

THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor, Steve Autrey

Long ago, advertisers began pasting “New” on items to gain attention and garner sales. “ *Be the first to drive the all-new Chevy Citation!*” Yes, there was a car named the “Citation,” and if you are worried that you missed out on a “New” thing, click [here](#), and your fears will quickly turn to relief. Jaded consumers quickly began ignoring “New,” so marketing managers added “Improved,” which means almost nothing changes. As we turn our attention to the “New Testament” in our Bible Year sermon series, I hope you are not jaded but ready to see how the hard-won Old Testament knowledge of the past eight months comes to a crescendo with the coming of Jesus into the world. In this case, “New” is not a marketing term but a description of God truly creating a new way of being with creation. While this is “New,” it is also a continuation of what God has already been doing in the Old Testament. The New Testament does not tear down the old house but builds upon what was already present. This week, we start with Matthew’s Gospel and the words of Jesus as he tells us he is the continuation and the fulfillment of God’s faithful work in the past. [Matthew 5:17-20](#) is our text for this Sunday - don’t forget the 9:00 a.m. service is back in the Family Life Center.

Pastor Paul Thompson of Huntersville UMC and I are rebooting our podcast that previews Sunday’s messages beginning this week. Our goal is to have it posted by Thursday afternoon.

As an act of love and appreciation for Pastor Ben’s five years of service to DUMC, we are taking a love offering for him and his family. This offering will be open until September 21st.

Pastor Steve



August 31, 2025 Combined Worship Attendance	
10:00	255
Children	-
Total	255
Average Online Views	60

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](#).



GENEROSITY REPORT

**Total Received =
\$697,129**

(\$20,503 average per Sunday)

2024 Comparison = \$691,256
(\$20,331 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

Each week, we provide a year-to-date comparison of our current income versus last year's income. Please note that this is not a report of expenses versus income. Typically, DUMC expenses exceed our income for most of the year, as a significant amount of giving is received during the last few weeks of the year. This means there are times when we struggle with cash flow. It is not unusual for summer giving to be lower than in the spring months.

We will begin showing a quarterly expenses-to-income report at the end of September (financial reports are available upon request, following monthly review by the Church Council). As of the end of July, we have spent approximately \$150k more than we have received. While this deficit is consistent with historical patterns, we need to stay within a more narrow margin and proportionate to income receipts. Please consider making an additional gift, or a first-time gift, to help us meet our ministry needs and daily operations.

Thank you,

Pastor Steve



Contemporary Worship Playlist

To prepare for 9:00 a.m. worship this week and hear this Sunday's songs, click on the playlist icon.



Click or touch the calendar to enlarge

Upcoming Events

- 9/5 10am | **Friday Ladies' Bible Study Begins** | sara.lee@denverumc.org
- 9/7 5pm | **Harbor Youth Kickoff** | youth@denverumc.org
- 9/8 10:30am | **Helping Hands Meeting** | helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com
- 9/11 11am | **J.O.Y. Group Meeting** | rosannekocher@gmail.com
- 9/12 4pm | **Sisterhood Getaway** | outreach@denverumc.org
- 9/15 Thru 9/19 | **Asheville Hurricane Relief Mission Trip** | webstede@gmail.com
- 9/15 2:30pm | **American Red Cross Blood Drive** | outreach@denverumc.org
- 9/17 5:30pm | **Table Talk Begins** | discipleship@denverumc.org
- 9/17 6:45pm | **Leadership Discipleship Experience Begins** | discipleship@denverumc.org
- 9/21 4pm | **Prayer Shawl Ministry** | shawnwyatteudy52@gmail.com
- 9/22 6pm | **Church Council Meeting** | council@denverumc.org
- 9/28 10am | **Ministry Fair** | outreach@denverumc.org



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The Bible Year



LIFE AT DUMC

things to know, celebrate, & look forward to!



J.O.Y. Group Picnic

Mark your calendars! All JOY members and anyone over 50 years of age are invited to join us for our annual picnic in the Arbor! Join us for this social event to catch up with friends and to make new friends! The picnic will be at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 11th. The main food items will be provided, and everyone attending is asked to please bring a side or dessert to share! Contact Rosanne with any questions. **Please RSVP by September 7.**

Email Rosanne Kocher

Begins Wednesday, September 17!



Table Talk - Wednesday Evenings

Enjoy fellowship with others over dinner with a brief devotional time. Dinner is \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family (max.).

Email David Washco with questions.

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

Email David Washco



The Leadership Discipleship Experience

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.

