

your view from the Harbor



THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor, David Hiatt

[Mark 4:35-41](#)

"Lessons From the Boat: More Than Passengers"

This Sunday we are concluding our summer series, *Lessons From the Boat*, with the story of Jesus calming the storm. When the wind and waves begin to overwhelm the disciples, fear causes them to lose sight not only of who is with them, but also of who Jesus is calling them to become.

Join us this week as we discover that although we can't control every storm we ever face, we are not helpless within them. Jesus is in the boat with us, and his Spirit equips us to offer hope in the face of life's storms.

Blessings,
Pastor David Hiatt



WORSHIP

join us in praising our Lord



The beloved Arbor Outdoor Service is in full swing!
To preview the entire song list for this Summer's setlist, click the icons below!

SPECIAL REMINDER: If inclement weather becomes a threat during the Summer months, the Arbor Service will relocate indoors to the Sanctuary. Communication from the church will be sent out by **Saturday at noon** regarding this change of location if a decision is made. If you have not been receiving the church-wide text, please contact the Church Office.



Arbor Outdoor Service
THIS SUNDAY'S PLAYLIST

CLICK HERE



Arbor Outdoor Service
FULL SUMMER PLAYLIST

CLICK HERE



Here's a snapshot of DUMC's upcoming special Sunday-themed focus in worship happening over the Summer months:

August 30th: Combined Service in Sanctuary

August 16, 2026 Worship Attendance	
9:00	105
11:00	138
Children	15
Total	258
Average Online Views	100



GIVING REPORT

updated financial news

Ministry Operations UPDATED 8/16/26

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: \$743,966
ACTUAL INCOME RECEIVED TO DATE: \$727,617

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

AUG 24
6PM

Church Council Meeting | council@denverumc.org

AUG 28
6:30PM

Harbor Kids Parents Meeting | kids@denverumc.org

AUG 29
8AM

Church Workday | david.washco@denverumc.org

AUG 30
10AM

Combined Worship Service | worship@denverumc.org

AUG 30
11AM

Meet & Greet the Hiatts | council@denverumc.org

SEPT 2
9:30AM

Chicken Pickin' | denzilmbell@gmail.com

SEPT 2
10AM

Women of the Word Bible Study | snicke@bellsouth.net

SEPT 3
10AM

Prayer Team Meeting | snicke@bellsouth.net

SEPT 3
11AM-1PM

First Thursday Lunch | denzilmbell@gmail.com

SEPT 4
10AM

Friday Ladies Bible Study | sara.lee@denverumc.org



Events Calendar

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LIFE AT DUMC

things to know, celebrate, & look forward to!



Save the Date - Church-Wide Day of Service

Mark your calendar for Saturday, August 29, 8 a.m. - 10 a.m., for a church-wide day of service. Everyone is invited! Meet at the Arbor and bring your rakes, gloves, trimmers, and blowers.

GriefShare Facilitators Needed

We are looking for people interested in participating as a facilitator for our GriefShare group. GriefShare is a faith-based support group that uses Christian principles to help individuals work through the emotional life stressors associated with the loss of a loved one. Training is provided



with specific guidelines that support confidentiality, provide individual encouragement, and promote active listening.

If you feel this is a ministry you would like to be involved with, please contact Vickey Baxley at vickeymarlene@gmail.com or feel free to call or text (704) 473-7867. We hope to get a Saturday morning and Sunday afternoon workshop going, "How to Survive the Holidays,"

just before Thanksgiving and Christmas.



Meet & Greet the Hiatts!

Help us welcome Pastor David Hiatt and his family to DUMC on August 30, immediately following the combined worship service, in the FLC. Coffee and donuts will be served. We will also be collecting gift cards to local restaurants, shops, and grocery stores as a welcome gift for the Hiatt family. If you are unable to attend on the 30th but would like to contribute a gift card, you may drop it off in the church office during regular business hours through August 27.



OUTREACH

unleashing compassion



First Thursday Lunch is Back September 3rd!

Mark your calendars to join us September 3rd from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the FLC for chicken pie, baked spaghetti, chili dogs, sides, homemade desserts, and lots of fellowship! Dine in or take out. To order 8"x8" whole pies, please [email](#) or call the church office at 704-483-1601 by Tuesday, September 1st, to ensure availability. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve the meal. Contact [Denzil Bell](#) for details.

Join the chicken pickers on Wednesday, September 2nd, in the FLC at 9:30 a.m. Experienced and new pickers are always welcome! All proceeds support local children and their families.



