

# your view from the Harbor



## THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

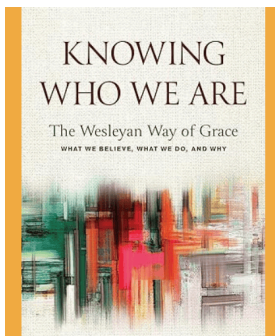
Senior Pastor, David Hiatt

### [Psalm 119:97-105](#) & [James 1:22-25](#)

#### "Way of Life: Rediscovering a Wesleyan Way of Living - The Bible and How We Read It"

What if we stopped thinking of the Bible as a book to be studied, and instead as a gift through which God's Spirit forms us into people who look like Jesus? This Sunday, we will explore the role that Scripture plays in living a Wesleyan way of life, and how, with the help of the Holy Spirit, we can let the lamp of Scripture guide us in taking our next faithful step.

Blessings,  
Rev. David Hatt



As our series "Way of Life: Rediscovering A Wesleyan Way of Living" continues throughout the fall, I want to encourage you to read *Knowing Who We Are: The Wesleyan Way of Grace* by Dr. Lacey C. Warner. This book is an excellent addition to our sermon series and helps to flesh out what we believe, what we do, and why it all matters.

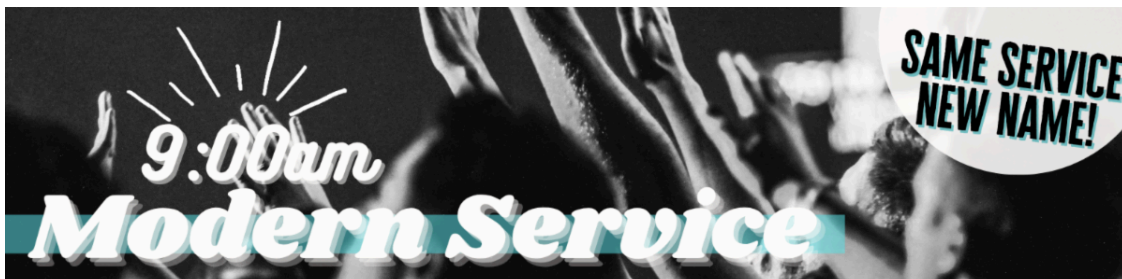
I will be holding an informal "book club" discussion to talk about the book on October 11 @ 3:30 pm in the Chapel. Hope to see you there.

Pastor David Hiatt



## WORSHIP

join us in praising our Lord



Our Contemporary Service is getting a new name! This service will now be known as the **Modern Service**. This new title gives a better depiction of what this service offers: modern worship music, including the integration of praise songs with singable melodies and modern takes on hymns, an

informal environment with a relaxed atmosphere (coffee included!), and utilization of technology with eye-catching graphics and visual aids. Same service we know-just a new name!



Here's a snapshot of DUMC's upcoming special Sundays as we head into the Fall months:

**November 1st:** All Saints Sunday

**November 22nd:** Thanksgiving Sunday

| October 4, 2026 Worship Attendance |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| 9:00                               | 115 |
| 11:00                              | 100 |
| Children                           | 19  |
| Total                              | 234 |
| Average Online Views               | 22  |



## GIVING REPORT

updated financial news

*Ministry Operations* UPDATED 10/04/26

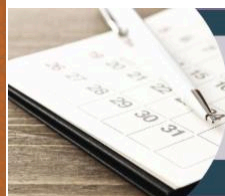
DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR THIS FUND GO TOWARDS MINISTRY AND OUTREACH, IN ADDITION TO ALL NECESSARY STAFFING AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR HOSTING WORSHIP SERVICES AND MAINTAINING OUR CHURCH GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS.

**BUDGET INCOME EXPECTED TO DATE: \$920,815**  
**ACTUAL INCOME RECEIVED TO DATE: \$847,686**

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

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

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## CALENDAR

we'll see you there!

