

COLEMAN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

A GLOBAL METHODIST CONGREGATION

We Make Disciples of Jesus Christ Who **Worship** Passionately,
Love Extravagantly, and **Witness** Boldly



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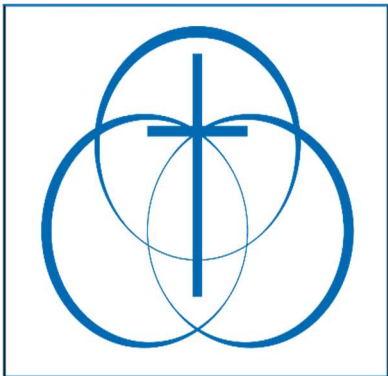
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SUNDAY SERVICES ARE AT 11:00 A.M.

NEWSLETTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2025



Gold Nuggets from August:

8/3/2025- Contemplatives and Sensates

The Esther Series:
8/17, 8/24, 8/31 2025



"Contemplation is nothing else than a secret, peaceful, and loving inflow of God, which, if not hampered, fires the soul in the spirit of love."

— St. John of the Cross

8/10/2025- The Disease, The Cure

Jesus is in the healing business. Jesus is in the saving business. Jesus is in the curing business. Jesus is in the life business. And business is good! Will we be about His business this school year?

8/17/2025- Esther series, pt 1 of 3: You Are Adopted

"The Gospel is not a picture of adoption; adoption is a picture of the Gospel." -John Piper

"If anybody understands God's ardor for his children, it's someone who has rescued an orphan from despair, for that is what God has done for us. God has adopted you. God sought you, found you, signed the papers, and took you home." -Max Lucado

8/24/2025- Esther series, pt 2 of 3: For Such a Time as This

"A providence is shaping our ends; a plan is developing in our lives; a supreme and loving Being is making all things work together for good." - F.B. Meyer

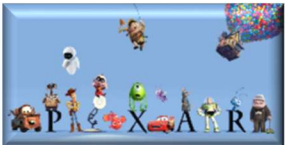
"To us, waiting is wasting. To God, waiting is working." - Louie Giglio

8/31/2025- Esther series, pt 3 of 3: Courage Ignited

"Scared is what you're feeling. Brave is what you're doing." - Emma Donoghue

"Courage is the most important of all the virtues because without courage, you can't practice any other virtue consistently." - Maya Angelou

COMING UP NEXT: Finding Faith Nuggets in Pixar Films



9/7/2025	Pixar, pt 1 of 5	CoCo and Remembering	1 Corinthians 11:23-26
9/14/2025	Pixar, pt 2 of 5	Ratatouille and The Feast	Matthew 15:32-37
9/21/2025	Pixar, pt 3 of 5	Toy Story and Your Value	1 Corinthians 6:19-20
9/28/2025	Pixar, pt 4 of 5	Monsters Inc and Finding the Right Doors	Matthew 7:7-8, Revelation 3:20-21

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 7 – Saam Fritsch
- 10 – Brice Faries
- 11 – Katherine Hollis
- 13 – Donna Phillips
- 14 – Lana Kading
- 14 – Gloria Shuey
- 17 – Danika Stebbins
- 19 – Aurora Seaman
- 20 – Ethan George
- 21 – Ana Ables
- 24 – Clyde Watson
- 25 – Fonda Rhoades
- 28 – Heather McMahon
- 29 – Taylor Davis Shorb
- 29 – Mary Ethridge Niehues
- 29 – Andrea Phillips

Happy Birthday



Happy Anniversary

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 – Jerry & Glynda Dodson
- 4 – Greg & Georgia Oberg
- 14 – Kevin & Lee Anne Morton
- 21 – David & Megan George

Please call the office at 325-625-3501 if you see a mistake with your or your family’s birthday or anniversary information. Your help will be greatly appreciated!

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Prayer Requests

Please email the church office if you want to add someone / event / effort to the prayer list or fill out a prayer request card found on the back of church pews.