First Thursday Bakers Needed

Homemade desserts have long been a staple of First Thursday Lunch at Denver UMC and we need more desserts! Bakers are scheduled on a rotating basis September - May. If you enjoy baking or trying new recipes, this is the ministry for you! Please contact Wendi Sweet at wendi.sweet@denverumc.org if you would like to be added to the list.

Helping Hands

building community through service

A New Season to Serve

Another school year brings new opportunities to serve and to share God's love. Whether you have an hour to give or serve regularly, Helping Hands makes it easy to use your time, compassion, and experience can make a lasting difference in our community. [Click](#) to view the August HandUp Newsletter for current opportunities. Contact [Helping Hands](#) with questions.



A few spots remain for our next Trinidad Experience! Join us over Columbus Day weekend to meet or reconnect with our partners at Operation Smile Home for Children. You'll experience the warmth and hospitality of the people of Trinidad, spend time with some truly precious children, and have opportunities for meaningful service and personal spiritual growth. Come see what God is doing through this ministry—you may just fall in love with Trinidad and the children we're privileged to serve! Contact [David Washco](#) or

[Carol Brown](#) for details and to sign up.



Lincoln County Foster Care Classes Begin August 27th

Have you ever considered fostering local children who have lost parents or been removed from their care? There is a huge need for someone like you in our community! After prayerful discernment, click [here](#) to inquire and start the process by attending these classes. They will help you make a more informed decision, with no obligation.



Harbour Health Walk for Life - September 13th

Join Team DUMC or sponsor Scott and Karen Haskins as they walk in the Harbour Health (formerly Heartbeats) annual Walk For Life! The event raises needed funds so families in our area can receive compassionate care, resources, mentorship, and parenting education needed to

equip them to be the best parents they can be. Click [here](#) for more information about participating or sponsoring our team. Thank you for your generosity!



Amy's House 2026 Annual Gala - September 13th

You're invited to this annual fundraiser in support of Lincoln County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Amy's House. The event brings our community together to celebrate hope, honor survivors, and raise critical funds that allow us to continue providing emergency shelter, advocacy, transitional housing,

and life-changing services for individuals and families impacted by domestic violence. Join us Sept. 13th from 2:00-5:00 at Laboratory Mills in Lincolnton. Tickets are only \$25 per person. Click [here](#) to purchase yours.



DISCIPLESHIP

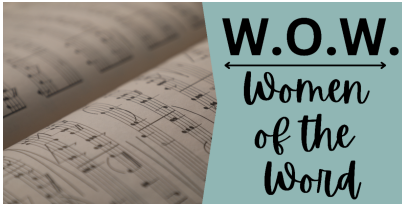
Small Groups, Bible Studies, & Connection Groups

Discipleship Opportunities

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

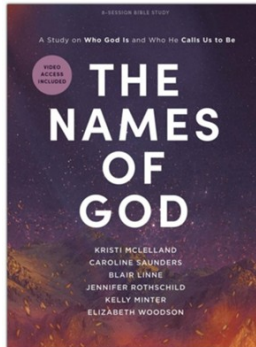
Visit denverumc.org/ministries/adult-ministries for specific **Sunday school classes, weekday Bible studies, Wednesday night, and small group** offerings with locations, descriptions, and contact information.

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



Women of the Word Bible Study

The Women of the Word Bible Study begins on Wednesday, September 2. We will meet in the chapel from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for a fun game of Bible Family Feud trivia and a lesson on Esther. The following week, we will begin a 12-week study on Hymns by Rachelle Roberts. All women are welcome! We would love for you to join us.



Friday Ladies Bible Study

The Friday Ladies Bible Study will begin a new study on Friday, September 4. We will be using a Lifeway Women's study called "The Names of God". The book is \$25. We will meet on Friday mornings from 10-12 in the Chapel. Childcare is available upon request. If you would like Sara to order you a book, please text her at 704-230-9004.



Join us for Introduction to Lay Servant Ministries starting September 3rd!

Have you heard about Lay Servant Ministries?

Lay Servant Ministries ("LSM") is a leadership development and discipleship program that helps laity discover and employ their personal spiritual gifts and equips laity to lead more effectively in their local churches and beyond. Through its focus on ministries of leading, caring, and communicating, LSM training helps laity gain the

skills and confidence needed to more faithfully live into their calling and to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Beginning September 3, 2026, our Conference Committee on Lay Servant Ministries is offering [An Introduction to Lay Servant Ministry: The Basic Course](#) for laity who are interested in learning about the LSM program and how LSM training can support their personal development and spiritual growth.

This course is a foundational course and is a prerequisite for taking other LSM courses. The course is open to any lay person. You do not have to be serving in a particular leadership role in your church, though Lay Leaders, those leading or serving on a ministry team or committee, and those who are interested in exploring new ways to serve may find the course particularly helpful.

