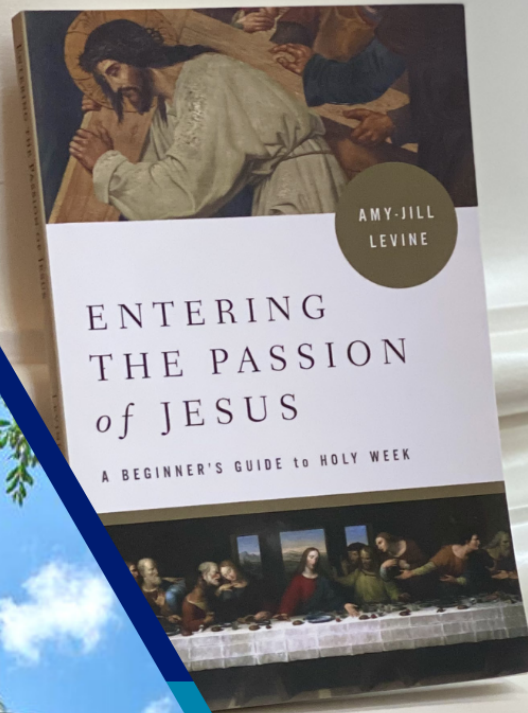


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# REV. MICHAEL'S NOTE

Senior Pastor



Many people, including myself, looked forward to the end of 2020 because they were looking to put the difficulties of the year behind them. Even so, the end of 2020 brought many reasons to celebrate in the life of Dauphin Way that have nothing to do with what we are leaving behind and everything to do with what we are building towards.

Through all the ups and downs of a year unlike any other, we have been an exceedingly faithful church. We have faithfully worshipped God — whether we did so in-person or online — and our attendance numbers have shown remarkable steadiness in every season. We have welcomed new members. We have prayed faithfully for our church, our city, and our nation. We have generously shared in the mission of the church, and we enter 2021 as a debt-free congregation, set free for many opportunities

ahead of us. We might even say that the last real day of 2020 will be on January 31, 2021 when **Bishop David Graves and Dr. Debora Bishop will join us for the burning of the note on our renovation loan.**

I am convinced, and joyful, that 2021 will be a transformative year in all our lives, not least because of the ministry we share at Dauphin Way. As we turn our attention from “fixing” — fixing sound systems, roofs, video streaming and more — we can begin building.

This month's journal gives a glimpse of what we are building together for the kingdom of God. We begin by building each other up through faithful relationships, and I am excited to see the **new groups that will begin meeting on Sunday mornings, evenings, and weekdays**, starting on February 21st. Kat Brand and our children's ministry have built a **new Sunday night schedule for our kids' ministry**. And, much later in our year, we will build a new chapter in our ministry as we recognize **Rev. Kathy Jorgensen's “Jubilee”** — the 50th anniversary of her ministry at Dauphin Way — this summer. Kathy's report this month includes her announcement that, in July, she will move into a new, part-time role that focuses on our support groups, spiritual counseling, and pastoral care. Between now and then, she and our SPRC will be building a plan for how to hand over our outreach and community ministries to someone new who can continue building on Kathy's long and faithful ministry in these areas.

And, while we are building for the kingdom, we want to make it a little easier for anyone to enter the buildings where we worship each week. Our Church Council and program staff agreed that **we will no longer be requiring registration for our in-person worship services, beginning on February 21st.** We will still require registration for our Sunday morning children's activities, but we have arranged our worship seating in such a way what we don't have to worry about turning someone away if we have more than we expect on a given Sunday. We will still be wearing masks and keeping distance, but we are glad we can make things just a little bit easier.

However, you join in the work of God at Dauphin Way this month, I am confident it will build your faith!

Grace and Peace,  
Michael

# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

This schedule is subject to change throughout the month.  
All changes will be communicated through our weekly “Along Dauphin Way” updates.

## SUNDAY

8:20 AM	Chapel Worship	Chapel
9:30 AM	Adult Sunday Schools	Zoom
9:30 AM	Sunday Morning Childcare	Upstairs Ed. Bldg, Treehouse, & CDC rooms
10:30 AM	Contemporary Worship Service	Moore Hall
10:30 AM	Festival Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00 PM	Confirmation Mentor Meetings	Various
5:00 PM	M&M & JUMP	Upstairs Ed. Bldg, Treehouse, & Playground
5:00 PM	SNL	Gym A & B, Moore Hall, & Refuge

## MONDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Rooms - Ed Bldg.
8:00 AM	Meals on Wheels	Kitchen
10:00 AM	Society of St. Stephen	SSS Offices
10:00 AM	Worship Planning	Zoom

## TUESDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Rooms - Ed Bldg.
7:00 AM	Men’s Prayer Breakfast	McDavid Library/Zoom
8:00 AM	Meals on Wheels	Kitchen
10:00 AM	Society of St. Stephen	SSS Offices

## WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Rooms - Ed Bldg.
8:00 AM	Meals on Wheels	Kitchen
10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Zoom
1:30 PM	Centering Prayer	Dill Parlor
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir	Chapel
7:00 PM	Contemporary Worship Practice	Moore Hall

## THURSDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Rooms - Ed Bldg.
8:00 AM	Meals on Wheels	Kitchen
10:00 AM	Full Staff Meeting	Moore Hall

## FRIDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Rooms - Ed Bldg.
8:00 AM	Meals on Wheels	Kitchen

# FEBRUARY AT A GLANCE

Thursday, February 4, 2021

6:30 PM Chapter Two Zoom

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

12:00 PM Long Goodbye Bishops Meeting/Family Life Room

12:00 PM Trustees McDavid Library/Zoom

4:00 PM Finance Committee McDavid Library/Zoom

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Planning McDavid Library/Zoom

Thursday, February 11, 2021

5:30 PM SPRC Meeting McDavid Library/Zoom

Monday, February 15, 2021

All Day Mardi Gras Holiday Office Closed

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

All Day Mardi Gras Holiday Office Closed

Wednesday, February 17, 2021

12:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service Sanctuary

6:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service Sanctuary

Thursday, February 18, 2021

11:30 AM First Day/ Festival Worship Committee McDavid Library/Zoom

Sunday, February 21, 2021

9:00 AM Children & Youth Sunday School Return Various

Various Small Group Launch Various

Monday, February 22, 2021

5:00 PM Church Council In-Person/Zoom

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

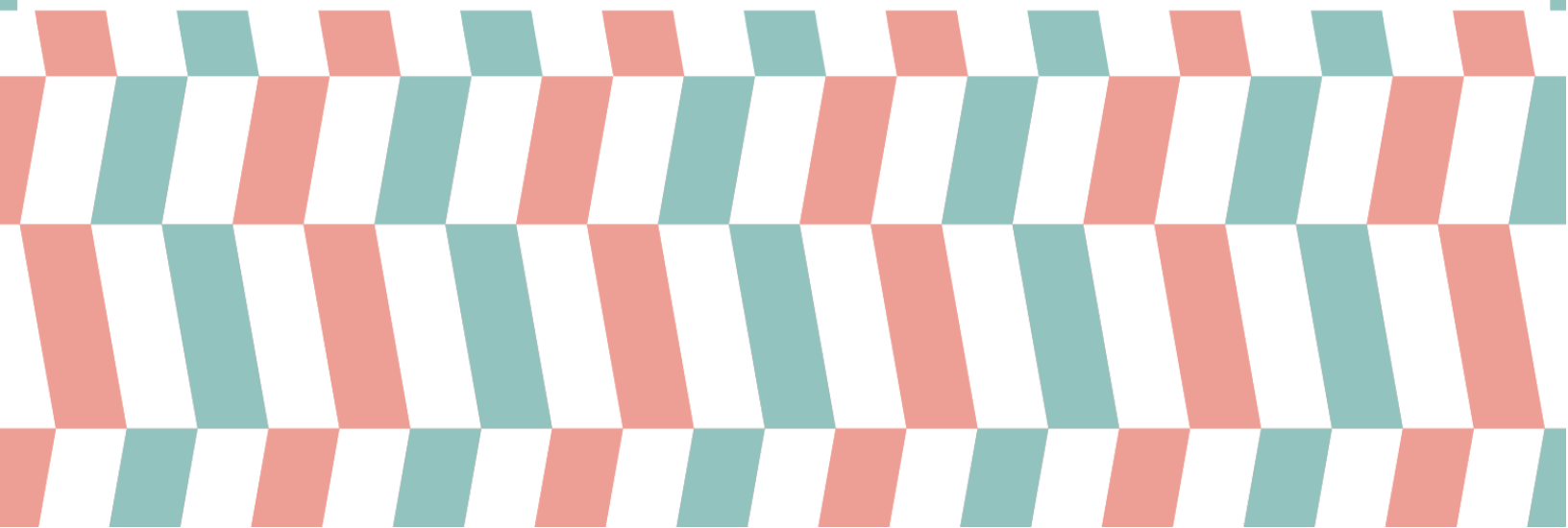
5:00 PM Youth Parent Council McDavid Library



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

## Sunday Evening Schedule

Time	0-3 Yrs	4yrs-2nd	3rd	4th-5th (JUMP)
5:00pm	Treehouse	Music	Music	Games
5:30pm	Treehouse	Games & Pizza (Playground)	Games & Pizza (Playground)	Devotion
6:00pm	Treehouse	Lesson	Bible Lesson	Mission Activity & Food
6:30pm	Dismiss	Dismiss	Dismiss	Dismiss





# PROGRAM UPDATES

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY- KAT BRAND



This month we are celebrating the start of a new year and launching Sunday Night programming for the remainder of the school year. This is such a hopeful time, a time to renew, and restore. During the Christmas season, I took time to pause and reflect on what we, as a church and as a ministry of the church, were able to accomplish. I am proud of Dauphin Way and its resilience and perseverance. I am proud of the ways we have been able to improvise and dream big dreams. As programming begins again, we do so with new ideas, energy, and excitement. I cannot think of a better way to kick-off the year, than by celebrating all of the precious new lives born into our congregation in 2020. On January 24, 2021, we celebrated our annual tradition of our Baby Recognition Service. As with most events, this one looked a little different. Our babies were paraded and celebrated virtually. Families have received a special Bible for their child, one that will grow with them as they journey in their faith. Please hold these precious children and their parents close in prayer as we celebrate them and as we continue our mission.

