



# THE GREAT FIFTY

# 50

# DAY CHALLENGE

## DAUPHIN WAY JOURNAL

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YOU ARE INVITED

Dauphin Way 101  
Fast Track

May 15, 2022  
5:00 PM to 6:30 PM  
McGowin Hall

Dinner will be served.  
Childcare for 4 and under

Sign up at  
[dauphinwayumc.org/fasttrack](https://dauphinwayumc.org/fasttrack)

# REV. MICHAEL PRECHT

*Senior Pastor*



We have had a great beginning to the Great Fifty Days, the season that stretches from the first day of Easter to the day of Pentecost. As much as I was personally moved and awed by spending six weeks of worship, devotion, and study with our attention fixed on The Cross - my joy was even greater as we gathered on Easter Sunday to visit the empty tomb together.

For all that we have done and seen in the last month, I am also aware of a few things that remain undone. Between confirmation interviews, holidays, and new job listings, we are still trying to find time to convene our nominations committee to name a “Process Team” to help Dauphin Way navigate upcoming changes in our denomination. I hope that next month’s report will include news of progress on that front.

The rest of these Great Fifty Days go from grace to grace as we celebrate Confirmation Sunday, Mother’s Day, and Senior Sunday while we also spend 7 weeks in the book of First Corinthians, where we will learn from the church’s concerns and Paul’s teachings about the role of the dining table in the fellowship of the Church. The Corinthians believed that what we eat, and when, and with whom are the sorts of questions that reveal and shape our fellowship with God, and Dauphin Way - of all churches - knows that the Corinthians were right! One of my favorite lines from Dauphin Way’s history came from the old building superintendent Hayes Brinkley, who once said “Dauphin Way Methodists are the eating-est folks I’ve ever seen!” For many years, our receptions, dinners, and supper clubs have fed the soul as much as the body, and in the Great Fifty Days of Easter, our vision is that God will add 50 new members to our church and 50 new tables to at least five new supper clubs that we will launch in June.

One way we are making that vision possible is by offering our first-ever ***Dauphin Way 101 Fast Track***. Typically, Dauphin Way 101 takes place over four weeks each month, but on May 15 all are welcome to join us for dinner in McGowin Hall as Woods, Kathy and I offer the whole of Dauphin Way 101 in a 90 minute presentation.

Among our new job listings that I mentioned above, the most vital and intricate is our search for a new Director of Traditional Worship and Music. I am so very grateful to Trey West for these 4 years in which he has shared his tremendous talents with us and shaped the worship of Dauphin Way in ways that will endure far into the future. I pray every blessing on him and Becca as they prepare to return to the Fort Worth area. I am also grateful that John Ricketts has agreed to serve as our Interim Traditional Worship and Music Director while our SPRC works with two consultants — James Seay of First United Methodist Church in Montgomery, AL, and Will Young of First Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, NC — who are guiding our search process. At this moment, we have 5 applicants whose experience and education meet our requirements for the position. By the end of May, our search committee will conduct initial interviews before deciding who to invite for a full interview and rehearsal with our choir and the SPRC. The search committee includes two members of our SPRC (Tom Clement and Don Foose), two members of the choir (Alan Farmer and Gloria King), and two regular attendees of the traditional worship services (Tracey Lane and Shannon Phillips).

Finally, I owe a tremendous debt of thanks to Lynn Davidson for all she has done to coordinate this year’s confirmation experience, to Shannon Rhodes for organizing this year’s Confirmation Breakfast, and to all our confirmation mentors. It is one of my greatest joys in ministry to sit with our confirmands each year for their Spiritual Direction Interviews, and then to stand before them as they profess their faith in the presence of their church. Those highlight moments are made possible by hundreds of hours of behind-the-scenes moments of personal conversations and schedule coordination. I owe more than I can say to everyone who has ministered to our 18 confirmands this year, preparing the way for them to be the first of the fifty new members that God will send us in these Great 50 Days!



