

# DAUPHIN WAY







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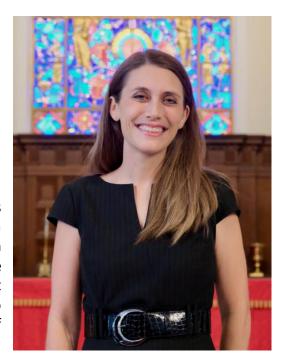
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# FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR

Dear Dauphin Way Family,

As we continue journeying through the Great 50 Days of Easter, our hearts are still resonating with resurrection joy — and with the call that comes with it. In our current sermon series, "Gone Fishing," we're exploring what it means to reach out to others, to cast wide the net of love, and to invite our neighbors into the rich, grace-filled life we share as a community of faith.



Many of us know firsthand the blessing it is to be part of Dauphin Way — to experience the love of Jesus through warm embraces, faithful friendships, and a church that truly feels like home. And because we know how meaningful this is, we want others to know it too. We want every guest who walks through our doors to encounter more than a friendly face — we want them to feel *seen*, *welcomed*, and *invited into belonging*.

That's why I want to encourage us all to adopt a simple and powerful practice called the **"5-10 Link Rule."** It's an easy way for every one of us to help make our church even more welcoming and connected — not just for visitors, but for one another as well.

#### Here's how it works:

- **5 = Time.** For the five minutes *before* worship begins and the five minutes *after* it ends, commit to stepping outside your usual circle and greeting someone you don't know well. These small moments of connection can make a big difference.
- **10 = Space.** If someone you don't know comes within ten feet of you even if you're chatting with friends reach out. Invite them into your group. A simple gesture of inclusion speaks volumes.
- **Link = Connection.** Once you meet someone new, help them make another connection. "Let me introduce you to..." is a powerful phrase. Find a shared interest, occupation, or experience to spark a new relationship.

You don't have to memorize names. You don't have to know everyone. You just have to be open—and willing to make the first move. If you're ever unsure what to say, a warm question like, "How long have you been part of Dauphin Way?" opens the door without assuming anything.

Whether they've been here 30 years or it's their very first Sunday, a real connection begins with genuine curiosity.

I've even seen longtime members — folks who worshipped at different services for decades — meet for the first time and strike up new friendships. Not awkward — *beautiful*. That's what happens when we live with open hearts.

We preachers may not like to admit it, but the research shows that more than the sermon or even the amazing music that our teams provide, what guests remember — and what will bring them back — is how they felt and how they were welcomed.

Let's be the kind of church where no one stands alone. Let's be the kind of church where new friends are always being made. Let's make hospitality not just a value but a way of life — living out Paul's invitation in Romans 12:13 to "extend hospitality to strangers."

Will you join me?

