

September 2021

Dauphin Way Journal



Stephen and Ruth Dill Lecture Series

Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Long

Sunday, September 26, 2021

10:30 AM

Sermon

in Sanctuary
(simulcast in Moore Hall)

"Don't Miss It!"

A lesson from the Parable of the Rich
Man and Lazarus

5:30 PM

Lecture

in Moore Hall

"The Love of God and the Tragedy
of Suffering: What Can We
Believe?"

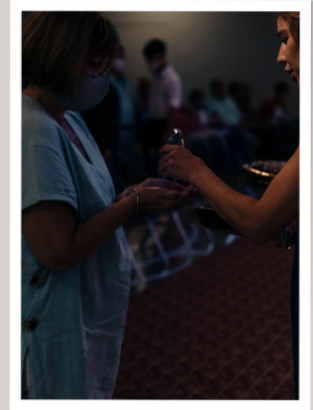
The search for a loving and powerful God in a
world filled with innocent suffering



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HAPPENING ----- AROUND DWUMC



REV. MICHAEL PRECHT



Summer certainly went fast.

No sooner had I recovered from Vacation Bible School and a trip to be with a family friend in Seattle than it was time to act and plan and launch new small groups and other initiatives. Typically, our programming schedule does not ramp up in earnest until after Labor Day, but this year we launched several new connection points in August. Our program staff hatched this plan in February, anticipating that the local COVID remission that began in April would persist, and we would want to move quickly and build momentum as everyone looked to establish new routines after a summer of freedom and travel.

Obviously, our predictions have not fully materialized, but I am grateful for the preparations. Though we have had to cancel or postpone some ministry events, others continue, and we are working to do everything we can within the guidelines made necessary by our COVID crisis. Even as we keep a wary eye on local COVID rates we are also launching new small groups and preparing for the future. Personally, my attention this September is on our nominating committee, our October discipleship pledge campaign, recruiting confirmation mentors, and a new Sunday School I am leading with Margaret Andres. We are also preparing for Charge Conference at the end of September, knowing that our Pastoral Assistant, Kayla Knight, will soon be welcoming her new baby, Eli.

And of course, the month of September is punctuated by the Dill Lecture. Having met Dr. Long and having been blessed by his preaching twice before, I can testify that he is a powerful preacher and deeply faithful witness to the gospel. **We look forward to welcoming him in worship on Sunday, September 26, and our sermon series through the month of September - "Where is God" - will help prepare all of Dauphin Way to receive Dr. Long's keynote lecture on Sunday evening as he addresses how Christians can speak into the suffering of the world around us. Certainly, this topic is as relevant as ever.**

That list of things to do is made less daunting by the privilege I have of working alongside several church members who have taken on new leadership roles. Karen Smith has hit the ground running as Director of Servant Ministries. In just under two months, she has fixed several cracks in our visitor follow-up. On a Sunday morning, she can usually be seen in three places at once, while introducing herself to new visitors and helping the rest of our pastors and staff make swift connections throughout the week. I would also like to offer special thanks to Margaret Andres for helping to launch our new Sunday School, and to Curran Foose who has agreed to be the chair of our annual discipleship pledge campaign and has pulled together an excellent team that will help every single person at Dauphin Way take a new step in their faith this fall.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Michael Precht

STEPHEN & RUTH DILL LECTURE SERIES

Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Long to be September Dill Lecture Speaker



Rev. Dr. Thomas Long, considered one of the most thoughtful and intelligent preachers in America today, says, “God does not always move us when we desire to be moved, and everything that moves us deeply is not God.” We are all deeply moved today by the COVID crisis and a world that seems upside down, replete with one disaster after another. This is not God at work, but we often wonder where the loving and powerful God is in a world filled with so much innocent suffering. Dr. Long will share his insights into this dilemma for Christians in his afternoon lecture on **Sunday, September 26, at 5:30 p.m. in Moore Hall**. His compelling title is “The Love of God and the Tragedy of Suffering: What Can We Believe?”

His sermon **Sunday morning** will be delivered in the Sanctuary with simulcast in Moore Hall. He has chosen Luke 16:19-31, the Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus, to share with us the surprising opportunities that we can respond to and join in with what God is doing in the world.