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

# UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT 9  
10AM

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

OCT 10  
6:30PM

Family Movie Night | kids@denverumc.org

OCT 11  
3:30 PM

Book Discussion Group | pastor@denverumc.org

OCT 11  
5PM

Youth Fall Party | youth@denverumc.org

OCT 14  
10AM

W.O.W. Bible Study | snicke@bellsouth.net

OCT 14  
5:30PM

Table Talk | discipleship@denverumc.org

OCT 14  
6:45PM

Leadership Discipleship Experience |  
discipleship@denverumc.org

OCT 14  
6PM

Kids Christmas Play Practice | kids@denverumc.org

OCT 15  
10AM

Prayer Team Meeting | snicke@bellsouth.net

OCT 15-18

Men's Walk to Emmaus | wendi.sweet@denverumc.org

OCT 18  
4PM

Prayer Shawl Ministry | shawnwyatteudy52@gmail.com



Events Calendar

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## LIFE AT DUMC

things to know, celebrate, & look forward to!



### September Church Council Meeting Highlights:

- **Minutes approved:** August 24 meeting minutes were approved.
- **Finances:** August had a \$30,355 deficit. The church is down \$105,087 year-to-date, with unrestricted cash at only \$29,146.
- **Apportionments:** Council voted 9-1 to pause the \$5,000

monthly apportionment

payments and reassess after reviewing fourth-quarter finances.

• **Faith & Future campaign:** A letter will be sent to pledgers updating them on their pledges and campaign status.

• **Property/maintenance:** Cedar Street crawl-space repairs are needed; sanctuary carpet may need stretching; a sprinkler-system leak was investigated and classified as a nuisance leak.

• **Planning:** Scout Hut has been approved for Talent School use. Cedar Street property

discussions are ongoing.

- **Missions:** Upcoming activities include the Trinidad trip (Oct. 9–12), foster-family support, **Fall Festival outreach**, and **Helping Hands fundraising**.
- **Charge Conference:** Scheduled for October 26, including 2027 leadership elections and pastor salary discussions.
- **Finances communication:** Perry Clark will prepare a financial message for the congregation. A separate budget information meeting will be held in early November.
- **Meeting time changed:** Beginning in October, Council meetings will be 6:30–8:30 p.m.
- **Next meeting:** Monday, October 26, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.



### We Need Your Pictures!

Attention DUMC families - if your photo is not yet included in our online directory (Elexio), please consider sending one in. Having updated pictures is a huge help to our church family and to our new Senior Pastor, Rev. David Hiatt.

Please email your photo to [wendi.sweet@denverumc.org](mailto:wendi.sweet@denverumc.org) and include the names of each family member in the order they appear in the picture.

**\*\*Due to the weather forecast, movie night will be in the FLC.\*\***

**MOVIE Night**

**THE PEANUTS MOVIE**

JOIN US AT DENVER UMC'S ARBOR

featuring

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!  
You don't have to attend our church and you don't have to have children to come!

MORE THAN A MOVIE!  
FUN CRAFTS  
AWESOME PRIZES  
MEMORIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

**OCTOBER 10**  
6:30 PM

DENVER UMC'S ARBOR  
\*IF RAINING, COME TO FLC\*

POPCORN PROVIDED!

BRING A LAWN CHAIR & BLANKET!

**A NIGHT OF FAMILY, FUN, AND COMMUNITY!**



### American Mah Jongg Nights

Join us for American Mah Jongg instruction and open play every Tuesday from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. We meet in the hallway outside the Library. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced player, all are invited to participate and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship. Contact [Marybeth DiBernard](mailto:Marybeth.DiBernard@denverumc.org) for more information.

**OCTOBER 25, 2026**

**TROOP 84**  
**BBQ SALE**

**10AM-2PM**

### Troop 84 BBQ Sale - October 25

Troop 84 is hosting its annual BBQ sale on Sunday, October 25th! BBQ, beans, coleslaw, chips, and a drink for \$13.00. Tickets are now on sale. Look for us selling outside services on Sunday mornings until the day of the event. Pickup will be 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 25th. Thanks for your continued support of Troop 84 BSA!