### Babies born in 2020:

Hallie Catherine Harvey  
Jere Cooper Trent, III  
Robert Morton Morrisette  
Jackson William Curtis  
Sage Burgett Smith, III  
Riley Ray Hightower  
Brevard Lyons Dukes

Anderson Winn Rabbit  
Wallace McNair Stimpson  
Amelia Belle Webster  
Christopher Downes  
Katherine Stewart Drummond  
Michael Thomas Holland  
Bradshaw Woods Lisenby

Grant Parks  
Luke Elliot Reyner  
Charles "Charlie" Brock Reaves  
James Shepherd "Shep" Spann

We also celebrated another milestone in the lives of our children on Sunday, January 24. Typically, we celebrate this special milestone in August. But if you recall, August 2020 did not lend itself to such celebrations. After much prayer and deliberation, we decided to present our wonderful 3<sup>rd</sup>-graders with their Bibles on January 24. Children received their Bibles directly (and safely) to on their doorsteps. We honored our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders with a special video during worship. This is a special time where we as the church, recognized their maturity and ability to read and understand scripture as they continue to grow in their faith. During our Sunday night programming, we will offer a special 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Bible class. This will be a time for us to learn, explore, ask questions, and develop a deeper understanding of our relationship with scripture. Please join me in praying for our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and their families.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Class:

Declan Baldwin  
Greer Beale  
Caroline Bradford  
Madeleine Bush  
Lillian Drummond

James Fillers  
Bunt Howard  
Max Markle  
Evelyn Precht  
Eleanor Roberts  
David Diehl Roberts, IV  
Jacob Roe

Julia Scott  
Catherine Self  
Callie Streety  
Jacob Streety  
Paul Streety  
Lucy Sullivan  
Faulkner Warren

Julia Clayton Wilkins  
Lilli Margaret Smith  
Louise Landers  
Charlotte Ford

We are thrilled to announce that we have a new team member. Please join me in welcoming Beth Johnson to the staff at Dauphin Way, as the new Children's Ministries Assistant. Beth is a recent graduate of Huntingdon College and is preparing for Seminary at Duke Divinity School this fall. Beth has already brought new energy and excitement to the ministry. We are so thrilled to have her in Mobile loving and serving the children at Dauphin Way.

I am thankful for the children at Dauphin Way. They continue to inspire and encourage me. Their energy, curiosity, faith, and joy are some of my greatest blessings. I am eternally grateful for each and every child that has graced our doors. Serving and leading the children at Dauphin Way is both an honor and a privilege. I cannot wait to have children return to Sunday night programming. We are looking forward to a wonderful year ahead.

Kat Brand, Director of Children's Ministries

## YOUTH MINISTRY- BRITTANY MCDADE



2021 is here! We concluded 2020 with our annual youth Christmas party. Over fifty students were in attendance, ending our final youth gathering of the year on a high note. This year we celebrated by dressing up the church parking lot with string lights and Christmas decor and dining outside with food catered by Taco Mama. After the meal, our middle schoolers and high schoolers split up to different locations for some Christmas games of their own. We could not have asked for a better turnout of students and parent volunteers.

The positive momentum from the end of 2020 has made improvements in The Refuge through the past month all the more exciting! Sunday evening programming kicked off again on Sunday, January 24th, which will also be when we have our big reveal of the new and improved Refuge. Historically, the Refuge was the main youth space but has not been widely used in several years. A huge reason we decided to give the Refuge a fresh look is to give our youth their very own space for worship and small groups again. Our youth band will also start back on January 24th after nine months, and this time they will have their own place to rehearse. Along with our revived space is a new youth curriculum that we will begin this January! After doing some research through the fall, I landed on Grow curriculum. What sets Grow apart from other curriculums is how intentional and thorough they are about pouring into each element of youth ministry. Their organizational technique is unmatched in other curriculums. Through their training, I spent the first two weeks of January planning the entirety of 2021. My calendar is now filled with strategies and systems for pouring into our areas of discipleship, teaching, games, events, volunteers, and parents. I am thrilled to see how the Holy Spirit works in our student ministry in the year ahead.

A major thanks go to all the parents who volunteered to help with setting up, serving, and breaking down at the Christmas party. From hanging string lights to taking temperatures to run to the store to buy more cookies to hosting high schoolers in their backyard, I cannot stress enough how grateful I am for each volunteer's time. The members of our Youth Parent Council played a big role in coordinating all of these efforts. Their wisdom and guidance have been essential in planning weekly programming and fun events while discerning the best and safest ways to do so this school year. It is largely because of these amazing youth parents and members of the Youth Parent Council that I believe we have an exceptional year ahead of us. May we continue to lean into the Lord and His wisdom as we kick off the year.

