



GATHERING

Chiming the Trinity

✠ Welcome, Greeting One Another

Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles
Associate Pastor

Attendance Registration, Announcements

March 22, 2026
11:00 AM

Voluntary | *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* – arr. Trevor Manor
Jan & Brian Batson, *Vocalists*, Joseph Lee, *Clarinetist*, Seoyoung Lee, *Pianist*

✠ Rise in body or in spirit.
The congregation speaks /
sings the text in **bold** type.

✠ Call to Worship

Some of us come to worship today, weary and worn, heavy with all the
circumstances that are too much to bear alone.

We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Some of us come to worship today, dry and thirsty, longing for relief and
peace from the troubles that surround us.

We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Some of us come to worship today with stories to tell of little resurrections,
moments of new life that sprang up when we least expected them.

We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Beloved, whatever we bring with us to worship today, God welcomes us and
calls us to work together as we travel God's redemption road together.

**We gather to be truth-tellers and life-bringers as we travel God's
redemption road together. Amen**



For information about the
ministries, mission, and
activities of Duluth First
United Methodist Church,
please visit duluthumc.org.



Children of all ages are
welcome in worship.

Children's activity sheets
& crayons are available at
the main entrance to the
sanctuary 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.



Listening devices are
available during all worship
services. Please see an
usher or greeter for
assistance.

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

✠ Hymn 269 | *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* – LAND OF REST

✠ Affirmation of Faith | *The Apostle's Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in
Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he
ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I
believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

✠ Response 70 | *Glory Be to the Father* – MEINEKE

Anthem | *Lamb of God* – arr. Lloyd Larson

One Accord
Jan Batson, *Pianist*



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Ministry Moment | *Blood Drives*

Receiving God's Tithe and Our Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offertory | *Take My Life, and Let It Be* – Verena Lucía Anders, *Composer*

Chancel Choir, Susan Johnson, *Pianist*

✠ Doxology | *Praise God Throughout These Forty Days* – HAMBURG

Praise God through - out these for - ty__ days.

Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did__ raise.

And praise the Spir - it__ who im - parts

God's love in Christ in - to our__ hearts.

WORD & RESPONSE

Hymn | *Where Children Belong* – RITCHIE

This, this is where chil-dren be-long, wel-come as part of the

wor-ship-ping throng. Wa - ter, God's Word, bread and

cup, prayer, and song: This is where chil-dren be - long.

Children's Message

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

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon | *Only if Everyone Can Understand it is it Good News*



Hymn | *Give Me A Clean Heart* - DOUROUX

Refrain

Give me a clean* heart so I may serve thee.

Lord,** fix my heart so that I may be used by thee.

For I'm not wor - thy of all these bless - ings.

Give me a clean heart, Lord,** and I'll fol - low thee.

Fine

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

Acolyte & Cross Bearer:

Jasmine Gordon
Charlie Greene

Audio/Visual Team:

James Lee
Frank Loose
Lee Castleberry

Usher Captains:

David Bureson
Charlie Doerlich

Prayers of the People, The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Christian Discipleship & Church Membership

SENDING

✠ Hymn 292 | *What Wondrous Love Is This*– WHAT WONDROUS LOVE

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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CHANCEL FLOWERS

Are given today by Chris, Beth, and Rachel Patterson
in honor of Rebekah Patterson's birthday.

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The Sunday Supplement



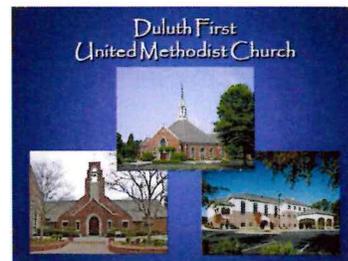
MARCH 22, 2026

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.

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, or call 770-476-3776, ext. 128.



Prayer Concerns



- Jack Brannon • Amy Burk • David Cook • Karen Cook • Lorraine Day
- Ivy Doss' mother, Linda Dekle • Allison Eldridge • Ann Fleming
- Rosemary Hall • John Hammons • Glenda King • Pam Logan • Barbara Martin
- Stephanie Minschwaner • Scott Parrish's mother, Kathleen • Ethel Sales • Jeff Schulz
- Bill Swisher • Cooper Trepanier-Rawles • Dale VanPelt • Christy Wolfe's father, Gus Dozier



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 or call Stephen Leader Ann Fleming at 678-644-9108.



Donations of Supplies Needed for Our Easter Egg Hunt: Through Sunday, March 22nd

Donations of small prizes and individually wrapped candy for our **Easter Egg Hunt** on March 28th will be collected **through Sunday, March 22nd**. Please leave your donated items in the wagons located in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall and on the 1st floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. Thank you for your support!