## TaRanda Greene Concert at Unity Presbyterian, October 25, 4:00 p.m.

Join us for a special Sunday evening of worship with TaRanda Greene and a 60-voice choir, including many from the DUMC choir. It will be a meaningful night of music, worship, and fellowship. Bring your family and friends to share in this unforgettable experience. The concert begins at 4:00 p.m., and no tickets are needed. For more information on Taranda, visit

<https://tarandamusic.com/home>



# OUTREACH

unleashing compassion

## Helping Hands

building community through service

### Helping Hands' Local Volunteer Opportunities

Check out the October Helping Hands [HandUp newsletter](#) to find meaningful ways to serve our neighbors. Email [helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com](mailto:helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com) with questions.



### Support Helping Hands!

At age 74, David Garmon is taking on another half-triathlon - this time to raise funds for the Ministries of Helping Hands! You can support his efforts by sponsoring his miles and turning his effort into help for struggling neighbors. All donations will be matched up to \$10,000! The event will take place on October 24th on Edisto Island. Click [here](#) to sponsor or pick up a sponsorship flyer in the church office.



### Help Fill 100 Christmas Stockings!

Every year, we fill 100 Christmas stockings (made by our Sewing Ladies) for Lincoln County Schools' Social Workers. These ladies give them to middle and high school students who need encouragement or added support during the Christmas season. The stockings contain essential toiletries, gift cards, and other items. If you, or a group you're a part of, are interested in donating 50 or 100 of a specific item, please email [carol.brown@denverumc.org](mailto:carol.brown@denverumc.org).



### Community Garden Fall Clean-Up - October 24th!

Join us in the Garden Saturday, October 24th, beginning at 8:00 am. We will remove summer plants, spread mulch, and harvest sweet potatoes! Everyone is welcome as we celebrate another successful season! Contact Patti Stiene at [pstiene17@gmail.com](mailto:pstiene17@gmail.com) with questions!

### Soles for Souls 5K - October 24th!

Support Lincoln County's unhoused neighbors through this fun 5K trail run and Kids Fun Run at Sally's Y, here in Denver. The race starts at 9:00 a.m. Same day sign-ups begin at 8:15 a.m. Not a runner? Volunteers are also needed! Click [here](#) for details.



### Missional Network Fall Fun Day - October 24th!

Join us at Rock Springs Campground for this annual community event Saturday, October 24th from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm! We'll have crafts, a bouncy house, games, food, prizes, and more! All are welcome! Email [carol.brown@denverumc.org](mailto:carol.brown@denverumc.org) for details!



## DISCIPLESHIP

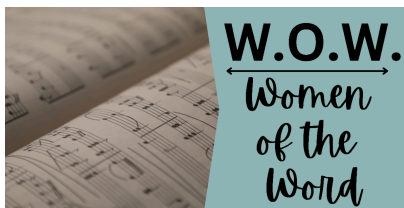
Small Groups, Bible Studies, & Connection Groups

### Discipleship Opportunities

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

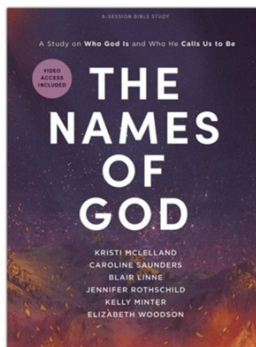
Visit [denverumc.org/ministries/adult-ministries](http://denverumc.org/ministries/adult-ministries) for specific **Sunday school classes, weekday Bible studies, Wednesday night, and small group** offerings with locations, descriptions, and contact information.

Email David Washco with any questions at [discipleship@denverumc.org](mailto:discipleship@denverumc.org)



### Women of the Word Bible Study

The Women of the Word Bible Study is doing a study on Hymns by Rachelle Roberts. We meet in the chapel on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All women are welcome! We would love for you to join us.



### Friday Ladies Bible Study

The Friday Ladies Bible Study is "The Names of God" by Lifeway Women. The book is \$25. We meet on Friday mornings from 10-12 in the Chapel. Childcare is available upon request. For more information, text Sara at 704-230-9004.



