

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 7, 2026
8:30 A.M.



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



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



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.



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

ENTRANCE

Prelude

Seoyoung Lee, *Pianist*

Welcome & Announcements

Terrie Adkins, *Liturgist*

✠ Call to Worship

Like Abram and Sarai, God calls us to go into the unknown, trusting that God's promises are true.

Whether we are certain or full of doubts, God blesses us that we may be a blessing.

God sends us into the world to journey by faith, believing that God's blessings are greater than anything we can imagine.

Whether the path is straight or winding, God blesses us that we may be a blessing.

God gathers us today with trusted companions, those who also follow God's call, even when it does not make sense to the world around us.

Whether we journey with friends or feel all alone, God blesses us that we may be a blessing.

As we gather to worship, may we remember that we are God's people, blessed by God to be a blessing to our world that is hurting and desperately in need of good news.

God, form us today as a family of faith, that your blessings might flow out of us and into our world, drawing all people into your promise of abundant life and flourishing. Amen.

✠ Hymn 340 | *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* – RESTORATION

WORD & RESPONSE

Common
English Bible

✠ Scripture | Genesis 12:1-9

Harold Hickam

¹ The Lord said to Abram, "Leave your land, your family, and your father's household for the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation and will bless you. I will make your name respected, and you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, those who curse you I will curse; all the families of the earth will be blessed because of you."

⁴ Abram left just as the Lord told him, and Lot went with him. Now Abram was 75 years old when he left Haran. ⁵ Abram took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all of their possessions, and those who became members of their household in Haran; and they set out for the land of Canaan. When they arrived in Canaan, ⁶ Abram traveled through the land as far as the sacred place at Shechem, at the oak of Moreh. The Canaanites lived in the land at that time. ⁷ The Lord appeared to Abram and said, "I give this land to your descendants," so Abram built an altar there to the Lord who appeared to him. ⁸ From there he traveled toward the mountains east of Bethel, and pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the Lord and worshipped in the Lord's name. ⁹ Then Abram set out toward the arid southern plain, making and breaking camp as he went.

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

Sermon | *See All the People*

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

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

Hymnal pg. 12

✠ Sharing of the Peace of Christ

Ministry Moment | *North Georgia Annual Conference's Special Offering -
The Center for Clergy Excellence's International Fund*

Receiving God's Tithe & Our Offering

Offertory

Seoyoung Lee, *Pianist*

✠ Doxology | *Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow* – OLD 100TH

**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.**



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THANKSGIVING

✠ The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

...

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer our ourselves in praise and thanksgiving,
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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All honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.
Amen.

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.

Breaking the Bread, Receiving the Bread & Cup

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have
given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of
your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship & Church Membership

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:

Charlie Greene
Lynne Ometer
Bryan Johnson

Usher Captains:

David Burleson
Charlie Doerlich

SENDING

✠ Hymn 680 | *Father, We Praise Thee* (verses 1 & 2) – CHRIST SANCTORUM

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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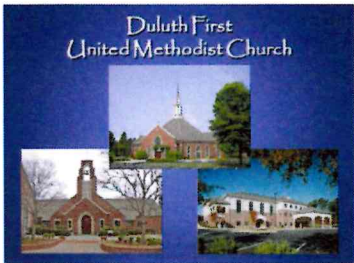
The Sunday Supplement



JUNE 7, 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



- Kathy Anderson • Tracy Balkcom • Jack Brannon
- Ann Fleming • Jae Hallett • Beth Intondi
- Jan Jones • Pam Logan • Barbara Martin
- Tom Martin • Pat Pepper • Bette Pickin
- Ethel Sales • Jeff Schulz • Bill Swisher
- Sharon Swisher • ShiQuita Ward

- Our Youth Ministry students and adult leaders on their Summer Mission Trip, the Gainesville Aid Project (GAP), June 10th - 14th.
- Hal Ball & family in the death of his wife, Fran.



STEPHEN MINISTRY



WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION.

Duluth First UMC Stephen Ministers provide confidential, one-to-one emotional care and support to those in our church and community who are hurting.

Contact Rev. Dr. C.Kay Fuino by e-mail at ckfuino@duluthumc.org for additional information.

STEPHEN MINISTRY



Today's Communion Offering: The North Georgia Annual Conference's Special Offering - The Center for Clergy Excellence's International Fund

The church has always moved across borders: carrying hope, building relationships, and answering the call wherever God leads. This year's **North Georgia Annual Conference's Special Offering** will support **The Center of Clergy Excellence's International Fund**. This fund will help pastors navigate the practical steps required to serve across cultural and national boundaries. Your generosity today is more than a financial gift. It is a statement of faith that the church moves together, and when one part of the body is ready to serve, the whole body leans in to help. Let's open doors together.

The communion offering is in addition to your regular giving to the Church.



Youth Ministry Sunday Night Gatherings

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.

The **Sunday Night Gathering** schedule for June is:

- **Sunday, June 7th**: Gwinnett Stripers Game at 1:05 p.m. at Coolray Field.
- **Sunday, June 14th**: No **Sunday Night Gathering** (returning from the Gainesville Aid Project);
- **Sunday, June 21st**: No **Sunday Night Gathering** (Father's Day);
- **Sunday, June 28th**: **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.



