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DAUPHIN WAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

REV. MICHAEL PRECHT



During the first week of January, the reading for my morning devotion brought me to Ephesians 3:7 — “I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God’s grace” — and I found that I couldn’t move on to verses 8, 9, and 10. For a moment, I was caught up in prayer and wonder at this reminder of the purpose we all share, to become “servants of the gospel.”

It is so easy to become the servant of other things in our lives – good things, wonderful things. We may become servants of our family, our church, our community, our own calling. These are all marvelous gifts; we should receive them with thanks and treat them with honor. And even so, we pay give our greatest honor to these gifts when we remember the Giver who created them all.

As pastor of Dauphin Way UMC, I can look back and see a long line of tremendous gifts that God has given us. This month, we have given thanks for new babies, new leaders, and new visitors. We have announced new opportunities like our “Journey to Freedom” class in February. We also received a final report on 2021 and celebrated that we ended the year in a positive financial position for the third year in a row.

We have also come to a new appreciation for some of our most cherished gifts through the years. For 49 years, Rev. Steve Dill was a living gift to Dauphin Way, as was obvious to anyone who knew him for even five minutes. With his passing this month, we suffered an irreplaceable loss even as we learned to give renewed thanks to God for every moment we shared with Steve.

Even so, we know that Steve would have been the first to remind us that his own remarkable life and ministry were dedicated to something even greater than himself, greater than his church, greater even than the family he loved so dearly. In Steve, we saw a picture of what it means to dedicate every gift to the glory of the Giver. Steve devoted his life, not to proclaiming his own virtue or wisdom, but instead, to serving the Gospel in all his words and deeds.

And we at Dauphin Way share that same calling - to enjoy and celebrate every good thing that God is doing, and then to make sure that we use every gift to proclaim the good news that Jesus is Lord. What a privilege to share this calling together, to let it touch every life – from our youngest to our oldest, and what a gift to follow Jesus in each other’s company.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Michael Precht

STEPHEN AND RUTH DILL LECTURE SERIES TO FEATURE REV. DR. BARBARA BROWN TAYLOR ON MARCH 27



The Dill Lecture Committee is delighted to announce that the widely-acclaimed and highly sought-after preacher, Rev. Dr. Barbara Brown Taylor, will be the featured speaker of the Stephen and Ruth Dill Lecture Series on Sunday, March 27th. She will deliver a sermon at the 10:30 AM worship service and give a lecture at 5:30 PM.

Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Long, Dauphin Way's Dill Lecturer this past September shares, "She has such powerful gifts of language and narration that her readers and hearers find their own questions and concerns coming to expression in ways that prompt them to say, 'Yes, yes, that is what I feel.'"

Few, if any, contemporary Christian leaders speak to the spiritual restlessness and anxiety of this time like Rev. Taylor. She is known and admired for her own deep spirituality and also for her spirit of ecumenism. She says, "Jesus never commanded me to love my religion. He said love God and your neighbor."

Rev. Taylor has served as an Episcopal parish priest, a college and seminary professor, and as a visiting speaker and preacher across the country. She is also the author of many books on faith and spirituality.

The Dill Lecture Committee and the entire Dauphin Way family mourn the death of Dr. Stephen Dill on January 14, 2022, and are grateful for his legacy that inspired the creation of the Dill Lecture Series. During the Centennial Celebration of Dauphin Way in 2013, the Dauphin Way Foundation established the Dill Lecture Fund to honor Stephen and Ruth Dill in recognition of their decades of service to both the church and the community. Under the guidance of these two remarkable individuals the Lecture Series was founded to bring esteemed speakers to Mobile to enrich our congregation and the entire community.