# MAY 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	Classrooms around church/Zoom/Refuge
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	Disciple One	McDavid Library

## 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
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	Family Life & Bishops Meeting Room
12:00 PM	Noonday Ringers	SB104
1:30 PM	Centering Prayer	Dill Parlor
5:00 PM	Committee on Racial Justice (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4th)	Zoom
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
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

## FRIDAY

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



# MAY AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 1

9:15 AM	Confirmation Breakfast	Moore Hall
5:00 PM	Children's Sunday Evening Programming	Upstairs Education Building
5:00 PM	SNL and Youth Dinner	Refuge & McGowin Hall

Wednesday, May 4

12:00 PM	Tool Time	Bishops Meeting Room
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Thursday, May 5

6:00 PM	Guided by Grace	Family Life Room, Dill Parlor
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Sunday, May 8

9:00 AM	Mother's Day Celebration	McGowin Hall
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Tuesday, May 10

12:00 PM	Board of 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, May 11

12:00 PM	Hope	Blue Gill Restaurant
12:00 PM	Contemporary Worship Meeting	McDavid Library/Zoom

Thursday, May 12

5:30 PM	SPRC Meeting	McDavid Library/Zoom
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Sunday, May 15

9:15 AM	Senior Sunday Breakfast	McGowin Hall
5:00 PM	DW101 Fast Track	Dill Parlor

Monday, May 16

6:15 PM	Cub Scout Pack Meeting	Moore Hall
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Tuesday, May 17

4:00 PM	Finance Committee	McDavid Library/Zoom
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Wednesday, May 18

12:00 PM	Mission Committee	McDavid Library
6:30 PM	SALT Meeting	Dang Home

Thursday, May 19

12:00 PM	Chapel & Sanctuary Worship Committee	McDavid Library
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Saturday, May 21

9:00 AM	UMCOR Emergency Response Training	E210
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Sunday, May 22

11:30	Spaghetti Luncheon Youth Fundraiser	McGowin Hall
5:00 PM	Orlando Retreat Parent Meeting	McGowin Hall

Monday, May 23

5:00 AM	Church Council	McGowin Hall
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Tuesday, May 24

12:00 PM	CDC Board Meeting	Zoom
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Monday, May 30

Memorial Day Holiday - Church Offices and CDC Closed

# PROGRAM REPORTS

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY– KAT BRAND



Last month, we celebrated the wonderful story of Jesus' resurrection. The children have spent weeks journeying to the cross. We have learned about Palm Sunday, The Last Supper, the Garden of Gethsemane, Pontius Pilate, the road to Golgotha, the death of Jesus, and the Resurrection and empty tomb. It is amazing to witness children visit and revisit this story every year. We've heard it so many times, yet each year we see the story with new eyes, hear it with new ears, and experience it in our souls with a renewed spirit. The Holy Spirit opens up so many new emotions. This year, the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders had so many questions about Judas. Who was he? What was he like? Why would he betray Jesus? What could he have been thinking? What could have motivated him? They wanted a full character/personality profile of Judas. I love to see them dig deep into parts of the story and really start to process the people, places, and events. They start to put themselves in the story and ask deep questions. I always challenge them to hear the story, to really listen.

Then we start to think through what the people in the story could have been feeling and thinking. What did this event mean for the people in the story? Then we read it again and start to ask, what does this mean for us? Can you see yourself in this story? Who can you relate to? What do you think you would have done or been feeling? Suddenly a story that you have heard so many times starts to have new meaning. Something that you've nearly memorized because you've heard it so many times starts to crack open with new life. I love to see their minds work and their hearts open up as they experience scripture and feel it come to life.

Looking forward, we are gearing up for Vacation Bible School! Most, if not all, of our time will be devoted to VBS. I absolutely love VBS! It requires gargantuan amounts of time, energy, resources, and volunteers. But it is incredible to see the building transform and the rooms and hallways overflowing with children. There is so much excitement and energy. It's so awesome to see our children invite friends to join them at church. It's an amazing way to encourage them on their path of discipleship! We can't wait to see everyone Under the Big Top!

This month my heartfelt gratitude goes to our incredible nursery staff! We have the most amazing and dedicated staff that love and care for our children every week. They make sure that children are safe, healthy, and loved. We have rotating volunteers, but our staff are present every Sunday morning and Sunday evening. Their familiar faces greet children every week. They know what each child needs, how to soothe them, and which toys they like best. They love our children so well. Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday means lots of extra babies to greet and love. Our staff welcome them with love! Many, many thanks to Beth Lum, Susan Jones, Leslie Jackson, Mary Anna Hatch, and Heather Hodge.