Wednesday Night Dinner in Hinton Hall: March 25th

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, March 25th, is pork loin, creamed corn, Brussels sprouts, carrots, rolls, and dessert. For the kids – hot dogs 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. Menus are subject to change.



New Food Opportunity on Sundays, March 22nd and 29th: Grab & Go Breakfast

Chef Kenny Lewis and Your Daily Bread Co. are offering a Grab & Go Breakfast as a new food opportunity on Sunday mornings, March 22nd and 29th, from 9:00 to 10:45 a.m. in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. Your Daily Bread Co. will offer fresh, hot, and ready-to-go choices of 3 different breakfast sandwiches, 3 different sides, and apple juice, orange juice, and bottled water. Popular combos will also be available. Prices range from \$1 to \$9. Cash and credit/debit card payments will be accepted.

Youth Ministry Sunday Night Gatherings for March

Students in the 6th through 12th 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 1st 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 March is:

- **Sunday, March 22nd:** *Sunday Night Gathering* at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Center ("The Fish Tank");
- **Sunday, March 29th:** *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, or call 770-476-3776, ext. 119.

Wednesday Night Food Drive: March 25th

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 March 25th 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.



Help Needed for Easter Lunch for Families in Need: Saturday, March 28th

On Saturday, March 28th, our church's **Missions Ministry** and **Children's Ministry** will be hosting an **Easter Egg Hunt and Easter lunch** for families of Rainbow Village and families served by the Duluth Care Team of Duluth High School, Collins Hill Care Team of Collins Hill High School, and Hands of Christ Duluth Co-op. **The Easter Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch.** We need your help in creating a special, memory-filled day for these families.

Help is needed for the Easter lunch in the following areas:

- Setting up, cleaning and resetting Hinton Hall;
- Serving food and drinks;
- Bringing in foods, deserts, and drinks;
- Greeters and hospitality folks.



Scan the QR code located to the right with your smart phone or tablet to sign-up to volunteer for the Easter lunch, or to sign up to bring food for the lunch. You can volunteer for however much time you can, or you can join us for the entire event. Additional information will be made available as we continue our preparations for an awesome day of celebration and fellowship with our community.

If you would like to volunteer, bring food, or have any questions or would like to head up a team, please contact Rev. David Burchett by e-mail at dburchett@duluthumc.org. Thank you for your support!



Easter Egg Hunt for Children of All Ages: Saturday, March 28th

Children of all ages are invited to join a special Easter Egg Hunt event being held at the church on **Saturday, March 28th, promptly at 11:30 a.m.** We will meet in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. Please be sure to bring your own Easter basket.

Care Packages for College Students

We are collecting gift card donations for our college students. As finals week is quickly approaching, we want to show our love and care for our college students by sending them gift cards to enjoy during their finals! If you would like to donate, please purchase any of these gift cards – Chick-fil-A (most requested by students) or Starbucks – with the amount of \$25 per card, and drop them off in Rev. Min Lee's office (Director of Youth Ministries),



located on the 1st floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center by **Sunday, March 29th**.

If you have a college student (or if you are the college student) who is a member of Duluth First UMC, we ask you to scan the QR code located to the right with your smartphone or tablet and fill out the contact information form and update the student's mailing address.



Also, if you would like to volunteer to help lead this meaningful ministry, please contact Rev. Min Lee by e-mail at mlee@duluthumc.org.

We appreciate your generosity!

Good Friday Service: April 3rd

Make plans to join us for a **Good Friday service** on Friday, April 3rd, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Our **Good Friday service** will include a Passion narrative with musical reflections. It will be a contemplative service offering an opportunity for deep and personal prayer.

It is a wonderful service to bring your family, a neighbor or a friend. Childcare, for ages newborn through pre-Kindergarten, will be available in **Childcare Corner** during the worship service. The service will be live-streamed on the **Duluth First UMC Worship** channel on **YouTube**.

Celebrating Easter: Sunday, April 5th

Sunrise Service with Communion: 7:00 a.m.

Join us Easter morning at 7:00 a.m. in front of the main entrance to the Sanctuary for our Easter Sunrise Service with Communion. This service includes singing, prayers, devotion, and Holy Communion. The 7:00 a.m. Sunrise service will be live-streamed on the **Duluth First UMC Worship** channel on **YouTube**.

PLEASE NOTE: We will not be holding our 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship service on Easter morning. Please make plans to join us at the 7:00 Sunrise Service and/or at either of the 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship or Traditional Worship services.

Easter Morning Fellowship: 9:30 to 10:45 a.m.

Join us on Easter morning for a time of fellowship from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. All ages are welcome! Pastries and coffee will be available.

Contemporary Worship Service with Communion: 11:00 a.m.