Check the church website for more details: www.dauphinwayumc.org/dill-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	Temporarily in the Sanctuary
9:15 AM	Adult & Youth Sunday Schools	Ed. Classrooms/Zoom/Refuge
9:15 AM	Dauphin Way 101	Dill Parlor
9:15 AM	Children’s Programming	Upstairs Ed. Bldg, Treehouse, & CDC rooms
10:30 AM	Contemporary Worship Service	Moore Hall
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Worship Service	Sanctuary
5:00 PM	Children’s Evening Programming	Upstairs Ed. Bldg, treehouse
5:00 PM	Youth SNL (Sow New Life)	Moore Hall/Refuge
5:00 PM	Disciple One	McDavid Library
5:00 PM	Men’s Small Group	Room 101
5:00 PM	Techwise Family	Room 210
6:30 PM	Youth Band	Refuge

MONDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Rooms - Ed Bldg.
8:00 AM	Meals on Wheels	Kitchen
9:00 AM	Society of St Stephen	SSS Offices
2:00 PM	Prayer Team	Dill Parlor
6:30 PM	Scout Den Meetings	Upstairs Education 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
10:30 AM	Now That Faith Has Come Study	McDavid Library
5:30 PM	Chancel Ringers	Room 104

WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Rooms - Ed Bldg.
8:00 AM	Meals on Wheels	Kitchen
10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Family Life & Bishops Meeting Room
12:00 PM	Noonday Ringers	Room 104
1:30 PM	Centering Prayer	Dill Parlor
5:00 PM	Committee on Racial Justice (2 nd & 4 th)	Zoom
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 PM	Pickleball (1 st and 3 rd Thursdays)	Moore Hall

FRIDAY

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

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

12:00 PM Tool Time

Bishops Meeting Room

Thursday, February 3, 2022

6:00 PM Guided by Grace

Family Life Room, Dill Parlor

Saturday, February 5, 2022

8:00 AM Cub Scout Derby Race

Moore Hall

Sunday, February 6, 2022

2:00 PM Journey to Freedom with Rev. Frederick Outlaw

Moore Hall

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

12:00 PM Trustees

McDavid Library/Zoom

12:00 PM Long Goodbye

Bishops Meeting/Family Life Room

6:30 PM Compassionate Friends

McDavid Library/Dill Parlor/Family Life

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Meeting

McDavid Library/Zoom/Courtyard

12:00 PM Hope

Off Site

Thursday, February 10, 2022

5:30 PM SPRC Meeting

McDavid Library/Zoom

Sunday, February 13, 2022

2:00 PM Journey to Freedom with Rev. Frederick Outlaw

Moore Hall

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

4:00 PM Finance Committee

McDavid Library/Zoom

Thursday, February 17, 2022

12:00 PM Chapel & Sanctuary Worship Committee

McDavid Library

Sunday, February 20, 2022

2:00 PM Journey to Freedom with Rev. Frederick Outlaw

Moore Hall

Monday, February 21, 2022

5:00 PM Church Council

McGowin Hall

5:45 PM Cub Scout Blue & Gold Banquet

McGowin Hall

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

5:00 PM Youth Parent Council

McDavid Library

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

6:30 PM Youth SALT Meeting

Off Site

Sunday, February 27, 2022

2:00 PM Journey to Freedom with Rev. Frederick Outlaw

Moore Hall

Monday, February 28 – Tuesday, March 1, 2022

All Day Church Offices Closed

Mardi Gras Holidays

PROGRAM REPORTS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY– KAT BRAND



While we transition to the new year in ministry, I would like to celebrate a few highlights from December 2021. Children's Ministry ended the year celebrating with the Family Christmas Event, the JUMP (4th and 5th grade) Christmas Party, an extra special Birthday Party for Jesus during Children's Church, and four beautiful Christmas Eve services. I want to highlight our Christmas Party for Jesus. Over the past few years, we have hosted a special celebration during our 10:30 Children's Church the Sunday before Christmas. We learn about the birth story of Jesus and the greatest gift, worship, pray, and of course eat cake! The children have an opportunity to bring a gift to this special party.

This year the children at Dauphin Way donated over 175 pairs of brand new socks for children at Sybil Smith Family Village. It is an amazing privilege to witness our young disciples in action.

Looking ahead, we are prepped and ready for an amazing year! On Sunday January 23, we celebrated the babies born in 2021 with our annual Baby Recognition Service. That evening re-launched our Sunday Night Programming for all ages. We are excited to have all of the children back together! The fun and excitement did not stop there, we were also incredibly excited about the Raising Young Disciples dinner and gathering that evening as well. This was such a wonderful opportunity for parents and ministry staff to connect. We are looking forward to a fruitful year ahead!