An ordained Presbyterian minister, Dr. Long is the Bandy Professor of Preaching Emeritus at Candler School of Theology at Emory University and has taught preaching for over 40 years. In 2015 he received Emory’s “Scholar/Teacher Award,” the top faculty scholarship award of the University. He is the author of numerous books on preaching and worship that have been standard texts in seminaries for decades. In 2006 he was asked to deliver the distinguished Lyman Beecher Lectures in Preaching at Yale Divinity School, and these have been collectively published as *Preaching from Memory to Hope*. Among his other publications are collections of sermons, biblical commentaries, and personal reflections on topics such as the Christian funeral and living a Christian life.

The Dill Lecture Committee is excited about offering this outstanding preacher, teacher, and scholar to Dauphin Way and the entire community. His appearance and topics are particularly timely in 2021. Don’t miss this unique opportunity to hear “one of the twelve most effective preachers in the English-speaking world.”

Check the church website at www.dauphinwayumc.org/dill-lecture for more information on Dr. Long and the Dill Lecture Series.

Also, childcare will be available for the afternoon lecture.

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
9:15 AM	Adult Sunday Schools	Classrooms around church/Zoom
9:15 AM	Dauphin Way 101 (2 nd , 3 rd , & 4 th)	Dill Parlor
9:15 AM	Youth Sunday School	Refuge
9:30 AM	Childcare & Programming	Upstairs Ed. Bldg, Treehouse, & CDC rooms
10:30 AM	Contemporary Worship Service	Moore Hall
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Worship Service	Sanctuary

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
2:00 PM	Prayer Team	Dill Parlor
6:30 PM	Scout Meeting	Upstairs Ed. Bldg.

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
5:30 PM	Chancel Ringers	SB104

WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Rooms - Ed Bldg.
8:00 AM	Meals on Wheels	Kitchen
10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Zoom
12:00 PM	Noonday Ringers	SB104
1:30 PM	Centering Prayer	Dill Parlor
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary Chancel Area
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
5:30 AM	Pickleball (1 st & 3 rd)	Moore Hall

FRIDAY

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

SEPTEMBER AT A GLANCE

Thursday, September 2, 2021

6:00 PM Guided by Grace

McDavid Library/Dill Parlor/Family Life

Monday, September 6, 2021

All Day Labor Day Holiday

Offices Closed

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Meeting

McDavid Library/Zoom/Courtyard

Thursday, September 9, 2021

5:30 PM SPRC Meeting

McDavid Library

Friday, September 10, 2021

8:00 PM Youth Lock-In

USA Rec Center

Sunday, September 12, 2021

5:00 PM Starting Sunday Night Programming

Kids & Youth

5:00 PM Evening Small Groups

SB 102/Room 123/SB101

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

12:00 PM Long Goodbye

Bishops Meeting/Family Life Room

12:00 PM Trustees

McDavid Library/Zoom

7:00 PM Compassionate Friends

McDavid Library/Dill Parlor/Family Life

Sunday, September 19, 2021

8:00 AM Blood Drive

McGowin Hall

Tuesday, September 21, 2021

4:00 PM Finance Committee

McDavid Library/Zoom

Sunday, September 26, 2021

10:30 AM Dill Lecture Series - Morning Service

Sanctuary

5:30 PM Dill Lecture Series - Evening Lecture

Moore Hall

6:30 PM Dill Lecture Reception

McGowin Hall

Monday, September 27, 2021

9:00 AM Dill Lecture Series – Clergy Event

Moore Hall

5:00 PM Church Council/Leadership Dinner

McGowin Hall

PROGRAM REPORTS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY– KAT BRAND



August brought things back to school. While school is out for summer, ministry work never stops. We wrapped up a big VBS and quickly pivoted towards our August launch. On Sunday, August 8, we celebrated our 3rd graders and presented them with their 3rd grade Bibles. We also enjoyed seeing all children “level up” to their new rooms on Promotion Sunday. There is something extra special about seeing the children’s faces light up when they move to a new room. I love watching 3rd graders proudly thumb through their new Bibles. I am filled with hope and joy knowing that a new generation is moving forward with scripture, journeying, and deepening their faith. What makes me most proud is that as a church, we promise that they are not alone. They are surrounded by love, encouragement, and support from their church family. This year our Bible class has 28 children. I ask that you join me in praying for this special group.

As we move forward, we know that our plans must be adaptable. We must be flexible in our approach to ministry events. We continue to plan and prepare as well as adjust our plans to make sure that we keep our children and families safe and healthy. Our event calendar may look different than it did two months ago, but we will continue to find new ways to do ministry. We are hopeful that our Sunday Night Programming will return in September and we look forward to a wonderful year ahead.