Prayer Requests

Special Prayers for those in the Nursing Homes, our shut-ins and...
NEW THIS WEEK

Jerry Dodson Jacqueline Scinta & Deborah Robinson, Christy Lowe’s daughter & sister
April Coco, Berry & Johnna Phillips’ daughter Sydney & Matt Cummings
Darla Johnson, Raelie Johnson’s Mom Skip Casey Lucy Nell Evans Mylee Guthrie
Bobbie Morgan Jeff Wehe, Heather’s brother Sammye Rosenlund, Lana’s friend Ernest Ware
Scott Beaver Harper Korzenewski Joyce Reavis, Fonda’s Mom Pastor Mike Kerzee Billy Guelker
Joe Reyna Shuey family Bill Bultman John Barry Michael Waldrop Kari Waldrop Whitney
Kristin Alba Brittany Olinger Paula Corbett Sherman McWhirter Joan Whitaker May Johnson
Cheryl Edwards Jimmie Hobbs Daniel Hudson Carolyn Thompson Linda Swening
James & Dixie Bible Ben Phillips Lee Fleming William Bultman Glynda Dodson Linda Burns
Donna Watson Bill & Pat Mann Bill & Sunny Cates Cecil Ware Charles Hooper
Dennis Stroebel Reverend Tracy Baker of Coleman UCPC

OUR GIFTS
IN AUGUST 2025

	General Fund	Communion	Designated
August 3	\$7,043.00	\$3,095.00	\$0.00
August 10	\$2,336.54	\$4,308.33	\$2,000.00
August 17	\$4,056.00	\$300.00	\$150.00
August 24	\$1,196.54	\$170.00	\$150.00
August 31	<u>\$742.00</u>	<u>\$170.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
	\$15,364.08	\$8,043.33	\$2,300.00

FMC now has a Venmo account!

Send us a friend request if you want to connect with us!



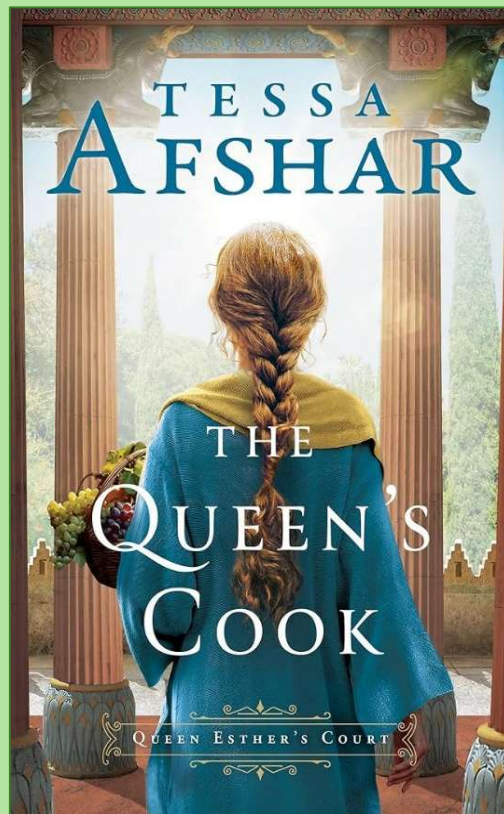
<https://venmo.com/u/ColemanFMC>

Noon Bible Study



The Noon Bible Study Group
meets in the Parlor each
Thursday from 12:05 to 12:55.
Everyone is welcome!

Ladies Book Club Meeting
SEPTEMBER 24, 2025
5:30 in the parlor
Book: The Queen's Cook by
Tessa Afshar



WINGS

Women in God's Service

This Month

September 10th
September 18th

All ladies of the church are welcome
to attend one or both monthly
meetings.

The morning group meets on the 2nd
Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. in
the library.

The afternoon group meets on the 3rd
Thursday of the month at 4:30 p.m.
in the Dunson room.

The Chosen Bible Study, Season 3

Led By Pastor Greg

Tuesdays, 5:30-7p, The Assembly Room
Starts on Tues, August 19



Thank you for supporting our Preschool
with our August missions/Communion offering.
Together we raised \$8,043.33!



At long last: Our 2025 Church
Pictorial Directories have arrived!
To get yours, stop by the church
office during office hours
(Mon-Thurs, 9a-Noon, 1-4p) or
on Sunday morning at the Info
Table in the Foyer! They look
amazing! You will be proud of our
church-family as you flip through
the pages!



August Communion/Missions Offering:
MISSION OFFERING:

Support of sister GMCs in Bulgaria

Checks: FMC
MEMO: BULGARIA



A job well done for all of our First Methodist crew that showed up and serve valiantly at this year's shoe bonanza (8/2/2025)! FMC is a critical supporter of this community endeavor to give shoes, socks and supplies to kids from low-income households of Coleman County. Mark your calendars for 8/8/2026 for the 2026 Shoe Bonanza!



Youth Group Outing to Xtreme Jump Trampoline Park in Early:

Sunday, Sept 7, 3-7pm: drinks and pizza provided. Entry provided by First Methodist Youth Ministry.

Meet at First Methodist Church @ 3p, carpool leaves @ 3:15p. Bring money for concessions at Xtreme Jump.