The Children's Ministry at Dauphin Way would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Lindsay Lum. Lindsay has served in numerous areas and ministries in our church. She has been an enormous blessing to all who know her. The Children's Ministry at Dauphin Way is one of the greatest beneficiaries of Lindsay's time and talent. Lindsay has been a source of inspiration, energy, positivity, support, encouragement, knowledge, and compassion. I know that Lindsay has made a profound impact on hundreds of children and families. There are simply not enough pages to write all of the wonderful ways that she has made a difference in the walls of our church and beyond. I am incredibly grateful for the years Lindsay spent working alongside me in Children's Ministry. I am looking forward to the amazing journey ahead of her, I know that God is doing big things in and through her. We are covering Lindsay in prayer as she moves to Florida as the Disaster Case Manager at UMCOR.

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."
Romans 8:28

Kat Brand, Director of Children's Ministries

YOUTH MINISTRY– BRITTANY DANG



2022 has already been off to a great start with a wonderful weekend at Winter Retreat. This year Winter Retreat was held at the Alabama 4-H Center. On Friday, January 14th, forty-four of our Dauphin Way students made their way to Columbiana, Alabama. Our SALT, student leadership, team left early to transform our worship space and get things prepared for the rest of us, who arrived later Friday evening. Our theme for the weekend was “rend your hearts,” based on the Scripture Joel 2:13, which states, “Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity.” Our sessions were focused around what our garments are, what rending our hearts means, the character of God, and returning to the grace of God.

Our SALT team did an incredible job decorating our worship space including a prayer corner, a grow corner that encouraged action steps after each session, and an envelope wall with everyone’s names on envelopes designed to encourage and uplift each other throughout the weekend. Our weekend was jam packed with flag football, capture the flag, a corn hole tournament, team building camp activities, a skit competition, a campfire, and even surprise snow flurries on Sunday morning. We wrapped up the weekend praying over one of our seniors, Mary Webster Burke. Winter Retreat was a much-needed weekend away to reset and kick off 2022 by spending intentional time with God and in community with each other.

Sunday, January 23rd, was the re-launch of Sunday evening programming for our students once again. While our students started back at SNL (Sow New Life), all of our parents were invited to the Raising Young Disciples dinner for all parents of children from kindergarten through twelfth grade.

Following the dinner and SNL kick off, we plan on starting back our monthly SALT and Youth Parent Council meetings. The first week of February will kick off weekly youth band rehearsals. Our **Super Bowl Party is Sunday, February 13th. The beginning of February is also when we are opening registration for our June Orlando Retreat and July mission trip.** This year’s mission trip will be in Dorado, Puerto Rico, on July 9-15. Registration is open to any rising ninth graders through adults who are interested.

We are looking forward to a full spring and summer calendar for the youth in 2022!

Behind every great youth trip is an amazing group adults who help make it all happen. We had a team of 13 adults who chose to brave a weekend alongside 30 teenagers. Thank you to each and every adult who attended Winter Retreat! Our small group leaders were Trey West, Andrew Peeler, Chris Nodine, William Percy, Gene Warren, Patrick Dang, Cindy Peeler, Missy Abernethy, and Laura Maguire. Other leaders who helped in all things from driving vehicles to cleaning to refereeing an intense game of flag football (*final score was 51-49 by the way— go green team*) were Brooks Conkle, Charles Bell, Philip Maguire, and Emma Grace Ottolino.

If you have ever thought about helping in youth ministry, I strongly encourage you to consider joining us on a youth trip. The presence of the Lord was felt through every moment of the weekend— from the snow flurries, small groups, a spontaneous karaoke session, to encouraging notes to peers. Seeds were planted this past weekend in all of us. I pray 2022 is a year of tending the soil and reaping a harvest!

Brittany Dang, Director of Student Ministries

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP MINISTRY– TREY WEST



In February 2020, Brittany McDade and I gave a presentation to the Church Council covering everything Dauphin Way's Music and Worship ministries had accomplished in 2019, and everything we hoped to accomplish in 2020. In preparing this report, I decided (mostly for humor's sake) to look back through that presentation. It was just a month later that the world as we knew it then began to shut down. Many of the goals we set for 2020 have been accomplished, it just took a little longer than we thought. Many of our goals also changed as we navigated the ever-changing world that has been our reality these last 22 months – including Brittany transitioning into a new role here and Dauphin Way adding Wilson Newell to be my music and worship “partner in crime.”

