



## **Destin UMC Affiliation Information**

### **February 10, 2023**

#### **Where are we in the process?**

So far, we have completed a church vote approving disaffiliation. This means we will no longer be in the United Methodist Church denomination. Our vote will be approved and finalized at a called Alabama-West Florida Annual Conference on May 7, 2023.

#### **What do we do next?**

There are two items we must decide.

##### **1. We must decide where to go.**

There are two viable options for us:

- The Global Methodist Church
- The Foundry

##### **2. We must decide on our church name.**

Because we will no longer be in the United Methodist Church denomination, we must remove “United” from our church name. We are still Methodists and will remain Methodists. We need to determine what our name will be.

#### **So, when and where will this happen?**

The Helm is collecting information and is discussing both of these issues with the appropriate representatives.

- A recommendation will be brought to the church body for further discussion, questions, etc. on **March 6 at 6pm** in the sanctuary.
- We are inviting the congregation to a week of prayer, **March 7-14**.
- On **March 15 at 6pm** we will gather in the Sanctuary as a church to vote on the Helm’s recommendation.

#### **What then?**

That’s it! On May 7, 2023, we will officially have a new name and a new affiliation. Meanwhile, all else will be the same. Our local church will continue to be who we are in the Destin community.

For further information, feel free to contact [questions@destinumc.org](mailto:questions@destinumc.org)