Brittany McDade, Director of Student Ministries



## TRADITIONAL WORSHIP- TREY WEST



With White Christmas and Christmas Eve a resounding success, we finished an otherwise arduous year renewed and restored in the Music and Worship ministries. Off of that success, plans are in place for a modified return to weekly ensemble rehearsals and worship participation. Beginning the last week in January, Chancel Choir resumed Wednesday evening rehearsals. These rehearsals take place in Adkins Chapel to allow appropriate spacing with all singers masked for the duration of the rehearsal. To accommodate proper spacing on Sunday mornings in the Chancel, we will have a rotation of various, small vocal ensembles. Dauphin Way Chorale will sing once a month, and Chancel Choir will split on Sunday mornings, forming a Women's Choir and a Men's Choir which will both sing once a month. Colleen Hicks will continue the handbell ensemble from White Christmas (dubbed the Dauphin Way Ringers) until this summer, and they will also play in worship once a month. I hope this will be a stepping stone towards a safe return to choral and congregational singing in our worship.

The Cherub and Wesley Choirs also returned in January as a part of Sunday night Music and Mission programming. Kat Brand, Beth Johnson, Colleen, and I met to discuss what the scheduling and flow of that programming will look like, and we're very excited about getting our kids back to weekly singing. Colleen and I are collaborating to give the kids a whole experience in music through singing, boom-whackers, musical games, and music fundamentals. Everyone will remain masked throughout our time together as we reach the goal of learning the songs of our faith in a fun, active environment.

As we recognize that COVID-19 is still very much a present threat, we are taking necessary precautions to ensure everyone's safety. We will continue to monitor cases and vaccine availability, and we will adjust our rehearsals and worship participation as needed. This summer, our music ensembles will take their annual summer break at which point, we will reevaluate where we are and where we want to go from there. I'm grateful for our music staff, our worship staff, and every one of the volunteers who continue to be flexible in our desire to be together again. As the hymn says, "soon and very soon."

Trey West, Director of Music and Worship

## CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP MINISTRY- WILSON NEWELL



On Christmas Eve, we had a fitting end to the year of challenges and changes as we were able to successfully host and stream eight Christmas Eve services as a church (three of them in Moore Hall)! Our services were a joy to be a part of and truly helped me personally to experience Christmas in a fresh way. We heard the story, we sang the old hymns, and we saw the light in the darkness. Most importantly, perhaps, we got to do it safely and together as the Body of Christ. It was a beautiful day of honoring our Newborn King.

Between the readers, band, pastors, Audio/Visual team, and the greeters, there were a total of 34 people who participated in the Contemporary Christmas Eve Services, and there were about a thousand individuals in attendance that day in the church! I am entirely grateful for each and every person who was a part of it, but I would be remiss not to mention just a few people who were key in helping pull these services together.

Leland Moore served in all three services, one behind the scenes with A/V and the others on bass. His amazingly talented daughter Jordan played the flute for us in all three services, which sounded so beautiful! Dr. John Bailey, our lighting guru, spent hours making sure that everything was well-lit, and he and Mary Webster Burke nailed the mood of Christmas Eve. Christopher Watkins and Gene Warren also served in all three services running the live stream and the house sound. They had several issues to troubleshoot and handled it all beautifully. Justin Merrick even helped all the way from North Carolina! I am extremely proud of our team and what we accomplished in this year of challenge and change, and I cannot wait to see where we go from here!

2021 is underway and I would say it is off to a great start! We have several new people serving in a number of roles, we have made great strides with our technology, and have some fresh ideas for the times ahead. As we roll into our upcoming series “Better Together” and then into Lent, I am excited to see our Worship Planning Team’s ideas from our first meeting of the year put into practice. They are the creative brainpower behind our services and help us to look at elements beyond the normalcy of a service like an altar, lighting, stage design, and other tangible ways of experiencing the transformative power of worshiping Christ. I have a feeling that worship is going to be extremely meaningful this year thanks to their creativity and hard work, and I am grateful for them and all who help put these ideas into practice.

Wilson Newell, Director of Contemporary Worship

## SOCIETY OF ST. STEPHEN

When everything closed in March, the Society of St. Stephen thought it would be for a few weeks. We weren't able to work again until late August! Our clients were admitted singly, social distancing, and masks were required. We were down to working only one day, so we scheduled more appointments.

Although it was still summer, we began to worry about our Christmas project. How could we get members to shop for needy children? How could we possibly give a positive number to Catholic Social Services? We talked to them and promised to provide Christmas for 50 children-but how?! Kathy, our staff sponsor, saw that announcements were made whenever possible, and a plea was put in the "Along Dauphin Way." Kayla sent e-mails to everyone who shopped in 2019, and then to every church member. The response was overwhelming, and we called Catholic Social Services with a new promise to provide gifts for 94 children!!

Kayla helped by providing phone numbers for each volunteer shopper. Society of St. Stephen called each person to get their preference as to number to shop for, age, and boy or girl desired. We got the "Wish Lists" in early November, and once again, we called the shoppers (members of church, families, supper clubs, Sunday School classes, co-workers, Dauphin Way staff) to check addresses and let them know when the information letters would be mailed.

Reminder postcards were sent to each needy family as to when to pick up gifts. Our reserved church room was set up, and for two Sundays (8 A.M. – Noon), the gifts were received and made ready for pick-up. When the gifts were delivered by the shoppers, we, of course, were very appreciative. As we thanked them for using their money and time, they thanked us for letting them take part in this project.