I look back on the last two years, and I am deeply proud of how the musicians and worship volunteers at Dauphin Way have consistently risen to the occasion despite the challenges and changes. Lofty goals await us in 2022, especially still not knowing how

the year will unfold, but I know they are attainable because of the incredible people and staff members that call this church home.

One of the first goals we have in the traditional side of music and worship is to honor and acknowledge Black History Month in worship services during February. For the second time since I've come to Dauphin Way, the anthems in the 8:20 and 10:30 AM worship services will all feature the compositions or arrangements from African- American composers. Some will be well known to even the novice fan of choral music, some will be new names to most; all will also be featured with biographical information in our bulletin so we may learn more about their personal, musical, and spiritual journeys. This will be the first time in 2022 we feature the music of African- American composers. The second will come in June when Chancel Choir presents the 2nd concert in our “Americana” series, “Americana: Amplifying Voices,” featuring a concert of music entirely composed and arranged by composers who are black, indigenous, or other persons of color. More details on that later, but suffice it to say, I'm very excited about February's worship music and the concert in June!

I want to end my report by singling out and thanking Mike Nichols, Jack Ford, Brad Philips, and Kevin West. The landscape of ushering and greeting for our 10:30 AM worship service has changed constantly over the last two years, but the A/V side of our worship volunteering has been consistent and probably more important than ever before. These four guys have shown up week after week to make sure that our sound, lighting, and Livestream are working at their best, and many of us wouldn't be able to worship fully without the work they put in on Sunday morning. Throw in the A/V renovation we had in October 2020, forcing them to learn entirely new systems, and it's that much more impressive. Many, many kudos and thanks to them for all they do for Dauphin Way's music and worship ministries!

Trey West, Director of Music and Worship

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP MINISTRY– WILSON NEWELL



I know we're in a new year now, but I can't help but look back and celebrate how magnificent Christmas Eve was at Dauphin Way. It was such a gift to be able to worship Jesus together with a room full of our church family. The Audio/Visual team had a huge task of lighting, mixing, and videoing 11 people on stage, and they did so with expertise. The band put in a huge amount of work to pull off a number of challenging songs. The music ranged from colossal anthems like "Joy to the World" to the haunting and dynamic swells of "O Holy Night" to the smooth jazzy tones of "Winter Snow" to the classic and raw "Silent Night" by candlelight. It was all beautiful, and I am so grateful for everyone who came and worshiped and for those who helped make it happen. The story of Jesus' birth was told in a rich and compelling way, and God was praised!

As for 2022, we kicked the year off with a Night of Prayer on January 9th. It was an intimate and refreshing evening of seeking God's will for the new year. We sat in chairs arranged around the Prayer Labyrinth, sang songs of praise, and prayed

together for our community, church, and homes. We then opened the space for people to *just be* with God. We utilized the labyrinth as well as four prayer stations around the room. It was the first time in many years that I had journeyed through the labyrinth, and it was such a rejuvenating experience to slowly work my way through it, letting go of things that hold me back from God, receiving the grace of Jesus Christ, and embracing new life by the Spirit.

I am grateful to our Worship Design Team, pastors, and volunteers for crafting this experience. I especially give thanks for Pat Turner for helping to bring the ideas to life and setting up the prayer stations, and for Dr. John Bailey for putting in extra time to illuminate the labyrinth and the band on the floor. It is truly incredible that our volunteers are not only creative but are also willing to put in the hard work to pull things like this together. I know it is a blessing to our church, and I am already looking forward to our next Night of Prayer.

Looking ahead, I am excited for our current Healing Series which then rolls into the beautiful season of Lent. We will dive into several of the healing miracles of Jesus, and in doing so we will learn how to look for signs of God's healing work all around us. Our hope is that we all experience healing as we focus on God's heart for our broken world and his desire to restore all things. Our community and world long for healing right now, not only physically but mentally and spiritually, as well. God sees the suffering of His children and loves to bring healing and wholeness. May it be so. With God, nothing is impossible.

Wilson Newell, Director of Contemporary Worship

SERVICE & OUTREACH MINISTRIES– KAREN SMITH



It is hard to believe that Christmas has come and gone! We had such a beautiful Advent and Christmas season here at Dauphin Way. My family and I got to experience White Christmas for the first time, and it was amazing. From the decorations to the choir to the preaching, every aspect of the season was spot-on! I am so thankful to be a part of this incredible community and staff.