Kat Brand, Director of Children's Ministries

## YOUTH MINISTRY– BRITTANY DANG



As April comes to a close, I have been reflecting on several unique ways the Lord has been at work in the youth ministry this month. One of the most beautiful ways was in how our students responded to our worship night on April 3rd. Our students walked through a worship experience at SNL, commonly known as *the stations of the cross*, that journeys through Jesus' final hours before his death. At each station, we read a Scripture passage along with an activity to engage with the text. We learned that using our different senses as a tool in worship experiences was both powerful and memorable. These hands-on worship experiences are moments that will stick with our students for the rest of their lives.

The week following our worship night was Palm Sunday and Easter on the Lawn. Kat did an incredible job coordinating the kids for Palm Sunday and all the fun activities at Easter on the Lawn. I was proud to see our youth happily jumping in to help with the kids, waving palms and serving as volunteers at children's church. At Easter on the Lawn, we had a big crew of youth come to the patch and help at our food booth to raise money for

the upcoming high school mission trip to Puerto Rico. In the two hours we served hot dog meals and goodies, we made \$341! This past week, registration closed for the Puerto Rico mission trip and the Orlando Retreat. We are thrilled that there will be fifty-six of us attending the Orlando Retreat this June and twenty of us serving in Puerto Rico this July. This month in specific, it has been amazing to see our students live out their call as disciples through their prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

This Saturday, April 23rd, our students have another opportunity to serve in a food distribution day with Dwell Mobile. The following week on April 29th, we have a mission trip fundraiser called Parents' Night Out for all our parents with little ones. Sunday, May 1st, is Confirmation Sunday, when we will celebrate eighteen sixth graders make commitments to a lifelong faith journey. At our final SNL that same day, we will have an ice cream party to welcome our sixth graders officially to the student ministry! A couple weeks later on Sunday, May 15th, is Senior Sunday! We will have a breakfast for our seniors and their families during the Sunday school hour before celebrating and praying over them in both of our 10:30 worship services. Our last big event in the month of May is our Spaghetti Luncheon fundraiser for the Puerto Rico mission trip on Sunday, May 22nd. For those who plan to stay and eat, we will have a mission trip info booth and envelope sponsorship wall for each individual going to Puerto Rico. For those who prefer to get lunch to go or make a donation online, that option is available as well on our registration form. A registration link will be in our church bulletins through the next few weeks.

This month I would like to thank the members of this year's youth parent council! This team of parents has helped brainstorm and coordinate every youth event on the calendar. This year's members are Andrea Moore, Charles Bell, Faith Gage, Lorie Freeman, Kelly Warren, Phillip Abernethy, Missy Abernethy, Karen Smith, Lisa Howard, and Patrick Dang. These are leaders who are truly invested in creating the best programs that pour into this generation of disciples. Thank you all for your hard work and invaluable input this school year.

Brittany Dang, Director of Student Ministries



## CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP & MISSIONS – WILSON NEWELL



April was the busiest and most emotionally up-and-down month I've had in a long time, which seems fitting given the story Holy Week. Holy Week at Dauphin Way began with the Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem, marked by the wonderful parade of palms by our kids. But after Palm Sunday, things went downhill for Jesus and the disciples as the crowds and even his own disciples began to turn against him. We remembered the love of Jesus together on Maundy Thursday in the Sanctuary and his sacrifice on the Cross on Good Friday in Moore Hall. These two somber services are one of the most powerful and awe-inspiring of the entire year, and I was grateful to be a part of them. When Good Friday ended in darkness singing "Were You There," it truly felt like Jesus and all our hopes were dead and buried for good. But then Sunday came, and words cannot describe the joy I felt on that glorious morning! We proclaimed that Christ is Risen, we sang joyfully (with a choir backing the band in the Contemporary Service!), and we hugged on our church family. It was just the perfect way to remember Jesus' victory over the grave,

the greatest day in history.

