



THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor, Steve Autrey

In our culture, we often build anticipation for an event, only to quickly move on to the next thing once it's over. Take prom season, for instance; the preparation can feel endless for my wife, Marcy, and our daughter, Maggie, as they get ready for Maggie's prom at Pine Lake Prep. There's the excitement of choosing the dress, making alterations, and deciding on dinner and photography locations. This buildup consumes our energy because we want everything to be perfect. Yet, once the event concludes, it's easy to forget about it the very next day, as our focus shifts to the next item on the calendar.

We see similar patterns during holidays, including those within the church. We prepare extensively for Christmas and Easter, only to quickly turn our attention to the next event as soon as the final hymn is sung and the benediction is given. However, the church calendar encourages us to linger a bit longer. It prompts us not to rush past the significance of the resurrection, inviting us to spend fifty days celebrating God's monumental act in human history.

This week, we are taking that call to heart. On Easter Sunday, during the afternoon and evening, Jesus appears alongside two would-be disciples as they make their way from Jerusalem to Emmaus. This is just one of His many resurrection appearances, each one profoundly significant for how we live our lives as disciples in the wake of the resurrection. I encourage you to familiarize yourself with [Luke 24:13-35](#), where we witness Jesus revealing Himself to His followers then, as I pray He continues to do for those who follow Him now.

Pastor Steve



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!

Ongoing Conversations

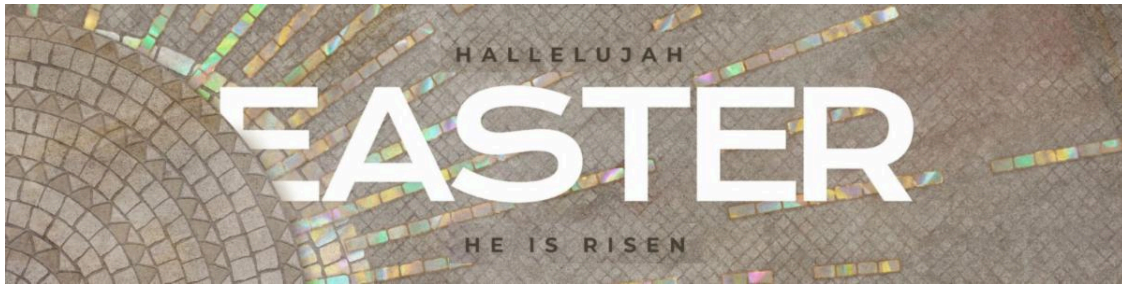
Pastor Steve and Pastor Paul discuss Luke's account of the disciples' encounter with Jesus on the road to Emmaus, and the many lessons we can apply to our lives from this passage.





WORSHIP

join us in praising our Lord



Just coming through the miraculous Resurrection Sunday, it is important to remember that the season of Easter continues! With that in mind, the Contemporary Service will feature a new song each week that reminds us of the ultimate sacrifice of love made for all.

Click [here](#) to listen to this Sunday's Easter-focused song!



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



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 12, 2026 Worship Attendance	
9:00	106
11:00	86
Children	20
Total	212
Average Online Views	90



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: \$359,971
ACTUAL INCOME RECEIVED TO DATE: \$350,300

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 19 4PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry shawnwyatteudy52@gmail.com
APRIL 22 10AM	W.O.W. Bible Study snicke@bellsouth.net
APRIL 25 8AM	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 9:30AM	Chicken Pickin' helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com
MAY 7 11:30AM	First Thursday Lunch helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com
MAY 9 9:00AM	Sisterhood outreach@denverumc.org



Events Calendar

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LIFE AT DUMC

things to know, celebrate, & look forward to!

Holy Humor Sunday

Congratulations to the winners of our paper airplane contest on Holy Humor Sunday! Ethan Masters was the winner at 9:00, and Jackie Reynolds was the 11:00 winner.





Thank You!