Our Society of St. Stephen ministry provided Christmas gifts to 79 “Wish List” children through our angel adoption. Another 129 children who were not in the “Wish List” program were also helped through our Christmas gift giving.

For the calendar year 2021, Society of St. Stephen assisted the following number of families with their needs:

Power: 194

Food: 82

Gas: 29

Misc. needs: 10

Water: 19

Goodwill Vouchers: 21

For 2022, I am currently working to establish a true “Welcome Desk” in McGowin Hall. This space will provide a place for visitors to check-in, get information, and be assisted to Sunday School, nursery, church service, etc. This is an exciting project that will be a wonderful addition to our Hospitality Ministry. Once the desk is in place, it will need to be staffed by friendly volunteers! If you know of someone who would be perfect for this ministry, please let me know!

We continue to have a shortage of Ushers for the Traditional Services. Many remember that Dauphin Way had monthly Usher teams for the Sanctuary. This is something I desperately want to put back in place but cannot seem to get the word to the appropriate people. I have a dozen very fine volunteers who have committed to months (or weeks), but we still need many more to step forward. There is now a signup sheet located at the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Place for folks to sign up to Usher. Of course, you can always call the church or email me as well. As of my writing this, I have one Usher committed to 10:30 AM Sanctuary service for the month of February. We need at least 4 Ushers each Sunday in our services. Please step up to serve and help spread the word.

I am thankful for those Ushers who have helped each time I’ve asked. To those who stepped up to serve at the special services we had during the holidays – thank you for serving in a way that may not seem like much but makes a BIG difference in our worship experience! I am also thankful to the Hospitality volunteers in the Contemporary service. You have answered the call to Greet, Usher, and Serve Communion each week and you are making a difference to our guests, members, and worship teams.

My heart is set on helping Dauphin Way continue to offer hospitality, even radical hospitality, to all who enter our doors! I am so thankful to have amazing volunteers who make that happen each Sunday.

Karen Smith, Director of Servant Ministries

COMPASSION MINISTRIES– REV. KATHY JORGENSEN



Our God is a God of new beginnings. This is evidenced by His divine characteristics displayed in His creation. God created the universe such that there would be days, months, and years. As we face 2022, I ask God to continue to direct the Dauphin Way Family in the very best ways we can serve him over the next twelve months.

During the holidays all three pastors visited our homebound members. The church sent a treat of sweets, devotional booklet, and a Christmas card that included a nativity ornament to each person we visited. The visits were received warmly and were a joy for each of us who made the visits. If you would like to engage in a new ministry this year, I invite you to consider becoming a Shepherd to one of our homebound members.

January is always a heavy but good time when we get back together in our support groups. Christmas is often difficult when you have lost or are having a difficult time with a family member or loved one. Our Longest Night service in December was a healing time in the midst of Christmas difficulties or grief.

In January our “Growing in Grace” widows’ group had dinner together and had a program on the ways we can “Refuel Ourselves for the New Year.”

Our “Tool Time” group for widowers, had a good lunch together and went over the natural stages of grief.

Our Hope ladies, who meet each second Wednesday of the month for lunch on the Causeway, discussed the ways to start and have a healthy New Year.

Our “Long Goodbye” group, for people who have a loved one with dementia, shared about the touching times and the difficulties of navigating the holidays and the changes of schedules it brought into their loved one’s life.

In each group, participants had time to share how they celebrated their holidays and also were able to discuss honestly the difficulties they each experience during the holiday season.

If you know of a widow or widower or someone who is a caregiver to a loved one with dementia in our church or community who would be helped by one of these ministries, please have them call me at the church office 251-471- 1511.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Kathy Jorgensen

DISCIPLESHIP– DR. WOODS LISENBY



If we titled our Church Council reports, this one would be "Same Song, Next Verse." Once again, I feel immensely proud of our staff and congregation as we continue to offer our best efforts amidst ever-changing circumstances. Our team executed all Advent programs and worship services at a high level during December. We had a tremendous response to our White Christmas offering. At Christmas Eve we saw our largest gatherings for worship in two years.