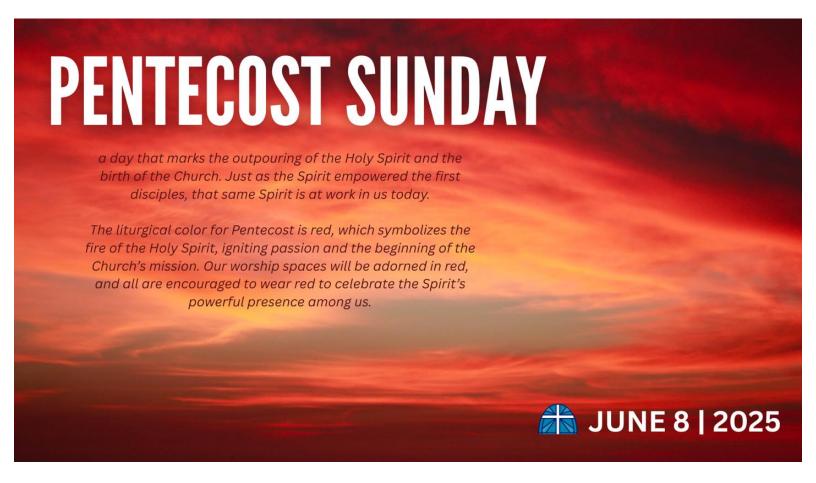
Grace and peace,

Gillian

### **SUNDAYS IN JUNE**

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

8:10 AM	Children's Nursery	E110, E109, E11
8:20 AM	CHAPEL WORSHIP SERVICE	Chapel
9:00 Am	Sunday Morning Donuts	McGowin Hall
	ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL	
9:15 AM	Covenant Class	McDavid Library
9:15 AM	Faith Development Class	SB101
9:15 AM	Open Hearts Open Minds	Family Life Room
9:30 AM	Friends In Faith	E125
10:30 AM	Fellowship for Everyone	McGowin Hall
9:30 AM	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE	Moore Hall
9:50 AM	Children's Church K5-3rd	E215
11:00 AM	SANCTUARY WORSHIP SERVICE	Sanctuary
11:20 AM	Children's Church K5-3rd	E215
12:00 PM	VBS Workday   June 1, 8, and 15	McGowin Hall
3:00 PM	Kingdom Covenant Prayer Meeting   June 8, 22 and 29	McDavid Library
5:00 PM	VBS Volunteer Meeting   June 8 only	Sanctuary



### JUNE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

#### Vacation Bible School Monday, June 16 - Thursday, June 19 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

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7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Center
8:00 AM	CDC Summer Camp	CDC Center
8:00 AM	Meals On Wheels	Kitchen; McGowin Hall
9:00 AM	Society of St. Stephen	SSS Offices
10:00 AM	Prayer Group	Dill Parlor

#### **TUESDAY**

TULSDAT		
7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Center
8:00 AM	CDC Summer Camp	CDC Center
7:00 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast	McDavid Library
8:00 AM	Meals On Wheels	Kitchen; McGowin Hall
9:00 AM	Society of St. Stephen	SSS Offices
9:00 AM	Staff Meetings   except June 10	McDavid Library
	meeting at 1:00 PM in SB102   June 17	
3:00 PM	Worship Review and Design	McDavid Library
	meeting at Soul Caffeine   June 17	

#### WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Center
8:00 AM	CDC Summer Camp	CDC Center
8:00 AM	Meals On Wheels	Kitchen & McGowin Hall
10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Bishop & Family Life Rooms
1:30 PM	Centering Prayer	Dill Parlor
6:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
10:00 AM 1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry Centering Prayer	Bishop & Family Life Rooms Dill Parlor

#### THURSDAY

7:00 AM	CDC Classes   except June 19	CDC Center
8:00 AM	CDC Summer Camp   except June 19	CDC Center
8:00 AM	Meals On Wheels	Kitchen & McGowin Hall

#### **FRIDAY**

7:00 AM	CDC Classes	CDC Center
8:00 AM	CDC Summer Camp	CDC Center
8:00 AM	Meals On Wheels	Kitchen & McGowin Hall

### JUNE AT A GLANCE

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Sunday, June 1 – Friday, June 6		
All Day	Youth Summer Camp	Timberlake Ministries Millbrook, AL
Sunday, June 1 12:00 PM	Vacation Bible School Workday	McGowin Hall
Tuesday, June 3 12:00 PM	Children's Parent Council	McDavid Library
5:30 PM Thursday, June 5	SPRC	McDavid Library
6:00 PM	Guided By Grace: Out to Eat with Friends	Wintzell's Restaurant on Dauphin Street
Friday, June 6 10:00 AM Sunday, June 8 –	Mobile Fire Fighter's Graduation	Moore Hall
Tuesday, June 10 All Day	Alabama-West Florida 2025 Annual Conference	FUMC Pensacola, FL
Sunday, June 8	2023 Allitual Collierence	
12:00 PM	Vacation Bible School Workday	McGowin Hall
4:00 PM	Youth Mission Trip Meeting	The Refuge
5:00 PM	Vacation Bible School Volunteers Meeting	Sanctuary
Monday, June 9		
5:00 PM	Racial Justice Reconciliation	ZOOM
7:00 PM	Reverend Wilson Newell Deacon Ordination Service	FUMC Pensacola, FL
Tuesday, June 10		
12:00 PM	The Long Goodbye	McDavid Library
12:00 PM 7:00 PM	Trustees Monthly Meeting Compassionate Friends	Bishops Meeting Room McDavid Library, Family Life Room, Dill Parlor
Wednesday, June 11		
12:00 PM Friday, June 13	Tools For Hope	Bishops Meeting Room
4:30 PM Saturday, June 14	Pierce-Maitre Rehearsal	Sanctuary
5:00 PM	Pierce-Maitre Wedding	Sanctuary
Sunday, June 15 12:00 PM	Vacation Bible School Workday	DWUMC
Monday, June 16 8:30 AM	Vacation Bible School 2025 Journey With Paul	DWUMC
Tuesday, June 17		

