

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Yazoo City, Mississippi
Church Council 2025

Pastor	Lauren Porter
Church Council Chairperson	Steve Newman
Church Council Secretary	Rosemary Knox
Lay Leader	Rich Knox
Associate Lay Leader	Emily Burton
Treasurer	Rosemary Knox
Lay Member of Annual Conference	Rich Knox
Staff-Parish Relations Chair	Bill Kyle
Trustees Chair	Daniel Pender / Owen Richards
Finance Chair	Harry Simmons
Worship Chair	Donna Heidel
Evangelism Chair	Marilyn Burnett
Missions Chair	Max Sanders
Representatives of Methodist Youth Fellowship	Mattie Burton & Maddie Canard

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

Committee on Nominations—Chairperson: Lauren Porter

<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Stephen Harris	Carrie Chaney	Bettina Newman
Donna Heidel	De Paul	Dixie Roberts
Dee Webb	Diane Vaughan	Albert Vandevere

Lay Leader—Rich Knox

Staff-Parish Relations Committee—Chairperson: Bill Kyle

<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Allison Hughes	Sammy Burnham	Angie Edgar
Melinda Richards	Christy Cader	Lisa Henick
Reece Vaughan	Sam Pace	Bill Kyle

Associate Lay Leader—Emily Burton

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES (Continued)
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Committee on Finance—Chairperson: Harry Simmons

Lay Leader	Rich Knox
Church Council Chairperson	Steve Newman
Staff/Parish Relations Committee Chairperson	Bill Kyle
Trustees Chair	Daniel Pender
Trustee Representatives	Owen Richards
Lay Member of Annual Conference	Rich Knox
Treasurer	Rosemary Knox
Stewardship Chairperson	Rich Knox
Pastor	Lauren Porter

Committee on Finance Members at Large

Nathan Burton	Jim Oakes	Tommy Peaster
John Howie	Frank Patty	Butch Gary
Bill McNair	Chat Phillips	Frank Webb
Myra Dunlap	Stephen Harris	

Trustees—Chairperson: Daniel Pender

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Carrie Chaney	David Parker	Molly McNair
Mike Hughes	Daniel Pender	Phil Nichols
Angie Kyle	Owen Richards	Reece Vaughan

***Parsonage Committee**—Chairperson: Brenda Paul

Owen Richards	Rita Sanders	Jamie Wallace Byrd
Shirley Simmons	Brent Chaney	Laura Catherine Phillips

***Landscape Committee:** Chairperson: Angie Kyle

Linda Coker	Hannah Matrick	Mary Jane Peaster
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***Day Care Committee** (See Witness Ministry Task Group.)

***These committees are Trustee Subcommittees and may be altered as the Trustees deem necessary.**

NURTURE MINISTRY TASK GROUP

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1. **Worship**—Chairperson: Donna Heidel

D'Ann Adams (Decorations)	Angie Kyle (Decorations)	Ardis Russell (Usher)
Mabel George (Flowers)	Matt Matrick (Praise Band)	Tera Smith (Acolytes)
John Cobb (Sound)	Linda McDonald	Lettie Terrell (Music)
Rich Knox (Lay Leader/Usher)	Patricia Parker (Pianist)	Jenny Whitaker
Rosemary Knox (Communion)	Julie Paul	(Organist)

2. **Prayer Ministry Coordinator**

Rich & Rosemary Knox

3. **Stewardship**—Rich Knox

4. **Age Level and Ministry Coordinators**

Children's Ministries Coordinator	Tera Smith
Nursery/Preschool Representative	Claire Burnham
Children's Ministry Representative	Mabel George
Youth Ministries Coordinator	Tera Smith
Youth Ministry Representative	Julie Paul
Young Adult Ministries Coordinators	Emily Burton
Family Ministries Coordinator	Myra Dunlap & Alice Cobb

Family Ministries Committee

Jana Bardwell	Brent Chaney	Mary Jane Peaster
Debra Batton	Carrie Chaney	Tommy Peaster
Emily Burton	Patsy Clark	Dixie Roberts
Claire Burnham	Alice Cobb	Jim Roberts
Sam Burnham	John Cobb	Terrye Lane Tenhet
Amanda Canard	Clark Duncan	Jamie Wallace Byrd

OUTREACH MINISTRY TASK GROUP

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1. Missions—Chairperson: Max Sanders

Patsy Clark	Allison Hughes	Patricia Parker
Linda Coker	Linda Ketchum Bailey	Daniel Pender
Chip Heidel	Rosemary Knox	Owen Richards
Donna Heidel	Sharon Nichols	Max Sanders

2. Bereavement Committee—Chairperson: Christy Vandevere

Linda Coker	Bonnie Holmes	Christy Vandevere
Angie Edgar	Linda Ketchum Bailey	Diane Vaughan
Neetsie Gary	Linda McDonald	Reece Vaughan
Pam Hatfield	Brenda Paul	Dee Webb
Donna Heidel	Rita Sanders	Marilyn Burnett

3. Church Hosts and Hostesses Committee—Chairpersons: Linda Ketchum Bailey

Neetsie Gary	Mary Lou Richards	Helen Tenhet
Donna Heidel	Owen Richards	Terrye Lane Tenhet
Linda Ketchum Bailey	Reece Vaughan	Diane Vaughan

4. Methodist Market—Chairperson: Mary Lou Richards

Debra Batton	Sharon Nichols	Helen Tenhet
Patsy Clark	Mary Lou Richards	Terrye Lane Tenhet
Jane Glenn	Janet Adams	

5. Loaves and Fishes

Christy Vandevere
D'Ann Adams

6. Manna House

Sharon Nichols
Mary Lou Richards

WITNESS MINISTRY TASK GROUP
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1. Evangelism Committee—Chairperson: Marilyn Burnett

Charles Davis	Matthew Matrick	Phil Nichols
Rodney Henderson	Rich Knox	Julie Paul
Allison Hughes	Rosemary Knox	Tommy Peaster
Jimmy Hudson		

2. Communications Linda Ketchum/Carrie Chaney/Jamie Patterson

3. Day Care—Director: DeDe Hankins

Chairperson: Rosemary Knox

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Rosemary Knox	Terrye Lane Tenhet	Jana Bardwell
Mary Lou Richards	Carrie Chaney	Emily Burton
Jim Oakes	Jamie Patterson	Hannah Matrick