Advent was such a life-giving season, and it was the most normal life has been in a while. Then only two weeks later, we were back to a high number of daily cases reported in Mobile County and making protocol adjustments. I am grateful for a thoughtful group of people to work with, and we all pray that this current wave ends soon.

Part of my role as Executive Pastor is to work with our CDC Board of Directors. On January 10th, we scheduled an emergency meeting to revise the CDC's COVID-19 Protocols. At that meeting, we discussed that two of our CDC teachers tested positive for COVID-19. A third teacher was showing symptoms and went for testing that day. And a fourth was in quarantine due to close contact.

In light of the rise in positive cases in our county, and at the CDC, after prayer and discernment, we amended the COVID-19 protocols to reflect the following:

- All teachers and assistants must wear masks while working with children at the CDC.
- Should a teacher, assistant, or child test positive for COVID-19, the CDC Director will notify the parents of other children in that classroom.
- If someone in a child's class tests positive for COVID-19, the CDC will provide a substitute teacher for that classroom so long as a sufficient number of staff persons are available for the CDC to maintain DHR regulated ratios of teachers to children. Parents have the option to continue sending their children to the CDC for regular times of operation.
 - Parents may also elect to keep their child at home for any amount of time. However, as is our standard policy, families are expected to pay monthly tuition, even for days missed.
- If a classroom reaches an infection rate of more than 20% during a 48-hour period, that classroom will shut down entirely for 5 consecutive calendar days.
- A classroom may also temporarily close if there is insufficient staff to support that classroom adequately but will reopen once the appropriate number of staff members are available.
- We continue to recommend that parents wear masks while inside the CDC.

Along with our CDC Board, three of our Dauphin Way Administrative Committees met for the first time in 2022. I thank God for all of our members who are volunteering their time over the coming year to help guide the church. I look forward to working with our committees as we spend the first half of the year dreaming about all that is possible and the second half of the year working to bring those things to fruition.

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 REPORTS

STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS

Our first meeting was largely organizational. We welcomed our new committee members. The following topics were also discussed:

1. The purpose of SPRC
2. Confidentiality
3. How to support staff members
4. How to support church members
5. Process for bringing congregational complaints to SPRC meetings

SPRC 2022 Members

Christine Ford (2020-22)
Don Foose (2020-22)
Carrie Barton (2022-24)
Gene Warren (2022-24)

Lisa Howard (2021-23)
David Peeler (2020-22)
Tom Clement (2021-23)
Curry Stahl (2021-23)

Christine Ford, SPRC Chair

TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees elected new officers for 2022. They are: Justin Merrick – Chair, Debbie Torbert – Vice Chair, and Amelia Driscoll – Secretary.

Dauphin Way had an excellent December. We had a net income of \$160,838.15. This resulted in a YE net income of \$7,045.08. The CDC finished the year with a YE net income of \$211,450.86.

It appears that due to shipment delays and scheduling, the Chapel may not be open for use until late Spring. We are working with all parties involved to get the mold remediation resolved as quickly as possible.

The current tenant of 28 Lee Street has been notified that we will be selling the property. The Trustees rejected a \$150,000 cash offer from an investor. They have agreed to give L'Arche a week to work with their Board to present an offer to the Trustees.

Cindy McMillan

FINANCE

Total receipts for December were \$369,041, total disbursements \$208,203 with a gain of \$160,838 for the month and a YE surplus of \$7,045. Our chair, Betty Stone, will be including a letter of gratitude on behalf of the committee with our year-end giving statements.

215 families have pledged \$1.45 million for 2022. We are very close to reaching our discipleship campaign goal. The CDC had a net loss of \$36,940 for December but ended the year with a surplus of \$211,451.

The committee agreed to increase the budget for loose plate receipts to a number reflective of loose plate amounts pre-pandemic. By making this adjustment and the increased pledges, it results in a balanced budget for 2022.