Two options:

4:00-5:30 p.m. in the CORC

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

Register for LDE



New Bible Study for the Fall!

The Gospel of Matthew will be taught by Pastor Steve. The study 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.

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

Welcome Cailee and Luke!

We are excited to welcome **Cailee Franklin** as she begins her role as our Associate Director of Youth Ministries. Cailee will be assisting Cortni Rose with the planning and implementation of our Youth Ministry program. Cailee will be serving part-time in this work as she also serves as the Associate Director of Niner United and as a Campus Minister at UNC-Charlotte. Cailee grew up at DUMC and is the daughter of Deidra and Lee Franklin, and the granddaughter of Susan and Tommy Nickel; many of you may already know her. We are excited to welcome her back in this leadership role.

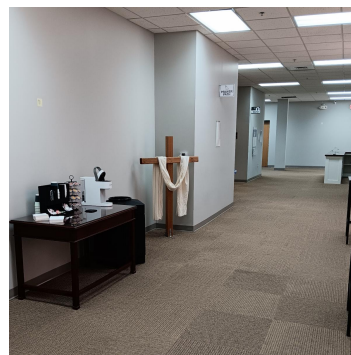
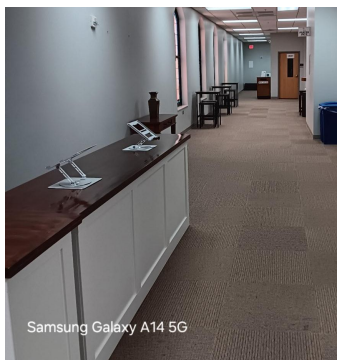
Additionally, we also welcome **Luke Travers**, who will be serving as an Intern in the Youth and Children's ministry. Luke is a sophomore at UNC-Charlotte and is an active student leader in Niner United Campus Ministry. Luke will assist both Cortni and Cailee. Luke is from Fuquay-Varina and a member of Fuquay-Varina UMC. Luke will be present all day on Sundays. Cailee often has Sunday morning responsibilities at UNC-Charlotte and will be joining us for Youth on Sunday nights—be sure to introduce yourself and make them feel at home! We're excited to see how God will use them to invest in and inspire the next generation for Jesus! You can reach out to Cortni if you have any questions.



Meet Us at "The Hub"

We are excited to introduce our new information center, called "The Hub", located on the 2nd floor of the Family Life Center. Whether you are a first-time visitor or a longtime member, this is "The Hub" for all things related to Denver UMC. Our friendly team is ready to answer questions about ministries, events, volunteer opportunities, and more!

We would love to get everyone's picture in our church database, Elexio. If you would like to add or update your picture, please stop by "The Hub" this Sunday, and our team can assist you. This helps our staff and congregation to know people by both name and smiling faces!



Contact the
Church Council

Council Action Items 8/25/25

- Spending controls have been put in place that any expenditure over \$1,000 must have prior approval until our financial position improves
- Privacy Policy was approved as an addition to the church website
- Sanctuary lighting has been ordered, and the contract signed. Installation is being scheduled.
- Approved \$3,000 from our Hurricane Relief Giving to Mitchell Elementary School to help with student learning
- Endorsed the hiring of two part-time people to work with Cortni in her new role. (see above)

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

What We Believe

Sanctuary Flowers

Helping Hands

Emails &
Texts

Connection Groups

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Resources & Forms

Podcasts

YouTube

Women

Men



OUTREACH

unleashing compassion

Helping Hands

building community through service

Email Helping Hands

Helping Hands Meeting - September 8th

The next Helping Hands meeting will be Monday, September 8th, at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel. Everyone is welcome to come and learn of opportunities to serve our neighbors! Email Helping Hands with questions.

HandUp Newsletter



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



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. Click below or call 800-RED CROSS to schedule your appointment to donate. Thank you for saving a life!

Schedule your donation



Harbour Health Walk for Life - September 21st

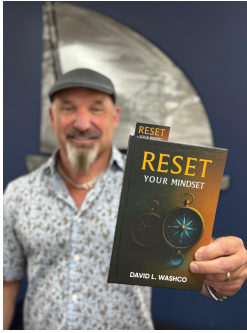
Help support Harbour Health, formerly Heartbeats Women's Center, by participating in their annual Walk for Life. The two-mile walk will take place at Rescue Park in Denver on Sunday, September 21st, with registration beginning at 3:00 p.m., and the walk at 3:30 p.m.

