

your view from the Harbor



THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor, Steve Autrey

Sometimes something has to be taken away before we truly understand its value. After two consecutive Sundays forced indoors by ice and snow, I find myself deeply grateful for in-person and live-streamed worship—and eager to gather again in the name of Jesus.

We are, after all, made for God *and* for one another. When we are unable to gather, something essential is missing, and we are not at our best. This is true for our live-streamed worship as well. For members of our fellowship who cannot be physically present on Sunday mornings, the gift of video and audio technology makes genuine participation possible. That experience is very different from simply watching a prerecorded sermon. Worship is happening *in real time*, among real people, open to the movement of the Holy Spirit.

As a preacher, I know how much presence matters. I cannot do this work well without being with people. The COVID season made that clear to me—preaching into a camera, for me, is hardly preaching at all. Worship requires a community. It requires a gathering. It is in that shared space that the work of the Holy Spirit is amplified and made visible among us.

This pattern of fellowship is rooted in God's own being—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—existing eternally in relationship. God extends that divine community to creation in Adam and Eve, to a people called Israel, and ultimately to all of us in the person of Jesus Christ and his body, the Church.

I am deeply grateful that we will gather again this Sunday—as Christ's body—to worship, to be present with one another, and to share together in Holy Communion.

If you watched last week's message online, you know that Pastor David and I used our snow-imposed Sabbath to reflect on the practice of rest. This Sunday, I will return to [Micah 6:6–8](#), a text that calls us again to faithfulness, justice, and humility before God.

I am looking forward to being present with you this Sunday. I hope you are too.

Blessings,
Pastor Steve



WORSHIP

join us in praising our Lord

Contemporary Worship Playlist

Our Contemporary Service meets in the FLC at 9:00am (unless otherwise announced). To hear this Sunday's music early and prepare your hearts, please click the icon below.



GIVING REPORT

updated financial news

For questions about giving, please reach out to Cameron Wilson at finance@denverumc.org.
We appreciate your generosity and support!

[Give Now](#)

Ministry Operations

DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR THIS FUND GO TOWARDS MINISTRY AND OUTREACH, IN ADDITION TO ALL NECESSARY STAFFING AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR HOSTING WORSHIP SERVICES AND MAINTAINING OUR CHURCH GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS.

BUDGET INCOME EXPECTED TO DATE: \$105,900
ACTUAL INCOME RECEIVED TO DATE: \$81,227

2026

MINISTRY OPERATIONS ANNUAL BUDGET: \$1,382,987

Due to the necessary cancellation of the last two Sunday worship services, our total offerings for the Ministry Operations Budget are

running behind the projected pace. If you had planned to give an offering during these services, please consider making up for it upon your return this week by including it with your current Sunday offering. If you are not able to attend worship in person, there is always the option to give online any day or time of the week. Thank you for your faithful generosity!

6 for '26

We are well into 2026, and we invite you to be part of our 6 for '26 campaign.

What is *6 for '26*? It's a simple, shared commitment. We're asking each person who calls DUMC home to consider giving an additional \$6 per week through the remainder of the year.

If you are already a faithful giver—thank you. Your generosity sustains our ministry, and we are deeply grateful. If you're able, please consider adding just \$6 per week to your regular offering.

If you haven't given before, *6 for '26* is an easy and meaningful place to start. It's a small step that allows you to participate in the work of Christ through our church and begin actively stewarding the gifts God has entrusted to you.

Here's the remarkable part: if we do this together, those \$6 commitments add up to approximately \$130,000 in additional ministry funding for 2026—resources that will directly support worship, mission, outreach, and care in our community.

Small gifts, shared faithfully, can make a powerful difference. Thank you for prayerfully considering how you might be part of *6 for '26*.