Many thanks to the members of Dauphin Way UMC. Because of your love and generosity, we can provide Bibles to our children. We can support and encourage children as they grow. Children can move forward knowing that there is a huge community of believers who walk beside them. A disciple’s journey is ever-growing and ever-evolving. I am proud to be a part of this church and to witness the growth of our future generations.

Kat Brand, Director of Children’s Ministries

YOUTH MINISTRY– BRITTANY DANG



It is hard to believe that August is over, and the fall season is upon us. We can reflect on a wonderful summer filled with faith-forming trips, fun events, and unique opportunities to serve. This summer, forty of us traveled to a camp in Florida, where we held our Orlando Retreat for a week. A week after we got back from camp, several of our students participated in a local Raise the Roof project. A couple of weeks later, we had over twenty youth serve as volunteers for VBS. The following week, a group of fourteen high school students and adults traveled to the south Texas border to serve immigrant families through Border Perspectives. Now here we are in August, celebrating being back together and preparing for a full fall season.

Sunday, August 8th, was a promotion Sunday for all ages. We were delighted to have over twenty students in Sunday school, several of which were some of our new sixth graders. That same afternoon, over thirty of our students gathered together for our back-to-school party at the Springhill Swim Club, hosted by the Gill family. Sunday, August 15th, was our annual student/parent info meeting. It was wonderful to see a full room of parents and students in McGowin Hall, ready to jump back into youth activities. In addition to walking through this year's student ministry guidebook and calendar, several of our leaders, parents, and students shared about our various activities and why they feel it is important to be involved in the church's life as both a parent and student. We are all looking forward to kicking off SNL on Sunday, September 12th.

Coming up on Sunday, August 29th, is a youth leadership training for all of our weekly youth leaders for SNL and Sunday school at 4:00 pm in Gym Room B. This is where we will refresh our minds on the Safe Sanctuaries policy, go over some material for leading small groups, and walk through the school year calendar. Currently on the youth calendar is a lock-in at South Alabama's Recreation Center on September 10th, from 8:00 pm-8:00 am. Additionally on the calendar is our big kick-off for SNL on Sunday, September 12th, 5:00 pm-6:30 pm. We are going to continue to follow the wisdom and guidance from church leadership for evening activities as we monitor covid cases in our area week by week. To stay in touch with youth updates and events, please email brittany.dang@dauphinwayumc.org to be added to our youth weekly update emails.

Two individuals I am extremely grateful for this month are the student ministry's newest interns, Laura Maguire and Chris Nodine. Both Chris and Laura have grown up at Dauphin Way, participated in youth, have been serving as youth volunteers, and are now going to be serving in a larger role as youth interns. This summer, Laura attended the Orlando Retreat as one of our small group leaders for the ninth-grade girls. These freshman girls immediately connected with Laura that week and have continued to meet with her and Missy Abernethy as a small group through the summer. Chris started volunteering in the student ministry this spring. He was bold enough to attend both the Orlando Retreat and the Texas mission trip with us this summer. It was particularly on these trips where Chris found himself loving spending time with our guys, whether it was goofing off during free time or wrestling with deep questions in small groups. It is no secret that Chris and Laura have a gift for connecting with our students. I am confident that this ministry will be strengthened through the Holy Spirit's work in each of them. Laura and Chris are answered prayers, and I am looking forward to ministering to our students this year with these partners.

Brittany Dang, Director of Student Ministries

WORSHIP MINISTRY– TREY WEST



Chancel Choir has returned! Of course, they have been faithful in singing for Sunday morning worship services throughout the summer, but they are now also back to rehearsing on Wednesday evenings. With the spike in COVID-19 cases related to the Delta variant, we remain cautious in our rehearsals and on Sunday mornings. We are holding Wednesday rehearsals in the Sanctuary to space throughout the Chancel and have added mandatory masks to rehearsals to comply with the church's reinstated mask policy. To ensure that we are safe while maintaining the ability to effectively lead music on Sunday mornings, we have added chairs to the back of the Chancel where choir members can remain distanced while singing the anthems, hymns, and responses that are so integral to our worship. Right now, more than anything, I feel most grateful that we know more than we did last year. Our knowledge and ability to implement these safety measures will hopefully allow us to continue to make music together while keeping all involved safe and healthy.