8:30 AM	Vacation Bible School 2025 Journey With Paul	DWUMC
5:30 PM	Finance Committee Meeting	SB102
Wednesday,	_	
8:30 AM	Vacation Bible School 2025	DWUMC
	Journey With Paul	
Thursday, Ju	ine 19	
8:30 AM	Vacation Bible School 2025	DWUMC
	Journey With Paul	
12:00 PM	Vacation Bible School Cleanup	DWUMC
5:30 PM	Boy Scout Troop 227 Meeting	McDavid Library
Friday, June	20	
11:00 AM	William Schmahl Visitation	Dill Parlor
12:00 PM	William Schmahl Memorial Servi	ice Sanctuary
5:30 PM	Lucey-Conwell Wedding Rehears	sal Sanctuary
Saturday, Ju	ne 21 –	
Friday, June		
All Day	Youth Mission Trip	Puerto Rico
Saturday, Ju		
4:00 PM	Lucey-Conwell Wedding	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Jur		
5:30 PM	Church Council Meeting	E210
Thursday, Ju		
7:00 AM	Grits and Grace	McGowin Hall

LOOKING AHEAD			
Wed, July 23	12:00 PM	Sages Luncheon	McGowin Hall
Mon-Sat July 21-26	9:00 AM	DWUMC First Annual Kids' Musical Camp — "Called"	DWUMC

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

This month, the Children's Ministry welcomed between fifteen and twenty-five children at each Contemporary and Traditional children's church service, and averaged five to fifteen babies and toddlers in our nursery every Sunday morning. We cared for our littlest children on Wednesdays during choir practice, and usually had at least three each week in the Treehouse. May's nursery roster now has ten amazing staff who work throughout the month to shepherd and love our smallest children.



Our "May the Fourth Be With You" end-of-the-year party on Sunday night was a blast! A huge bouncy house in the shape of a galactic cruiser, and a much smaller, jungle-planet-themed bouncy house were the central features for a party where forty kids jumped, ate Foosackley's, and celebrated Mrs. Rachel Broughton's farewell with cake. Many volunteers helped to decorate, serve, and clean up after the kids, and it was a ton of fun.

Eleven members of the Third Grade Bible class and two intrepid parent volunteers spent Friday night, May 9, at Chick-fil-a and at Surge Entertainment, and braved the ceiling-high ropes course, indoor zip line, and even drove electric go-karts on a glow-in-the-dark raceway. We completed our evening of frenzied fun back at the church, where the kids enjoyed melting ice cream sandwiches and were given certificates to honor our yearlong theme, "Hallowed Be Thy Name." Each student learned why their names are unique to them and to their families, and hopefully took home a greater understanding of how special each of them is in the Kingdom of God.

On Sunday, May 18, the Children's Ministry honored all of the babies born to church families during this past year with a special Baby Recognition reception. All of the babies and their proud parents were recognized during both services, and the moms and dads were given special picture-book Bibles to commemorate this sweet day.

In order to maximize teaching and learning times on Sunday mornings, the ministry is shifting its pick-up location to allow for longer sessions in the main classroom. Parents will pick up their students from Children's Church in room 215 after each service concludes, beginning on May 25. Children will be brought to Moore Hall/Sanctuary to take Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Communication with parents will help everyone as we pivot to this change.

Vacation Bible School work days have been scheduled for Sundays in June (1, 8, 15) and a volunteer meeting is slated for June 8. The ministry needs volunteers (ages 11 to 100) to lead classes, serve as floaters, help with snacks, check-in/out processes, and prepare classroom materials. We will have Wonderful Wednesdays in June, where volunteers can make some of the reproducible materials the children will use in their various classes and special areas. The ministry is also asking families to donate rugs, runners, and mats for use during the week. These can be picked up from church members' homes and will be returned in great shape after VBS.

Please pray for our ministry. We need lots of hands to make VBS meaningful and connect with children of DWUMC and this community. No amount of help is too small, and everyone is appreciated!

Heather White, Director of Children's Ministry



## YOUTH MINISTRY

May has been a whirlwind of activity. Confirmation Sunday was on May 4th and was a wonderful celebration welcoming our Confirmands into our church family. That evening, we continued the celebration, taking time to recognize our Seniors at SNL. A couple of our parents made dinner (at the request of our Seniors) and we spent the



evening reminiscing on the adventures the Seniors had throughout their time in youth. Following that time, we were blessed to be able to celebrate a baptism of one of our youth, Bells Counselman. It seemed very fitting to have that night be both a sending off and a welcoming party.