Register to walk or for more information

I-Care, Inc. is Offering Free Roof Replacements

Once a month, representatives from I-Care, Inc. come to our CORC

parking lot to let community members know of a new roof replacement program for low-income neighbors and those with special needs! If you or someone you know would benefit from this service, please contact Shelton Moore, 704-872-8141, ext. 142, or mark your calendar to speak with him in the parking lot on September 23rd from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Author Book Signing – Supporting the Children’s Backpack Program, Sunday, September 28th

As part of our upcoming Missions Fair on September 28th, we’re excited to share a special opportunity to make a difference in the lives of local children! Our very own Pastor David Washco, author of *Reset The Mindset*, will be hosting a book signing during the event.

All proceeds from every book sold — not just the profits — will go directly to the Children’s Backpack Program, which provides weekend meals to local school kids in need. This is a chance for us, as a church family, to combine outreach with impact — helping feed hungry children while also investing in personal growth through Pastor David’s powerful book. Books will be available the day of the fair, but you are encouraged to give above and beyond the book’s value if you feel led. Every dollar will directly support this vital ministry.

Come explore over 50 outreach opportunities, get your signed copy of *Reset The Mindset*, and join us in blessing our community’s children through this special initiative. Together, we can make a lasting difference!



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.**



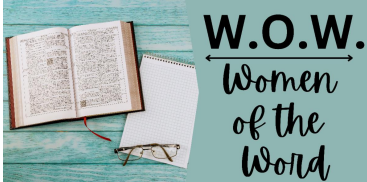
Friday Ladies' Bible Study

The Friday Ladies Bible study will begin a study by Joanna Weaver called [Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World](#) this **Friday, September 5th**. We will meet in the Chapel from 10:00 a.m. to noon 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

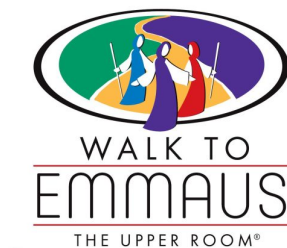
WOW Wednesday Bible Study

The WOW Wednesday Bible Study has begun studying [Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World](#) by Joanna Weaver.



They meet on Wednesday mornings, 10 a.m. - noon. Books are \$16. Any questions, contact Rachelle Roberts or Susan Nickel. All are welcome!

Email Rachelle Roberts



Email Wendi Sweet

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.

Fall Walk dates:

October 9-12 - Men

October 16-19 - Women



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

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



Women'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!

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Assessment



HARBOR YOUTH

DUMC's 6-12th grade ministry



September	October	November
Sept 7 Kickoff Party!	Oct 5 "Bring Your Adult to Youth" night	Nov 2 Daylight Savings
Sept 17 Table Talk Begins	Oct 25 Fall Festival	Nov 8 Sisterhood Event
Sept 15-19 Asheville Relief Mission trip	Oct 25 Car Show	Nov 22 Rake 'n Run
Sept 24 See You At The Pole	Oct 26 Halloween Party	Nov 23 Feed The Hunger
Sept 28 Ministry Fair		Nov 23 No Youth
		Nov 27 Thanksgiving
		Nov 30 No Youth



dates & details may be updated *blue events are DUMC led*

Harbor Youth Calendar

Click on the calendar for a larger image

Click to sign up for Harbor Youth updates!



Denver Young Adult Ministry
for 18-30 year olds...



2nd Monday each month
7-9pm @ Trilogy

Contact: Grant Perry
Grant@myhomechurch.cc

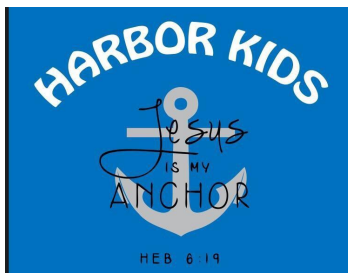
Go to our [website](#) for the 2025/2026 calendar and details on all upcoming events! And follow us on Facebook and Instagram!

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!

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 our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services.

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

September	October	November
Sept 17 Table Talk Every Wed. until Nov 19 Sept 15-19 Asheville Relief Mission Trip Sept 28 DUMC Ministry Fair  <small>HEB 6:19</small>	Oct 25 Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat Oct 25 Car Show	Nov 2 Daylight Savings Nov 8 Sisterhood Event Nov 11 Veteran's Day Nov 22 Rake 'n Run Nov 23 Feed The Hunger Nov 27 Thanksgiving Nov 30 Combined Worship Service

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Harbor Kids Calendar

Click on the calendar for a larger image

Click to sign up for updates from Harbor Kids!

Staff Connections

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



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