With cases spiking, the near future is once again uncertain. At least one handbell ensemble will begin rehearsals, masked, in September. Colleen has been working diligently to build both of our handbell ensembles back to their pre-COVID numbers, but she and I are ensuring that we respect the wishes of those who do not yet feel comfortable returning. We anticipated beginning rehearsals with our children's choirs, Cherub Choir and Wesley Singers, and Genesis Youth Choir in mid-September. I plan to wait until closer to the start date (September 12) to make a final decision based on the trend of cases, what's happening in our local schools, and what science continues to suggest in regards to COVID and singing. As we all know, singing is a super spreader for the virus, and it is significantly more difficult to ensure proper masking and distancing with children and youth versus adults.

One thing I do feel confident about is the long-term future. White Christmas is a mere four months away (to the day from when I'm writing this!), and I have been planning what I think will be a very grand evening. So grand that the choir has already begun working on the music! But there is much to look forward to over the coming months in music and worship: Dr. Tom Long preaching in worship on September 26, our Discipleship Series in October, All Saints' Sunday, Advent – there is much great music planned for all of these important days in the life of Dauphin Way. And after what feels like entirely too long, the Dauphin Way Chorale is planning a concert at the Cathedral-Basilica of the Immaculate Conception on November 18, taking our music in the Mobile community once again. I hope you will join us, in-person or online, for each and every one of the music and worship offerings Dauphin Way has this Fall and Advent!

Trey West, Director of Music and Worship

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP MINISTRY– WILSON NEWELL



Although our situation with COVID deteriorated as we were building momentum for an exciting and busy fall, August still held some high points regarding worship and life at Dauphin Way. Isn't it great how God seems to do that when the world is down? Worship gives us hope in dark times as "we fix our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer, and perfecter of our faith."

On August 8, we witnessed the third graders receiving their Bibles, and we commissioned them for their journey of exploration in the Word of God. Seeing those kids' eagerness to meet with God in those pages challenged me to want to be more intentional with my study of Scripture, too. I was also moved deeply by being a part of honoring frontline workers at the church. It was not the "Victory Over COVID" Day that we had originally planned for, but it was a right and fit thing to do to say "thank you" to those who have gone above and beyond to serve others. It was special to see the church and community come together to bless those who have

worked so hard to care for all of us. Chick-fil-a, Soul Caffeine, and Publix donated items for the gift bags. We had about ten volunteers from the church help stuff the gift bags. Several donations were made toward the project, as well. The children's "thank you" cards were breathtakingly thoughtful. Several people were brought to tears as they read them. Best of all, 400 gift bags were distributed to frontline workers in attendance, teachers from Leinkauf and Old Shell Road Elementary Schools, and church attendees took home bags to share with frontline workers they wanted to thank and bless. It was powerful to get to recognize these people and pray for them in worship, too.

September holds some exciting events centered around worship, as well. We are planning and hoping to have a Men's Night/ Women's Night on September 12, where we will worship together and hear some biblical teaching. The Dill Lecture featuring Dr. Tom Long will be in worship on September 26, and we are so looking forward to hearing him preach! Thanks to Justin Merrick, Gene Warren, and Rusty Abston, people in Contemporary Service will be able to watch a livestream of him preaching on our screen in Moore Hall during an otherwise normal service. I personally cannot wait to hear what he has to say, as he is one of the most prominent preaching professors of the last century!

I always have a litany of people to thank for their service to the church in Contemporary Service, and this week I want to highlight Cooper Trent. Cooper is an amazing keys player and singer and is somewhat of a local legend for his gigging at events around Mobile. Any time Cooper plays, we are sure to have a good time at church! Cooper brings such joy and passion to everything he does and to those he meets. He has been singing in the worship band with us for the past year, and he and his family are moving to Montgomery in the coming months. Given that he was commuting to the state capital several days a week, working a job in Mobile, playing several gigs on the weekend, and spending time with his beautiful family, it's amazing that he was able to devote so much time to being a part of worship, and we are so thankful. We will miss him and hope that they will come back and visit!

Wilson Newell, Director of Contemporary Worship

SERVICE & OUTREACH MINISTRIES– KAREN SMITH



One of the best parts of my job is talking with Dauphin Way visitors looking for a church home. Lucky for me, I have had quite a few of these conversations over the last few weeks! The energy around back-to-school time has also brought new energy for getting plugged in at church, into a Sunday School class, service opportunity (both in and outside our walls), or small group. It is one thing to attend church, but quite a different thing to become part of a church family. I have the privilege to help visitors, new members, and existing members become settled and active in our church family. What a joy it is to truly welcome people to my Father's house.

