



THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor, Steve Autrey

“When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die.” — Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Dietrich Bonhoeffer is one of my personal heroes of the Christian Faith. Bonhoeffer was a pastor, theologian, and courageous witness who lived in Germany during the rise to power of Adolf Hitler. While many Christians acquiesced to the Nazi regime in the name of putting nation before faith, Bonhoeffer refused and resisted the evil he saw taking over his homeland. Ultimately, he was arrested by the Gestapo for his outspoken critique of the regime and was executed on April 9, 1945, less than a month before German surrender. In the face of fear and compromise, he chose costly obedience to Jesus by living out his faith until the very end.

This weekend, we turn to [Luke 9:57–62](#), where Jesus speaks hard truths to those who would follow him, calling them beyond comfort, beyond hesitation, and into a life fully surrendered. Most of us will not be called to give our lives like Dietrich Bonhoeffer did, but we will be called to place our allegiance to Jesus above all else, even our own families and our own sense of comfort and success. The question is, “If this is so, why would anyone choose to follow such a demanding God?”

We’ll talk more on Sunday.

Please remember that we will have one service at 10 am this Sunday in the Sanctuary.

Blessings,

Pastor Steve

Faith, Finances, Fresh Start

2026
A Faithful Step

Give \$6 per week throughout 2026

Start your \$6 for '26 journey today!

God's Guide to Financial Freedom

I want to remind everyone about our 6-for-26 campaign. This initiative is crucial for our church's future, as it calls for an additional \$6 per week commitment to our church budget. By participating, we can not only meet our operating obligations but also significantly support the vital work of ministry at DUMC. Together, let's strengthen our community and ensure that we can continue to thrive and serve effectively. **Your contribution matters!**



WORSHIP

join us in praising our Lord

THIS SUNDAY

REMINDER: This Sunday, April 26th, we will have one service at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary. This will be a time to come together and worship as One Body of Christ. Please mark your calendars for this collective time of worship.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

There are lots of special Sundays coming up in worship at Denver UMC. Below is a snapshot of April/May's schedule so you can plan to attend!:

- April 26th:** One Service (10:00 am in Sanctuary)
- May 17th:** Graduation Sunday (regular service times!)
- May 24th:** Rock Springs 'Connected' Community Worship (10:00 am at Rock Springs-no service at DUMC!)
- May 31st:** Blended Service/Confirmation Sunday (10:00 am in Sanctuary)

Please make note of the changes in our worship schedule and plan to join together as His children, lifting one voice to our triumphant King!

April 19, 2026 Worship Attendance	
9:00	112
11:00	134
Children	25
Total	271
Average Online Views	89



GIVING REPORT

updated financial news

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: \$377,887
ACTUAL INCOME RECEIVED TO DATE: \$373,040

2026
MINISTRY OPERATIONS ANNUAL BUDGET: \$1,382,987

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

Give Now

CALENDAR

we'll see you there!

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 25 9AM	Community Garden Day outreach@denverumc.org
APRIL 27 11AM - 5PM	Helping Hands Golf Tournament Church Office Closed helpinghandsgolftournament@gmail.com
APRIL 28 6PM	Church Council Meeting council@denverumc.org
MAY 3 5PM	Last Youth PARTY! youth@denverumc.org
MAY 4 10:30AM	Helping Hands Meeting helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com
MAY 6 1 PM	Chicken Pickin' helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com
MAY 7 10AM	Prayer Team prayers@denverumc.org
MAY 7 11AM-1PM	First Thursday Lunch helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com
MAY 9 9AM	Sisterhood outreach@denverumc.org
MAY 10	Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins outreach@denverumc.org



Events Calendar

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LIFE AT DUMC

things to know, celebrate, & look forward to!

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HELPING HANDS GOLF TOURNAMENT
FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES, CALL 704.579.0428



Visit our website

Women's Walk to Emmaus

We thank God for our newest members of the Denver UMC Emmaus Community! If you are considering going on Walk to Emmaus, please talk with one of these women or reach out to Wendi Sweet at wendi.sweet@denverumc.org for more information.

- Men's Fall Walk: October 15-18
- Women's Fall Walk: October 22-25



Front Center: Karen Haskins
Back (L to R): Shawn Eudy, Wendi Sweet, Belinda Worsham, Ginger Boyle, Patti Stiene, Deb Carter



OUTREACH

unleashing compassion



Community Garden Planting Day - This Saturday, April 25th

Bring your trowels, gloves, friends, and family to the garden beginning at 9:00 am this Saturday, April 25th. We'll plant tomatoes, cucumbers, squash and more - all to be given to food-insecure neighbors! No experience necessary! Email carol.brown@denverumc.org to let us know you'll be there!