On Wednesday and Thursday (12/16 and 12/17) the families picked up their child's gifts. This was a big effort when you saw numerous bikes, basketball goals, and doll houses, etc. Brittany gave of her time by helping us and getting some college students to also help. They were efficient and very helpful getting the gifts and taking them to the car. Again, this was done with one adult entering at a time, and staying at the door, of course, wearing a mask!

On Friday (12/18), we had a "Walk-in-Day" for those families not on any list. The room was transformed into a toyshop arranged by ages and boy/girl items. With only about six volunteers, 250 children were provided with 3-4 Christmas items. Which ones were blessed more-the children or our volunteers!

In spite of a difficult year, Society of St. Stephen was once again blessed by Dauphin Way.

Many memories stand out – one in particular. An 8-year-old girl wanted to make her own money and be able to shop. She had a hot cocoa, and cookie stand and shocked everyone by making \$700.00! She shared the money with us and several other organizations. When her family delivered their gifts, she was able to see what our church members had done.

Not only were we able to bless needy families, but we were blessed more than we can express. In a very "different" year, our church proved once again how capable we are, and that a problem can be solved even in a very difficult time. God is good, and when we put our faith in him ANYTHING is possible!!

Happy New Year

At the end of a "much-shortened" year, the Society of St. Stephen had also helped 303 families with utility bills and/or food!

Joyce Sockwell, Coordinator of Society of St. Stephen

## COMPASSION MINISTRIES- REV. KATHY JORGENSEN



Thanks to the work of our Society of St. Stephen. We, as a church family, provided one-third of the Christmas gifts given through the Catholic Social Services Angel Tree. Thank you, Dauphin Way, for always answering the call of the needy. Thanks also go to the Dauphin Way SSS volunteer and Joyce Sockwell, our faithful ministry coordinator. This group of volunteers also opened the door to families who had missed the Angel Tree cutoff. Over 200 children received three Christmas gifts each. Our SSS each week continues to meet the needs of those in crisis.

Our Meals on Wheels faithful volunteers under the leadership of Angela Crowell and Marsha McGehee, are busy cooking and safely delivering meals to 60 people. The lovely white poinsettias from our Christmas altar brightened our MOW recipients' spirits during this different Christmas season.

Our Chapter Two, The Long Goodbye support groups, and Compassionate Friends started the new year supporting each other. They talked about ways to appreciate our strength and ability to endure and enjoy life as we face a new year.

A few months ago, we offered a class on the book *Caste*. Frye Gaillard, Ruth, and Steve Dill led the class. The class was well-received on zoom with 60 people registered. I am sharing with you the newest zoom class offering from our Racial Justice and Reconciliation Committee.

The Racial Justice and Reconciliation Committee of Dauphin Way United Methodist Church will sponsor a three-week class by University of South Alabama Writer in Residence Frye Gaillard on his award-winning book, *A Hard Rain: America in the 1960s, Our Decade of Hope, Possibility, and Innocence Lost*. The class will meet via Zoom each **Sunday at 5 p.m. on January 31, February 7, and February 14**. Gaillard will discuss the history of a turbulent and pivotal decade in American history and the lessons and warnings it may hold for today. *A Hard Rain* is available on Amazon and elsewhere. The advanced reading of the book is not required. NPR named *A Hard Rain* to be one of the Great Reads of 2018. The book won the Fitzgerald Museum Literary Prize and the Alabama Governor's Award for the Arts. Gaillard is a native of Mobile. **This class will be on Zoom. You can register on our Dauphin Way website.**

At our most recent SPRC meeting, I shared that this summer will be my fiftieth year of ministry at Dauphin Way, and after a great deal of prayer, and after talking it over with my family and with Michael, I've decided that the summer would be good time to step back from some of my responsibilities in our outreach and community partnership ministries. I look forward to taking on a part-time role so that I can focus on our support groups, pastoral care, and spiritual direction, while also having a little more time to visit my children, **and grandchildren!**

Grace and Peace,  
Rev. Kathy Jorgensen

## DISCIPLESHIP- DR. WOODS LISENBY



As we transition into the new year, we have many reasons to give thanks for our recent ministry season. Our worship and discipleship ministries both offered terrific events throughout Advent. Our Live Nativity was our largest attended non-worship program since the beginning of the pandemic. Kat Brand did a marvelous job creating a safe environment for children and families to experience a communal gathering while maintaining our COVID-19 protocols. Also, the Youth Ministry enjoyed their outdoor Christmas party. Brittany McDade provided our students with a safe way to celebrate the season together. Wilson Newell, Trey West, and Colleen Hicks put together amazing worship services throughout Advent, culminating with the most Christmas Eve services we have ever offered in one day. Despite challenging circumstances, I am very proud of our team's programs and events during Advent.

I am excited to build on this momentum through the exciting plans for the beginning of 2021. As our youth and children's programs begin again this month, we look forward to welcoming students of all ages back on campus. We will continue to mind our COVID-19 protocols, but I think I speak for all on staff when I say we are ready to have the excitement back in the building. We are also kicking off our Small Group leader training on January 24. I am grateful for the twenty-five people that are going through the training. I believe we are about to enter a fruitful season of discipleship at Dauphin Way, wherein all members and visitors will have a place to dive deeper into their faith journey.