The course will be taught online via Zoom from 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm each Thursday for four consecutive weeks (Sept. 3rd, Sept. 10th, Sept. 17th, and Sept. 24th). Participants must attend all four sessions to receive credit for the course. Cost is \$25.00, plus participants must purchase the textbook for the course.

Click [here](#) to learn more and to register for the course by August 26, 2026.



Sunday Morning Study Opportunity Sundays, 10:00 a.m. in the CORC

Would you be interested in joining a group of people of all ages to share in a facilitation-type discussion on a variety of spiritual growth topics this summer? The time starts on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. in the CORC (old fellowship hall), with a time of fellowship, followed by discussion 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!



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:Caleb.Hendren).

Women's Alliance - Tuesday Nights!

****New Day and Time!****

Tuesday nights | 6:30 p.m. | Rain or shine
For more information, reach out to Sarah Angel at scc72020@att.net. All women are invited!

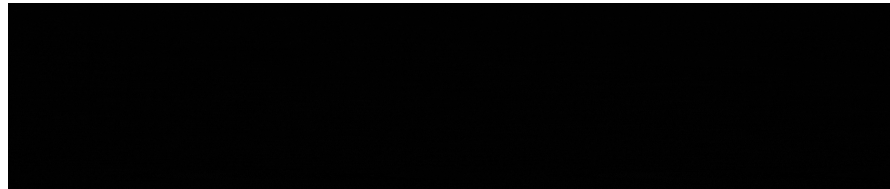
Discipleship Video Series

Spiritual Gifts Assessment



HARBOR YOUTH

DUMC's 6-12th grade ministry



Youth Kickoff Party!

We're kicking off a brand-new year of Youth, and you're invited! Come hang out, meet your leaders, get to know some new friends, enjoy snacks, games, prizes, and a FREE T-shirt, and then... we're having a FOAM PARTY! Come ready to have a ridiculous amount of fun, and be sure to wear clothes and shoes you don't mind getting wet. Whether you've been coming for years or it's your very first time, this is the perfect night to jump in. Bring a friend and come ready for an unforgettable kickoff! Email youth@denverumc.org for more info!



Youth Sunday School Kickoff - September 13

Looking for a place to grow in your faith, ask questions, and connect with other students? Join us every Sunday during the 10:00 AM hour in the Harbor Kids area for Youth Sunday School! We'll be diving into different books of the Bible, growing in knowledge, asking hard questions, and learning how to apply God's Word to everyday life. For more information, contact Adam Overbay at Adamoverbay1@gmail.com, Sarah Angel at scc72020@att.net, or Dean Mosteller at deanmosteller@gmail.com.

August	September	October	November
Aug. 8 LOVE DENVER	Sept. 13 KICKOFF PARTY	Oct. 3 ARBOR MOVIE NIGHT	Nov. 7 FALL FESTIVAL & CAR SHOW
Aug. 9 BACKPACK BLESSING SUNDAY	Sept. 16 TABLE TALK BEGINS	Oct. 11 THANKFALL PARTY	Nov. 22 FEED THE HUNGER / NO YOUTH
	Sept. 27 BRING YOUR ADULT TO YOUTH NIGHT		Nov. 29 GINGERBREAD BASH / NO YOUTH

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

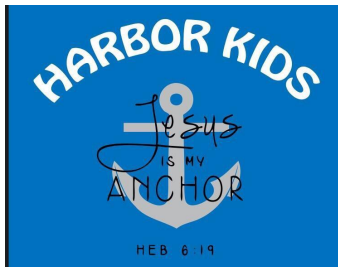
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HARBOR KIDS

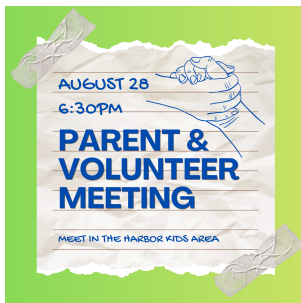
DUMC's birth - 5th grade ministry



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!



Harbor Kids Parents Meeting, August 28, 6:30 in Harbor Kids

We invite all Harbor Kids parents and volunteers to join us for our Harbor Kids Parent Meeting! This will be a great opportunity to share your thoughts, ideas, and feedback as we continue to grow and shape our children's ministry together. We want to hear your voice and learn what is working well, what could be improved, and what you would love to see happen in Harbor Kids. We'll also be unveiling this year's Kids Christmas Play and sharing exciting details about what's ahead. We hope you'll join us as we partner together to help kids know God, love people, and change the world!

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

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