The worship band, technical team, prayer team and pastor will be energized and ready to join with you in the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship service in Hinton Hall, located in the Sheldon Family Life Center, will be live-streamed on the **Duluth First UMC Contemporary Worship** page on **Facebook**.

Traditional Worship Service with Communion: 11:00 a.m.

At the Traditional Worship service in the Sanctuary, the music will be as glorious as the day deserves with the choir lifting praises to God, ending with our annual Easter acclamation, Handel's *Hallelujah!* The 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship service will be live-streamed on the **Duluth First UMC Worship** channel on **YouTube**.

PLEASE NOTE: Childcare, for ages newborn through Pre-Kindergarten, will be available in **Childcare Corner** for all worship services, and during the 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday School hour.

Opportunities to Serve in the Flowers Ministry

We are actively recruiting new members to the **Flowers Ministry**, a fun ministry which creates beautiful floral arrangements used to adorn the worship spaces in the Sanctuary and Hinton Hall for Sunday morning worship services. A training workshop will be held in April where you will have the opportunity learn how to make beautiful arrangements that will be placed in the Sanctuary and Hinton Hall to add beauty to our worship spaces. If you are interested in being part of our **Flowers Ministry**, please contact Verena Lucía Anders by e-mail at vanders@duluthumc.org or speak with James Dykes.

Register Now for This Summer's Vacation Bible School at Duluth First UMC

Mark your calendars and save the date for "Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God" Vacation Bible School. Registration is underway for the 2026 Vacation Bible School, being held Monday, June 22nd through Friday, June 26th, at Duluth First United Methodist Church. Vacation Bible School, held from 9 a.m. to noon each day, is for kids going into pre-Kindergarten (age 4 as of September 1st) through rising 6th graders. The cost is \$30 per child with a maximum of \$70 per family. Each day participants will participate in Bible story time, sing songs, play games, make crafts, and eat snacks.

In addition to registering participants, we are also registering adult and youth volunteers. We especially need shepherds, who are adult volunteers in charge of a group of 6-10 kids. Shepherds do not need to prepare anything in advance. They lead their group to the various activities where other volunteers are in charge. If you would like to help but are only available one or two days that week, you can put your available dates on your registration. We often need substitute shepherds. Also, the Childcare Corner is available for the children of volunteers if you have a child who is not old enough to be a participant.

Everyone who registers by May 24th is guaranteed a VBS t-shirt and copy of the music. All Vacation Bible School participant registration forms, as well as volunteer forms, are available online at the church's website – duluthumc.org, by scanning the QR code located to the right with your smartphone or tablet, or by going to vbspro.events/p/42cb8a.

For more information, please contact Leslie Yokeley, Director of Children's Ministries, by e-mail at lyokeley@duluthumc.org, or call 770-476-3776, ext. 138.



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Order Your Easter Lilies: Now Through Sunday, March 29th

The **Worship Committee** invites you to remember or honor a loved one with a lily on Easter. The lilies will be used to adorn the Sanctuary and Hinton Hall on Easter morning, Sunday, April 5th. **The cost per plant is \$20.** You may pick up your lily/lilies following the Easter services. Printed copies of the Easter Lily Remembrance/Honor listings will be available at all worship services on Easter morning.

All proceeds go to **Seeds of Hope**, whose funds are used to help meet the needs of God's people living in Duluth and Suwanee--often strangers, widows, orphans, homeless, those who are lost, and those who are without hope--who come to Duluth First United Methodist Church seeking assistance. **In 2025 the number of assistance requests through Seeds of Hope was much higher than in past years.** If you would like to contribute extra above/beyond the cost of your lily/lilies, we thank you for your additional support of **Seeds of Hope**.

You can place your order for lilies online with a credit/debit card payment. Anyone wishing to pay by credit/debit card must complete their order form online. For online lily/lilies orders, please go to the church's website - www.duluthumc.org - and then click on the **Easter Lilies** slide on the homepage. **NOTE: Please do not use any of the church's other online giving forms to place your Easter lily order.**

If you wish to pay by check or cash, please complete the order form below.

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

By: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone #: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Please display my lily/lilies in the: _____ Sanctuary _____ Hinton Hall.

(PLEASE CHECK ONE)

One "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" per form, one form per plant. Additional order forms are available at the Welcome Centers and online on the church's website - www.duluthumc.org - click on the **Easter Lilies** slide on the homepage. Please place your form/forms, along with a check made payable to **Duluth First United Methodist Church** and marked **Easter Lilies** in the memo section, in the Church Staff Drop Box located in the Atrium, or send to Duluth First United Methodist Church, Attn. Ken Willi, 3208 Duluth Hwy. 120, Duluth, GA 30096.

NOTE: All Easter lily orders must be received by Sunday, March 29th, at 5:00 p.m.