That Friday, May 9th, we had our Guys Night In at the church. From 6:00pm-9:30pm the youth boys and four of our leaders played Underground Church throughout the campus. It was an incredibly fun night and fittingly ended with the Christians successfully establishing the Underground Church.

Sunday, May 11th we got to celebrate our graduating Seniors as a church family. This group has been one of the most active groups we have had in youth and it was truly amazing for those outside of the youth to get to see and recognize that. We are incredibly excited to see the paths that God has laid out for this group as they spread around the country for college.

Our final May event was our Boston Butt Fundraiser. On the afternoon of Monday, May 19th, a few youth and leaders spent about an hour seasoning and preparing the butts before they were smoked overnight. Tuesday morning, a few more youth and leaders pulled the butts out and wrapped them up for distribution.

June has fewer events but they are bigger. The first week of June, a group of us will be heading to Timberlake Ministries in Millport, AL for Youth Camp. We are incredibly excited to hear Jennifer Precht speak on the theme "From Now On." After what will feel like a short week off, we move into helping Heather with VBS. And two days after that, we head to Puerto Rico to serve in Añasco. Our team of 16 will working on community projects, organizational site projects, and hosting a VBS in the mornings. We are so looking forward to getting to serve this community and allow God's work to be done through our hands.

Thank you to Gene, David, and Chris for willingly running around the church with our guys for 3 hours. Happy none of you all were injured. Thank you to David again for helping organize our Boston Butt Fundraiser once again. Thank you to Lynn for being our parent lead for Youth Camp again this year. And thank you to Heather for helping us with our VBS curriculum for our mission trip.

Andrew Peeler, Youth Ministry Director

### TRADITIONAL WORSHIP



Dear Friends,

As we move into the summer season, I want to take a moment to share some updates and highlights from our life together at Dauphin Way.

We are looking forward with great anticipation to the celebration of Pentecost on Sunday, June 8. Pentecost is one of the high holy days of the Christian year, when we remember the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. I invite you to be in worship with us on this special day as we celebrate the power and presence of God's Spirit among us. You are encouraged to wear red as a visible sign of the fire of the Holy Spirit.

I'm also excited to share about an upcoming opportunity for our children. Natalie Isaac, our Associate Director of Music, is putting together a Musical Theater Camp, scheduled for July 21-26th. This camp is designed to give children in rising 3rd-8th grade a fun, creative, and faith-filled experience through music and performance. If you have children or grandchildren, I encourage you to sign them up. And please help spread the word to others who may be interested. It's a wonderful way to introduce young people to the joy of the arts in a church setting.

In addition to the Summer Musical, Natalie and I are excited to offer kids music in a variety of forms this summer and in the fall. Music will be offered as a VBS rotation this year, and Natalie is planning a new offering called "Choral Boot Camp" for the Wesley Singers (4th-8th grade) as a fun way to invigorate their year. The first boot camp will take place Saturday, August 9, 2025 from 9am-noon. We'll take that time to get set up for the year and start a couple pieces, followed by pizza for lunch. The group will sing the following Sunday, August 10th, for the 11am service, to kick off the programming year.

Over the past several weeks, we've experienced a few technical challenges with our sound and lighting systems. I want to thank you for your patience as we worked through these issues. I'm happy to report that all of these problems have now been resolved. A special word of thanks goes to Mike Nichols, John Ricketts, and Robert Hunter for their expertise and dedication in addressing these challenges quickly and effectively. We are grateful for their hard work and commitment to excellence.

Looking ahead, I'm looking forward to the next Sages Luncheon in July. This gathering will feature various expressions from our music ministry, and I believe it will be a joyful and inspiring time for all who attend. I hope you will make plans to join us.

As Natalie and I reflect on our first major season of ministry here at Dauphin Way, we are filled with gratitude. At the same time, we are looking ahead with great excitement. We are currently planning a series of concerts and outreach events that will be part of a larger vision for our music ministry. These events will continue our church's rich tradition of being a center for arts and culture in our community. In addition to their artistic and spiritual value, they will also be part of a fundraising plan to support our Musical Arts Fund.

This fund is vital to sustaining beloved traditions such as our White Christmas worship service and to creating new, vibrant expressions of creativity in worship. These upcoming offerings will not only enrich our life together but also help ensure that we can continue to offer meaningful artistic ministry well into the future.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness, your prayers, and your love for this church. It is an honor to serve alongside you in ministry, and I look forward to seeing all the ways God will continue to move in and through Dauphin Way United Methodist Church.

