



✠ Rise in body or in spirit.

The congregation speaks /  
sings the text in **bold type**.



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Children are welcome in  
worship!

Children's activity sheets  
& crayons are available at  
the main entrance to help  
guide them in active  
participation of worship.

Children newborn through  
Pre-K are invited to go to  
Childcare Corner, near the  
Gathering Room.



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worship services. See an  
usher or greeter  
for assistance.



*Baptism of Christ by David Zelenka*

# BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY

January 11, 2026  
8:30 AM

# ENTRANCE

Prelude

Seoyoung Lee, *Organist*

✠ Welcome & Greeting One Another

Verena Lucía Anders  
*Director of Music & Worship Arts*

Attendance Registration, Announcements

✠ Hymn 605 | *Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters* – BEACH SPRING

✠ Opening Prayer

Holy God,  
at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan  
you proclaimed him your beloved Son  
and anointed him with the Holy Spirit.  
Grant that all who are baptized into his name  
may keep the covenant they have made,  
and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,  
One God, in glory everlasting.  
**Amen.**

## WORD & RESPONSE

✠ Scripture | Matthew 3:13-17

Rev. Dr. C. Kay Fuino, *Associate Pastor*

<sup>13</sup> At that time Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan River so that John would baptize him. <sup>14</sup> John tried to stop him and said, “I need to be baptized by you, yet you come to me?”

<sup>15</sup> Jesus answered, “Allow me to be baptized now. This is necessary to fulfill all righteousness.” So John agreed to baptize Jesus. <sup>16</sup> When Jesus was baptized, he immediately came up out of the water. Heaven was opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and resting on him. <sup>17</sup> A voice from heaven said, “This is my Son whom I dearly love; I find happiness in him.”

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon | *Glory Revealed: Power of Presence*

## Prayers of the People

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.**

Ministry Moment | *The Charlene Kay Fuino Foundation Elementary School in Liberia*

Receiving God's Tithe & Our Offering

Offertory Prayer

Musical Offering | *Take Me to the Water* - arr. David Cherwien

✠ Doxology | *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* – OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here  
below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son,  
and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



Your giving is the sole  
support of the  
ministries of Duluth  
First United  
Methodist Church.



## THANKSGIVING

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

See insert

Invitation to Christian Discipleship & Church Membership

The United  
Methodist Church  
recognizes one  
baptism.  
Those desiring to be  
baptized are invited  
to come forward  
during  
the final hymn, after  
the invitation to  
Christian discipleship  
& church  
membership.

# SENDING

✠ Hymn | *Baptized in Water*



1. Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the  
2. Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the  
3. Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ, our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust-ing his  
tomb with Christ, our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -  
sign of Christ, our King; born of one Fa - ther, we are his



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.  
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.  
chil - dren, joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

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MUSIC: Trad. Gaelic melody

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For questions regarding membership, contact Rev.Dr. AnnaKate Rawles—  
arawles@duluthumc.org  
or 770.476.3776, x. 128.

Those who wish to join the church today are invited to come forward as we sing the final hymn.

## ALSO SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

*Audio/Visual Team:*

Tabitha Lee

Joel McLemore

Johnathan Ancell

*Usher Captains:*

David Burleson

Charlie Doerlich

Reception of New Members (as applicable)

Hymnal, pgs. 34, 38

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you  
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ  
and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church,  
we renew our covenant**

**faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church  
by our prayers, our presence, our gifts,  
our service, and our witness,**

**that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

✠ Benediction

✠ Postlude

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# Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

## Introduction

Sisters and brothers in Christ: through the sacrament of baptism God's Spirit has been poured out upon water, water poured over and immersing us, water that flows freely for all who will receive it, water from the streams of God's saving power and justice, water that brings hope to all who thirst for righteousness, water that refreshes life, nurtures growth, and offers new birth. Today we come to the waters, to renew our commitments in each other's presence to Christ who has raised us, the Spirit who has birthed us, and the Creator who is making all things new.

## Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

And so I ask you, will you turn away from the powers of sin and death?

**We renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,  
reject the evil powers of this world,  
and repent of our sin!**

Will you let the Spirit use you as prophets to the powers that be?

**We accept the freedom and power God gives us  
to resist evil, injustice, and oppression  
in whatever forms they present themselves!**

Will you proclaim the good news and live as disciples of Jesus Christ, his body on earth?

**We confess Jesus Christ as our Savior,  
put our whole trust in his grace,  
and promise to serve him as our Lord,  
in union with the church which Christ has opened  
to people of all ages, nations, and races!**

Will you be living witnesses to the gospel, individually and together,  
wherever you are, and in all that you do?

**We will remain faithful members of Christ's holy church  
and serve as Christ's representatives in the world.**

Will you receive and profess the Christian faith  
as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

**We affirm and teach the faith of the whole church  
as we put our trust in God, the Father Almighty,  
in Jesus Christ, his only Son,  
and in the Holy Spirit,  
one God now and forever.**

## Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Spirit of the Lord is with us.

**Even so, come Lord Jesus!**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, the life you birthed in us by baptism into Jesus Christ will never die.

