

An Order of Sunday Worship

The liturgical color for the Third Sunday in Lent is purple, symbolizing repentance, humility, and preparation. As believers reflect on Christ's suffering and journey to the cross, purple marks a season of self-examination, prayer, and spiritual discipline, preparing hearts and minds for the joy and hope of Easter.

✠ Please stand in body or spirit.
Spoken liturgy is printed in **bold**.
Sung liturgy is printed in **bold italics**.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Gillian Walters

PRELUDE *Just As I Am, Without One Plea* arr. Berry

✠ CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Wilson Newell

Jesus waits at the well and asks for a drink.
We meet Christ in ordinary places.
He offers living water to one long unseen.
We receive grace that tells the truth and gives life.
God seeks worshipers formed in Spirit and in truth.
We come with honest hearts and open lives.
Those who have been changed cannot keep silent.
We go to share the mercy we have found.

✠ PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* UMH 731

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

✠ GLORIA PATRI

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.***

LENTEN OFFERING WITNESS Rachel Gibson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Newell

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERTORY

***New every morning is Your grace arising like the dawn.
Your love has drawn us to this place, Your love will lead us on.***

OFFERTORY *Light of a Clear Blue Morning* Parton
arr. Johnson

During the singing of the Doxology, children in kindergarten through third grade are invited to make their way to the front of the Sanctuary for the Children's Moment.

✠ DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER FOR THE NATION

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

***Our fathers' God to Thee, author of liberty, to Thee we sing;
long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
protect us by Thy might, great God, our king. Amen.***

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Heather White

✠ GOSPEL HYMN ***Help Us Accept Each Other*** UMH 560
Verses 1-3

✠ THE GOSPEL John 4:5-42 Rev. Walters

The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

✠ GOSPEL HYMN ***Help Us Accept Each Other*** UMH 560
Verse 4

SERMON *Freed: From the Past* Rev. Walters

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. Kathy Jorgensen

Gracious God, we confess that we draw lines where you cross them. We avoid those whose stories make us uncomfortable and guard our hearts against truth that might change us. We settle for shallow faith and ignore the deeper water you offer. We hide our wounds and our thirst, forgetting that you already know us. Forgive us, O God, and meet us again at the well.

All pray in silence.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: Jesus offers living water to all who thirst. In Christ, we are known fully and loved completely.
By grace, we are forgiven and made new, and our lives become a witness to mercy. Thanks be to God.

✠ HYMN OF INVITATION ***Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*** UMH 301

✠ BENEDECTION Rev. Walters

✠ CHORAL BENEDECTION ***Freed*** D.S. Isaac

*1. You spoke and water turned to wine;
By love, new birth was named.
The lost you taught of living streams;
Blind eyes by You were changed.
You called the dead to rise and live;
You rode in mercy's lead.
Through every sign and saving word,
In You we stand, now freed.*

*2. O Christ, who breaks the power of sin
and claims us for Your own,
Now send us out with hearts made new
to serve in love alone.
Freed from our fear, freed from our pride,
freed for each neighbor's need,
we go in peace, and living hope,
as those in You made free.*

✠ POSTLUDE *Variations on Wellspring of Love* D.S. Isaac & N. Isaac

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP TODAY

PASTORS
Rev. Gillian Walters
Rev. Wilson Newell
Rev. Kathy Jorgensen

PASTOR OF
MUSIC & WORSHIP
Rev. Darrin Scott Isaac

ASSOCIATE
DIRECTOR OF
MUSIC & WORSHIP
Natalie Isaac

ACOLYTES
Abigail Bush
Julia Tindle (B)
Madeleine Bush
Mary Scott Tindle

USHERS
Tommy Clement (HU)
David Bush
Sue King
Tom Delchamps

A/V TEAM
Mike Nichols
Stephen Clontz

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Josephine Odom Smith by her children Tony Smith, Ray Smith, Brenda Bowman, and Bill Smith.

SYMPATHY

Our love and sympathy are extended to Lynn Little and family upon the death of her son, John, on February 3, 2026.

Our love and sympathy are also extended to Patti Sachs and her family upon the death of her brother, James McGuire, on February 26, 2026.

