



THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor, Steve Autrey

What kind of culture would have a lion's den and a great fiery furnace as means of capital punishment? Evidently, in Babylon under the rule of Nebuchadnezzar, these are the two means of executing an enemy of the state in the book of Daniel. With a setting during the time of the Babylonian captivity, Daniel tells stories of the Hebrew people remaining faithful to the God of Israel even in the face of death. In chapter 3, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego are sentenced to death for their refusal to bow down to a massive golden statue. Later on in chapter 6, Daniel is thrown into the lion's den for praying to YHWH despite a law that outlawed this act and made such praying punishable by death. In both cases, God delivers and rewards faithfulness.

This week, we will be studying the Book of Daniel in general and concentrating on the story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego specifically ([Daniel 3:19-26](#)). While Daniel can feel foreign to us now, the struggle to remain faithful in a culture that has contrasting values is always a worthwhile discussion for followers of Jesus. I look forward to seeing you all this Sunday.

For a video overview of Daniel, please see this video from [The Bible Project](#).

Pastor Steve

August 3, 2025 Worship Attendance	
9:00	110
11:00	121
Children	26
Total	257

Stay connected to our new sermon series The Bible Year: A Journey Through Scripture in 365 Days with these resources:

- To access daily readings from The Bible Year, click [here](#).
- Watch "[The Bible Year Podcast](#)" with DUMC & HUMC
- If you wish to purchase the book or a study guide, click [here](#).



WORSHIP

join us in praising our Lord

Our outdoor Arbor Contemporary Worship has begun!

To prepare for worship this week and hear This Sunday's songs, click below:

We will be out at the Arbor through August 24th. Please plan to join us this Sunday as we come together to glorify our Lord surrounded by the beauty of His creation!



Arbor Service
THIS SUNDAY'S PLAYLIST

CLICK HERE



Arbor Service
FULL SUMMER PLAYLIST

CLICK HERE



GIVING REPORT

updated financial news

GENEROSITY REPORT

**Total Received =
\$618,463**

(\$20,615 average per Sunday)

2024 Comparison = \$616,196
(\$20,539 Average per Sunday)

2025 Ministry Operations
Budget = \$1,442,316



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!

Click or touch the calendar to enlarge

Upcoming Events

8/10 9am & 11am | **Back to School Blessing Sunday** | worship@denverumc.org

8/13 9am | **D.A.W.G.** | sara.lee@denverumc.org

8/17 4pm | **Prayer Shawl Ministry** | shawnwyatteudy52@gmail.com

8/17 5pm | **Youth Leader Meeting** | youth@denverumc.org

8/24 9am | **Last Sunday at the Arbor** | worship@denverumc.org

8/24 4pm | **Compassion Crew** | sara.lee@denverumc.org

8/24 5pm | **Youth Parent Meeting** | youth@denverumc.org

8/25 6pm | **Church Council Meeting** | council@denverumc.org

8/29 **Room in the Inn** | outreach@denverumc.org

8/30 8am | **Men's Breakfast** | discipleship@denverumc.org

8/31 10am | **Combined Family Worship** | worship@denverumc.org

9/1 **Labor Day - Church Office Closed** | news@denverumc.org



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The Bible Year



LIFE AT DUMC

things to know, celebrate, & look forward to!

Click any of the buttons below for quick access to DUMC resources!

What We Believe

Sanctuary Flowers

Helping Hands

Emails &
Texts

Connection Groups

Worship Times

Prayer

Resources & Forms

Podcasts



OUTREACH

unleashing compassion



Email Diann Farris

Love Denver Volunteer Opportunities - August 9th

It's not too late to volunteer at this awesome annual event held at East Lincoln High School! We'll join other churches to offer free backpacks full of school supplies, gently worn clothing, sports physicals, haircuts, groceries, games, crafts, lunch, and more to local families needing help to prepare for the upcoming school year. Click the button below to volunteer or to donate \$20 for a backpack that will be filled and given to a child during the event. Contact Diann Farris for details.

[Volunteer or donate](#)



[Click for more information or to register](#)

Sisterhood Getaway Registration Deadline - August 10th!