Trinidad Partnership Trip

We are very excited about last week's experience at Operation Smile Home for Children in Trinidad! Thank you for your prayers and support! Look for more information about opportunities to serve alongside these neighbors in the days to come!



Helping Hands

building community through service

Helping Hands Local Outreach Opportunities

Serve our neighbors through the many ministries and partnerships of Helping Hands! Click and browse through the [April HandUp Newsletter](#) for current needs and opportunities, and mark your calendars to attend our next meeting, May 4th, at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel. Contact [Helping Hands](#) with questions.



Next Sisterhood Event - Saturday, May 9th!

Registration is open for our May Sisterhood event! Ladies of all ages are invited to join us in the CORC at 9:00 a.m. for worship, breakfast, and fellowship, and then break into groups to make fragrant shower steamers, enjoy a morning outside learning or improving your skills in the game of

pickleball, participate in a color analysis experience to determine what colors look best on you, or create spring coasters to suit your decor! Click [here](#) to register. Contact [Janet Chubb](#) to donate breakfast items or volunteer to welcome other ladies, lead the devotion, or pray. See you there!



Hello Matthew 25ers!

Due to overwhelming support and space limitations, we must temporarily refrain from accepting pill bottle donations. In the meantime, you can continue to support this ministry by making a small financial contribution toward shipping costs or by volunteering your time to assist with the ministry in person.



We will have a short planning meeting on May 4th in the Chapel immediately following the Helping Hands meeting. If you are interested in becoming a part of this ministry please attend. Also, you can contact Lis Tucker (1941Lizard@gmail.com) or Shawn Eudy (shawnwyatteudy52@gmail.com) for information.



“...you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life” (Philippians 2)

Every year, Japan CCC hosts a Spring Camp for university students across Japan, and this year's theme was *Continue to Shine*. In a nation where less than one percent of its people know the love of Christ, believing students are truly shining the light of Christ in their families, classrooms, friend circles, and workplaces. For this four-day conference, students gathered together in Kobe, Japan, to be refreshed, challenged, and encouraged in the reality of Christ living inside of them. This year, over 100 students attended, and something that made it extra special was that a handful of students who were not Christian but curious or interested also joined. Of those students, two decided to give their lives to Christ! Please join us in celebrating these two precious lives, and know that you—as you generously give and pray—are playing a part in their stories. We are so grateful for each of you! *Click [here](#) to continue reading.*



DISCIPLESHIP

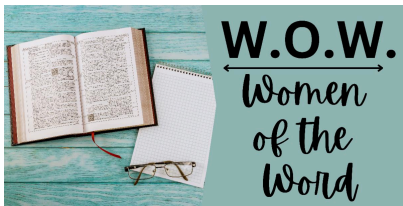
Small Groups, Bible Studies, & Connection Groups

Discipleship Opportunities

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

Visit denverumc.org/ministries/adult-ministries 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



W.O.W. Bible Study

W.O.W. Bible study will meet every Wednesday, April 8 - May 15, in the Chapel for our study "12 Daring Women of the Bible" from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00. Everyone is welcome! For more information, contact Rachelle Roberts: Orachelle@hotmail.com or Susan Nickel: snicke@bellsouth.net



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? 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!



Friday Ladies' Bible Study

Michell Turner will be our guest leader for this study, "The Greatest Story Ever Told, A Bird's Eye View of the New Testament". We meet in the Chapel on Fridays from 10-12. Childcare is available, just contact Sara Lee 704-230-9004.



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](mailto:emailCalebHendren).

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





Youth Sunday School

Get ready—something fun is happening in Youth Sunday School! We're watching an exciting video series (Alpha Youth series - check out the trailer!) designed just for youth, with real-life topics, engaging discussions, and a space where your voice matters. Join us Sunday mornings at 10 am in the youth room as we hang out, grow in our faith, and explore what it really means to follow Jesus in everyday life. Bring a friend and come be part of it—you won't want to miss this! Email Adam at Adamoverbay1@gmail.com or Dean at deanmosteller@gmail.com for more information!



Attention Graduating Seniors!