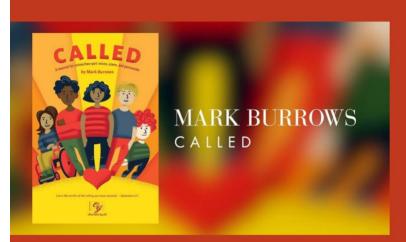
Grace and peace,

Rev. Darrin Scott Isaac, Pastor of Music & Worship



DAUPHIN WAY UMC 1ST ANNUAL

## **Summer Musical Camp?**



*July 21-26, 2025* 9 AM - 2:30 PM

Rising 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade \$100 per registrant

discounts for siblings!



dauphinwayumc.org /musicalcamp2025

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

We are in the midst of the Great 50 Days of Easter, and it has been such a fun season, loaded with joy and celebration! This time between Easter and Pentecost is meant to be a celebration of resurrection life, and that spirit has been fully alive in our Contemporary Worship gatherings. Each week has brought new energy, new faces, and new opportunities to praise our risen Savior together.



Since Easter Sunday, Moore Hall has been the setting for some incredibly meaningful moments. We've celebrated the sacrament of baptism, welcomed new members into the life of our church, and witnessed a confirmation as a young man publicly claimed his faith. These are the kinds of Sundays that remind us why we gather—to grow together, to support one another, and to rejoice in all that God is doing in and among us.

In addition to those sacred milestones, we've had the chance to celebrate key moments in the lives of our congregation. On Senior Sunday, we honored our graduating seniors and prayed over them as they step into new chapters. It was a touching reminder of how the church supports our people from childhood through every stage of life. Then, on Baby Recognition Sunday, we were introduced to several of the newest (and cutest!) members of our church family. What a gift it was to pray over these children and their families, committing to walk alongside them in faith.





As our church continues to grow, so does the need for more hands and hearts to help make Sunday mornings run smoothly. We are looking to expand our volunteer team—especially in the areas of greeting and communion serving. Greeters play a vital role in creating a warm and welcoming environment for everyone who walks into Moore Hall, and communion servers help us honor one of the most sacred parts of our worship. These are beautiful opportunities to connect with others and serve in a meaningful, tangible way. These roles don't require special skills—just a willing heart and a desire to serve. If you—or someone you know—feel led to step into one of these roles, please reach out to me or any of our wonderful pastors and we would be happy to get you started.

I'm so thankful for all God is doing in this season, for the wonderful teams I get to serve with and lead, for every person that sets foot in our worship spaces, and for the joy we share as we worship, serve, and grow together. There is so much to celebrate—and still more to come—as we journey through this joyful season together.

Kassidy Terry, Director of Contemporary Worship







# PASTORAL REPORTS

#### Reverend Wilson Newell

Pastor of Discipleship

#### **May Celebrations**

The joy of Easter overflowed into the month of May. With Confirmation, Senior Recognition, Mother's Day, Meals on Wheels plates, Leinkauf and CDC Graduations, the Mayoral Forum, and Baby Recognition, it was one big



party! In worship, we celebrated Confirmation, Senior Recognition, Mother's Day, and Baby Recognition. We also welcomed over 40 new members into our church family!



Our church also hosted community events like the Mayoral Forum, Leinkauf graduation ceremonies, and CDC graduation. I especially enjoyed the Historic Districts' Mayoral Candidate Forum! The power went out right before the event began, and John Ricketts, Cindy McMillan, and Robert Hunter came to the rescue and got the power running again just in time! It was a good thing, too- we had a full house and needed the A/C and sound system on at full capacity! In the words of one of the candidates, "It is good

to see that civic engagement is alive and well in Mobile, Alabama." I love that our church building is a blessing not only to us but also to our neighbors. It is a safe place to talk about real issues and come up with solutions together.

Christine Ford, Haley Spencer, and our Meals on Wheels team did an amazing job putting together the Mother's Day plate fundraiser. It was a beautiful way to honor our mothers and 50 years of Meals on Wheels at Dauphin Way.

#### **June Events**

The fun doesn't stop now, though! June is always a busy month of ministry at Dauphin Way, especially for youth and children's ministries. Our youth will be going on two trips, first to Camp in Millbrook, and second on their mission trip to Puerto Rico. Pray for the students and chaperones for these trips! VBS is in just a few weeks, and we still need some help setting up and running the programs! I know Heather White, our amazing children's Director, would appreciate it!

