



\*Please stand as you are able.

“Desert Roa

## “Take You at Your Word”

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, re

sin and your commitment to Christ? **We do.** Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include Everett now before you in your care? **With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Everett with a community of love and forgiveness, that he may grow in his service to others. We will pray for him, that he may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.**

John 1:35-51

The Word of God, for the people of God.

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“Lead on

We

**We go to serve.**

**Go in peace.**

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**Session Impact Sunday – 10 a.m. – FUMC Gym – Du**

- **Today - Mission Impact Sunday – 10 a.m. – FUMC Gym** – During the Sunday School hour, everyone is invited to explore more than thirty FUMC ministries with local, national, and international mission partners. Enjoy coffee and a treat, hear stories of lives being changed, and discover ways to serve and make a difference through our church's ministries.
  - **United Women in Faith meeting - Tuesday, September 1, 11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall** - The UWF executive committee meeting takes place in Rm. 165 at 11 a.m. Lunch: \$5. Info: Priscilla Tucker at 334-618-0210.
  - **Midweek Recharge Fall Studies - September 2**
    - 4:45–6 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
    - 5:30 - Cheerful Chimers
    - 6 p.m. - Activities for all ages including Bible Studies & Choir  
Details at [fumcdothan.org/events](http://fumcdothan.org/events) or call 334-793-3555.
  - **Men's Discipleship Group with Ryan Deaton - September 2, 6 p.m. - Room 165** - Join other men seeking to grow in their faith and strengthen their walk with Christ. This group provides an opportunity to study Scripture, engage in honest conversation, and encourage one another through life's challenges and victories. Together, we will pursue a deeper understanding of God's Word and how it shapes our daily lives. Info: [ryan@fumcdothan.org](mailto:ryan@fumcdothan.org)
  - **Church Party - Starts Tuesday, September 8, 6-7:30 p.m. - FUMC Gym** - This is our ministry for children with special needs, meeting weekly per the Dothan City Schools calendar. The FUMC van picks up children at 5:15 p.m. for an evening of recreation, food, and fun. Info: Call Susan Warren, 334-596-1205, or Nina Lisenby, 334-714-7108 or [fumcdothan.org/church-party-ministry](http://fumcdothan.org/church-party-ministry)
  - **CoJourneyer's Training Bible Study with Jason Keel - September 9, 6 p.m. Room 233** - A welcoming small group for adults seeking to grow in faith and community through Bible study, prayer, and discussion. Together, participants deepen their walk with Christ and learn to share their faith naturally and confidently in everyday life.
  - **The Way of the Chosen (Season 3) with Mark Saliba and Larry Williams September 9, 6 p.m. - Room 157** - This class will explore the teachings and ministry of Jesus as portrayed in the series and grounded in Scripture. Together, participants will examine key biblical themes such as faith, discipleship, miracles, suffering, and following Christ in everyday life. Through Bible study, discussion, and personal reflection, the class will encourage spiritual growth and help participants deepen their relationship with Jesus while learning practical ways to live out their faith.
  - **55 Forward - Lunch Bunch - Thursday, September 10, 11 a.m. - Firestone Pizza (250 S. Oates Street)** – Reservations required by *Tuesday, September 8*. Info: [hchapman@fumcdothan.org](mailto:hchapman@fumcdothan.org) or call the church office.
  - **Westminster Handbell Choir Rehearsal resumes - Sunday, September 13, 4 p.m. - Room 255** - Info: [erin@fumcdothan.org](mailto:erin@fumcdothan.org)
  - **More Than Words: Rediscovering Prayer Bible Study - Sunday, September 13, 5–6 p.m., Room 157** - What if prayer is deeper than we have imagined? Join Pastor Matt for an eight-week journey as we explore prayer through Scripture and discover how God meets us not only in our words, but also in listening, silence, Scripture, attentiveness, and the ordinary moments of everyday life. Whether you are just beginning your prayer journey or have been praying for years, this class invites you into a richer, more meaningful relationship with God.
- Attendance and Giving for the week 8/23/2026:**
- Worship Attendance: 753  
Online Worship Attendance: 494  
The Harbor Attendance: 66  
Giving: \$77,807.23