Since it is back-to-school time, our Backpack Ministry and Partners in Prayer will be ramping up their work. The Backpack Ministry serves children at Leinkauf Elementary. It exists to ensure that children get enough food on weekends when they cannot depend on school meals to avoid hunger. I am always shaken by the fact that children in my own city are going hungry. The Backpack Ministry addresses this need. You can help by donating nonperishable food such as canned meals (ravioli, pork, beans, etc.), breakfast items, and snacks.

Partners in Prayer does just what the name suggests. This group prays for students and teachers at Old Shell Road Elementary and Leinkauf Elementary. Through prayer request boxes and communication with the administration at both schools, Partners in Prayer intercede on behalf of all our brothers and sisters at these two schools.

Upcoming in September, we are looking forward to our next blood drive on Sunday, September 19th. Our quarterly blood drives, held in conjunction with LifeSouth, offer opportunities for our congregation to participate in saving lives throughout our community. So please mark your calendar and give blood if you are able.

The ministries I mention above could not take place without a strong leader/coordinator. Natalie Bell does a tremendous job with the Backpack Ministry. Fran Lyons has a heart for prayer and has been coordinating Partners in Prayer. Fran is stepping down this month, and Lundy Foose has graciously agreed to continue this ministry as the new coordinator. I know that she will do a wonderful job! In addition, Lee Hoagland coordinates our blood drives with LifeSouth, tirelessly promoting this life-giving ministry. Thank you, Natalie, Fran, Lundy, and Lee...and everyone who serves alongside you in these ministries. You are making a difference!

If you are looking to make a difference through serving inside our church walls or out in the community, please call or email me. And if you have visited Dauphin Way and want to learn more, it would be my privilege to talk further with you.

Karen Smith, Director of Servant Ministries

COMPASSION MINISTRIES– REV. KATHY JORGENSEN



What a great church family Dauphin Way is! You not only remain faithful to our ongoing Compassion Ministries, but you also look after each other. Many kind people are helping out as more of our families are quarantined because of the virus. So many wonderful, faithful prayer partners are praying for the healing of our members and their relatives. I've heard of members dropping supplies by the houses of sick and cannot get out in public. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry continues to provide shawls for all of our new babies. The shawls are placed in the "Annie's Gift Ministry" box and delivered to the family. Prayer Shawls continue to be given to those who are struggling with COVID and other illnesses and other crises in their lives.

August 15th, we had a special celebration for our "Frontline Workers." We prayed for our workers during worship and remembered all of those who have lost their lives to COVID. After the services, we had Lemonade on the lawn and provided gift bags for the frontline workers. The gift bags were also delivered to Leinkauf and Old Shell Road Elementary for all the teachers and staff, to our neighborhood fire stations, and Providence and Mobile Infirmary.

Our faithful Shepherds continue to visit or call our homebound members. If you know anyone who would like to be added to our homebound list, please contact the church office at 251-471-1511.

One last reminder –please call the church if you or a family member enters the hospital and if you or someone wants to be added to our prayer chain.

"To make a difference in someone's life, you don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful, or perfect. You just have to care". - Mandy Hale.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Kathy Jorgensen

DISCIPLESHIP– DR. WOODS LISENBY



It has been a season of restarts and resets. However, I am proud of our staff's planning to prepare a host of events and programs to kick off the fall, and I am proud of their ability to adapt to changing circumstances. We have a resilient church both in our congregation and staff. This has not been an easy time for anyone as we navigate new circumstances each day. However, I have the utmost confidence in our team to continue finding creative ways to offer ministry opportunities to all that desire to participate. Although we have pushed back some of our large-event programming, we have provided various orientations and training. For example, Kat met with a group of parents to overview our Children's Ministry experience, and Brittany held her annual youth and parent gathering. Both put together extensive materials that go over a full calendar year's events, and they would be happy to share them with all interested parties.

Despite some of our setbacks, we also launched three new Sunday Morning groups. I give thanks for our leaders of those groups and their flexibility in this season. We are in a season where there is apprehension about being in-person for multiple reasons, and so our leaders have found ways to adapt to the variety in their week-to-week attendance.

In addition to our new Sunday Morning Groups, we also have several other new groups and classes during this season. We hope every person at DWUMC finds a place to plugin and belong! Each year we start new Groups and Classes that help us engage our faith to become more like Christ. Below you will find a description of our Adult Discipleship offerings and any new/ongoing Groups and Classes that are open to join.

