

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 1

6:00AM to 2:00PM	St. Mary Ethiopian Church	Chapel
8:00AM to 5:00PM	Restoration Community Church	Gym MP
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Epworth Building

Monday, November 2

7:00AM to 11:00PM	Election: Set-Up Day	Gym
6:00PM to 8:00PM	UWF Social Action Meeting	Trinity Room

Tuesday, November 3

7:00AM to 11:00PM	Election Day	Gym
2:00PM to 3:00PM	Chancel Choir Practice	Choir Room
5:00PM to 8:30PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
6:30PM to 8:30PM	ESL Class CPCC	Parlors

Wednesday, November 4

10:00AM to 12:00PM	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	Parlors
6:00PM to 8:00PM	Girl Scouts	Wesley Building
8:00PM to 9:00PM	Candlelight - Narcotics Anonymous	Epworth Building

Thursday, November 5

5:00PM to 9:00PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
5:30PM to 8:30PM	Community Sports Night	Gym
6:30PM to 8:30PM	ESL Class CPCC	Parlors
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Therapy of the Soul Band Rehearsal	FWC

Friday, November 6

Saturday, November 7

8:00AM to 5:00PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
9:00AM to 1:00PM	African Venue Basketball	Gym
10:00AM to 2:00PM	Girl Scouts	Epworth
12:00PM to 1:00PM	African Ministry Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
12:00PM to 9:00PM	St. Mary Ethiopian Church	Chapel
1:00PM to 3:00PM	Girl Scouts	Susanna Wesley Bldg.
3:00PM to 10:00PM	St. Mary Ethiopian Church Feast	Epworth Building

Sunday, November 8

6:00AM to 2:00PM	St. Mary Ethiopian Church	Chapel
8:00AM to 5:00PM	Restoration Community Church	Gym MP
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Epworth Building

November 1, 2026

All Saints Day

Hickory Grove

United Methodist Church



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Welcome! If you are new or visiting, please fill out a Connection Card located in the back of the pew or chair and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher so we can connect!

This Order of Worship is subject to change at the direction of THE HOLY SPIRIT!

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Traditional Service: 9:00 AM (Sanctuary)

Sunday School for all Ages: 10:00 AM (FLC and Education Bldg.)

Contemporary Service: 11:00 AM (Family Worship Center)

African Service: 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)

Afternoon Adult Bible Study (Spanish) : 1:00 PM (FLC 2nd Floor- 203)

Latino Service: 2:00 PM (Family Worship Center)

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Daily Scripture Readings

Mon., Nov. 2: Psalm 128

Tues., Nov. 3: Joshua 6:1-16, 20

Wed., Nov. 4: Matthew 15:1-9

Thurs., Nov. 5: Psalm 78:1-7

Fri., Nov. 6: Joshua 8:30-35

Sat., Nov. 7: Matthew 24:1-14

Prayer

New every morning is your love, great God of light, and all day long you are working for good in the world. Stir up in us desire to serve you, to live peacefully with our neighbors and all your creation, and to devote each day to your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

October 25, 2026

Total Worship Attendance: 127

Sunday School Attendance: 21

Offering: \$6,985.00

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Prayer Requests

Church Family

Jim Barker

Sandy and Ronnie Oaten

The Family of Pete Scercy

Royce Williams

Jean Long

Desmond Turner

Brenda and Ray Cathey

Kathleen Robinson

Chap Tuttle

Gary Little

Mary Martin

Don and Linda Wigley

Claudia Waddell

Shem Logan

Margaret Norwood

Ron, Sr. and Ron, Jr. Spivey

***Bold lettering: Prayer Request
added/updated this week.**

Family and Friends

Ed Beaver (Rick Beaver's brother)

Carol Garrett (Rev. Elinor

Heerman's Sister)

Lila Dye (Dianne Horton's
mother)

Additional Announcements

Advent Study: Heaven and Earth

This Advent, come and wait, wonder, and prepare with us in the Trinity Room at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights as we use Will Willimon's book *Heaven and Earth: Advent and the Incarnation* as our guide. You do not need to purchase the book to participate. Everyone is welcome, whether you join us for one evening or all four.

Focus Scriptures:

Nov. 18: Mark 13:24-37

Dec. 2: Mark 1:1-8

Dec. 9: John 1:6-8, 19-28

Dec. 16: Luke 1:26-55

Decorate the Church for Advent!

Help "hang the greens" Sunday November 22 between 12pm to 2pm in the FLC & Sanctuary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pledge Cards Due

If you have a pledge card, please have them turned into the office by TODAY, November 1st.

WeCare Christmas Packing

You are invited to volunteer at WeCare to pack Christmas boxes!
WeCare will be open for packing from November 9 to December 3: Monday 6:30-8pm, Tuesday 1-3 pm, Wednesday 3-5 pm, Saturday 10-12pm. All packing is done at the Hyland house (6315 Market Street) down at the garage. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

WeCare Angel Tree

The WeCare Angel Tree will be up on Monday, November 2nd in the lobby for the FWC. Please take an angel or angels and help put a smile on a child's face this Christmas. Additionally, some angels have been added to Signup Genius on the church website for those who like to shop online. Instructions explain how to get your gift(s) to WeCare. Select your angel at: Care And Support: WeCare: WeCare Angels 2026. All gifts are due to WeCare by November 29.