Your justice never fails. Your mercy is everlasting.

**Your healing river flows.**

**Your Spirit blows where you will.**

**We cannot stop you, God!**

But sometimes we try.

We try to block the flow,

we redirect the winds of the Spirit,

or we walk so far away from the life-giving Stream that we do not hear its sound,

and we forget its power.

We parch ourselves.

**We are dry and thirsty, O God. Come, refresh us!**

Come upon us, Holy Spirit!

**Come upon us, Holy Spirit!**

Come upon these waters.

**Come upon these waters.**

Let these waters be to us drops of your mercy.

**Let these waters remind us of your righteousness and justice.**

Let these waters renew in us the resurrection power of Jesus.

**Let these waters make us long for your coming reign.**

Most Holy God, Abba, Father!

**Glory to you!**

Jesus Christ, Savior, Lord!

**Glory to you!**

Spirit of fire, Spirit over the waters, Spirit of holiness!

**Glory to you!**

Eternal God, One in Three and Three in One!

**All glory is yours, now and forever. Amen!**

*All who are baptized and have renewed their vows are invited to come to one of the stations.  
Remember that you are baptized, and rejoice!*





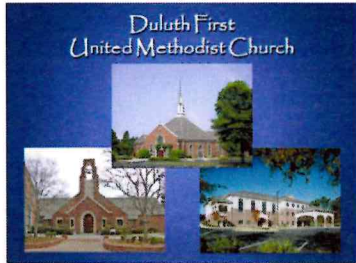
# The Sunday Supplement



JANUARY 11, 2026

## Welcome to Duluth First United Methodist Church!

We are glad that you came to worship with us today. The mission of Duluth First United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. If you are looking for more information about Duluth First United Methodist Church and its ministries, Bible studies, and other programs and events, please be sure to visit our church's website at [www.duluthumc.org](http://www.duluthumc.org).



To join Duluth First United Methodist Church, please come forward as we sing the song that follows the Invitation to Church Membership.

If you have any questions regarding membership or you are visiting and would like additional information, please contact Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles, Associate Pastor, by e-mail at [arawles@duluthumc.org](mailto:arawles@duluthumc.org), or call 770-476-3776, ext. 128.

## Prayer Concerns



- Kathy Anderson • Tracy Balkcom • Jack Brannon • Larry Buntin
- Lorraine Day • Dianne Gilbreath • Don Greene • Rosemary Hall
- Shamain Hallett • Carol Hitchcock • Carol Johnson • Linton Jones
- Dottie Moor • Cheryl Otto • Charlie Pierce • Lin Ramstead
- Ethel Sales • Charlotte Schlubach • Clara Truesdell
- Dale VanPelt • Amy Worthington
- Tracy Brinker & family in the death of her father.
- The family of Bruce Houston in his death.
- Tammy Sherrill & family in the death of her father.



## Want someone to talk to?

Stephen Ministers are there for you.

For more information or to request the support and care of a Stephen Minister, contact Rev. Dr. C. Kay Fuino by e-mail at [ckfuino@duluthumc.org](mailto:ckfuino@duluthumc.org) or call Stephen Leader Ann Fleming at 678-644-9108.



## Wednesday Night Dinner in Hinton Hall: January 14<sup>th</sup>

Our Food Ministry staff, along with our amazing Dinner Belles and Beaus volunteers, prepare excellent meals at very reasonable prices. Enjoy fellowship around the table with family and friends. The menu for Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, is pot roast, roasted potatoes, carrot medley, sautéed spinach, rolls, and dessert. For the kids – hamburgers and French fries. Dinner service hours are 5 to 6:30 p.m., with to-go boxes available from 6 to 6:30 p.m.

The prices for Wednesday Night Dinners are:

- \$10.00 for adults (including seniors and from 11 years up);
- \$7.00 for children 10 years and younger;
- \$30.00 for family meals (nuclear family members only – husband, wife, and their children under 18 years);
- \$7.00 for salad bar only, which includes the salad bar, a choice of baked potato or sweet potato, dessert and a drink.

Credit/debit card payments, as well as cash and checks, are accepted.





## **Youth Ministry Sunday Night Gatherings for January**

Students in the 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to join us on Sunday nights for **Sunday Night Gatherings** from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank"), located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. **Sunday Night Gatherings** include great dinners, fun games, amazing worship, inspirational and relevant messages and life-changing small groups.

Our schedule for the month of January is:

- **Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday Night Gathering at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank");
- **Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday Night Gathering at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank");
- **Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday Night Gathering at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank").

Please visit the **Youth Ministry's** website at <https://dfumcstudents.org> for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Min Lee, Director of Youth Ministries, by e-mail at [mlee@duluthumc.org](mailto:mlee@duluthumc.org), or call 770-476-3776, ext. 119.



## **Library Book Club to Discuss "Ashes" by Sharon Gloger Friedman: Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

The **Library Book Club** will meet on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. in room F145, located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center, to discuss the book **Ashes** by Sharon Gloger Friedman. Sharon will be here in person to discuss her book **Ashes**, the story of a Jewish family flees persecution in Russia to New York, where their daughter works at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory and becomes involved in the workers' rights movement.