Throughout May we will continue the spirit of Easter with our "Great 50 Days" leading up to Pentecost. In this Eastertide Season, we will keep on praising Jesus for the new life in Christ that we have and the hope of resurrection. Each Sunday, will feature a different celebration, including Missions Sunday, Confirmation, Mother's Day, Senior Sunday, and Aldersgate Sunday. It will be a colorful and joyful time, and I hope you will join us for this great month in worship!

I want to thank two folks from "the other side" of worship, Karen Anne Beville and Trey West! Karen Anne not only orchestrated the beautiful Easter lilies and palm crosses for our services, she also decorated the beautiful large palm cross and flower cross during Holy Week. I found that chicken wire cross in the McGowin Hall stage rafters, and I asked her last minute what her thoughts were on us using it, and she took it and ran with it. So many people were excited that we had brought back that Dauphin Way tradition of old, but it wouldn't have happened without her. Trey volunteered his gifts for our Good Friday service and sang and played the keys beautifully with us. I will really miss collaborating with him in the future, and I know that Carrollton UMC will be blessed by him and Becca. Thank you, Karen Anne and Trey!

April was an exciting month in Missions, as well! After months of dreaming and planning, we finally got to serve together on Missions Sunday! It was great to celebrate the ways that God has been at work through Dauphin Way through the years in worship, and then to witness the whole church serving together in simple but meaningful ways. We assembled 50 cleaning buckets for UMCOR, 25 care bags for Homeless in Mobile, and worked in our Community Garden and around our church. I am grateful for our whole Missions Team who made it happen, but especially for Cindy Peeler, who shared her testimony of the power of serving in all three worship services.

We have a lot more missions opportunities coming our way, too. On May 21, we will host an Emergency Response Team Training. July 26-30, we will have a Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Work Week, serving alongside other churches as we build a new house for a family. In November, we will send a small group to Ebenezer Basic School in central Jamaica, a school that Dauphin Way built in 1985 and has been supporting ever since. It is great to see Dauphin Way living into its bold tradition of serving the world in the name of Jesus Christ!

Wilson Newell, Director of Contemporary Worship & Mission Coordinator

## SERVICE & OUTREACH MINISTRIES— KAREN SMITH



The past month has been a fun time of connecting with new members and making new friends! At the end of March, we hosted our first New Member Dinner of the year. This dinner included members who joined the church in 2021. We had a nice time getting to know each other better. We also solicited feedback on our process of welcoming visitors and helping them in their path to membership.

That same week, several Dauphin Way volunteers served at Leinkauf Elementary School's bookfair. More than 20 people donated their time to work the bookfair. These folks helped the children shop, restocked inventory, assisted in counting change, showed interest in the students, and encouraged them to read. In addition to volunteering time, Dauphin Way members donated money to ensure that children who could not afford to buy a book did not walk away empty-handed. These donations made it possible for more than 50 students to take a book home. Who doesn't love a Book Fair?!?!

Our partnership with Leinkauf did not stop there. We also now have 10 tutors from Dauphin Way serving 35 students in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades. Each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, you can find our servant volunteers helping children learn the alphabet and how to read. A few of the tutors also assist in math. After having our Backpack Ministry put on hold at Leinkauf (due to a generous grant the school received), I am so pleased that we have been able to minister to the children in another way.

Looking forward, I am excited for our Dauphin Way 101 Dinner that will take place on May 15<sup>th</sup>. This will be an intensive Dauphin Way 101 class for those families who are interested in receiving the 3 sessions of material all at once. The class will last 1.5 hours, dinner will be served, and childcare will be provided. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about Dauphin Way UMC, please let me know!

Happy Easter to everyone. It was a glorious Sunday at Dauphin Way. Thank you to everyone who greeted, ushered, served communion, took to the stage, and worked behind it! You all made a difference in our worship experience. Thank you to every person who served at the book fair or volunteered to tutor at Leinkauf. I hope you feel blessed as you are blessing others. As always, it is my privilege to serve alongside you.

Karen Smith, Director of Servant Ministries

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE — REV. KATHY JORGENSEN



April is not only one of the more beautiful times in Mobile, but it is one of the busiest times in the church with Lent and Easter. I love it all! Lent invites us as disciples of Jesus, to a discipline that opposes evil and resists whatever leads us away from the love of God and neighbor. So during the weeks of Lent, we were called to practice the disciplines— self-examination and repentance, prayer and fasting, sacrificial giving and works of love — strengthened by the gifts of word and sacrament. Now as “Easter people” we are called to live out our faith in Jesus Crucified and Risen by imitating Him in daily life by the way we speak, think and act. Anything else is a betrayal of Jesus and our faith.