Betty Stone, Finance Chair

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Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2021

Budgeted Financial Statement for Period 12 – December 100.00%

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	269,319.23	1,397,754.15	110.55%	1,341,048.75
1132	Pledge Reduction Allowance	63,219.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
	Net Current Pledges	1,201,167.00	269,319.23	1,397,754.15	116.37%	1,341,048.75
1133	Prior Pledges	0.00	0.00	13,585.00	0.00%	3,259.00
1134	Trust Fund Pledge	83,162.00	0.00	87,212.82	104.87%	78,951.59
1135	Loose Plate	9,825.00	403.00	5,679.33	57.80%	4,772.90
1137	Non Pledged Contribution	764,680.00	99,318.77	486,020.39	63.56%	595,563.07
1140	Interest Income	500.00	0.24	484.50	96.90%	1,598.02
1142	Facilities Use Income	6,000.00	0.00	8,820.00	147.00%	6,150.00
1143	Pre-paid Pledge Income	4,119.00	0.00	4,119.06	100.00%	81,746.04
1147	Payroll Protection Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	207,300.00
	Total Receipts	2,069,453.00	369,041.24	2,003,675.25	96.82%	2,320,389.37
	Disbursements					
4413	Total Pastoral	4,000.00	99.00	3,392.82	84.82%	2,761.92
4510	Total Communications	6,663.00	518.91	6,839.41	102.65%	5,347.95
5011	Total Children's Ministry	17,726.00	11,914.37	35,741.10	201.63%	16,147.56
5111	Total Youth Ministry	18,554.00	1,045.55	17,143.68	92.40%	16,977.42
5211	Total Adult Ministry	8,225.00	456.71	3,380.89	41.11%	1,862.98
5612	Total Missions	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	1,000.00
5710	Total Connectional	24,950.00	2,079.17	24,950.00	100.00%	32,893.72
5739	Conference Apportionments	136,023.00	11,335.25	136,023.00	100.00%	196,149.28
5910	Total Membership Care	2,404.00	32.85	1,757.11	73.09%	1,663.60
6001	Community Care	23,675.00	112.00	13,683.92	57.80%	19,944.57
6310	Total Worship	44,000.00	8,105.04	38,835.61	88.26%	35,972.14
6610	Total Office	91,600.00	8,128.81	76,452.75	83.46%	64,284.65
6710	Total Facilities & Equipment	514,852.00	31,981.24	517,152.15	100.45%	389,504.20
6800	Total Loans	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	332,883.29
6804	Total Operation Income	-47,760.00	-3,980.00	-60,310.00	126.28%	-49,025.00
6810	Total Operation Expenses	18,086.00	6,722.77	28,895.64	159.77%	2,424.90
7001	Total Kitchen Income	0.00	-331.50	-399.80	0.00%	-1,103.62
7111	Total Kitchen Expense	23,267.00	3,278.53	20,856.92	89.64%	16,673.14
	Total Personnel	1,182,188.00	126,704.39	1,132,234.97	95.77%	1,120,444.28
	Total Disbursements	2,069,453.00	208,203.09	1,996,630.17	96.48%	2,206,806.98
	Income Over/Under Expenses	<u>0.00</u>	<u>160,838.15</u>	<u>7,045.08</u>		<u>113,582.39</u>
Checking Accounts & Receivable Balances as of December 31, 2021						
	Operating Checking	\$159,718.26				
	Payroll Checking	524.04				
	Online Checking	418.95				
	Operating Money Market	114,790.08				
	Operating Reserve – AWFUMF	345,156.61				
	Accounts Receivable – CDC	0.00				

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In Memory of **Rev. Dr. Stephen Dill:**

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Deborah & Pete Hollenstein	John & Susan Leach
James & Betty Tarlton	Betty & John Stone

In Memory of **Harold Butz, Jr.:**

Dian & Gene Beitel

In Memory of **John Martin:**

Dr & Mrs. John Stone

HONARARY GIFTS

In Honor of **Colleen Hicks:**

Kimi & Allen Oaks

In Honor of **Trey West:**

Russell & Barbara Parchman

BAPTISMS

We celebrate the baptism of Danielle House, daughter of Sawyer and Alyssa House, who has been presented for the Sacrament of Christian Baptism on January 23, 2022.

DEATHS

We extend our love and sympathy to Ann Bedsole and family upon the death of her son, John Martin, on January 9, 2022.

We extend our love and sympathy to Anna Moore and family upon the death of her father, Bob Bowen, on January 10, 2022.

We extend our love and sympathy to Ruth Dill and family upon the death of her husband, Rev. Dr. Stephen Dill, on January 14, 2022.

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