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

**Worship Team**

*Ellie & Will Gholson and Ashley & Jason McGee*

**Sound / Lights / Live Stream**

*Brian Baker, Morgan Creech, James Dix, Jon Dix, Ava Keel, Matthew Murray, Sam Schneider, Ted Smith, Andy Thomas, Ashley Waller*

**Promise Praise Band**

*Mandy Thomas - vocals  
Anna Kathryn Johnson - vocals  
John “Dink” Turner - vocals  
Charles Andre - bass  
Gary McGowan - guitar/vocals  
Walt Doty - drums  
Andrew Spry - lead guitar  
Jason Flebotte - piano/vocal*

**Altar Flowers**

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of the baptism of Everett Ashwander, by his grandparents.*

## CLERGY

**Dr. David R. Saliba**

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**Rev. T. Matthew Langford, Jr.**

Executive Pastor  
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**Rev. Lynn Smilie Nesbitt**

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## FALL STUDIES

**August 17:** Mom’s Group with Kaylee Vaughn

**August 18:** Men’s Bible Study with Pastor David

**August 18:** Ladies Bible Study with Kathrine Forrester

**August 19:** Co-ed Bible Study with Pastor David

**August 26:** *Why Did Jesus Have to Die?* Bible Study  
with Pastor Lynn Smilie Nesbitt & Jim Ellis

**September 2:** Men’s Discipleship Group with Ryan Deaton

**September 9:** CoJourners Training with Jason Keel

**September 9:** *The Way of the Chosen (Season 3)* Study  
with Mark Saliba and Larry Williams

**September 13:** *More Than Words: Rediscovering Prayer* with Pastor Matt

**September 13:** *The 4 Habits of Joy-Filled People* Bible Study with Kash Deaton

**Ongoing:** Ruth Seymore Ladies Bible Study with Linda Isley

**September 16:** Women’s Bible Study with Jessica Robinson

For more information on our study schedule,  
visit [fumcdothan.org/adult-studies](http://fumcdothan.org/adult-studies)

**REGULAR SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES**

First Light Chapel Communion - 8 a.m.  
Traditional Sanctuary Worship - 8:30 a.m.  
Bridge Contemporary Worship - 8:55 a.m.  
Sunday School Opportunities - 10 a.m.  
Traditional Sanctuary Worship - 11 a.m.

**PRESCHOOL AND CHILDREN’S WORSHIP**

During 8:30 and 8:55 a.m. services 3P through 5th graders are invited to participate in age-appropriate fellowship and worship. 3P-4P are downstairs; K5-5th graders are upstairs. All children should be checked in by an adult in the respective areas of the children’s wing. Following worship, children are escorted to Sunday School at 10 a.m. All ages are always welcome to attend worship in the Bridge, and activity bags are available at each entrance.

**NURSERY**

Nursery care is available for children ages six weeks to four-year-old preschoolers. An usher will be happy to direct you there.

**INFANT SOOTHING ROOM**

An infant soothing room is available in Room 132. The worship service will be shown in the room along with other amenities available. An usher will be happy to direct you there.

**WEDNESDAY**

Supper - 4:45-6 p.m. | Fellowship Hall  
Cheerful Chimers - 5:30 p.m.  
Bible studies for all ages - 6-7 p.m.  
Chancel Choir rehearsal - 6-7:15 p.m. | Room 255

*If you would like more information about our ministries, please visit [fumcdothan.org](http://fumcdothan.org).*

## FOR PRAYER

If you or someone you know is in the hospital, has an upcoming surgery, is expecting a baby, or has any other joys and concerns, let us know how we may pray for you. You may share via prayer card, email: [prayer@fumcdothan.org](mailto:prayer@fumcdothan.org), you can visit our webpage at [fumcdothan.org/prayer](http://fumcdothan.org/prayer), or call the church office.

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*



**August 30, 2026  
8:55 a.m.**



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