### Table Talk - Wednesday Nights

Start the evening with Table Talk and enjoy fellowship with others over dinner. Dinner is \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family (max.).

Email David Washco at [discipleship@denverumc.org](mailto:discipleship@denverumc.org) with questions.

**5:30-6:30 p.m. in the FLC**

**October 14 menu:** Eggs, bacon, sausage, and biscuits

### Leadership Discipleship Experience: 6:45-8:00 pm in the Chapel

If you are a new believer or well on your path to Christian maturity, you are invited to be a part of this great experience. This is a ten-week journey designed to move beyond surface-level faith and into deep, life-changing transformation. Click [here](#) for more information.

### Kids Christmas Play Practice - 6 pm

All kids in 6th grade and younger are invited to join us as we rehearse for "We Knead a Little Christmas!" The performance will be held on December 13 at 5:00 pm. Parents are welcome to help during rehearsals or simply hang out. David Hiatt will be available until 6:40, so feel free to connect with him while the kids practice. For more information, contact Cortni at [kids@denverumc.org](mailto:kids@denverumc.org).



### NEW 10:00 A.M. SUNDAY GROUP

#### Coming October 25: A New BEMA Podcast Discussion Group

What if reading the Bible became less about finding quick answers and more about discovering the questions, culture, and historical context behind the story?

Beginning Sunday, October 25, we will launch a new Sunday School discussion group based on the BEMA Podcast with Marty Solomon. Each week, participants will listen to an assigned podcast episode before Sunday. During class, we will watch a brief summary video and then explore the material together through guided questions and conversation.

This group is open to everyone—from those who have never read through the Bible to those who have studied it for years.

**We are currently looking for several facilitators to help lead the weekly discussions.** You do not need to be a Bible scholar or prepare a traditional lesson. Videos, discussion questions, and optional slides are provided. If you enjoy helping others learn, asking meaningful questions, and using your teaching gifts, this may be a wonderful opportunity to serve. Contact David Washco at [discipleship@denverumc.org](mailto:discipleship@denverumc.org) if you are willing to facilitate or if you would like more information.



### 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](mailto:scc72020@att.net). All women are invited!

Discipleship Video Series

Spiritual Gifts Assessment



## HARBOR YOUTH

DUMC's 6-12th grade ministry

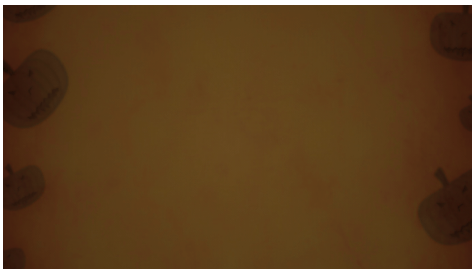


### Connect With Harbor Youth!

Parents, if you'd like to stay updated on what's happening in Harbor Youth, please click [here](#) or scan the QR code. This will help us communicate with you more effectively!

### Youth Fall Party - This Sunday!

Fall is officially here, and we're celebrating! Come hang out with us from 5-7pm for a night packed with fall food, fun crafts, awesome games, and plenty of time to chill with friends. Think cozy fall vibes, good food, lots of laughs, and a few surprises along the way. Grab your friends and come ready for a night of fall fun you won't want to miss! Email Cortni at [youth@denverumc.org](mailto:youth@denverumc.org) for more information!



### Scarrigan Farms - October 25

We're heading to Scarrigan Farms in Mooresville on Sunday, October 25! We'll meet at DUMC at 5 pm and carpool over together. Parents are welcome to join! The cost is \$40 per student, but the church is covering the cost so everyone can come. If your family would like to help with the cost, we are so grateful & you'll have the option to contribute during registration! Please bring money for food. Check out

their website: <https://scarriganfarms.com/faqs> for all requirements and details!

The deadline to register for Scarrigan is October 18! Click [here](#) to register.



