

# **Dunbar United Methodist Church Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 28, 2025**

Our Mission at Dunbar United Methodist Church is to: Reach the World for Christ; Preach the Word of God; Teach the Way of Discipleship. Our vision is to be a Church that is Christ-centered, Spirit-led, and utterly consumed by the mission of God.

> **Bolded** print is intended to be read aloud by all \* signifies that all are invited to rise in body, mind, or spirit

Sharon Cline, Organist **PRELUDE** 

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Pastor Jarrod Caltrider

"Welcome" Gary Wooten, Pianist CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Evie Bibbee, Liturgist

The faces of our faith teach us so much.

They teach us how to pray, how to live, and how to love.

They teach us what it means to remain faithful and true to God-

When it's easy and when it's hard. When the road is filled with companions and when we're walking alone.

They help us understand that devotion to God isn't a burden-free life.

That it often costs us more than we're willing to give, demands more than we're willing to do. As we gather for worship, we reaffirm our commitment to following Jesus.

We bow down to God and God alone.

May our worship bear witness to the God who shows up with us in the midst of the fires and flames that this life brings. Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN W&S #3016 "What A Mighty God We Serve"

PSALTER READING Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

CHILDREN'S SERMON **Helen Southall** 

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Daniel 3:1-18

SERMON "Faces of Our Faith: Shadrach. Meshach, & Abednego"

Pastor Jarrod

SPECIAL MUSIC **Choral Anthem** 

INVITATION FOR OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** 

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **UMH#94** \*Doxology

\*Offertory Prayer

\*CLOSING HYMN "Through It All" UMH#507

#### \*BENEDICTION

"Friends, you weren't merely born, you were sent. You're not just living a life; you're on a mission. Your purpose is not so small as to avoid death or even enjoy life, but to embody resurrection. To offer healing and peace. To seed the world with love. To be, in words and deeds, a proclamation living proof—that the Reign of God is here. All the love you've received has prepared you for this. All the wisdom you've been given goes with you. You are surrounded, supported, cheered, aided by millions, unseen yet connected, and present. We are not-so-secret agents, infiltrating the Kingdom of Fear on behalf of the Realm of Grace. You are sent, guided, and protected by the Spirit of Love. Jesus says- Be not afraid. I am with you. Go."

Worship Notes: "UMH" denotes the navy The United Methodist Hymnal located in each pew. "TFWS" denotes the black supplemental hymnal "The Faith We Sing"; "W&S" denotes the green supplemental hymnal "Worship & Song" CCLI License #: C-71179; CCLI Streaming License #: B-20459670; One License #: A-736012; CVLI: 505515971

Benediction written Steve Garnaas-Holmes, Unfolding Light. https://unfoldinglight.net/2025/06/30/sent-3/?utm\_source=rss&utm\_medium=rss&utm\_campaign=sent-3

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dunbar Institute Samaritan Center Food Pantry Focus for September is Jiffy Cornbread Mix. Donations are collected in the narthex at the Ministry Center.

If you'd like to sign up to sponsor altar flowers for 2025, the calendar is posted on the bulletin board by the Administrative Assistant office. Flowers will be \$25 and can be given in honor or memory if you'd like.

Women's Fellowship are collecting the following items for Foster Parenting Advocates of West Virginia: Child size duffel/tote bags, toiletries like shampoo, bath soap, combs & hairbrushes, toothpaste/toothbrushes, all sizes baby diapers, special need for baby bed/twin bed and mattress.

The Heart+Hand Hike for Hunger will be Sunday, October 5. Mark your calendars and plan to be there for the hike and to celebrate H+H's 60th anniversary that afternoon. Visit their website to find out more and to register to walk.

World Communion Sunday is Sunday, October 5! We'll be celebrating communion with Dunbar First Baptist and Dunbar First Presbyterian at the playground/park on 15th Street, right next to First Presbyterian. Our worship service will begin with communion at 10:45am and then we'll make our way inside for the rest of worship.

Mark your calenders for Tailgate Sunday on October 19, 2025. Wear your favorite sports team shirt/jersey and bring your favorite tailgating dish to share on the lot after the service. We'll also be celebrating Children's Sabbath Sunday that morning in worship.

The DISC Sing is Tuesday, October 21 at 6:30p.m. at DUMC. All are welcome to come out and enjoy a night of fellowship and music with other churches in our community. Monetary & canned good donations will be collected.

Archery has resumed on Sunday Evenings registration at 5:00p.m and Classes at 5:30p.m. Archery is open to all children and youth from 2nd grade through 12th grade. Archers from last spring are encouraged to invite their friends to join us.

Backpack Blessings are selling Rada Cutlery. Please see Missy in the church office to see the catalog. You can order by scanning the QR code to the right. If you order through the link, you pay online and your items will be shipped directly to you. All orders need to be in or completed online by Oct 15, 2025.

This morning's altar flowers are given in honor of my parents' Fred & Betty Arthur's 75<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. The flowers are given by Libby Tolley.

Our worship participants next Sunday, October 5- Liturgist: Carolyn Norvell; Children's Sermon: Libby Tolley; Ushers: Bruce Wilson, Letha Goode, Tim Whittaker; Fellowship Time Hosts: Lynn Thornton & Letha Goode.

## **DUMC FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT**

Last Week's Offering Total: \$3,939.50 Weekly Offering Goal for Budget: \$4,921 Current Apportionment Payout: \$22,491 Annual Apportioned Amount: \$57,840 Payout Percentage: 39%





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