

Welcome to Epworth United Methodist Church

Worship: 9:30 AM
Pastor- Jeffery White
Interim Minister- Rhonda Tucker, CLM
Lay Leader-Christine "Chris" Mosig
Pianist- Catherine Medovich

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 11, 2026--- Pastor Appreciation Sunday

October 15, 2026--- Thursday "Sunday School" 7:30 on Zoom-
"Unbreakable Courage—Strong Faith in an Age of Anxiety, Chaos and
Exhaustion" by Max Lucado

October 18, 2026---Laity Sunday

October 22, 2026-- Prayer meeting" 7pm on Zoom
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October 31, 2026--- Trunk or Treat 3pm-5pm

November 8, 2026---Charge Conference, 3pm at Redwood UMC, Rocky
Mount



WASHINGTON COOPERATIVE PARISH
October 11, 2026

PASTOR APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Epworth United Methodist Church
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(540) 520-7875 Pastor
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Rev. Jeffery White, Pastor
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Christine Mosig, Lay Leader

Sue Haupert-Johnson, Presiding Bishop

Rev. Dr. Sarah Calvert, District Superintendent
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TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 11, 2026

*The Mission of the United Methodist Church:
To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world*

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THE CHURCH GATHERS

*PRAISE HYMN

Hymn No. 2164(TFWS) “Sanctuary” X3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* GATHERING HYMN

Hymn No. 160 “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” vv.1-3, 5

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in God always!

Rejoice in God’s steadfast love.

Rejoice in Christ’s enduring grace.

Rejoice in God’s saving Word.

Rejoice in the Spirit’s gentle guidance.

Rejoice in God’s healing presence.

Again, I say, rejoice!

UNISON PRAYER

Holy God, we come into your house

with praise on our lips

and songs of joy in our hearts.

We come to stand firm in our conviction:

that good is stronger than evil,

that love is stronger than hate,

that truth will ultimately win the day.

We come to be grounded in Christ.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

PASSING THE PEACE

When we keep our hearts and minds focused on things that are excellent and admirable, God blesses us with a peace that passes all understanding. Let us share signs of this peace with one another.

+JUNIOR CHURCH

Hymn No. 191”Jesus Loves Me, This I Know” v.1

+ Children are invited to follow teachers to Junior Church

TITHES AND OFFERING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn No. 95 “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

TO HEAR THE WORD

1st Lesson: Exodus 32:1-14

2nd Lesson: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

3rd Lesson: Philippians 4:1-9**

4th Lesson: Matthew 22:1-14

Lectionary Reading* Sermon Lesson *

HYMN OF PREPARATION,

Hymn No. 381 “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

SERMON

Minister Tucker

RESPONDING IN FAITH

THE APOSTLES’ CREED No. 881

*CLOSING HYMN

Hymn No. 348 “Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling”

*BENEDICTION

May the peace of God,

which surpasses all understanding,

keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus,

from this day forward and forevermore. Amen.

Leave carrying the light of Christ into the World

*please stand if able