I am grateful to Vanessa Reyner, who has agreed to help coach our Small Group leaders over the coming year. She and I will lead our three training sessions and provide continued support to our groups and leaders throughout the year. Our goal is to create a sustainable Small Group ministry that will continue far into the future. We believe that by offering suggestions for curriculum, schedules, leadership instruction, and other helpful tips, our leaders will have the tools required to lead faithfully and not experience burnout along the way. In addition to the Small Groups, we will offer some of the subject material in a class format. During Lent, I will teach from the book *Entering the Passion of Jesus* by Amy Jill-Levine. This book is the same one that will guide our sermons throughout the season of Lent.

Over the coming months, we will also be adding other pieces back to our Adult Discipleship offerings. Beginning in March, we will start our Dauphin Way 101 class again. We will offer this three-week class each month, starting on the second Sunday of the month. We will also invite anyone who has participated in the study to join the church on the fourth Sunday of every month – these will be our “Membership Sundays.” Throughout the year, we also plan on teaching subsequent courses in the Dauphin Way Education Series. These classes will be DW 201, 301, and 401. Each class will cover various aspects of our Christian beliefs and what unique things set us apart as United Methodists.

The new year is always a time full of possibility and excitement. I believe we have much to be grateful for and much for which we ought to be excited!

Grace and Peace,  
Dr. Woods Lisenby



# LEADERSHIP @ DAUPHIN WAY

## CHURCH COUNCIL



- Generally meets on the fourth Monday of the month.
- Anyone may attend a Church Council meeting.
- Voting members include the pastors, 12 officers, and 9-12 at-large members.

## SPRC

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee generally meets in the second week of the month. Because the SPRC deals with sensitive, employment-related issues, their meetings are usually open only to members. However, the SPRC chair may invite non-members to attend a particular meeting.



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Generally meets in the second week of the month. The Board of Trustees is the only committee that elects its own chair. Anyone may attend a Trustees' meeting.

## FINANCE



Generally meets in the third week of the month. 13 voting members include Chair, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Lay Leader, SPRC Chair, and Trustees Chair. Anyone may attend a Finance meeting.

## NOMINATIONS



The Nominations Committee meets three times in August and September to prayerfully consider who to nominate as officers and committee members for Dauphin Way's leadership. The committee seeks input from all volunteer teams and also considers which members have been actively living their commitments to prayer, presence, gifts, service, and witness. Because these meetings deal with individual members of the congregation, they are strictly confidential.

# ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

## STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS

The meeting examined the 2020 financials and was excited by the positive results, particularly the payment in full of the church debt. In our annual consultation with our District Superintendent, we shared our preference to have both of our appointed pastors — Rev. Precht and Dr. Lisenby — reappointed to Dauphin Way for 2021-2022. Rev. Jorgensen shared her plans to move to part-time work status, effective July 1. Each of Rev. Precht, Lisenby, and Jorgensen shared expectations for 2021 and that they are excited about how things are going.

Andy Smith, SPRC Chair

## TRUSTEES

Trustees elected Jonathan Aeiker as Trustees Chair, Lacey Smith as Trustees Vice-Chair, and Caroline McCarthy as Trustees Secretary for 2021. The Trustees meetings will be the second Tuesday of the month, except when they meet on December 7th. Nations Roof has completed repairing the roof, and final payment is en-route. Michael is excited about getting ahead of the 2020 year and looking forward to the year to come.

Jonathan Aeiker, Trustees Chair

## FINANCE

Our December giving was above budget. Giving totaled \$2,320,389.37 resulting, in a net surplus of over \$113,582.39. This balance included paying off the loan debt. Non-pledged giving is up over last year's total. Overall, we remain in strong financial shape. Cindy received in December a statement that the church's insurance would be increasing \$18,000 a year. The increase has caused the 2021 budget to be negative \$17,371.00. The CDC had a positive inflow during December of over \$3,472.02. They made a payment of \$5,000 to cover their fiscal year 17-18 audit. The CDC was able to make all rent payments to the church for the year. Cindy is waiting to hear back from Hancock Whitney from the PPP application. We feel good moving forward. Michael discussed that in February and March, church members can get involved in small groups. The groups will help members get plugged into church activities.

Betty Stone, Finance Chair

## CHURCH COUNCIL

Our Church Council met on Monday, January 25 for its first session of 2021. As we gathered in person and by Zoom, our new chairperson, Kevin West, offered an orientation and welcome to our newest members. The Church Council considered a proposal from our Program Staff to drop the registration requirement for our Sunday worship services, and the proposal passed unanimously. Our Lay Leader, Mark Davidson, led a case study on biblical decision making, and then we divided into breakout groups to decide the most important priorities and plans we need to make for the year ahead. Our executive committee will use the feedback from these groups in setting our agenda for the rest of the year.