Ladies of all ages are invited to the Sisterhood Getaway at Lutherock Camp and Conference Center, September 12th-14th! The weekend will be filled with amazing food, shopping, crafts, hiking, yoga, games, fellowship, and discussions on how to reflect on God's Word and listen to His calling to you personally!



Email Matt Edwards

Community Garden Opportunity - August 16th

We need your help planting and harvesting produce beginning at 8:30 a.m.! Gardeners of all ages are welcome! You are welcome to volunteer on other days, as well. Contact Matt Edwards to get details on current needs and to be added to the weekly Community Garden email list. See you in the Garden!

I made myself gardens and parks, and planted in them all kinds of fruit trees. Ecclesiastes 2:5 (NRSV)



Trinidad Mission Team

Please continue to pray for our team serving at Operation Smile Home for Children this week. Pray for their safety and for the Holy Spirit to guide them as they serve alongside our Trini partners.

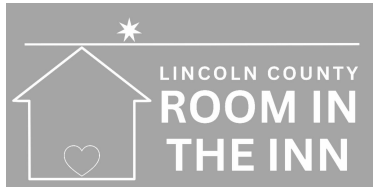
Hurricane Helene Relief Mission Trip -



September 15th-19th

We have an exciting opportunity to spend a week in the Asheville area serving neighbors still suffering from the effects of Hurricane Helene. We will be working with Matthews UMC in these efforts. Contact Dale Webster for more information.

Email Dale Webster



Lincoln County Room in the Inn - August 29th

Help provide shelter from the heat for our unhoused neighbors through our RITI Summer Ministry. If you'd like to help prepare and serve food, monitor showers, serve as overnight Innkeepers, or otherwise support the ministry, please contact Carol Brown.

Email Carol Brown

Helping Hands

building community through service

Helping Hands Local Outreach Opportunities

Many new opportunities to serve our neighbors were addressed during Monday's monthly Helping Hands meeting. Click [here](#) for the July HandUp newsletter. To receive this newsletter each month and get updates on the current volunteer and donation needs, email Helping Hands.

Email Helping Hands



Compassion Crew

The Compassion Crew will meet on Sunday, August 24th in WAB 105 from 4:00-5:00 p.m.. We would love to have anyone who is interested in visiting our members who don't get out as much as they used to be able to do. We visit one or two people each month. Contact Sara Lee at 704-230-9004 with any questions.

Email Sara Lee



American Red Cross Blood Drive - September 15th

We are hosting our next blood drive on Monday, September 15th in the CORC, from 2:30-7:00 p.m. Schedule your appointment to donate by clicking on the button below or by calling 800-RED CROSS. Thank you for saving a life!

Schedule your donation



DISCIPLESHIP

Small Groups, Bible Studies, & Connection Groups

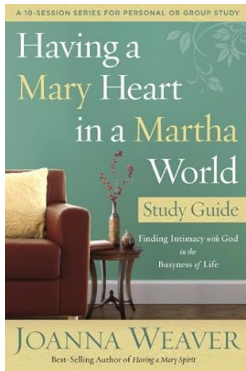
Discipleship Opportunities

Email David Washco with any questions!

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

Email David Washco

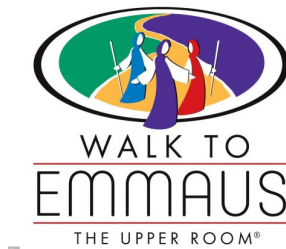
Click [HERE](#) for specific **Sunday school classes, weekday Bible studies, Wednesday night, and small group offerings with locations and descriptions.**



Friday Ladies' Bible Study

The Friday Ladies Bible study will begin a study by Joanna Weaver called "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" on Friday, September 5th. We will meet in the Chapel from 10:00-12:00 for this 10-week study. If you would like more information or would like Sara to order a book (\$19), contact her by **August 21**. Childcare is available upon request.

Email Sara Lee



Walk to Emmaus

Walk to Emmaus is a 3-day weekend event that focuses on drawing closer to God and learning more about His grace. Held at Camp Tekoa Foothills, you will be immersed in care, love, and friendship. This walk is open to everyone - new believers, those exploring, and devout disciples. Couples are encouraged to experience this event together, but it is not required. For more information, please contact Wendi Sweet.