For information about upcoming events, go to <https://www.denverumc.org/events>

Upcoming Events

2/6 7pm | **Father Daughter Dance** | discipleship@denverumc.org

2/11 5:30pm | **Table Talk** | discipleship@denverumc.org

2/11 6:45pm | **Leadership Discipleship Experience** | discipleship@denverumc.org

2/12 11am | **J.O.Y. Group Meeting** | rosannekocher@gmail.com

2/15 4pm | **Prayer Shawl Ministry** | shawnwyatteudy52@gmail.com

2/18 7pm | **Ash Wednesday Service** | worship@denverumc.org

2/19 10am | **Prayer Team** | prayers@denverumc.org

2/23 6pm | **Church Council Meeting** | council@denverumc.org

2/25 5:30pm | **Table Talk** | discipleship@denverumc.org

2/25 6:45pm | **Leadership Discipleship Experience** | discipleship@denverumc.org

3/2 10:30am | **Helping Hands Meeting** | helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com

3/8 **Daylight Savings Time Begins**



4/15 **Trinidad Mission Trip (thru 4/20)** | discipleship@denverumc.org



Events Calendar

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LIFE AT DUMC

things to know, celebrate, & look forward to!



2026 Father-Daughter Valentine's Gala Tomorrow Night!

It's that time of year again when we look forward to treating our daughters like princesses. Ticket [registration](#) is open. For more information on this year's gala, click [here](#).

Father Daughter Gala Valentine's Basket Auction

Thank you to all who donated items or complete baskets for the Father Daughter Gala's Basket Auction, the proceeds from which will benefit Operation Smile Home for Children. Your generosity overwhelms me! - Carol



Table Talk and Wednesday Night Classes

Take a midweek break and join us for Wednesday night dinner, Table Talk, in the FLC from 5:30-6:30 pm for 10 weeks! Enjoy a delicious meal, great conversation, and meaningful fellowship with your church family. This is a perfect time to connect, share, and grow together. Bring your appetite and your heart—there's a seat at the table just for you!

Dinner:

- \$5 per person
- \$20 max per family

Following dinner, stay for one of our two classes, [The Leadership Discipleship Experience](#), or a study of [Matthew's Gospel](#). See below for more information. If you have any questions, please email discipleship@denverumc.org.



J.O.Y. Group Meeting, February 12

All JOY members and anyone over 50 years old are invited to our next senior group meeting at 11 a.m. on Thursday, February 12th, in the CORC! A representative from Carolina Caring will speak to our group about the services they offer to area senior citizens! Lunch will be provided. Please contact rosannekocher@gmail.com for further information about our senior group.



What is Elexio?

Elexio is our online community. Use it to connect with our other members and stay updated with DUMC.

When you log in, you will be able to:

- Use the directory
- View the church calendar
- Update your profile information
- Sign up for upcoming events
- Give using one-time or recurring donations

If you do not already have an Elexio account, visit www.denverumc.org/pages/member-login for more information.



OUTREACH

unleashing compassion

Helping Hands

building community through service



Charlie Blackburn Memorial Golf Tournament



Helping Hands Golf Tournament - April 27th!

Registration is open to anyone wanting to sponsor and/or participate in the annual Charlie Blackburn Memorial Golf Tournament at Verdict Ridge Golf and Country Club! All proceeds benefit the many ministries and partners of our Helping Hands Community Service Group. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.



DISCIPLESHIP

Small Groups, Bible Studies, & Connection Groups

Discipleship Opportunities

Sunday Small Group/Sunday School hour is 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Click [HERE](#) for specific **Sunday school classes, weekday Bible studies, Wednesday night, and small group** offerings with locations, descriptions, and contact information.

Email David Washco with any questions at discipleship@denverumc.org



Sunday Morning Study Opportunity

Sundays, 10:00 a.m. in the CORC

Have you ever wondered what it means to be a United Methodist? What do we believe? What is our theology, and where did this denomination come from? The Open Circle class will begin exploring these questions on January 18. Everyone is invited to join this time as Pastor Steve leads the conversation. The time starts on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. in the CORC (old fellowship hall), with a time of fellowship, followed by teaching from 10:10 a.m. until 10:50 a.m. If you are new to DUMC and looking to get connected with others, this is a great way to meet new people and learn about the church. No need to sign up, simply show up!



Leadership Discipleship Experience #4

Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the CORC

The Leadership Discipleship Experience is a ten-week journey designed to move beyond surface-level faith and into deep, life-changing transformation. Over the course of this experience, you will

- Discover your God-given purpose
- Learn how to clearly hear and discern God's voice
- Identify and use your spiritual gifts to serve alongside others in community

Click [here](#) for more information and [here](#) to register.