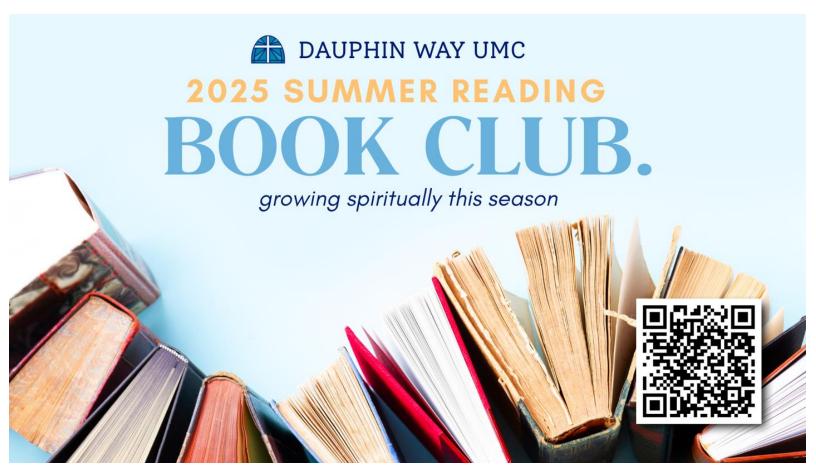
#### **Summer Book Club**

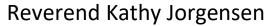
If you are looking for a way to grow spiritually over the summer, I have just the thing for you! You are invited to participate in the Dauphin Way Summer Reading Book Club! Simply choose a book from the list below and email wilson.newell@dauphinwayumc.org to sign up. We will have a lunch gathering toward the end of the summer to discuss what we learned from the books.

- Simply Jesus by NT Wright
- Practicing the Way by Jon Mark Comer
- Celebration of Discipline by Richard Foster
- Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis
- *The Meaning of Marriage* by Timothy Keller
- BLESS: 5 Everyday Ways to love your neighbor and change the world by Dave Ferguson and Jon Ferguson

I have no doubt that you will grow in your faith and knowledge of Jesus Christ and God's mission in the world through reading these books! I hope you will join us!

Peace, Wilson





Associate Pastor of Membership Care and Spiritual Direction

The month of May began with an inspiring session of our support group, Guided by Grace. We were honored to welcome Allison and her colleague Kay from Mission Fitness, located on Government Street. They shared the mission and passion behind their work: to help people live in their best physical and holistic health. Mission Fitness emphasizes the power of unity, the creation of positivity, and the importance of health and fitness.

In addition to wellness, Mission Fitness is deeply committed to community service. Through their Charity of Choice community initiative, they have donated over \$110,000 to support local nonprofit organizations. We are proud and grateful to share that this past December, our own Long Goodbye support group at Dauphin Way was a recipient of a generous gift from Mission Fitness.

Allison and Kay spoke beautifully about the importance of relationships and support networks—whether found at a gym like Mission Fitness or in support groups like Guided by Grace—that nurture connection and emotional strength.

#### **Focus on Support and Happiness**

Throughout the month, we also reflected on the many other support ministries at Dauphin Way, including:

- The Long Goodbye (supporting caregivers of a loved one with dementia)
- Tools for Hope
- Dauphin Way Across the Bay
- Prayer Shawl Ministry

These groups culminated the month with thoughtful conversation around what makes people truly happy. We discussed Nine Essential Behaviors of Happier People:

- 1. Embracing positivity
- 2. Prioritizing health
- 3. Lifelong learning
- 4. Cultivating honest and meaningful relationships
- 5. Embracing change
- 6. Practicing self-love
- 7. Maintaining a sense of humor
- 8. Living in the present
- 9. Cultivating a sense of purpose

In The Long Goodbye, our group focused on ways to navigate the caregiving journey for loved ones with dementia. We discussed the 10 A's of Alzheimer's Care—wisdom that is helpful to all, not just caregivers:

- 1. Arguments are useless
- 2. Allow as much freedom as possible
- 3. Actions help when words fail
- 4. Assume the person understands you
- 5. Appreciate good moments and good days
- 6. Appropriate activities reduce boredom and agitation
- 7. Agitation can be eased with calm, respectful caregiving
- 8. Adults are still adults—treat them with dignity
- 9. Adapt tasks to ability; break them into steps
- 10. Assessment is ongoing—keep evaluating what is safe and effective

These reminders gave us insight, encouragement, and strength as we continue to care for those we love.