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus, Holy Spirit Council 10389, and all those attending parishioners from both Holy Spirit Catholic Church and Denver United Methodist Church, thank you for, again, graciously offering your Family Life Center for our recent Valentine Dinner Dance and Lenten Fish Frys.

Your staff at DUMC was most helpful, and we would like to specifically commend **Karen Ritchie** along with your sound specialist, Billy Rose, for helping make this event memorable for us. We definitely appreciate your excellent staff and facility.

Respectfully, Knights of Columbus Holy Spirit Council



Raffle and Silent Auction Items Needed

The upcoming Charlie Blackburn Memorial Golf Tournament is the largest fundraiser of the year for Helping Hands. In addition to golf, there is a raffle/silent auction, and we're looking for donated items to make it a success!

Golf-related items, trips, vacation home stays, unique experiences, gift baskets, services, or special items are especially appreciated. Every donation helps support Helping Hands and makes a meaningful impact in the Lincoln County community.

If you're able to contribute or want to learn more, please email helpinghandsgolftournament@gmail.com or call Leslie Matz at 704-491-9770.



Trinidad Mission Trip

Please continue to pray for our Trinidad Mission Team and the beautiful hosts in Trinidad, who care for orphans and foster children every day. Pray for our spirits to be filled and that we serve in ways that make a lasting difference.



Amy's House Gazebo Build - April 18th

Help create a serene place for domestic violence victims through this special project beginning at 9:00 am. Contact Crystal for details, 828-301-5247.



Hesed House of Hope's Annual Fish Fry - April 18th

Support Lincoln County's only homeless shelter while enjoying a delicious meal! The event will take place April 18th from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm at N Academy and Main Streets in Lincoln. Click [here](#) to purchase tickets or for more information.



Prayer Shawl Ministry - April 19th

Join the Prayer Shawl Ministry team this Sunday, April 19th, in the library at 4:00 p.m. New knitters and crocheters are welcome to come and learn to knit or crochet and make prayer shawls that will be prayed over and given to suffering neighbors! For more information, [contact Shawn Eudy](#).



Community Garden Planting Day - April 25th

Bring your trowels, gloves, friends, and family to the garden beginning at 9:00 am on 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!



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. Contact [Helping Hands](#) with questions.



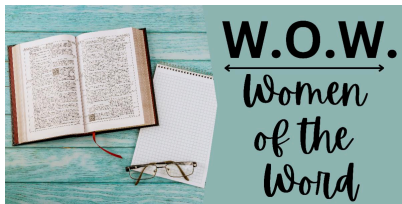
DISCIPLESHIP

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.



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!

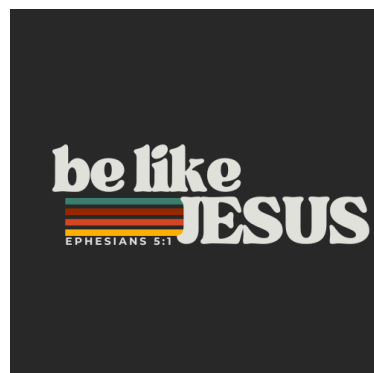
Discipleship Video Series

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!

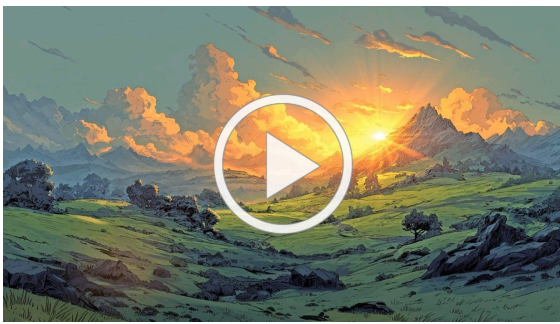
If you are graduating high school or college this year, please contact Cortni at youth@denverumc.org by **May 3** so we can celebrate and include you in Graduation Sunday, May 17. Click [here](#) to submit your graduation information. We look forward to recognizing and honoring our seniors for all they've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



Sign Up to Help With Sunday Night Meals!
 Dinner is getting a fresh spin to become an elevated concession-style. 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!

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

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