



Dunbar United Methodist Church

World Communion Sunday

October 4, 2026

*Our Mission at Dunbar United Methodist Church is to:
Reach the World for Christ; Preach the Word of God;
Teach the Way of Discipleship. Our vision is to be a Church that is
Christ-centered, Spirit-led, and utterly consumed by the mission of God.*

Bolded print is intended to be read aloud by all
* signifies that all are invited to rise in body, mind, or spirit

PRELUDE	Sharon Cline, Organist
*OPENING HYMN	“We’ve a Story to Tell the Nations” UMH#569
*CALL TO WORSHIP	Ben Davis

We live in a world that entices us with influence, power, and accolades.
We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call.
Sometimes we find ourselves wishing for heaven without working to bring heaven to earth. Other times, we find ourselves exhausted by working for the gospel, wondering if anything we do is making a difference.
We remind one another to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call, leaning on Christ as the source of our perseverance and hope.
Let us pray:
O God, bless us with perseverance, that together we may persist in following the way of Christ toward the heavenly call. May we embody God’s mercy and justice here now. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE	Lisa Spradling
JOYS AND CONCERNS	Pastor Nancy White
SCRIPTURE READING	Philippian 3:4b-14
Sermon	Pastor Nancy White

INVITATION FOR OFFERING		
OFFERTORY		
*DOXOLOGY	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	UMH#94
*OFFERTORY PRAYER		
*CLOSING HYMN	“He is Lord”	UMH#177
*BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE		

“TFWS” denotes the black supplemental hymnal “The Faith We Sing”; “W&S” denotes the green supplemental hymnal “Worship & Song”
CCLI License #: C-71179; CCLI Streaming License #: B-20459670; One License #: A-736012; CVLI: 505515971
The call to worship was written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, UM Discipleship Ministries (adapted)
Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, “Hold Fast to What Is Good.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dunbar Institute Samaritan Center Food Pantry Focus for October is Spaghetti Sauce. Donations are collected in the narthex at the Ministry Center.

If you'd like to sign up to sponsor altar flowers for 2026, the calendar is posted on the bulletin board by the Administrative Assistant office. Flowers will be \$30 and can be given in honor or memory if you'd like.

UPCOMING DATES:

- World Communion Sunday – October 4
- Hike for Hunger (Sponsored by Heart & Hand) – October 4
- Milton Corn Maze -October 11 following church
- The DISC Sing is scheduled on October 13 at First Baptist Church at 6:30pm. All food and monetary donations will go to the Dunbar-Institute Samaritan Center.
- Children’s Sabbath, Undie Sunday and Tailgating Sunday – October 18

It’s that time of year again. If you would like to participate in the Dunbar Christmas Parade on December 4, please contact Christy Chambers. We are looking into see if there is enough interest and ideas.

Fellowship time: If you would like to sign up to bring and serve during fellowship time, please sign up on the door outside the office. There are two individuals who have offered to donate money to help with the fellowship time.

Our worship participants next Sunday, October 11, Liturgist: Libby Tolley;
Children’s Sermon: Pastor Nancy; Ushers: John Fisher & Keith Southall;
Fellowship Time Host: Lynn Thornton
Contact Information for Pastor Nancy White 304-549-0496

DUMC FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Last Week’s Offering Total: \$2,585.70
Weekly Offering Goal for Budget: \$4,654
Current Apportionment Payout: \$16,314
Annual Apportioned Amount: \$48,896
Payout Percentage:33%

WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30am - Low Impact Exercise Class, Gymnasium
Tuesdays – 6pm Bible Study at the Ron & Teresa Boggess’ House
Monday – Friday at 12:00pm – women’s exercise group, Gymnasium
Wednesday at 6pm Bible Study
Wednesdays at 7pm - Choir Practice, Sanctuary
Sunday – Archery – registration at 5:15 and classes start at 5:30.

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