

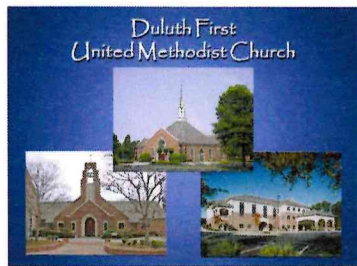
The Sunday Supplement



OCTOBER 26, 2025

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

- Charlie Anderson • Tracy Balkcom • Dale Braynard
- Gen Butterworth • Bill Evans • Rosemary Hall
- Shamain Hallett • Carol Hitchcock • Linton Jones
- Clara Truesdell • Dale VanPelt • Easton Wall

• Our church's youth and adult volunteers participating in the **Rooted Retreat** (North Georgia UMC Conference's Fall Retreat) hosted by Glisson Camp and Retreat Center on October 24th - 26th.

- David Beasley & family in the death of his brother.



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



Join Us at Trunk or Treat: Tonight!

Trunk or Treat is tonight in the front parking lot from 5 to 6:30 p.m.! We need you to come and enjoy time together! We will have candy, games, and pizza available for purchase. **Trunk or Treat** is an excellent opportunity to invite your friends, family, and neighbors and bring them to Duluth First United Methodist Church for fun, food, and, of course, going trunk to trunk collecting candy. This is such a great way to share your love of church community with others!

Everyone is invited to participate by:

- **Attending!** Come have a lot of fun!
- **Passing out candy!** You can decorate your trunk or just come, pop up your trunk and hand out candy.

Set-up time begins at 4:30 p.m. and trick-or-treating begins at 5:00 p.m. We hope to have lots of fun and lots of decorated trunks! Thank you for your support!



Stewardship Campaign for 2026 Begins Today

Duluth First UMC's Stewardship Campaign for 2026 begins today. **Estimate of Giving cards** can be found in the pews in the Sanctuary, and on the chairs in Hinton Hall. Please turn in your **2026 Estimate of Giving card** now or on Consecration Sunday, which is November 16th. You can put it in the offering plate, mail it to the church, or submit it online by going to the church's website - duluthumc.org - and clicking on the **STEWARDSHIP 2026** tab.

Grow One Step Chart

Many folks have found the **Grow One Step** chart helpful for their giving. Most of us know it's best for us to put God first and to move toward tithing (giving God the first 10% of our income). But we find it hard to get started. That's where the chart comes in.

Over a decade ago, a young couple I know with two school-aged daughters wanted to tithe. They were giving, but they didn't know what percentage of their income they were giving.

The grid side of the enclosed chart showed them that they were giving 2%. They decided to grow one step by giving 3% the next year. That worked, and they kept going – the following year – 4%, then 5%, etc. After eight years they were tithing, giving God 10%. They are happy to be continuing that practice today as their daughters graduate from college.

Rev. Terry Tippens,
Senior Pastor



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 (unless otherwise noted). **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 October is:

- **Sunday, October 26th: Trunk or Treat** at 5:00 p.m. in the church's front parking lot.

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 Dinner in Hinton Hall: October 29th

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, October 29th, is Coq au Vin (chicken braised in red wine), roasted Brussels sprouts, broccoli, rolls, and dessert. For the kids – chicken tenders 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, 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.



Wednesday Night Food Drive: October 29th

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 October 29th we ask you to bring cans of diced tomatoes.** 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.

Gift Cards Needed for Care Packages for College Students: Through Sunday, November 2nd

Hello Duluth First UMC Family! We are collecting gift card donations for the care packages we will send out to our college students. As finals week is quickly approaching, we want to show our love and care for our college students by sending them care packages for them to enjoy during their finals week!



If you would like to donate a gift card, please purchase any of the gift cards listed below 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, November 2nd. Gift cards needed are:



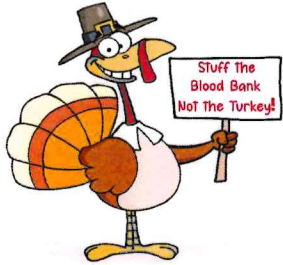
- Chick-fil-A (most requested by students)
- Starbucks

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

Should you have any questions, please contact Rev. Min Lee by e-mail at mlee@duluthumc.org. Thank you for your support of our college students!