May was a month full of inspiration, insight, and deepening bonds. We're grateful for every voice, every story, and every shared moment of grace.

Let us continue to walk together, led by Jesus'example.

## 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.

# LEADERSHIP REPORTS

#### **SPRC**

No Report

#### **Trustees**

The church ended April with a deficit of \$112,816.92. This increased our YTD deficit to \$139,438.53. This is due to the \$100,000 commitment by the Finance Committee to the HVAC project. The cash is there, but must be marked as an expense, even though it is an expected expense.

The CDC ended April with a monthly and YTD surplus, \$9,868.30/\$30,445.53 respectively.

The capital fund balance as of 4/30/2025 is \$277,253.80. This number is expected to be reduced to \$82,697.23 as we finish all of the projects that have been approved and are ongoing as well as the \$100,000 commitment to phase 1 of the HVAC project.

The Trustees approved the construction of a Gaga Ball Pit to enhance Sunday night programming, a donation of a settee to be used in the bridal suite/family room, and repair of the Dauphin Way United Methodist Church sign located on Dauphin Street.

The Trustees will also be emailed additional information on copier proposals and tree removal service proposals and will vote on those via email.

**Beth Mattei, Trustee Secretary** 

#### **Finance**

The Finance Committee met on Monday, May 19 and reviewed the April financial reports. The month ended with a deficit of \$112,817 bringing the year-to-date to a deficit of \$138,439. This is a variance of \$149,000 from the year-to-date budget. This is primarily a result of items in the month of April which are extraordinary and not included in the budget projections. The largest of these is an expenditure toward the HVAC project of \$100,000 from a cash reserve amount which was included in a previous year's income. An offsetting amount is the Employee Retention Credit of \$32,686 which was received along with interest income of \$9,770. The credit was expected during the year but only one-third was included in the year-to-date budget. The interest income was not included in the budget. Another more common item contributing to the year-to-date budget variance is actual contributions less than budgeted contributions year-to-date, which is somewhat normal for this time of year. This will be closely monitored as the year progresses. The Child Development Center (CDC) ended the month with income of \$9,868, bringing the income year to date to \$30,446.

Potential fundraisers for the Youth and Music Ministries were presented by Darrin Isaac and Wilson Newell to the Finance Committee. The committee received updates related to the HVAC project, and Natalie Bell presented a comprehensive report on the sales tax exemption project. There was discussion related to weekly donations of the altar flowers and replacement of the photocopier.

We are thankful for the energetic participation in planning by our ministry leaders and other members of our congregation and are full of hope and anticipation for the bright future of our church.

With gratitude,

**Tracey Lane, Finance Secretary** 

#### 001 Dauphin Way United Methodist Church Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2025

#### Budgeted Financial Statement for Period 4 - April 33.33%

			Actual	2025	Actual	
ACCT	#	2025 Budget	for Period	Actual YTD	to Budg %	Prior YTD
	Receipts					
1131	Current Pledges	1,344,268.00	87,521.33	365,525.79	27.19%	436,850.76
1133	Prior Pledges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	1,497.50
1134	Trust Fund Pledge	66,795.00	16,698.69	33,397.38	50.00%	31,033.60
1135	Loose Plate	14,839.00	2,225.00	6,040.19	40.70%	5,535.00
1136	Escrow Funds	60,000.00	0.00	60,000.00		0.00
1137	Non Pledged Contribution	328,538.00	37,025.99	88,907.40	27.06%	134,831.53
1138	Unexpected Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00
1140	Interest Income	0.00	9,769.95	10,000.82	0.00%	74.56
1142	Facilities Use Income	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	1,060.00
1143	Pre-paid Pledge Income	78,100.00	0.00	26,033.36	33.33%	8,021.64
1144	Gain on Sale of Stock	0.00	0.00	703.79	0.00%	0.00
1147	PPP/ERC	33,754.00	32,686.50	32,686.50		0.00
1148	CDC Fee Income	72,336.00	0.00	24,112.00	33.33%	24,112.00
1149	Wedding Income	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00% _	<u>1,060.00</u>
	Total Receipts	2,007,630.00	185,927.46	647,607.23	32.26%	644,076.59
	Disbursements					
4413	Total Pastoral	2,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	245.29
4510	Total Communications	7,700.00	129.78	1,418.89	18.43%	2,614.98
5011	Total Children's Ministry	19,575.00	1,782.82	2,930.87	14.97%	4,920.13
5111	Total Youth Ministry	18,455.00	-1,607.93	10,551.52	57.17%	-2,839.55
5211	Total Adult Ministry	0.00	2,439.16	520.57	0.00%	1,011.90
5612	Total Missions	0.00	-751.93	-771.93	0.00%	533.66
5710	Total Connectional	22,046.00	1,268.53	11,897.84	53.97%	7,458.72
5739	Conference Apportionments	141,424.00	8,137.83	76,321.28	53.97%	47,031.28
5910	Total Membership Care	1,200.00	78.42	120.21	10.02%	-177.72
6001	Community Care	0.00	-50.00	-150.00	0.00%	8.00
6310	Total Worship	35,000.00	5,345.50	12,946.99	36.99%	15,150.03
6610	Total Office	86,860.00	5,461.31	26,377.83	30.37%	25,889.90
6710	Total Facilities & Equipment	568,197.00	54,858.83	165,515.98	29.13%	181,151.81
6810	Total Operations	16,015.00	100,492.64	101,472.64	633.61%	1,345.45
7111	Total Kitchen	15,115.00	1,116.61	5,901.49	39.04%	7,533.52
	Total Personnel	1,088,369.00	120,042.81	371,991.58	34.18%	355,592.63
	Total Disbursements	2,022,156.00	298,744.38	787,045.76	38.92%	647,470.03
	Income Over/Under Expenses	<u>-14,526.00</u>	(112,816.92)	(139,438.53)	959.92%	(3,393.44)