## Youth Hiking Trip

We're hitting the trails on November 15 for a day of hiking, fresh air, and hanging out together. Youth will attend the 9:00 am worship service, then we'll head out around 10 am for our adventure. We'll spend the day exploring and enjoying the outdoors before heading back to church in time for Youth at 5 pm. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes, bring some water & a friend, and come ready for a great day! Email Adam ([adamoverbay1@gmail.com](mailto:adamoverbay1@gmail.com)) for more info!

| USUAL AVERAGE ROUTINE<br>COMMON SENSE REGULAR<br>N P<br>NEWBORN BIRTH COMMON SENSE |                                              |                                                          |                                                         |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Sept-Dec                                                                           | October                                      | November                                                 | December                                                |
| Sundays<br>YOUTH SUNDAY<br>SCHOOL AT 10AM                                          | Oct. 10<br>ARBOR MOVIE NIGHT                 | Nov. 7<br>FALL FESTIVAL & CAR SHOW                       | Dec. 4<br>YOUTH CHRISTMAS<br>PARTY 6PM                  |
|                                                                                    | Oct. 11<br>YOUTH THANKFALL PARTY             | Nov. 8<br>OCC SHOE BOX SHOPPING<br>TRIP & SCAVENGER HUNT | Dec. 13<br>KIDS CHRISTMAS PLAY &<br>YOUTH BONFIRE NIGHT |
|                                                                                    | Oct. 25<br>SCARRIGAN FARMS<br>OFF SITE EVENT | Nov. 15<br>YOUTH HIKING TRIP                             | Dec. 20<br>CHRISTMAS CAROLING                           |
|                                                                                    |                                              | Nov. 22<br>FEED THE HUNGER                               | Dec. 27<br>NO YOUTH                                     |
|                                                                                    |                                              | Nov. 29<br>GINGERBREAD BASH                              |                                                         |

Click to sign up for Harbor Youth updates!

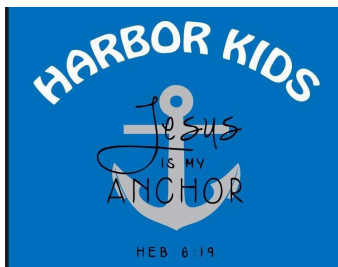
Follow Harbor Youth on Instagram!

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!

## Dismissal from Worship

Children will now join us for the beginning of worship during both the **9:00 a.m. Modern Service** and the **11:00 a.m. Traditional Service**. Approximately 10 minutes into the service, children will be dismissed to the Harbor Kids area, where they will remain for the rest of the worship service.



Before the service, please be sure to check your child in using the **Harbor Kids iPads**, located in the **FLC and Sanctuary Narthex**. If you have any questions, please contact **Cortni Rose** at [cortni.rose@denverumc.org](mailto:cortni.rose@denverumc.org).



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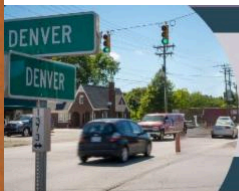


### Operation Christmas Child Collection - October

Our Harbor Kids are getting ready for our Operation Christmas Child Packing Day on November 1, and we'd love your help!

If you would like to donate supplies this month for our kids to use while packing boxes, they would be greatly appreciated. And don't forget, extras from your own OCC shopping can be donated, too! (For example, if you purchase three coloring books but only have room for one in your box, we can use the other two.)

Nothing goes to waste, and every extra item helps us fill more boxes and share God's love with children around the world. Thank you for helping make our Packing Day special! (Click on the image for a list of suggested items!)



## IN OUR COMMUNITY

what's happening around town



### Rock Springs Elementary Fall Festival

You are invited to the Rock Springs Elementary Fall Festival on October 16, 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. at Denver UMC. Enjoy trunk-or-treat (bring your bags!), inflatables (\$10 wristbands), and food trucks. Proceeds benefit Rock Springs Elementary School. For more information, visit [rsespto.com](http://rsespto.com).

eClick to sign up for updates from Harbor Kids!

Follow Harbor Kids on Instagram!

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## Staff & Leadership Connections

Click [here](#) to connect with our staff and Church Council

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Visit our website at [www.denverumc.org](http://www.denverumc.org) for the latest information



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