Sunday School Groups: An open and ongoing experience with people in roughly the same phase of life. These groups do not require prior reading or in-depth knowledge to attend. In these groups, a leader will offer a lesson and foster discussion. It is an experience where life-long Christians and first-time guests are all welcome.

Small-Group: A Small Group is typically made up of fourteen or fewer persons and aims to deepen member's Christian accountability and discipleship. Small Groups usually study books or series and expect group members to read or do other activities outside of the group meeting. These groups meet once a week, every other week, or once a month, depending on the group's preference. The level of participation required varies in each group. Once the group establishes its members, it usually only changes at seasonally appointed times.

Classes: Classes are short-term learning experiences with a defined beginning and end. We offer classes on a variety of subjects.

There is a Group or Class for everyone! I look forward to you joining and connecting with our church family. The list of active Groups and Classes are on the next page.

Grace and Peace,
Dr. Woods Lisenby

NEW GROUP INFORMATION

New Sunday Morning Groups Beginning August 8 – 9:15-10:15 a.m.

- Sunday School Group for Younger Millennials (Room 212 – Current 20s-30s-40s Led by Shannon Phillips)
- Sunday School Group for Elder Millennials (Room 210 – Current 30s-40s-50s Led by Rev. Michael Precht and Margeret Andres)
- Sunday School Group for Younger Gen-X (Room 205 – Current 40s-50s-60s – Led by Lisa and Harrison Howard)

New Groups Beginning September 12

9:15-10:15 a.m. – Sunday School on Zoom (Led by Dr. Richard Cross)

5:00-6:30 p.m. – Sunday Evening Small Groups

- Small-Group Led by Catherine Reaves (Room SB 102)
 - A group for young professionals in their 20's and 30's.
- Small-Group Led by Brooks Conkle (Room 123)
 - A group for persons interested in reading and discussing the Bible and matters of faith. This group will begin by discussing "Making Sense of the Bible" by Adam Hamilton.
- Small-Group Led by Wilson Newell (Room SB 101)
 - A group for those looking to study the Bible in community.

Ongoing Sunday Morning Groups and Classes 9:15-10:15 a.m.

- The Covenant Class – McDavid Library
- Open Minds Open Hearts – The Family Life Room
- Friends in Faith – Currently Online (Staff Break Room When In-Person)
- Growing in Faith Together – Room 207
- Dauphin Way 101 – Dill Parlor (New Member Class – Every 2nd, 3rd, 4th Sunday)

New Classes

- **The Book of Jeremiah** – Led by Vanessa Reyner – 8 Weeks | Sunday Nights, October 3 – November 21, 5:00-6:30 p.m. in Family Life Room
- **Techwise Family** – Led by Rev. Michael Precht – 8 Weeks | Sunday Nights, October 3 – November 21, 5:00-6:30 p.m. in Room 210
- **Disciple One** – Led by Dr. Woods Lisenby – 24 Weeks | Sunday Nights, October 3 – November 28 & Jan 23-May 22 [with breaks], 5:00-6:30 p.m. in McDavid Library
- **Companions in Christ** – Led by Rev. Kathy Jorgensen – 8 Weeks | Thursdays, September 30 – November 18, 11:00-1:00 in Dill Parlor
- **The Prayer Life of Jesus** – Led by Rev. Bruce Fitzgerald – 8 Weeks | Wednesday Nights, September 29 – November 17, 5:00-6:30 in Dill Parlor
- **Agents of Babylon** – Led by Patti Sachs – 12 Weeks | Tuesdays September 14 – December 7 | 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.in Dill Parlor

If you are interested in joining any new Groups or Classes, you can sign up on dauphinwayumc.org/groups. And if you have any questions or are interested in leading a Group or Class, please send me an email at woods.lisenby@dauphinwayumc.org

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 SPR 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 REPORTS

STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS

Regularly scheduled staff evaluations are being conducted and are proceeding well. Karen Smith is rapidly fitting into her role as Director of Servant Ministries and is doing a really good job. Next month, the Committee will be addressing compensation for select staff members as required by the Discipline.

Andy Smith, SPRC Chair

TRUSTEES

While working toward building a financial base for future maintenance, the Trustees continue to focus on bringing existing facilities issues current, including the water problems in the basement, the remaining roof leaks, moisture issues in the chapel, and repairs to or replacements of various aging mechanical systems.

The church had a negative cash flow for June and July leaving us with a net loss that is common for this time of year. The CDC is in positive shape financially.

As an Eagle Scout project, the community garden will receive improvements including updated signage and a more defined border.