#### Asset Account Balances as of March 31, 2025

Operating Checking	\$28,534.75
Payroll Checking	\$486.04
Online Checking	\$253.95
Petty Cash	\$400.00
Operating Money Market	\$89,913.53
Operating Reserve - AWFUMF	\$296,898.30
Accounts Receivable - DW	\$6,372.00
Stock Holdings	<u>\$6,154.68</u>
Total Assets	\$429,013.25

Accounts Payable - CDC

### **MILESTONES & MEMORIALS**

#### **MILESTONE**

Sully Stillings, daughter of Kollyn and Tyler Stillings, was presented for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in the combined 10:30 AM worship service on Sunday, April 27, 2025.

The following 2024-2025 confirmands were confirmed into full membership in the United Methodist Church during the combined 10:30 AM worship service on Confirmation Sunday, May 4, 2025: Lila Aeiker, Benjamin Dale Ballard, Ann Elise Barton, Kate Blakeney, Tait Driscoll, Deuce Driscoll III, Daniel Drummond Jr., Claire Freeman, Joe Hamilton, Lucy Carden Markle, Weezie McCown, Olivia Pieczynski, Joseph Rhodes III, Juliana Roberts, Sam Savage, Jacob Sigler, Morris Smith, Emily Sullivan, Merrill Thompson, Marsh Wilbanks Jr.

Bells Counselman was presented for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in the Sunday evening youth SNL worship service on Sunday, May 4, 2025.

Ann Harris Zoghby, daughter of Caitlin and Ryan Zoghby, was presented for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism during the 11:00 AM worship service on May 11, 2025.

Mabry Foose, daughter of Curran and Lundy Foose, was confirmed into full membership in the United Methodist Church during the 8:20 AM worship service on May 25, 2025.

#### **CELEBRATION**

Congratulations to Steven and P.J. Floyd on the birth of their daughter Stevie Joann, born on April 16, 2025.

Congratulations to Charles and Rebecca Tisher on the birth of their daughter, Evelyn Givhan Tisher, born on May 6, 2025. Evelyn is the granddaughter of David and NeNe Tisher.

Congratulations to Jonathan and Jessica Nix on the birth of their son, Andy Nix, born on May 15, 2025.

#### **SYMPATHY**

Our love and sympathy are extended to Portia Colbert and family upon the death of her mother, Jackie Morris Grayson, on May 20, 2025.

#### HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

In Memory of Gordon Blackwell

Leslie Rentz

David and Cindy Peeler

Barney March

In Memory of Martha Sue Tillotson

David and Cindy Peeler

John and Phyllis Mostellar

C. J. and Cindy Angelette

Richard Cross

In Memory of Nan Haddad

Dianne Avant

Col (Ret) and Mrs. G. W. "Mac" McIntosh

In Memory of Harry Wilber

David and Cindy Peeler

In Honor of Mark Boswell

Tim Collier

In Honor of Irvin Rentz, Sr.

Paul and Deborah Jackson



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