Blood Drive at Duluth First UMC on Wednesday, November 12th:

Give Thanks—Give Blood—Give Life



An American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at Duluth First UMC on Wednesday, November 12th, from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall. To schedule an appointment to make a blood donation:

- Visit 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, or call 770-476-3776, ext. 112.
- Last, but not least, be a "walk-in" on Blood Drive Day.

Free A1C testing, a test commonly used to screen for diabetes and pre-diabetes, will be offered to those who donate blood. Each donor will receive a \$10 e-gift card to a merchant of their choice and will automatically be entered for a chance to win one of three \$5,000 gift cards. Please go to RedCrossBlood.org/Harvest for more details.

"Bundle Up for Buffalo" Annual Fundraiser:

Saturday, November 15th, and Sunday, November 16th

Bundle Up for Buffalo, our annual fundraiser to assist the Seneca Street UMC in Buffalo, NY with their winter heating costs, is on Saturday, November 15th, and Sunday, November 16th. If you like to bake, sew, paint, or craft, this is the chance to offer up your creativity for a very worthy cause. The rest of us get to admire your work and do some Christmas shopping!

Please bring the sale items donations to the Dorothy L. Rainey Fellowship Hall on Friday, November 14th, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. You will be assigned a spot to display your creations, and please bring a small tablecloth if you like. Expect the sale items be crowded together, as our sale has grown in the past years.

Bundle Up for Buffalo begins at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 15th, and closes at 2:00 p.m. It will open on Sunday, November 16th, after the 8:15 a.m. service has ended, will be closed during both 11:00 a.m. services, and will re-open at noon and finish by 1:00. We ask you to please take any of your unsold items home with you, as there is no place to store them at the church once the sale is over, or share them with Sherry Ferguson who has a wonderful place for them at the Holiday Shop for children at Ferguson Elementary School.



All proceeds from **Bundle Up for Buffalo** go to Seneca Street UMC to assist with their winter heating costs. There is a great need for the heat to be kept on in part of the church where 65+ children arrive after school every day. Heat is on from October to April (and often May) in that part of our country. The after-school program provides children with a healthy snack, warm greetings, and volunteers to help them with their homework until their moms get home from work.

Pastor Dee Finch, Pastor Brian Rotach and Cheryl Bird will be coming from Buffalo. If you would like one of them to speak to your Sunday School class on November 16th, please make your request as soon as possible. You can also join the Forum Sunday School Class that day where one of them will speak. For more information, please contact Beth Intondi at 404-408-1657.

Operation Christmas Child

Six weeks are remaining in this year's **Operation Christmas Child**, our annual participation in **Samaritans Purse's** mission for God's children around the world. As we did last year, there will be physical shoeboxes available to be completed by you as well as the online option to complete shoeboxes. Empty shoeboxes are available in the Narthex, the Veterans Memorial Gathering Room, outside Hinton Hall, and outside of room F145 on the 1st floor of the Sheldon Family Life Center. Completed shoeboxes are to be returned **by Sunday, November 16th**, and can be returned to these same locations.

The cost of the **Build On-Line Shoebox** option is \$30, and these shoeboxes are delivered to certain locations with special custom and cultural needs. This year we have increased the goal and expanded the timeframe, and are currently at 14% of this year's goal of 80 online shoeboxes. **The DFUMC Goal Page is active and you can complete an online shoebox by:**



- Using specific instructions, prepared for using the online process, which are available at the shoebox distribution locations around the church.
- Scanning the QR code located to the right with your smartphone or tablet to complete your shoebox online.
- Going to the church's website - **duluthumc.org** - clicking on the **MINISTRIES** tab and then clicking on the **MISSIONS** tab, where you will find information about **Operation Christmas Child**.

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Charlie Doerlich by e-mail **chaz3d@gmail.com**, or calling 678-662-2115.



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