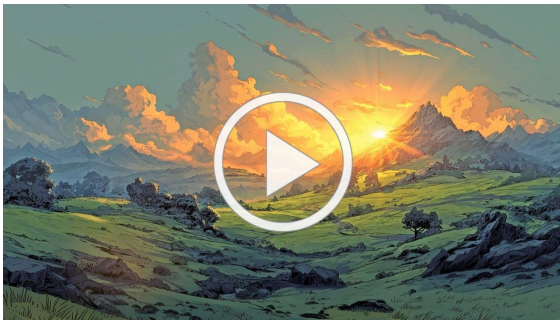
If you are graduating high school or college this year, please contact Cortni at youth@denverumc.org by **May 3** so we can celebrate and include you in Graduation Sunday, May 17. Click [here](#) to submit your graduation information. We look forward to recognizing and honoring our seniors for all they've accomplished!

April	May	June	July
April 12 No Youth	May 3 Last Youth PARTY!	June COMING SOON: a fun surprise!	July 4 Independence Day
April 19 Regular Youth	May 17 Graduation Sunday		July 12-16 VBS!
April 26 Regular Youth	May 24 Rock Springs Campground Sunday		July 19-23 NTS Summer Camp
	May 29-30 Confirmation Retreat		
	May 31 Confirmation Sunday		

Click to sign up for Harbor Youth updates!

Follow Harbor Youth on Instagram!

Email Harbor Youth



Registration must be completed by a parent or legal guardian over the age of 18 and is complete when all the required information is entered, and either payment is made in full, or the \$150 non-refundable/non-transferrable deposit has been made.

Registration is \$415 from now until April 29. Registration becomes \$435 from April 30 until July 5. Final registration is \$455 for those last 2 weeks before camp. **Registration closes at 6pm July 18!** *You will receive reminder emails of payment due 14 & 7 days before the due date if there is a balance on your account.*

NTS Summer Camp /July 19-23
We're going back to NTS camp at Erskine College, in Due West, SC! This year camp will be looking into the life of David in the Old Testament and the theme is "Pursuit." We hope our students see God's pursuit of them and, in turn, become people chasing after a God who chases after us, redeems us, and prepares us for greatness. As they see themselves in this story of pursuit, we pray they walk away being known as people after God's own heart!

[Click here to register for NTS Camp! Hurry - the price goes up April 29!](#)



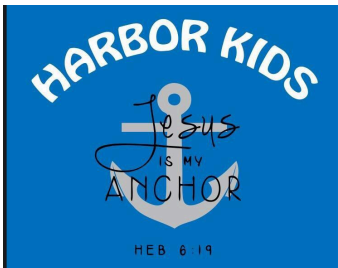
Sign Up to Help With Sunday Night Meals!
 We'd love for friends & parents to be part of the evening by sponsoring a meal and/or helping run the concession stand. While you're absolutely welcome to, **there is NO cooking required**— you can choose to just serve snacks and drinks, and we'd love if you'd 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](#)



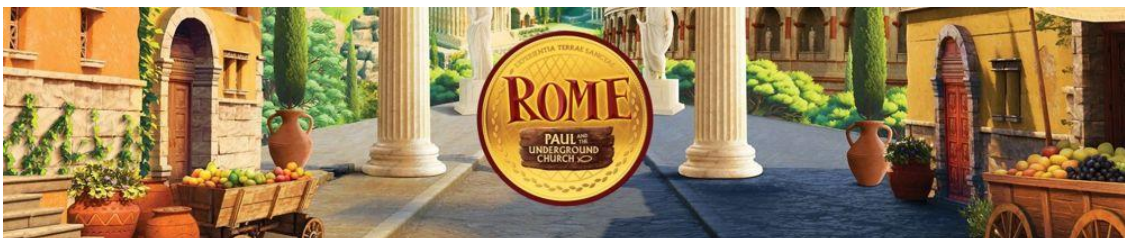
HARBOR KIDS

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!



Join us in a time travel back to Rome for VBS: July 12th-16th
 Explore ancient Rome where Scripture and history connect in unforgettable ways!



Drop off begins nightly at 5:45 p.m. in the Family Life Center (gym). On Thursday evening, parents are invited to join us for our Family Night including pizza and outside festivities. Please have the children wear bathing suits under a t-shirt and shorts and don't forget to bring towels!
Registration Deadline = Monday, July 5th!!

To register or for more detailed information, scan or click on the QR code.

Click to sign up for updates from Harbor Kids!

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