult Bible Study
– Social Hall
- Children & Youth
– Their designated areas



7:00 PM

- Choir Rehearsal
– Music Suite

All are welcome! 

Come enjoy a wonderful evening of
FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, FUN, and FAITH.

 PLEASE RSVP
to the office. 

Events This Week

Sunday, August 16th

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

Monday, August 17th

11:30 am Bright Beginnings' Board Meeting in the Coffee Café
1:30 pm Staff Meeting in Pastor Daryl's Office
6:00 pm Wesley Epworth Homeless Meal at Friendship Baptist Church

Tuesday, August 18th

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, August 19th

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

Friday, August 21st

Office Closed

OUR RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

Total Sunday Worship Attendance for August 9th:

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship	72	11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship	99
Sunday School.....	106	Wednesday Night Activities.....	125

Giving as of August 9th

Budget Giving This Week.....	\$ 9,243.95
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 422,370.04
YTD Budget Expenditures	\$ 486,875.90

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Sherrell Bailey, Cuyler Barr, Holly Roquemore Bickel,
Alice Buchanan Brown, Christina Brown, Diane Corning, Evelyn Dean,
Sharon Dutton, George Ellis, The Family of Karen Fraley, Anne Gilfoil,
Melanie Hahn, 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,
George Roquemore, Sybil Smith, Tippie 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