



The Seven Seasons: Exploring the Church Calendar



WORSHIP ARTS CAMP 2025



Pastor Lynn welcomes everyone to the Worship Arts Camp 2025 worship service.

It is with great joy that I share with you the successes of our second annual worship arts camp. During the week of July 7-11, we welcomed thirty-seven future worship leaders onto our campus for five days crammed full of artistic activities. Local musicians and artists were joined by two visiting clinicians to introduce the campers to the wonders of the arts and their essential role within our worship experiences.

Every story, art project, song, and puppet helped our children focus upon the relevance of the church calendar to their daily lives. Each day during morning worship, Pastor Lynn taught us about a season, its associated liturgical color, and important symbolism through scripture and stories. The students then attended various artistic sessions where they further explored these concepts.

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This week & more at FUMC Dothan

CHILDREN

J.A.M. Time (Jesus and Me Time)

Available during the 8:30 & 8:55 a.m. worship services.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Bldg., 10-10:45 a.m.

FB: FUMC Dothan Children's Ministry

IG: fumc_childrens_ministry

YOUTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth Cafe, Sundays, 10-10:45 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study

6-7 p.m.

Thursday Youth Lunch - 11:45 a.m.

TBA

July 24 • July 31

JOIN THE FUMC STAFF

For job descriptions, and how to apply for the positions listed below, visit fumcdothan.org/join-our-team.

Positions:

- PT Associate
- Worship Arts Director/Organist
 - PT Ministry Intern
 - PT Nursery Worker
- FT Children's Ministry Director
- FT Daycare Worker

RESPITE MINISTRY

Volunteer & Caregiver Training

(Next meeting Aug. 13)

The training group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in Rm. 158.

Respite Ministry Caregiver Support Group

(Next meeting Aug. 21)

The support group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Rm. 165.

JOYS & CONCERNS

Congratulations to:

Hillary & Brett Singletary on the birth of their son, Pasco Davis Singletary, born July 8. His grandparents are Sherry & Jim Davis.

Let us know if you, or someone you know, has concerns, joys, hospitalizations, upcoming surgeries, or is expecting a baby.

Please call the church office at 334-793-3555, or email prayer@fumcdothan.org.

THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

First Light Chapel Communion

Amos 8:1-12
Colossians 1:15-28
Luke 10:38-42

Bridge and Sanctuary Worship

"VBS for Grown Ups: True Hope"
Matthew 28:1-10

55 FORWARD

Taste of Thomasville Food Tour - July 31, departing at 8 a.m.

- Experience an exclusive culinary tour through the heart of historic downtown Thomasville, Georgia. Enjoy the city's rich traditions as you sample signature dishes from beloved restaurants and hidden gems. Guided by a local expert, you will hear the captivating stories that make Thomasville's history—and its food—truly unforgettable. Cost: \$60. Limited seats are available, so reserve your spot on the bus asap by calling 334-793-3555. For more information, contact Ashley Brasington at ashley@fumcdothan.org.

Senior Adult Ministry Lunch Fellowship - August 13, 11:30 a.m. - Join us at River Nile, located at 5540 W Main St #1.

To reserve your seat, please call the church office at 334-793-3555 by August 5.

MEMORIALS

Bill Adams

Brenda & Bobby Bottoms
Carol & Robert Flowers
Brooke & Doug Hamiter
Hunt's Restaurant
Sally & Jim Stuckey, Jr.
Ed, Melinda, Erin, Michele, Spencer, Maia and the Burr & Forman Family

Jane Adkinson

Wileria & Sam Casey
Kathryn & Tom Foster
Shea Mendheim

Doris Creel

Brenda & Bobby Bottoms

Susan Hewes

Shea Mendheim
Dale Prophet

Eddy Keel

Brenda & Bobby Bottoms
Kathryn & Tom Foster
Shea Mendheim
Donna & Tyrone Parrish
Dale Prophet

Michael Ledford

Wileria & Sam Casey
Kathryn & Tom Foster
Rhett Williams

Jennifer McInish

Shea Mendheim

Bob Theune

Amy & Charles Andre
Brenda & Bobby Bottoms
Shea Mendheim
Donna & Tyrone Parrish
Sally & Jim Stuckey, Jr.
New Beginnings Sunday School Class
Molly White
Shea Mendheim

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Menu for July 23:

Tacos, rice and beans, salad bar, dessert

For more info or to pay in advance, visit fumcdothan.org/wns



GIVE BLOOD!

SUNDAY, AUG. 10

8:30 AM-12:30 PM

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The week culminated in a camper-led worship service, in which all elements were brought together to "tell" the story of our faith. One of the highlights of the week for our campers was the inclusion of the flying doves from Pentecost. Pastor Liz and Pastor Matt flew them during the processional on Wednesday, and the art classes made miniature versions, which they flew with our clergy during the final processional on Friday.

Each morning, the campers and tour managers eagerly awaited another entertaining story from Pastor Lynn's grandparents, and I found myself marveling at the talent of both our leaders and children as they worked together to create an inspiring service for our families, **which you may stream on our social media accounts, and [youtube.com/fumcdothan](https://www.youtube.com/fumcdothan).**



Pastor Liz enjoys a fun moment with a camper during Worship Arts Camp 2025.



Campers sing "Doxology" during the Worship Arts Camp Worship service.

After the final service, many parents and campers made a point of sharing with me the highlights of the week and requested assurances that this camp would be offered again next year. Although I am exhausted, it was made clear to me that this camp along with many other FUMC ministry projects actively address the needs of the Dothan community, and it is my privilege to be in ministry here.

As we begin to plan for the 2026 Worship Arts Camp, I want to ask all members of our congregation to be in prayer about how you might become involved next summer.

Do you have artistic abilities or classroom management skills you would like to share with our children? Can you be a prayer warrior for our leaders and campers? Would you be willing to contribute to funding a guest clinician? If you said yes to any of these questions, please contact me at erin@fumcdothan.org for more information and as always thank you for your love and support for the Worship Arts ministry!

**Soli Deo Gloria,
Erin M. Smith, Worship Arts Director**



Rising K - 5th Grade | All events will take place at FUMC.
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