Trustees continue to consider the future of 28 and 30 Lee Street properties and will make a recommendation to the congregation in the near future.

Jonathan Aeiker, Trustees Chair

FINANCE

It is not uncommon for Dauphin Way to have slow months during the summer and this held true for this year as well. Total receipts for June were down 5.5% and down 8% in July. Total receipts for June were \$121,107, total disbursements \$200,215 with a \$79,108 net loss. Total receipts for July were \$132,596, total disbursements \$164,297 leaving Dauphin Way in the red \$31,701.

CDC was positive financially for June and July with a YTD surplus of \$181,448 which does include the \$104,205 payroll protection loan.

The Americana Concert raised \$3,200 for Toulminville-Warren Street UMC's roof damages.

The new water heater has been installed and the new ice machine ordered. After paying these expenses, approximately \$1,000 will be available in the grants account for the finance committee's use.

Sarah Watkins, Finance Secretary

001 Dauphin Way United Methodist Church						
Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2021						
Budgeted Financial Statement for Period 7 - July 58.33%						
2021 Receipts & Disbursements						
ACCT #		2021 Budget	Actual for Period	2021 Actual YTD	Actual to Budg %	Prior YTD
	Receipts					
1131	Current Pledges	1,264,386.00	92,868.84	728,306.33	57.60%	729,551.78
1132	Pledge Reduction Allowance	63,219.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
	Net Current Pledges	1,201,167.00	92,868.84	728,306.33	60.63%	729,551.78
1133	Prior Pledges	0.00	0.00	13,585.00	0.00%	1,509.00
1134	Trust Fund Pledge	83,162.00	20,790.62	62,371.86	75.00%	58,160.97
1135	Loose Plate	9,825.00	286.00	2,424.66	24.68%	3,366.90
1137	Non Pledged Contribution	764,680.00	18,636.00	240,483.43	31.45%	261,471.33
1140	Interest Income	500.00	14.40	443.49	88.70%	953.58
1142	Facilities Use Income	6,000.00	0.00	290.00	4.83%	150.00
1143	Pre-paid Pledge Income	4,119.00	0.00	4,119.06	100.00%	47,685.19
1147	Payroll Protection Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	207,300.00
	Total Receipts	2,069,453.00	132,595.86	1,052,023.83	50.84%	1,310,148.75
	Disbursements					
4413	Total Pastoral	4,000.00	0.00	516.00	12.90%	632.33
4510	Total Communications	6,663.00	148.53	2,322.73	34.86%	3,637.16
5011	Total Children's Ministry	17,726.00	1,247.38	16,733.63	94.40%	8,955.18
5111	Total Youth Ministry	18,554.00	4,255.95	15,395.01	82.97%	10,661.61
5211	Total Adult Ministry	8,225.00	0.00	2,665.08	32.40%	671.06
5612	Total Missions	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
5710	Total Connectional	24,950.00	2,079.17	14,554.15	58.33%	19,188.32
5739	Conference Apportionments	136,023.00	11,335.25	79,346.75	58.33%	114,420.13
5910	Total Membership Care	2,404.00	0.00	460.14	19.14%	937.01
6001	Community Care	23,675.00	0.00	10,321.92	43.60%	8,934.03
6310	Total Worship	44,000.00	1,202.86	22,333.23	50.76%	73,070.39
6610	Total Office	91,600.00	9,553.30	47,154.63	51.48%	32,507.00
6710	Total Facilities & Equipment	514,852.00	42,171.65	298,090.49	57.90%	233,359.70
6800	Total Loans	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	25,643.68
6804	Total Operation Income	-47,760.00	-4,120.00	-40,410.00	84.61%	-29,125.00
6810	Total Operation Expenses	18,086.00	4,227.06	11,065.84	61.18%	6,324.78
7001	Total Kitchen Income	0.00	-32.68	-43.68	0.00%	-1,103.62
7111	Total Kitchen Expense	23,267.00	1,016.35	7,775.89	33.42%	9,934.44
	Total Personnel	1,182,188.00	91,211.83	657,736.71	55.64%	653,146.01
	Total Disbursements	2,069,453.00	164,296.65	1,146,018.52	55.38%	1,171,794.21
	Income Over/Under Expenses	0.00	(31,700.79)	(93,994.69)		138,354.54
Checking Accounts & Receivable Balances as of July 31, 2021						
	Operating Checking	\$3,431.02				
	Payroll Checking	449.04				
	Online Checking	253.95				
	Operating Money Market	170,274.07				
	Operating Reserve - AWFUMF	345,156.61				
	Accounts Receivable - CDC	0.00				