Kevin West, Church Council Chair

001 Dauphin Way United Methodist Church						
Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2020						
Budgeted Financial Statement for Period 12 December 100.00%						
2020 Receipts & Disbursements						
ACCT #		2020 Budget	Actual for Period	2020 Actual YTD	Actual to Budg %	Prior YTD
	<b>Receipts</b>					
1131	Current Pledges	1,472,303.00	241,231.09	1,340,848.75	91.07%	1,533,448.86
1132	Pledge Reduction Allowance	73,615.00			0.00%	0.00
	Net Current Pledges	1,398,688.00	241,231.09	1,340,848.75	95.86%	1,533,448.86
1133	Prior Pledges	0.00	0.00	3,259.00	0.00%	0.00
1134	Trust Fund Pledge	77,384.00	0.00	78,951.59	102.03%	75,721.78
1135	Loose Plate	17,896.00	639.00	4,772.90	26.67%	17,896.41
1137	Non Pledged Contribution	437,395.00	147,673.93	595,563.07	136.16%	446,866.33
1140	Interest Income	0.00	107.50	1,598.02	0.00%	0.00
1142	Facilities Use Income	6,000.00		6,150.00	102.50%	6,300.00
1143	Pre-paid Pledge Income	81,746.00	6,812.17	81,746.04	100.00%	187,387.23
1147	Payroll Protection Funds	207,300.00	0.00	207,300.00	100.00%	0.00
	<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>2,226,409.00</b>	<b>396,463.69</b>	<b>2,320,189.37</b>	<b>104.21%</b>	<b>2,267,620.61</b>
	<b>Disbursements</b>					
4413	Total Pastoral	4,000.00	629.59	2,761.92	69.05%	5,365.22
4510	Total Communications	6,663.00	264.47	5,347.95	80.26%	5,549.98
5011	Total Children's Ministry	17,726.00	1,768.83	16,147.56	91.10%	17,349.89
5111	Total Youth Ministry	18,554.00	913.23	16,977.42	91.50%	14,013.09
5211	Total Adult Ministry	8,225.00	0.00	1,862.98	22.65%	3,423.63
5612	Total Missions	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	100.00%	850.00
5710	Total Connectional	32,893.00	2,741.08	32,893.72	100.00%	33,364.00
5739	Conference Apportionments	196,150.00	16,345.83	196,149.28	100.00%	168,677.00
5910	Total Membership Care	2,404.00	194.72	1,663.60	69.20%	1,854.67
6001	Community Care	23,675.00	11,000.35	19,944.57	84.24%	23,383.38
6310	Total Worship	44,000.00	7,027.44	35,972.14	81.75%	35,894.42
6610	Total Office	54,697.00	8,012.46	64,284.65	117.53%	68,553.33
6710	Total Facilities & Equipment	416,747.00	35,198.62	389,504.20	93.46%	411,485.62
6800	Total Loans	76,931.00	281,595.93	332,883.29	432.70%	18,656.16
6804	Total Operation Income	-47,760.00	-7,960.00	-49,025.00	102.65%	-54,926.09
6810	Total Operation Expenses	18,086.00	1,100.12	2,424.90	13.41%	27,544.86
7001	Total Kitchen Income	0.00	0.00	-1,103.62	0.00%	-6,741.41
7111	Total Kitchen Expense	23,267.00	1,281.80	16,673.14	71.66%	21,761.48
	Total Personnel	1,117,854.00	124,199.93	1,120,444.28	100.23%	1,112,504.16
	<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>2,015,112.00</b>	<b>484,314.40</b>	<b>2,206,806.98</b>	<b>109.51%</b>	<b>1,908,563.39</b>
	<b>Income Over/Under Expenses</b>	<b>211,297.00</b>	<b>-87,850.71</b>	<b>113,382.39</b>		<b>359,057.22</b>
<b>Checking Account Balances as of December 31, 2020</b>						
	Operating Checking	\$519,097.79				
	Payroll Checking	449.04				
	Online Checking	253.95				
	Operating Money Market	44,987.19				

# MEMORIALS & MILESTONES

## MEMORIALS

### In Memory of **Becky Bell:**

Cyndi & Mark Newell  
Paula & Scott Weldon  
Joyce & Greg Magner

### In Memory of **Jim Fulmer:**

Cyndi & Mark Newell

### In Memory of **Joe Little:**

Kimi & Allen Oaks

### In Memory of **Dr. Happy Luscher:**

Sharon & Eddie McDonough

### In Memory of **Mariedora Moore:**

Cyndi & Mark Newell  
Beth & Terry Moore  
BB & Glenda Coker  
Joyce & Greg Magner  
Sylvia Ensley  
Her Couples Club  
Terry Moore  
Randy & Laurie Crane

### In Memory of **Lucille "Tita" Murray:**

Katie Mulkerne  
Perrin Drew  
Binky Oswalt  
Fran Easley  
Kimi & Allen Oaks  
Dr. & Mrs. Bryan Delaney  
Jacqueline Williams  
Irvin & Leslie Rentz  
Karen Anne & Lewis Beville  
Lynn & Richard Byrd  
Missy & Don Foose  
Glenn & Lacey Smith  
Randy & Laurie Crane  
Boyd Miller

### In Memory of **Dr. Larry McGee:**

Laura Allen  
Lynn & Richard Byrd

### In Memory of **Lewis Ratcliffe:**

Myra West Martin

### In Memory of **William B. Harvey:**

Sylvia Harvey

### In Memory of **Jim DeVaney:**

Missy & Don Foose  
Kimi & Allen Oaks  
Karen Anne & Lewis Beville  
Betty M. Wills  
Percy Johnston, Jr.  
Dr. & Mrs. Richard Cross  
Irvin & Leslie Rentz  
Randy & Laurie Crane