COMMENDATION AND NEW MEMBER WELCOME

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and at Dauphin Way United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH AND CHILDCARE

*We will have Children's Church for children in kindergarten through third grade during the sermon in today's worship service. Children should be picked up by their parents from **Room 215** in the Education Building after the service. During the service, infants may go to the **Treehouse Nursery**, while toddlers who are walking up to 2-years-old may go to **Room 115**, and 3 and 4-year-olds may go to **Room 109**.*

PASTORAL CARE

*If you or a loved one are in the hospital, need prayer, or you would like to have a conversation with a pastor about your faith and relationship to Jesus, then please don't hesitate to reach out to us at **pastoralcare@dauphinwayumc.org**. You can also call the church office at **(251) 471-1511** and set up a time when we can talk with you.*

GET INVOLVED

For more info about any of our programs or events, visit dauphinwayumc.org.

SUNDAYS AT DAUPHIN WAY UMC	8:00 AM	Sunday Morning Donuts	McGowin Hall
	8:10 AM	Children's Nursery Opens - Infants - Walkers – 2-Years-Old - Ages 3 – 4K	The Treehouse E115 E109
	8:20 AM	Chapel Worship	Adkins Chapel
	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School Covenant Class Faith Development Class Open Hearts Open Minds	McDavid Library Dill Parlor Family Life Room E125
	9:30 AM	Friends In Faith	Moore Hall
	9:50 AM	Contemporary Worship	
		Children's Church - Kindergarten – 3 rd Grade	E215
	10:30 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	The Sanctuary
	11:00 AM	Fellowship for Everyone	McGowin Hall
	11:20 AM	Traditional Worship	The Sanctuary
	Children's Church - Kindergarten - 3 rd Grade	E215	
	4:30 PM	Children Programming	McGowin Hall
	5:00 PM	Youth Programming	Moore Hall

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Mon – Fri	8:00 AM	Meals On Wheels	Kitchen
Mon – Tue	9:00 AM	Society of St. Stephen	E120
Mondays	10:00 AM	Prayer Group	Dill Parlor
Tuesdays	7:00 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast	McDavid Library
Wednesdays	6:00 AM	Youth Morning Devotion	Off Site; Carpe Diem
	10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting	Bishops' & Family Life Rooms
	1:30 PM	Centering Prayer	Dill Parlor
	6:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sun, Mar 8	4:30 PM	Lenten Group Study	Dill Parlor
	<i>All Day</i>	REGISTER for Lenten Dinner	<i>Online or Call</i>
Tue, Mar 10	12:00 PM	The Long Goodbye	McDavid Library
	12:00 PM	Trustees Meeting	Bishops' Meeting Room
	5:15 PM	Youth Parent Council	McDavid Library
		Compassionate Friends	McGowin Hall
Wed, Mar 11	12:00 PM	Lenten Group Study	Dill Parlor
	12:00 PM	Tools For Hope	Bishops' Meeting Room
	5:30 PM	Lenten Dinner & Worship	McGowin Hall

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tue, Mar 17	12:00 PM	MOW Volunteer Lunch	McGowin Hall
Sat, Mar 21	11:00 AM	RJR Community Lunch	Off Site; Greer's Market
Mar 29-Apr 3	<i>Varies</i>	Holy Week at Dauphin Way	DWUMC
Sun, Mar 29	<i>All Day</i>	Palm Sunday:	
	10:30 AM	Combined Service	The Sanctuary
	11:30 AM	Fish Fry & Egg Hunt	Pumpkin Patch
Mon, Mar 30	<i>All Day</i>	DEADLINE: Order your Easter lilies!	
Mar 30-Apr 1	7:00 AM	Morning Prayer & Communion	Adkins Chapel
Thu, Apr 2	6:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Service	The Sanctuary
Fri, Apr 3	6:00 PM	Good Friday Service	Moore Hall
Sun, Apr 12	11:30 AM	LoveMob Sunday	McGowin Hall & Off Site
Thu, Apr 16	5:30 PM	Fellowship Night Out	Off Site; Greer's Market
Sun, Apr 19	<i>All Morning</i>	Confirmation Sunday	DWUMC
Sun, Apr 26	6:00 PM	RJR's Just Mercy Film Showing	<i>Location TBD</i>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN GROUP STUDY: The season of Lent is a great time to pursue God with others! We are hosting a new, five-week group study **every Sunday night** from 4:30 PM – 6:15 PM and **every Wednesday afternoon** from 12 PM – 1:15 PM in Dill Parlor until **March 25**. We are studying *John: The Gospel of Light and Life* by Adam Hamilton, and books can be purchased from Amazon or Cokesbury. To sign up, visit dauphinwayumc.org/adult-classes. To learn more about observing Lent at Dauphin Way, visit dauphinwayumc.org/lent2026.