Popsicles on the Playground: Mondays, June 8th and July 13th

The summer is too long to go without seeing our friends! Preschool-aged children, their siblings, and their grown-ups are invited to come play at the church **on Mondays, June 8th and July 13th from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.** We will have popsicles for the kids and iced coffee for the grownups!

Join us on the playground if the weather is nice, and if it is raining or way too hot, we will be in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Dr. AnnaKate Rawles, Associate Pastor, by e-mail at arawles@duluthumc.org.

Be on the look out for other meet up opportunities this summer by following us on:

- Our church's website – www.duluthumc.org;
- Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/DuluthFirstUMC>;
- Instagram – <https://www.instagram.com/duluthfirstumc>.



Pack a Backpack with School Supplies for a Child at Seneca Street UMC: Beginning on Sunday, June 14th

Over the last six years it has been a joy for our congregation to be part of the **Summer Reading Camp** at Seneca Street UMC in Buffalo, NY, by packing backpacks here in Duluth with school supplies for the children in Buffalo. After being shipped to Buffalo, backpacks are distributed to children at the end of the two-week camp for use in the upcoming school year. A portion of the backpacks will be processed as we have done in the past, while for the rest of the backpacks we will buy and collect school supplies and have a packing party for filling them with collected school supplies.

If you would like to pack a backpack:

- **Grades 1 – 8: Beginning on Sunday, June 14th**, select one or more school supply cards to be used to buy supplies with. Please return all school supplies **by Sunday, July 5th**. The packing party will be held **on Saturday, July 11th**, beginning at 10 a.m. in Hinton Hall, where you can come and fill backpacks with collected school supplies.
- **Kindergarten and grades 9 – 12: Beginning Sunday, June 21st**, select an empty backpack which will include a school supplies list and note on the return process. Shop for school supplies to fill it with and return completed backpacks **no later than Sunday, July 12th**.



This approach was very successful last year as it allowed a greater number of our members to participate in the ministry. Backpacks and school supplies can be left in the collection areas located on the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall stage, and outside of room F145, located on the 1st floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. If you have any questions, please contact Charlie Doerlich by e-mail at chaz3d@gmail.com or 678-662-2215. Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry.

Senior Adult Coffee Hour: Wednesdays, June 10th, July 15th, and August 12th

Senior adults are invited to join us once a month this summer for a time of coffee, conversations, and fellowship. Bring a game, something you want to discuss, or just show up to enjoy time together!

We will meet on Wednesdays, June 10th, July 15th, and August 12th, at 9:30 a.m. in the cul-da-sac area outside of the offices on the 1st floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. AnnaKate Rawles, Associate Pastor, by e-mail at arawles@duluthumc.org. We look forward to seeing you there!

Register Now for Vacation Bible School: June 22nd - 26th

Register now for **Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God** 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.

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.



Vacation Bible School Decorations Request for Loaner Flora and Fauna

Thanks to all who have contributed to the Amazon wish list for decorations and other supplies! As we prepare to create an exciting rainforest environment around the theme of our upcoming Vacation Bible School, **Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God**, we are also requesting donations or loans of:

- **Green, leafy potted plants (preferably artificial, but all welcomed);**
- **Tropical- and jungle-themed stuffed animals (monkeys, tigers, sloths, birds, reptiles, etc.).**

We'll be glad to care for, label, and return any loaned items after Vacation Bible School. If you have questions, please contact Bryan Taylor by e-mail at bryantaylor44@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School Decoration Day: Saturday, June 20th

It's time to build our lush rainforest adventure setting throughout the church for this year's Vacation Bible School, **Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God**. Volunteers are needed to help decorate on Saturday, June 20th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. No sign-up required – just show up when you can for as long as you can and be ready to help create an exciting environment for our Vacations Bible School kids!

If you have questions, please contact Bryan Taylor by e-mail at bryantaylor44@gmail.com. Childcare will be available for children ages pre-school through 5th grade. They will be helping with their own special decorations for Vacation Bible School. If you will be needing childcare, Please contact Linda Wettlaufer by e-mail at lwettlaufer@duluthumc.org.

250th Anniversary of Independence Day Celebration: Sunday, June 28th

Join us on Sunday, June 28th, in Hinton Hall following the 11:00 a.m. worship services as we celebrate the 250th anniversary of the independence of the United States. A meal will be provided by the church and the choir will lead patriotic music.



Thank You From Happy Sacks

With the end of the 2025-26 school year, **Happy Sacks** has completed our fourteenth year of providing nutritious weekend snacks for children in need. This past school year, we packed and delivered 4,133 sacks to children at five local schools. Since the program began in 2012, we have delivered over 44,000 sacks!

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the **Happy Sacks** ministry this school year! Thank you to those who have donated food items and money, to those who have helped pack sacks on Wednesday night, and to those who have delivered the sacks to the schools! We hear over and over from the counselors at the schools how much the children appreciate the sacks. This ministry would not be possible without your support.

We look forward to starting back when school resumes in August. Thank you again for all of your support!

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