

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

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Pastoral Perspective

Folks,

It was such a joy to be able to celebrate the birth of our Savior with all of you this past Christmas! As we prepare for the new year, I can't help but think how wonderful 2025 was for our church! When we look back and survey all of the incredible ways the Lord showed up for us, all we can do is stand in amazement. All throughout the year I championed the same call, "Attempt something so big that unless God intervenes it's doomed to fail." Well, we've definitely attempted some pretty big things last year, and he has shown up time and time again. Now we begin a new chapter for First Methodist. With new facilities, new ministries, and a ton of new people, 2026 provides fresh opportunities for us to listen for what God is calling us to do next. We just have to keep at the forefront of our hearts and minds the counsel of Proverbs 16:3, "Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans." As long as we continue to focus on building God's kingdom and serving his plan rather than our own, I know amazing things are in store! Whatever awaits, I'm excited to get to experience it alongside each one of you!

Grace and Peace,

Greg Morgan



*Worship
& Learn
with Us*

Adult Sunday
School
9:30 A.M.

Children's Sunday
School
9:30 A.M.

Sunday Worship
Service:
10:30 A.M.

Child care is available during the classrooms during Sunday Service



Christmas Eve



At the 4:00 p.m. service, children dressed as angels, animals, shepherds, and wise men, acted out the nativity story as told by readers through the gospel.



Christmas Eve



At the 7:00 p.m. service, the newly formed choir performed for the first time, led by our recently appointed Director Of Music Ministries, Sharie Bishop.



Christmas Eve



At the 11:00 p.m. service, members welcomed in Christmas morning by singing Silent Night by candlelight.



servant's Heart

Joseph
Carter

Q What role do you serve in, and how did you get started?

I serve as the A/V production lead during Sunday service. I ensure the live web stream is online and operate the video production equipment. I got started after we moved into the new location and there was a need for people with production experience. I worked in broadcasting for many years so I was eager to help.

Meet Joseph Carter- pictured here (far right) with his parents, volunteering at the fall festival.



Q What do you enjoy most about volunteering with our church family?

I enjoy enabling the Sunday services to be shared with those unable to attend in person. I've seen and heard comments from folks traveling that they loved being able to 'attend virtually'. Also I enjoy mentoring others learning this craft, we always need volunteers to help carry the load and I enjoy sharing that knowledge with people.

Q Who has been an inspiration in your journey of serving others?

I have two major inspirations. First is Pastor Greg. When I came back to town a few months ago, his sermon series resonated with me during a particularly difficult time. You can also see how his optimism spreads throughout the congregation. This is another inspiration- the church community. It's incredible to witness and be a part of such an incredibly positive community bound by a collective desire to help others and being accepting of all who seek inspiration. The energy here is astounding!

Christmas Singo



Amy Robinson,
Martha Dunbar,
JJ Williamson,
Linda McGrane



Angela LeGrand, Melissa
Steed, Lori Mueller



Jordan Miller, Ellis Miller, Lacey McCulloch,
Megan Menefee, Magan Wisdom, Tonja Hayes



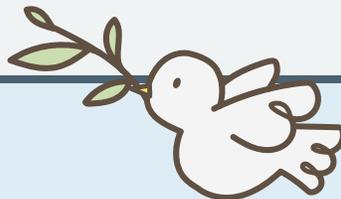
Baptism Announcement



Annie Woods Roeser

daughter of Randy and Haley Roeser

November 30, 2025



Member Spotlight

MEET THE LEGRAND FAMILY!



Q Tell us a little about your family—who's who, and what are some of your favorite things to do?

Drew and I (Angela) will have been married for 25 years in March. We have 2 boys. Andrew is 24 years old. He graduated from UCA and now lives in Little Rock where he works for Progressive insurance. Peyton is 20 years old and is a junior at Oklahoma State University.

Q How do you guys participate in church life?

We have always been involved with our kids. We helped teach Sunday school and Alive at 5 at Williams. We always had youth parties at our house or helped with transportation to events with youth. I helped with Hanging of the Greens this year. I also help with Mary Kay's clinic. Drew and I are greeters on Sunday morning, help with communion, and have helped with the Texas ramp project. This year I will be on the Board of Trustees.

Member Spotlight

Q What are some of your hobbies?

Drew and I really love spending time with our kids. Our favorite times include our yearly family vacations, such as Belize, Jackson Hole, and San Diego to name a few.

Q What are your roles in the community?

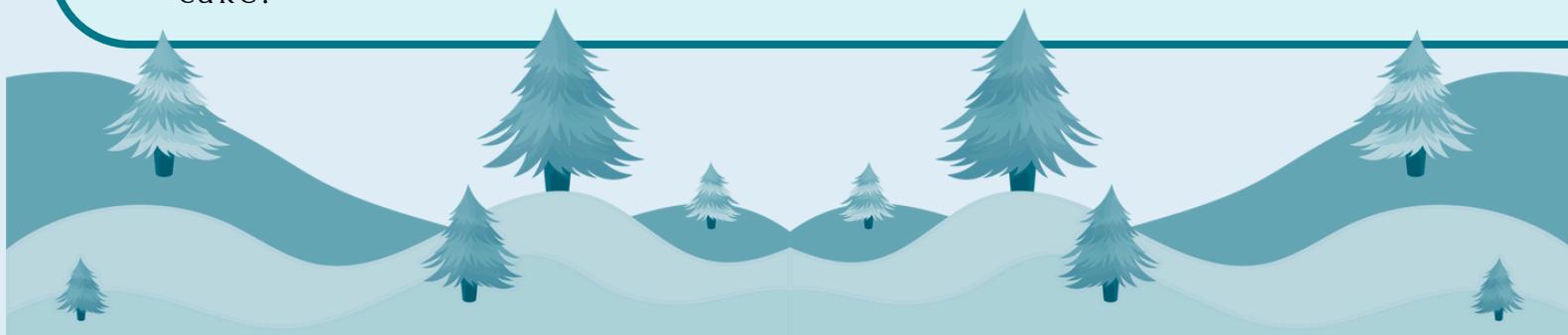
Drew has been in pharmaceutical sales for 25 years, and I am a retired Registered Nurse. Drew is the treasurer for PG Bowie County volunteer fire department. We were very involved with the PG booster club when the kids were in school.

Q Do you have a favorite bible verse to share?

Colossians 3:23
Whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to man.

Q If we had a church potluck, what dish are you guys bringing, and who is cooking?

I (Angela) would be the cook- and definitely a chocolate pound cake!



Celebrations



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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|----|----------------|----|-----------------|
| 2 | Cole Riddell | 19 | Peggy Burson |
| 4 | Helen Floyd | | Angela LeGrand |
| 6 | Buck Buchanan | 21 | Cheryl Nicholas |
| 9 | Susan Ward | 22 | Jo Clayton |
| 10 | Kory Crews | 28 | Amy Robinson |
| | Eric Henry | 29 | Marcia Anderson |
| 17 | Randy Townsend | 30 | Roger Waldrep |
| 18 | Elizabeth Duke | | Nash Ward |

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

Upcoming Events

Women's Ministry

Bible Study

Begins

Wednesday,
January 21
12:00 p.m.



KID'S CAMP & YOUTH
*Wednesday Night
Programs*

RETURN

Wednesday,
January 14

Upcoming Events

Thursday Bible Studies

Return Jan. 15

11:00 a.m. - Nehemiah

6:00 p.m. - Galations
through Colossians



Choir Practice

Sundays

@ 3:00 p.m.

All are welcome to
join!