For more info, or to RSVP, parents/grandparents can email or text Greg Oberg: 979-248-4462, pastorGOberg@gmail.com



FMC was honored with an award for our support of 4-H of Coleman County!
The award is in the Foyer.



Saturday, Sept 20

9a-3p-ish

FMC Kids & Youth Will be selling baked goods to raise money for church camp at Fiesta De La Paloma!

Sunday, Sept 14 – Thurs, Sept 17- Please bring donated home-baked goods to the church for them to sell! Pies, brownies, cookies. No icing items please! They will melt in the Sept sun!



BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich Lunch Fundraiser for April Coco, hosted by First Methodist on Saturday, September 27

To-go lunches serve at the church kitchen and Fellowship Hall parking lot.

April is a Coleman single mom battling cancer. Please spread the word!

**For questions or to offer support, contact:
Daniel Soto, cell: 806-782-5539**



Go, church, go! Our church rallied resources to provide 2 baskets EACH of packaged goodies to Coleman Elementary, Junior High and High School. AND THEN two more baskets to our FMC Preschool staff, one to Santa Anna Elementary, one to Santa Anna Secondary (Jr High & HS), one to CISD Administration Office, and one to the Boys and Girls Club. Great job, FMC! Our support is very well-received and appreciated!



Back to school! Special thanks to Ivey and Caroline Cole for hosting both the Youth Pool Party (8/3/25) and Children's Ministry Pool Party (8/20/25)!



Way to go, ladies! Special thanks to Geogia Oberg, Leslie Cross, Kelli Scott and the preschool teachers! Georgia spent many tireless hours reorganizing the Children's Activity Room. Leslie, Kelli and the teachers spent many hours reorganizing the ministries storage room (near the chapel) for Children's and Preschool Ministry. We are grateful for the support of Trustees for the purchase of many containers to help these ministries be the best materials/supplies stewards they can be!



Welcome Autumn!
September 22nd

First Methodist Church
September 2025

The grass withers and
the flowers fall, but the
word of our God endures.

Schedule	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
- Sundays 9:15 a.m.—Novice Coffee 9:30 a.m.—Novice Morning Worship 9:45 a.m.—FMC Women's Sunday School 11:00 a.m.—FMC Morning Worship - Preschool - Monday & Wednesday 8:00—3:00 - Tuesdays - The Chosen Bible Study 5:30—7:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room - Wednesdays - 10:00 a.m. Novice Bible Study		1 Labor Day—Office Closed	2 The Chosen Bible Study 5:30 - 7 p.m. Assembly Room	3 Preschool 8—3 p.m. WNA 5:30—7 p.m. MomCo 5:30—7 p.m.	4 Bible Study 12:05 p.m.	5 Office Closed	6
	7 Communion Sunday Offering: Bulgaria GMC Youth outing to Xtreme Trampoline Park	8 Preschool 8—3 p.m.	9 The Chosen Bible Study 5:30 - 7 p.m. Assembly Room	10 Preschool 8—3 p.m. W.I.N.G.S. 10 a.m. WNA 5:30—7 p.m.	11 Bible Study 12:05 p.m.	12 Office Closed	13
2nd Wednesday—10 a.m.—Library WNA Wednesday Night Alive Children & Youth 5:30—7:00 p.m.	14	15 Preschool 8—3 p.m.	16 The Chosen Bible Study 5:30 - 7 p.m. Assembly Room	17 Preschool 8—3 p.m. WNA 5:30—7 p.m. MomCo 5:30—7 p.m.	18 Bible Study 12:05 p.m. W.I.N.G.S. 4:30 p.m.	19 Office Closed	20 Fiesta de la Paloma (Kids & Youth Bake Sale), 9a.m.—3 p.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday 5:30—7:00 p.m. Ladies Book Study—Parlor 4th Wednesday 5:30—7:00 p.m. - Thursdays - Bible Study—Parlor 12:05—12:55 p.m.	21 Bake Sale Part 2 after worship	22 Preschool 8—3 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting 6 p.m.	23 The Chosen Bible Study 5:30 - 7 p.m. Assembly Room	24 Preschool 8—3 p.m. WNA 5:30—7 p.m. Ladies Book study 5:30—7 p.m. i- Parlor	25 Bible Study 12:05 p.m.	26 Office Closed	27 BBQ Sandwich lunch fundraiser for April Coco, F.H. & Parking Lot
3rd Thursday—4:30 p.m. the Dunson room W.I.N.G.S. OFFICE HOURS Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to Noon 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed on Fridays	28	29 Preschool 8—3 p.m.	30 The Chosen Bible Study 5:30 - 7 p.m. Assembly Room				