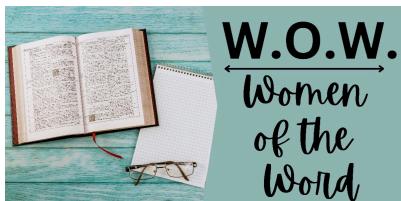


The Gospel of Matthew

Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel

This study of the Gospel of Matthew, taught by Pastor Steve, is designed to engage participants in conversation, allowing us to learn from one another. Please bring your Bible and an inquiring mind as we seek to discern how God is speaking to us today through Holy Scripture.

One note: For those who feel like they do not know the Bible well enough to come to an open study, please do not shy away. The point is for everyone to learn together, regardless of biblical knowledge!



Wednesday Bible Study

The WOW Bible study has a new study on Acts led by Michell Turner. All are welcome, and they meet on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Any questions, contact Rachelle Roberts at Orachelle@hotmail.com.



Women's
Alliance

Men's
Alliance

Men's Alliance - Sunday Nights!

Sunday nights | 6:00 p.m. | Rain or Shine
Join us for a rugged workout and real devotion.
For more information, [email Caleb Hendren](#).

Women's Alliance - Wednesday Nights!

Wednesday nights | 7:00 p.m. | Rain or shine
For more information, reach out to Shelby Hobbs at shobbs0623@gmail.com. All women are invited!

[Discipleship Video Series](#)

[Spiritual Gifts Assessment](#)



HARBOR YOUTH

DUMC's 6-12th grade ministry



be like
JESUS
EPHESIANS 5:1

February	March
Feb 6 Father Daughter Gala	March 8 Daylight Savings
Feb 14 Valentines Day	March 17 St. Patricks Day
Feb 28 Ski Trip	March 29 No Youth March 29 Palm Sunday

Click to sign up for Harbor Youth
updates!

Follow Harbor Youth on Instagram!



Confirmation Classes (aka LAUNCH) Begin in March

Middle schoolers are invited to join us every Sunday night in March from 4–5 p.m. for Confirmation class (aka LAUNCH)! Together, we will explore the traditional elements of Methodist Confirmation, ask big questions, and grow in faith in a welcoming and encouraging environment.

The journey wraps up with a special weekend retreat at the church on May 29–30, bringing everything together just before students have the opportunity to be confirmed on Sunday, May 31. We would love for you to be part of this meaningful step in your faith story! Contact Cortni at youth@denverumc.org for more information!



Sign Up to Help With Sunday Night Meals!

Dinner is getting a fresh spin to become an elevated concession-style. We'd love for friends & parents to be part of the evening by sponsoring a meal and/or helping run the concession stand. While you're absolutely welcome to, **there is NO cooking required**—you can choose to just serve snacks and drinks, and we'd love if you'd bring along a dessert to share! You can scan the QR or click the button below to sign up to sponsor a youth meal!

[Sponsor a Youth Meal](#)

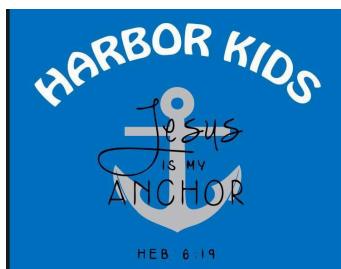
Go to our [website](#) for the 2025/2026 calendar and details on all upcoming events! And follow us on [Instagram](#)!

[Email Harbor Youth](#)



HARBOR KIDS

DUMC's birth - 5th grade ministry



We are committed to helping your child grow in every aspect of their relationship with Jesus Christ and knowledge of His Word. Thank you for your support and prayer!

Harbor Kids is open every Sunday 8:45 a.m. - noon!

We have programs at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. and at 10:00 a.m., join us for hands-on activities to help serve our community!

[Click to sign up for updates from Harbor Kids!](#)

[Follow Harbor Kids on Instagram!](#)



COMMUNITY

what's happening around town

Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus

Valentine Dinner & Dance

February 7, 2026



6 PM

You are invited to a Valentine Dinner and Dance, hosted by the Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus, on Saturday, February 7 at 6:00 p.m in the Denver UMC Family Life Center. Dinner includes pork tenderloin, vegetables, salad, dessert, and a drink. Live music will be provided by the Salisbury Swing Band. Click [here](#) to watch them in action!

Tickets are available for \$50 per person, and proceeds support local charities. Contact Jeff DiCosmo at DiCosmoBeamer3676@aol.com or 704-489-9756 for more information.

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