### In Memory of **Margaret Tarbox:**

Joyce & Jim Sockwell  
David & Cindy Peeler

### In Memory of **Jean Willard:**

Sara Willard

### In Memory of **Pat Williams:**

Laura Allen

### In Memory of **Donald & Elizabeth West:**

Myra West Martin

## JULIA "MUTT" STOKES

The Dauphin Way United Methodist Church Foundation recently received a generous bequest from the estate of Mr. Tom Gwin, who passed away in early 2020. Mr. Gwin made the gift in honor of his mother, Julia "Mutt" Stokes, long time member of Dauphin Way. Dr. Stephen Dill, in his eulogy at her funeral, said, "Friendship is less sparkling...and the world is less fun without Julia Yarbrough Stokes. We smile and weep, when we think of her." Mrs. Stokes, who died in 2004, was also the mother of Dauphin Way member, Carolyn Gwin Hammond.

Tom's gift is a beautiful tribute to his mother in recognition of her love and affection for Dauphin Way. Legacy gifts such as this help preserve the rich heritage of Dauphin Way and sustain its mission and ministry for future generations. For more information on how you can create a lasting impact through the Foundation in your own personal planned giving program, please contact Cindy McMillan, Director of Finance and Operations, at (251) 471-1511.

Kimi Oaks, Dauphin Way Foundation Secretary

## HONARARIUMS

In Honor of **Tita Murray's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday:**

Cyndi & Mark Newell

In Honor of **Trey West:**  
Russell Parchman

In Honor of **Charles Brock Reaves:**  
Patsy Guy

In Honor of **all the Choirs at Dauphin Way:**  
John & Betty Stone

In Honor of the **Ministers & Staff of Dauphin Way:**  
John & Betty Stone

In Honor of **Lynn Little:**  
Kimi & Allen Oaks

In Honor of **Bill & Jessica Barrick:**

Kimi & Allen Oaks

In Honor of **Ann Bedsole:**  
Kimi & Allen Oaks

In Honor of **Ruth & Steve Dill:**  
John & Betty Stone

In Honor of **Jaysn Fowler:**  
Paula & Scott Weldon

In Honor of **Sherard & Jim Haas:**  
Sharon & Eddie McDonough

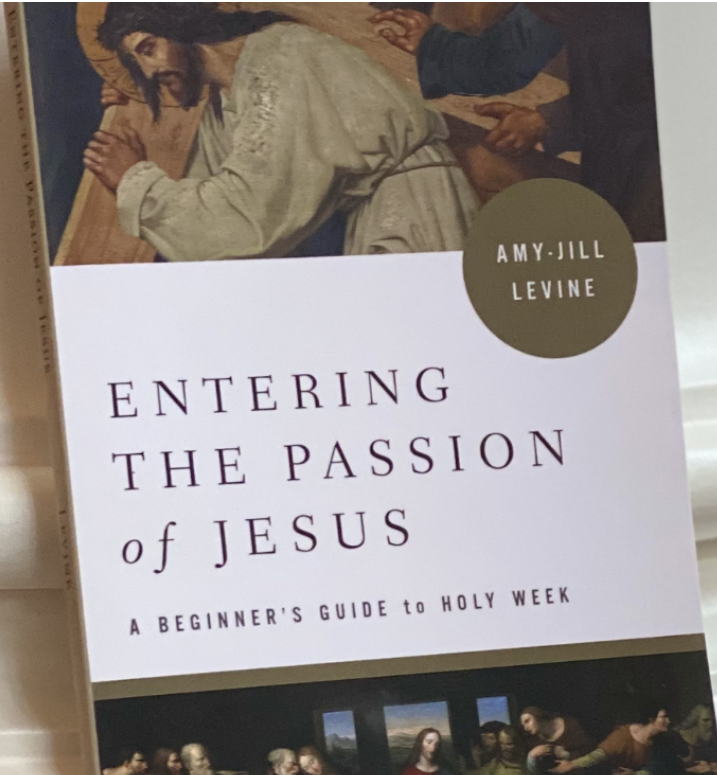
In Honor of **Paulette Hughes:**  
Ruth Temonia

## NEW MEMBERS

Join us as we welcome our newest member, Wright Cox, and his wife Charlotte to the Dauphin Way Family.







# 2021 Lent Study

SUN. FEBRUARY 21ST - EASTER SUNDAY

This is our first chance in a long time to have all ministry areas in the church studying the same material. The sermons, small group and Sunday school curriculum, as well as the youth and children's lessons will all follow *Entering the Passion of Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine.

This curriculum is an introduction to the Gospel stories of Jesus' passion. Levine's book provides both an entry point to those new to the stories of the original Holy Week as well as a chance to go even deeper for those familiar with Jesus' last days. We hope you will join us as the entire church joins together on this journey to the cross.

# SMALL GROUPS

AT DAUPHIN WAY UMC

LAUNCH | February 21st  
Pick the group that fits into YOUR  
schedule!

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A SMALL  
GROUP!



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