Spiritual direction can help individuals evaluate their relationship with God and how they are in their faith journey. I invite you to consider spiritual direction. Feel free to call me at the church office if you want to learn more about spiritual direction 251-471-1511.

During Lent, we offered a weekday Lenten class that I led with 12 students in attendance. Michael Precht did a great job creating the study and the daily devotional guide for the period of Lent. We studied more fully what Jesus did for us on the cross. We explored five of the different atonement theories.

This month, our widows in Guided by Grace enjoyed an outing to the Cornerstone Gardens and Arboretum on Government St. The garden was created as a place of meditation, rest and reflection for Carriage House Repose & Restore, Inc., a Christian support ministry for ministers, missionaries and evangelists. The Carriage House is situated on the property close to the gardens, and the pastors and others come to stay there as a short-term respite. The caretakers and stewards of the Carriage House ministry have opened the gardens to the general public so as to share the natural beauty and wonder of over 5,000 plants and trees comprised of over 150 different species. We were very appreciative to Mr. Drinkard for giving us a tour of the gardens. After the garden tour our group returned to the church for a delicious supper and a time to visit. We look at this support group, under the devoted leadership of Lynn Stewart, as an oasis in their grief.

This month we had two funerals in our church, our long-time member Jack Smith passed away. On good Friday we had the graveside service of Glo Oxford, the niece of Glo and Bill Welsh. Our hospital visits have picked up also, now as hospitals are easing up on their visitation guidelines. It is good to be able to visit and pray with those hospitalized. This month we also held the memorial service for Dr. Stephen Dill. It was a service fitting for a great man of the ministry and community service. We celebrated his outstanding life, as well as the 19 years he guided the Dauphin Way congregation as senior pastor. We appreciated the choir for their music during the service and for Sara Jane Fulmer heading up the bereavement team, who provided hospitality during the memorial service and the meal for the family and guests. Sara Jane and her committee always do a lovingly beautiful job and we so appreciate their tender care of our grieving families.

Grace and Peace,  
Rev. Kathy Jorgensen



## DISCIPLESHIP—DR. WOODS LISENBY



It is hard to believe we are already in Eastertide! The year seems to be flying by, but as it does, we continue to see the work of the Holy Spirit throughout the life and ministries of Dauphin Way UMC. As leaves and flowers return, so too do our semblances of normalcy. It's been three years since our last Holy Week morning services and breakfasts, but I am happy to say our hiatus is over. Each morning during Holy Week was a blessing filled with incredible worship, food, and fellowship. Our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services were spectacular and left us feeling the weight of Christ's Passion, propelling our congregation into an unforgettable day of worship on Easter Sunday! Preceding all of our Holy Week joys was by a beautiful Palm Sunday where we watched the children parade with the palms, and together we celebrated Easter on the Lawn hosted by Kat Brand and the children's ministry. Lent and Holy Week could not have gone better, and I am grateful to all our staff and volunteers who put in hours of work to make it so memorable!

To top off a reflection on this past Lenten season, I must say that I am overwhelmed by the generosity of our congregation in supporting our collection for RIP Medical Debt. At the beginning of Lent, we ask the congregation to make a Lenten sacrifice that would be something of financial value (a cup of coffee, a meal, a streaming platform, etc.) and then bring the savings from those sacrifices as part of a congregational collection. Our goal was to raise \$10,000, which, thanks to the work of RIP Medical Debt, would cancel out over \$1,000,000 worth of medical debt. I am floored that this congregation exceeded our goal and raised over \$19,039 which means we are able will help forgive over \$1,900,000 of debt! That is what a tangible expression of Christ's forgiveness, grace, and generosity looks like, and it is something we should all celebrate!