MEMORIALS & MILESTONES

In Memory of John Megginson:

Jim & Joyce Sockwell
Melissa & Steve Willard
Mary Shannon Hope
Abe & Carolyn Philips
Mary Mostellar
Sherry & Bill Daniels
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Murray III
Ann Carwie Mosley
Janice Greer
Joseph & Karen Rubisch
Jacqueline Williams
Ann & Wade Faulkner

In Memory of Diana Whitehead:

Betty & Dick Allen
Dr. & Mrs. Richard Cross
Jacqueline Williams

In Memory of Ann McCall:

Ann Carwie Mosley

In Memory of Gwen Leo:

Sam & Barbara Russ
Abe & Carolyn Philips
Sherry & Bill Daniels
Dr. & Mrs. Richard Cross
Ann S. Bedsole
Amelia Powell
Jacqueline Williams

In Memory of Linda Ammons:

John & Betty Stone
Sam & Barbara Russ
Harry & Louise Wilber
Abe & Carolyn Philips
Frances Easley
CJ & Cindy Angelette
Myra Martin
Dr. & Mrs. Richard Cross
Bettie Champion
Jacqueline Williams
Donna & Elmer Moree

In Memory of Lewis Wilder:

Sherry & Bill Daniels
John & Betty Stone
Sam & Barbara Russ
Greg & Jamie Saad
Dil Hobbs
Missy & Don Foose
Caroline & Tom Hinds
Ann S. Bedsole
Susan & Don Mosley
Dr. & Mrs. Richard Cross
Jacqueline Williams
Dr. & Mrs. Russell March, Jr.
Randy & Laurie Crane
Kimi & Allen Oaks

In Memory of Frances Heath:

Randy & Laurie Crane

BAPTISMS

We rejoice with Poppy Elizabeth Dodson, daughter of Jim and Lindsey Dodson, who has been presented for the Sacrament of Christian Baptism during the Sanctuary Worship Service on August 1, 2021.

We rejoice with Julianne Roberts Dennis, daughter of Daniel and Maribeth Dennis, will be presented for the Sacrament of Christian Baptism during the Sanctuary Worship Service on August 29, 2021.

BIRTHS

We rejoice to celebrate the birth of Blair Louise Hendrickson, daughter of Sarah Margaret and Jeffrey Hendrickson and granddaughter of Randy and Fran Lyons, on August 6, 2021.

DEATHS

We extend our love and sympathy to William Heath, Jr., June Heath Acree, and Elsie Heath Jordan, and their family upon the death of their mother, Frances Diamond Heath, on August 14, 2021.

We extend our love and sympathy to Patricia and Boyette Hunter upon the death of her brother, Allen Horn, on August 17, 2021.

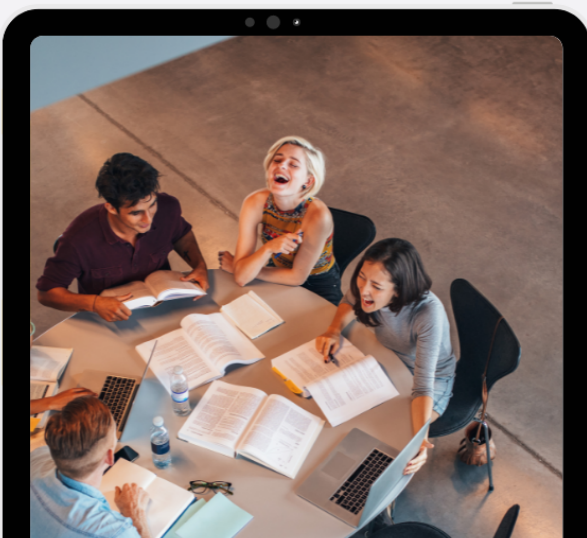
We extend our love and sympathy to Anne Sisson Smith and Julie, Mary Sisson, Eli, and John Luke Maitre upon the death of their mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Margaret "Peggy" Roper Sisson, on August 18, 2021.

We extend our love and sympathy to Spike Maxwell and family upon the death of his brother, Rocky Maxwell, on August 23, 2021.

NEW MEMBERS

Join us as we welcome our newest member, Keith Mills, to the Dauphin Way Family.

Join us as we welcome our newest members, Will and Martha Meador, to the Dauphin Way Family.



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