

Welcome to  
**Tifton First**  
Methodist Church  
Contemporary Worship Service • 11:00am  
April 12, 2026

### Welcome & Announcements

*I Know a Name*

*Graves Into Gardens*

### Prayer Concerns & Offering

### Children's Moment

### Message

*Man Of Sorrows*

### Closing Blessing

### Prayer Requests

**Members:** Lea Harvin, Lamar Martin, Steve Pearman, Michelle Hunt, Dale & Sunny Pflug & family, William Byrd, Ron Evans, Sheila Carson.

**Long-Term Prayer:** Charlie Griffin, Roger Hobgood (Lavonia's son), Christine Kennedy.

**Shut-In:** Mary Nola McCrea

**Maple Court:** Eleanor Giles, Christine Hannon, Holly Hall, Dale & Sunny Pflug, Maureen Cook, Pat Mark, Mike Turner

**Legacy Village:** Roy Walker, Jack & Ann Stone

**Cypress Pond:** Hoyt & Becky Vance, Vikki Vance

**Southern Oaks:** Joyce Rooks

**FRIENDS & FAMILY:** Rebecca Ray (Carolyn Kightlinger's niece), Biddie Vance (Christie Vance's daughter), Dr. Thomas Shepherd (Caylor & Turner Orr's friend), Steve Cadwell (Steve & Rhonda Pearman's friend), Dennis Bloodworth (Vicky Orr's friend), David Payne (Jimmy Carson's cousin), Tripp Burgess (Mona Mathews' friend), Ryan Kinnard (Dale and Sunny Pflug's friend), Floyd Shoup (Tom Shoup's uncle), Tricia Henderson (Dale & Sunny Pflug's friend), Gena Green (Tammy Dean's cousin), Evelyn Connell (Donnie and Linda Connell's granddaughter), Wendy Collins (Ann Taylor's niece), Reece Watson (Jerri Davis' grandson), Nicholas Horne, Amy Meeks (Carolyn Kightlinger's friend), Elena LaFave (Carolyn Kightlinger's great niece).

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to call the church office with an update on those you've placed on the prayer list **OR** if you are admitted to the hospital so we are aware of your hospitalization and to keep our prayer list accurate.

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, Church Pianist

**Becky Rogers, Church Organist**



**Tifton First Methodist**  
VBS  
**Kingdom Quest**  
AN EPIC JOURNEY TO  
DISCOVER GOD'S KINGDOM  
June 15-19  
9am-Noon  
Completed PreK-5th Grade  
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### Join the Church

At Tifton First Methodist Church, we invite you to join our church at any of our services. You may do so by:

- (1) Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ
- (2) Transfer from another church

If you are interested in more information about becoming a member, contact Rev. Chip Grantham (706) 570-3330 or seniorpastor@tiftonfirst.org. | Rev. Trevor Ward (478) 607-9003 or associatepastor@tiftonfirst.org.

We gladly welcome you to our church family!

# TIFTON FIRST METHODIST CHURCH



*Faithful* to SCRIPTURE  
*Creative* in MINISTRY  
*Passionate* for OUTREACH  
*Offering* CHRIST to ALL

107 12th Street West  
Tifton, GA  
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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 12, 2026  
Sanctuary • 9:00am & 11:00am

- Prelude** Becky Rogers
- Chiming of the Hour** (11:00) Becky Rogers
- Welcome & Announcements**  
(Please fill out attendance Pew Pads)
- \*Hymn** MH #591 *“Rescue the Perishing”*
- \*Affirmation of Faith**
- \*Gloria Patri** (#70)
- \*Greeting Time** *“The Family of God”*
- The Sacrament of Christian Baptism** (11:00)  
Charlie McGill Ripley
- Morning Prayer / 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.
- \*Hymn** (11:00) MH #389 *“Freely, Freely”*
- Offertory Prayer**
- Offertory** Becky Rogers
- Doxology** #95  
*“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”*
- Children’s Moment**
- Special Music** (11:00) *“Jesus the Christ”* Son~Beam Choir  
*“In the Garden”*
- Scripture**
- Sermon** *“Rescue Religion”* Rev. Chip Grantham
- \*Hymn** MH #399 *“Take My Life, and Let It Be”*
- \*Benediction**
- \*Postlude** Becky Rogers
- \*Please stand as able**



The flowers are placed on the altar in honor and appreciation of our church staff and teachers by Warren & Margaret Robinson.