As we turn our attention to May, I look forward to all the things we get to celebrate over the coming weeks. This late-spring season is our time to celebrate our confirmands, our seniors, and all those who act as mothers in our lives. Each Sunday this month is full of joy, and we plan our worship services so that our congregation can show love and support to all of these persons. We hope you will join us throughout Eastertide as we journey through the book of 1 Corinthians and consider more what it means to be a church that endeavors to resemble God's kingdom. As a part of our series "Food for Thought," you will hear more about our 50 Members and 50 Tables initiative. If you are interested in joining the church or a new Supper Club, I hope you will reach out to Rev. Precht or me, and we would love to talk with you about how to make that happen.

Grace and Peace,  
Woods

## 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

Following Trey's announcement that he has taken a job in Texas, the Music and Worship Director position announcement was posted publicly. A search committee was named and includes SPRC members, choir members, and traditional worship attendees with young and teen aged children. John Ricketts has agreed to fill in as Music and Worship Director until a permanent director is hired. It was announced that the DWUMC wedding director position has been filled by Wanda Coleman. Additionally, Duke Divinity student, Beth Johnson, has accepted a summer internship with us.

SPRC addressed admin and maintenance staff shortages since both departments are currently seeking to fill open positions. Preliminary plans for a staff appreciation event in October were presented by the staff appreciation subcommittee. Finally, in an effort to improve how future positions are created and how staff is hired, Woods led an exercise to help SPRC begin to imagine an ideal version of DWUMC's staff.

Christine Ford, SPRC Chair

### TRUSTEES

Dauphin Way had a very good March, ending the month with a net surplus of \$28,827.73. This almost completely eliminated the year-to-date deficit, which is now only \$6,686.75.

We are working with all parties involved to get the mold remediation in the chapel resolved as quickly as possible. Things have been delayed due to supply chain issues.

We have accepted L'Arche's offer to purchase 28 & 30 Lee Street for \$225,000. At their inspection of the property, they learned that there is a potential termite and water damage problem. We have extended the closing date to allow L'Arche time to figure out how much it is going to cost to fix everything. They have not rescinded their offer.

Justin Merrick, Trustees Chair

### FINANCE

March financial report looks good. Receipts were healthy; and although we still show a deficit for the year, we are making progress. April collections have been quite impressive.

Quarterly statements, accompanied by a letter from Rev. Precht, will go out soon.

The conversion from the Vanco System to the Shelby system for online giving continues, and members still using Vanco will be directly contacted.

Betty Stone, Finance Chair

**001 Dauphin Way United Methodist Church**

**Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2021**

**Budgeted Financial Statement for Period 3 - March 25.00%**

**2022 Receipts & Disbursements**

ACCT #		2022 Budget	Actual for Period	2022 Actual YTD	Actual to Budg %	Prior YTD
	<b>Receipts</b>					
1131	Current Pledges	1,463,483.00	150,943.61	349,455.91	23.88%	319,058.37
1132	Pledge Reduction Allowance	29,269.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
	Net Current Pledges	1,434,214.00	150,943.61	349,455.91	24.37%	319,058.37
1133	Prior Pledges	0.00	350.00	9,291.75	0.00%	13,585.00
1134	Trust Fund Pledge	79,835.00	0.00	24,840.96	31.12%	20,790.62
1135	Loose Plate	16,876.00	1,470.00	3,470.00	20.56%	1,195.66
1137	Non Pledged Contribution	589,416.00	24,103.08	96,244.52	16.33%	120,844.78
1140	Interest Income	500.00	4.40	10.81	2.16%	169.42
1142	Facilities Use Income	6,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
1143	Pre-paid Pledge Income	17,492.00	1,457.70	4,373.10	25.00%	4,119.06
1148	CDC Fee Income	53,760.00	4,480.00	13,440.00	25.00%	0.00
1149	Wedding Income	0.00	2,210.00	2,210.00		0.00
	<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>2,198,093.00</b>	<b>185,018.79</b>	<b>503,337.05</b>	22.90%	<b>479,762.91</b>
	<b>Disbursements</b>					
4413	Total Pastoral	6,500.00	500.86	500.86	7.71%	516.00
4510	Total Communications	6,663.00	805.39	1,690.35	25.37%	1,221.77
5011	Total Children's Ministry	25,000.00	3,105.32	8,947.61	35.79%	6,316.66
5111	Total Youth Ministry	18,704.00	856.66	11,184.69	59.80%	6,387.47
5211	Total Adult Ministry	10,787.00	226.30	-3,832.30	-35.53%	2,051.47
5612	Total Missions	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
5710	Total Connectional	24,316.00	2,026.42	6,079.22	25.00%	6,237.47
5739	Conference Apportionments	138,360.00	11,530.01	34,589.91	25.00%	34,005.75
5910	Total Membership Care	3,404.00	-32.00	108.20	3.18%	72.17
6001	Community Care	22,675.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	446.92
6310	Total Worship	44,000.00	2,569.62	7,173.81	16.30%	9,019.21
6610	Total Office	95,600.00	11,502.64	23,694.62	24.79%	15,502.98
6710	Total Facilities & Equipment	561,690.00	34,723.16	143,473.92	25.54%	137,407.78
6800	Total Loans	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
6804	Total Operation Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	-17,070.00
6810	Total Operation Expenses	22,886.00	725.00	13,475.00	58.88%	0.00
7001	Total Kitchen Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
7111	Total Kitchen Expense	23,267.00	1,146.07	4,367.77	18.77%	3,530.80
	Total Personnel	1,193,241.00	86,505.61	258,570.14	21.67%	261,013.51
	<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>2,198,093.00</b>	<b>156,191.06</b>	<b>510,023.80</b>	23.20%	<b>466,659.96</b>
	<b>Income Over/Under Expenses</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>28,827.73</b>	<b>(6,686.75)</b>		<b>13,102.95</b>
<b>Checking Accounts &amp; Receivable Balances as of March 31, 2022</b>						
	Operating Checking	\$158,423.39				
	Payroll Checking	524.04				
	Online Checking	253.95				
	Operating Money Market	114,775.89				
	Operating Reserve - AWFUMF	345,105.36				
	Accounts Receivable - CDC	0.00				