## **Wednesday Evening Activities at Duluth First UMC for All Ages**

Join us on Wednesday evenings for the following evening activities at Duluth First UMC:

- **Book Bunch for kids (ages 3 – 4):** 6:15 to 6:30 p.m. in The Louise McDaniel Memorial Library, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center;
- **DuluthKids (ages Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade):** 5:45 to 7 p.m. in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall;
- **Youth Bible Study (grades 6 – 12):** 6 to 7 p.m. in room F149, 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center;
- **Parent Connection Group:** 6 to 7 p.m., room F207, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center;
- **"The History and Archaeology of the Bible" Class for Adults:** 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in room F145, 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center;
- **Yarn Art Ministry:** 6 to 7 p.m. in room F205, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center;
- **Happy Sacks:** 6 to 6:15 p.m. in room F152, 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center;
- **Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal:** 6 to 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary;
- **GriefShare Support Group:** 6:30 to 8 p.m. in room F153, 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center;
- **Chancel Choir Rehearsal:** 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Don Lee Music Suite.

## **Wednesday Night Food Drive: January 14<sup>th</sup>**

The **Wednesday Night Food Drive** at Duluth First UMC for the **Hands of Christ Duluth Co-Op** is our weekly mission project, combined with the many Wednesday evening activities offered at the church. **On January 14<sup>th</sup> we ask you to bring canned fruit.** A table for donated items will be located outside of the main entrance to Hinton Hall.

Join us for a delicious dinner and fellowship in Hinton Hall, pick up a to-go dinner for your family, join us for any of our Wednesday evening activities, and drop off food items to help other families in need. We thank you for your support.





## **"Women Studying Together" Thursday Morning Bible Study**

**Women Studying Together**, our Thursday morning Bible study open to all women, meets from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in room F145, located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Sheldon Family Life Center. This is a discussion group which includes women at different stages of life. Various themes of the Bible are addressed, sometimes going straight through a particular book, and other times a selection of Biblical references. A variety of resource materials are used for different perspectives and to encourage growth.

We are currently studying selections from the book of Job. This 4–5-week study will include the following topics for discussion:

- Assumptions about Prosperity and Success;
- Being a Friend to the Hurting;
- Talking to God — Challenging or Asking?
- "Too Wonderful for Me".

The objective of **Women Studying Together** is that our time together is encouraging and supportive of growth as individual disciples and as a community of believers. As we study, we ask questions, search for answers, share our stories, laugh and pray together. Discussions are led by Jenny Masterson. Bring your Bible (any translation) and join us. If you would like additional information, please contact Jenny Masterson by e-mail at [jennybobm@comcast.net](mailto:jennybobm@comcast.net) or call 678-591-0800.



## **Learn More about Duluth First UMC at Information Station: Sundays February 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>**

Are you new to Duluth First UMC as a guest or new member? Have you wondered about the United Methodist Church and our church's history? Are you looking for groups to get involved in? Join us for **Information Station** on Sundays, February 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room, located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. We will drink coffee, talk about the church, and discuss ways you can get involved!

For additional information or to RSVP, please contact Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles, Associate Pastor, by e-mail at [arawles@duluthumc.org](mailto:arawles@duluthumc.org).



## **Donate Blood at Duluth First UMC on Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Every 2 seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood.** All blood types are needed now to help save lives. Spring into action and give patients a fighting chance by donating blood.

An American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at Duluth First UMC from 3 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. Please consider donating blood as winter weather across the country is causing a decline in donations. With more severe weather predicted, blood donors (especially type O) are needed to give to prevent a shortage. Patients need your help now! To schedule an appointment:

- Visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter the sponsor code **dufumc**;
- Call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767);
- Contact Tracy Brinker by e-mail at [tbrinker@duluthumc.org](mailto:tbrinker@duluthumc.org), or call 770-476-3776, ext. 112.
- Last, but not least, be a "walk-in" on Blood Drive Day.





## **United Women in Faith Are Raising Funds to Help Put an End to Human Trafficking:**

**Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

On Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, the **United Women in Faith** will be selling chocolate candies and goodies just in time for Valentine's Day. All the proceeds will go to **Street Grace**, an organization that **fight**s human trafficking. Founded in 2008, **Street Grace** been chasing one ambitious vision - **ending the sexual exploitation of children**. Thanks to the help of their generous partners and supporters, they are making serious progress.

**Street Grace** works on four areas to make changes:

- **PREVENTION** to help all of us recognize and stop exploitation before it starts;
- **PROTECTION** to make survival sustainable;
- **PURSUIT** to help law enforcement identify predators, protect victims and prevent future crimes;
- **POLICY** which makes safety the standard, shapes laws, training and systems that protect children long before a crisis begins.



So won't you say **YES** because change begins with you! Come to the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, buy chocolates, and help put an end to human trafficking! For additional information about **Street Grace**, please visit their website at [www.streetgrace.org](http://www.streetgrace.org).



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