LENTEN WORSHIP AND DINNER: Lenten Dinner goes beyond just food—it is an experience for the soul as much as for the body! We invite you to join us for Lenten Dinner this Wednesday, **March 11**, at 5:30 PM, for a brief service of prayer and a devotional message from special guest speaker, Jason Borders. Dr. Borders is a Professor of Religion at Huntingdon College and an ordained elder in the Alabama-West Florida Conference. His ministry bridges church and classroom as he helps students discern God's call on their lives. We are grateful for his faithful teaching and preaching of God's word. **To register for dinner, please pay online at dauphinwayumc.org/lent2026 by the end of today. To pay with cash at the door, please call the church to make your reservation.**

FELLOWSHIP NIGHT OUT: Looking for an opportunity to meet other Dauphin Way members in their 20s, 30s and 40s? Join us for *Fellowship Night Out*—quarterly dinner gatherings that happen on Thursday evenings, where you can connect with like-minded Christians who are in the same stages of life as you. Our next gathering will be Thursday, **April 16**, at 6 PM at Greer's Downtown Market! Childcare at the church opens at 5:30 PM for children in nursery through 5th grade, and they'll enjoy dinner and games. To register, email Kassidy.Terry@dwumc.org.

HOLY WEEK AT DAUPHIN WAY: Join us for a meaningful journey through Holy Week as we gather for worship and reflection. We will begin with our annual fish fry and Easter egg hunt on Palm Sunday, **March 29**. Morning Prayer and Communion will be offered Monday, **March 30** – Wednesday, **April 1**. Then, our Maundy Thursday service will be on **April 2** at 6 PM. Our Good Friday service will be on **April 3** at 6 PM. Lastly, we will conclude our celebration with Easter Sunday services on **April 5**. All are welcome! Come as you are—we'd love to worship with you.

LENTEN OFFERING: Throughout Lent, we will be highlighting some of our partner ministries and collecting an offering during our Holy Week services to support them. Please pray about how you can incorporate a gift into your practice of Lent, a special season of caring for those in need. We will collect the offering on Palm Sunday or online. Our 2026 Ministry Partners are:

QuadW Missional Internship
Dumas Wesley Community Center
Waterfront Rescue
Mobile Metro Jail Chaplaincy

Leinkauf Elementary School
First Light Community
Home of Grace

PALM SUNDAY FISH FRY & EGG HUNT: Join us in the Pumpkin Patch for a fish fry fundraiser benefiting our ministry partners on Palm Sunday, **March 29**, after our 10:30 Combined Worship Service. The event will feature delicious food, lawn games, egg hunts, and activities for all ages. Following lunch, kids will be broken into age groups for games and egg hunts, so bring your Easter baskets! We will also receive a visit from the Easter Bunny! The price for lunch is **\$15** for adults and **\$5** for kids. Sign up at dauphinwayumc.org/fishfry.

EASTER LILY FUNDRAISER: Lilies can be dedicated to a loved one of your choice. They will be displayed in our sanctuary during our Easter Sunday worship services on **April 5** and will be available for pickup directly following the service. There is also space for an additional donation to Society of St. Stephen, our bill assistance ministry. The cost per lily is **\$15** and the order deadline is Monday, **March 30**. Order yours today at dauphinwayumc.org/easter-lily-2026.

RJR's JUST MERCY BOOK STUDY, FILM SHOWING & DISCUSSION: The Racial Justice and Reconciliation Committee is inviting the congregation to read Bryan Stevenson's *Just Mercy* this spring. We will conclude the study with a showing of the film at 6 PM on Monday, **April 20**, at the church. On Sunday, **April 26**, we will host a discussion about the book, facilitated by Frye Gaillard and Cynthia Tucker.

LEINKAUF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: As the last quarter of the school year approaches, Dauphin Way is excited to continue partnering with Leinkauf Elementary School for their weekly "Student of the Week" recognition. Volunteers are needed to provide and deliver two dozen doughnuts to the school on Fridays at 8 AM. The doughnuts may be dropped off in the school office, or you may stay to help give them out to the students being recognized (30-minute commitment or less). This is a great opportunity to spend a few minutes with these students and help recognize their academic and behavioral efforts and success! Contact Lee Hoagland at sceniclee@att.net for more information, or visit dauphinwayumc.org/volunteer-at-leinkauf to volunteer.



Dauphin Way United Methodist Church
Mobile, Alabama

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 8, 2026

11:00 AM SERVICE OF WORD

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