# MILESTONES & MEMORIALS

## BIRTHS

We rejoice to celebrate the birth of Jean Elizabeth Leatherbury, daughter of Austin & Tom Leatherbury, on March 23, 2022.

## BAPTISMS

Amelie Squillante was baptized on April 3, 2022. Her parents are James & Brianne Squillante.

Forrest Turner James was baptized on April 17, 2022. His parents are Tim & Ann Turner James.

## DEATHS

We extend our love and sympathy to the family of Jack Smith who died on April 11, 2022.

We extend our love and sympathy to Jonathan Aeiker and family upon the death of his grandmother, Oleta Cook Aeiker, on April 11, 2022

## MEMORIALS

### *In Memory of* Dr. Steve Dill

Walter & Sharon Meigs – Dill Lecture Fund

Merrellyn & Dan Miller

Lisa & Tom Clement

Marie Percy – Dill Lecture Fund

Laura T. Allen – Dill Lecture Fund

John & Betty Stone – Dill Lecture Fund

### *In Memory of* Jewel Adams-Heblon

Jacqueline Williams

### *In Honor of* Kat Brand

Lacey Smith – SSS

### *In Honor of* Brooks & Ann Margaret Bullen

Jimmie Van Valkenburgh

### *In Honor of* Ruth Dill

John & Betty Stone – Dill Lecture Fund

### *In Honor of* Dauphin Way Clergy & Staff

John & Betty Stone – SSS

Kimi & Allen Oaks – Dill Lecture Fund

### *In Honor of* Susie O’Gorman

Norma Gardner – MOW

### *In Honor of* Trey & Becca West

John & Betty Stone – Music Ministry



Have you ever watched the news footage after a devastating hurricane and felt a burning desire to go and help those who lost their homes, but you didn't know how? Many of us in Mobile have felt the painful effects of these storms ourselves, and we want to help those who have also experienced this kind of suffering.

We are excited to announce that we have an opportunity to be a part of this important relief work to help people get their lives back on track in a moment of crisis by partnering with United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), one of the world's leading relief agencies. Dauphin Way is hosting an UMCOR Emergency Response Team (ERT) Training **on Saturday, May 21 from 9:00-4:30**. Those who attend the training can be some of the first "boots on the ground" in bringing the hope of Christ in a physically helpful way to disaster victims when the next one arises. The cost is \$35/person. You can sign up at [dauphinwayumc.org/register](http://dauphinwayumc.org/register). We hope you will join us in making a difference!

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