Email Wendi Sweet



THE SACRED INVITATION

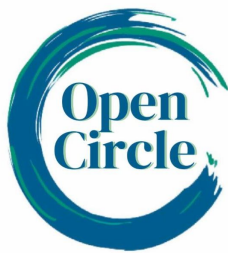
Answering God's Call in Everyday Life

The [Sacred Invitation](#) is a one-year, transforming experience in community open to all who seek a Spirit-led life. This specialized program is designed for those who hunger for a holistic approach to the inner work that deepens their life with God and empowers them to identify and follow their God-given passion. The Sacred Invitation is Advanced lay servant ministry course in the United Methodist Church.

- If you are experiencing a void in your life that you can't fill with stuff from the secular world,
- If you are called to be a leader in your church but hesitate because you don't feel you have the right "tools,"
- If you want to make a difference in the lives of those marginalized by society,
- If you are concerned about molding the spiritual lives of those you love,
- If you are looking to grow your relationship with Jesus in order to grow disciples for Jesus,

Watch and listen to what others say about the program, learn about the leadership, details, and application [here](#) and apply now! **The deadline to apply is September 1.** A soul-satisfying, God-glorifying experience awaits!

Click for more information or to apply



Open Circle

Open Circle is a place for anyone new to Denver UMC who is eager to meet new friends. Led by Pastor Steve and others, we meet every Sunday morning from 10:10 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. in the CORC with coffee and snacks in a casual atmosphere. We'd love to meet you! Contact Belinda Worsham for more information!

Email Belinda Worsham



Men's Alliance - Sunday Nights!

Sunday nights | 6:00 p.m. | Rain or Shine
Join us for a rugged workout and real devotion.
Click [here](#) for the video. For more information, email Justin Hobbs.

Email Justin Hobbs

Men's Alliance



Women's Alliance - Wednesday Nights!

Looking for a supportive community where you can grow in faith, build lasting friendships, and embrace a healthier lifestyle? Look no further! Denver United Methodist Church invites you to join our Women's Alliance Tribe, a vibrant and empowering group of all ages dedicated to uplifting women just like you! **Participation is free.** For more information, reach out to Amy Washco at 828-234-9111 or visit [Women's Alliance](#). Bring a friend! You don't have to be a member of DUMC to participate – the more, the merrier!

Women's Alliance

Connect

Video Series

Spiritual Gifts
Assessment



HARBOR YOUTH

DUMC's 6-T2th grade ministry



HY Connected

Time for fun and connecting while we read scripture together Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. *(to the right of the FLC stage)*

HARBOR YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS

2025

MAY

JUNE

JULY

AUG

SEPT

04	COOKOUT	5PM
10	SENIOR DINNER	6PM
18	GRAD SUNDAY	11AM
25	HESED MEAL	6PM
08	WORSHIP NIGHT	6PM
29	HY HANGOUT	6PM
13-17	NTS CAMP	
20	HY HANGOUT	5PM
27	HY HIKING TRIP	12PM
1-6	DUMC MISSION TRIP	
15-17	YTH LDR RETREAT	
24	YTH PARENT NIGHT	5PM
07	HY KICKOFF	5PM
21	SYATP RALLY	5PM
24	SYATP	7AM

IF YOU'D LIKE TO HOST A HARBOR YOUTH HANGOUT OVER SUMMER CONTACT: BEN.NOBLES@DENVERUMC.ORG

For all information visit DenverUMC.org/Harbor-Youth

Go to our [website](#) for the 2024/2025 calendar and details on all upcoming events! And follow us on Facebook and Instagram!

Email Ben Nobles



HARBOR KIDS

DUMC's birth - 5th grade ministry



Scan the QR to stay-up-to-date with all the latest happenings in Harbor Kids!



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!

Our Harbor Kids Nursery is available every Sunday morning beginning at 8:45 a.m. and remains open until 12:00 p.m. Our church nursery is staffed by volunteers who serve on a rotational basis and who are Safe Sanctuary trained as well as background check approved.

We offer age-appropriate Sunday School classes for Preschool, K-3rd and 4th-5th at both our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. You can also follow us on our Facebook

Page: [Harbor Kids of Denver UMC](#)

Visit our [website](#) for more information!

Staff Connections

Click [here](#) to connect with our staff.



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