Charge Conference: Monday 11/9 at 6pm

Join us for our annual Charge Conference, held virtually. All are welcome to attend, and voting is limited to Administrative Council members. Please contact the church office for the meeting link.

Honey Baked Ham

It's that time again!

The annual fundraiser for Honey Baked Ham gift cards is here! PLEASE contact your neighbors, friends or relatives and sell them a card OR buy some yourself! They make great gifts! But we need the money when they are purchased. The options of gift cards are \$10, \$25, \$35 and \$50 cards. The United Women in Faith will receive *20%* of the sales! The cards will be sold on Nov 1 and 8 in the FLC. The cards will be handed out at church on Nov 15.

Update from Finance Chair, Randy Bunnell

I wanted to keep the church posted on where we stand with our payment of unexpected expenses this year. We have replaced windows @ the parsonage, the HVAC control board, 2 AC units, a commercial ice maker and a refrigerator. Those expenses total ~ \$80,000. You have graciously designated ~\$50,000 towards those needs. Thank you so much - thank you so much! I can't thank you enough. However, the simple math tells us we are still ~\$30,000 short of the goal. Anything you can do to assist in minimizing this deficit would be greatly appreciated. Please note these donations to the "Building Repair and Maintenance" fund. God bless you and thank you again for all you do for Hickory Grove United Methodist Church.

UWF Social Action Unit Meeting

You are invited to our United Women in Faith Social Action Unit Meeting tomorrow, November 2 at 6:30 PM in the Trinity Room. Please bring a friend and bring a covered dish to share. Cathy McCauley will share a social action program with us. Drinks will be provided.

9:00 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Colston Morris

*Call to Worship

Bob Young

From Psalm 107

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, who is good.

Congregation: God's steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so:

Congregation: God's steadfast love endures forever!

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn

"There is A Fountain Filled With Blood"

UMH#622

Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Colston Morris

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

*Doxology

UMH#95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below;

praise God above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anthem

Choir

Scripture

Matthew 5: 1-12

Message

Rev. Caitlin Lai

Time of Remembrance and Thanksgiving

Organ Selection

You are invited to come forward at this time and light a candle in honor and gratitude for your loved one.

Holy Communion

UMH#12-14

Invitation, Confession and Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

*Closing Hymn

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

UMH#64

*Benediction

Rev. Caitlin Lai

Postlude

*please stand as you are able, in body and spirit

11:00 AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

*Songs "Raise A Hallelujah"
"Blessed Be The Name"

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Caitlin Lai

*Song "My Savior My God"

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Caitlin Lai

Scripture Matthew 5: 1-12

Message Rev. Caitlin Lai

Time of Remembrance and Thanksgiving

Song "I Still Believe"

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Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup "This I Believe"

Benediction

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit

You are invited to respond to God financially by giving back to God a portion of what God has given to you. Please place your offering in the plate by the FWC entrance and talk to a pastor on how you can serve. Blank Offering Envelopes are available in the foyer.

2:00 PM LATINO SERVICE

Bienvenida y Anuncios

Salmo

*Alabanza y Adoración

Escritura

Sermon y Invitación a Cristo Rev. Candido Albino

Holy Communion

Ofrenda

*Benedición

11:00 AM AFRICAN SERVICE

Lighting of the Candles

Prelude Hassan Sankary

Liturgist

Praise Song Praise Team

Welcome Rev. Colston Morris

*Opening Prayer/ Call to Worship Arlette Nimley

From Matthew 5: 1-12

Leader: Come, all who are poor in spirit, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to you.

People: We come seeking God's grace, mercy, and righteousness.

Leader: Come, all who mourn, who hunger for justice, and who long for peace.

People: We come to be comforted, filled, and renewed by God.

Leader: Blessed are the merciful, the pure in heart, and the peacemakers.

People: Lord, shape our hearts to reflect Your love.

Leader: Rejoice and be glad, for our reward is in heaven!

All: Let us worship God with humble hearts, trusting in God's promises. Amen.

*Opening Hymn "There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood" UMH#622

Call to Prayer/Pastoral Prayer Alex-Jon Kwiyagaye

*Passing of the Peace

Offering

"Lord, I may not have much, but what I have, I give to You. Take it, bless it, break it, and use it for Your glory."

*Doxology UMH#95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer Geraldine Barchue

Remembering the Saints with Candlelight

Praise & Worship Praise Team

Scripture Lesson Luke 16:10-15 Bonice Teeta Cooper

Selection Choir

Sermon "Can God Trust You?" Rev. Colston Wuor-Gabie Morris

Holy Communion UMH#12-15

Call to Christian Discipleship Rev. Colston Morris

Announcements/Community Concerns Precious Gibson

Closing Song

*Dismissal with Blessing

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