## Ways to Give

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### Give Online at:

[www.tiftonfirst.org/give](http://www.tiftonfirst.org/give)

### Mail a check to:

Tifton First Methodist Church  
107 12th Street W  
Tifton, GA 31794

### Sunday, April 12

9:00am Traditional Worship / Sanctuary  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Contemporary Worship / SH  
11:00am Traditional Worship / Sanctuary  
5:00pm Youth Worship / AC

### Monday, April 13

12:00pm Ladies Bible Study / Parlor  
5:45pm Wesley Ringers Rehearsal / Bell Room

### Tuesday, April 14

8:30am Fitness Class / AC  
10:00am Circle 7 / Parlor

### Wednesday, April 15

12:15pm Midweek Communion Service / Chapel  
3:30pm Children’s Choir (Pre-K-5th Grade) / AC  
4:15pm Children’s Activities (Pre-K-5th Grade) / AC  
5:15pm Wednesday Night Supper / SH  
6:00pm Bible Study with Chip / Chapel  
6:15pm Youth Activities & Bible Study / AC  
6:15pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room

### Thursday, April 16

7:10am Youth Prayer Breakfast & Jesus / AC  
8:30am Fitness Class / AC  
11:30am Senior Lunch & BINGO / SH

### Friday, April 17—Sunday, April 19

4:00pm Youth Zip Line Trip

Sanctuary Servant for April: Linda Tuten

## Monthly Activities

**Club 55** - 1st Tues. at 11:30am in the SH.  
**Circle 7** - 2nd Tues. at 10:00am in the Parlor.  
**Circle 2** - 3rd Tues. at 10:00am in the Parlor.  
**Senior Lunch & BINGO** - 3rd Thurs. at 11:30am in the SH.  
**Red Cross Bloodmobile** - 3rd Tues. from 12:30pm-5:30pm in the SH.  
**Alzheimer Support Group** - 2nd Tues. at 10:00am Leroy Rogers Center.

## Children’s Choir

We are delighted to have our Children’s Choir helping to lead us in worship today. These young people work every Wednesday afternoon learning rhythm and music, and to prepare for their opportunities to help us out in worship.

I want to thank Terri Branch, Melody Johnson, and Tammy Holton for their willingness to work with these young people; and the parents and grandparents that help to get them here for Children’s Choir, Children’s Activities, and Wednesday Night Supper. Tiffany Alexion and others from the staff are always ready to assist, and Wes always helps with our sound system, so we are able to hear them.

We’ve got a growing group coming behind them! If you are interested in helping with our Children’s or Youth Ministries, be sure to reach out to Tiffany, Brent, Trevor, or myself. If you want to help with the music, talk to one of the ladies! We would love to have you involved!

In Christ,  
**Chip**

## Volunteers Needed!

The Joy Class is looking for volunteers to help with preparing bag lunches for the Soup kitchen every Second and Fourth Friday of the month. We meet in our Social Hall kitchen from 9:30-10:30.

If you are interested, please call (leave message) or text Sara Smith 229-402-1367.  
Thank you, Joy Class



**Wednesday Night Supper**  
**5:15pm in the Social Hall**  
**Menu for April 15th:**

Grilled Pork Loin, Macaroni & Cheese,  
Turnip Greens, Black-Eye Peas, Fruit Salad,  
Cornbread & Desserts

**Note:** Please call church office for **TO GO** plates