

CHILDREN'S MUSICAL RACE DAY

Run with endurance the race set before us...

The final countdown is on —
Race Day is almost here!

Race Day is our upcoming musical, presented by the Children's Choir. As I've been thinking about what to share ahead of the big event, I keep finding myself in the characters you're about to meet.

I see a little of myself in Sydney, who would much rather cheer her friends on from the sidelines, or get her nails done, than run a few miles. And I can definitely relate to Blake, who appreciates a long nap followed by a cold plunge.

Honestly, I find a piece of myself in all of the characters, and I have a feeling you will too.

There are so many truths woven into this musical with reminders that every one of us needs to hear.

Just last Wednesday, after a particularly rough day, God used the words of one of the songs to bring peace to my heart:
"When the road gets rough, keep going. When times get tough, keep going. You're not alone, God sees and knows what you're going through... so keep going."

And with the very next song, God gave me a smile. You could feel it when the children reached one of



Members of the Children's Choir rehearse for *Race Day*.

their favorite parts: **"There's a road set before you and God knows the way, so keep your eyes fixed on the author of faith. Jesus has shown us the strength that it takes, to run with endurance and finish the race."**

No matter the pace, we are all running this race together. God has a plan for each of us, and while our roads may look different, He has brought us to this stretch of the journey side by side.

So come be one of our running buddies and cheer our children on as they present **Race Day!**

Megan Carter
Children's Music Coordinator

April 22
6 pm
Fellowship Hall



Dinner begins at 5 pm

Menu: Pork tenderloin, chicken tenders, mashed potatoes with gravy, macaroni & Cheese, roasted vegetables, salad bar, dessert

WELCOME OUR FUMC CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2026



Front row, from left: John Parker "J.P." Deaton , Taylor Thompson Creel, Abby Catherine Cox, Harper Sims Cosby, Sue Ellen Clark, Emersyn "Emmy" Sophia Casey, Whitney "Whit" Layton Huskey, Jr., Maeve Scout Heersink, Griffin Reece Ganas, Grace Elizabeth Galloway, Finley "Finn" Drake Folsom, Dabney Grace Flowers, Margaret Camille Flowers, Evelyn Lee Enfinger, Chapman Howell Dunning, Charles Joseph Burgamy, Graham Hollis Braswell, Davis Brannon Black, Benjamin Huff Barron, Jr., Clara Beth "C.B." Ausley, Brooks Stafford Addison
Second row from left: Brett Anderson Renaud, Taylor Grace Preston, Baylyn Drew Pfalzgraff, Mollie Ann Newman, Justin Parish Martin Jr., Thatcher Bradley Marker, Frances Ausley Marchman, Mary Ellen Mann, Tucker Chadwick Lisenby
Third row from left: Mary Hugh Wheelless, Joel William "Will Weatherford, Cara Elizabeth Watts, Savannah Kay Waller, Mary Lane "Laney" Thomas, Mitchell Hunt Strickland, Joseph Thomas Saliba, James Alfred Rogers, Emma Kate Robinson
Back row from left: Robbie Amunds, Pastor Lynn, Pastor David, Pastor Matt, Sonia Crutchfield

DONUTS with David

**APRIL 19
10 AM | PARLOR**

New members and visitors are welcome!
If you are new to FUMC Dothan, interested in membership, or if you want to know more about what it means to become a Christian, please join us!

ADMIT ONE CINEMA ADMIT ONE

**MICHAEL CAINE
GLENDA JACKSON**

55 FORWARD

Movie

The Great Escaper

WED, APR 22 @ 2:30PM RM 165

POP CORN

DISCOVERY

New to our church?

**CLASS BEGINS:
APRIL 26 | 10 AM | PARLOR**

If you are new to FUMC Dothan and not sure what your next step should be, we hope you will consider our new short-term Sunday morning class!

For more information, contact Rev. Matt Langford
matt@fumcdothan.org or 334.793.3555

This week & more at FUMC Dothan

CHILDREN

J.A.M. Time (Jesus and Me Time)
Available during the 9 & 10 a.m. worship services.

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

Musical: Race Day
April 22, Fellowship Hall, 6 p.m.

FB: FUMC Dothan Children's Ministry

IG: fumc_childrens_ministry

YOUTH

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

Sunday evening
6-7:30 p.m.

Tuesday Breakfast
7 a.m., at Chick-fil-A located at 3418 Ross Clark Circle

Wednesday Bible Study
6-7 p.m.

RESPIRE CARE

Volunteer & Caregiver Training
(Next meeting May 13)
The training group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in RM 165.

Respite Ministry Caregiver Support Group
(Next meeting May 21)
The support group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month in RM. 165.



JOYS & CONCERNS

In the hospital:
Riley Marie Thomas
Mary Hartzog
Hayes Ziegenfelder
Thomas Wheatley

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
Acts 2:14a, 36-41
1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35

Bridge and Sanctuary Worship
"Living Hope: Imperishable Seed"
1 Peter 1:17-23

JOIN OUR TEAM

Available positions:

- FT Director of Middle School Ministry
 - FT Administrative Assistant to Executive Team
 - PT Preschool Teacher
 - PT Preschool Teaching Assistant
 - FT Daycare Worker
 - PT Nursery Worker
 - FT Associate Worship Arts Director/Organist
- PT Seasonal Sports Camp Counselor

More info:
fumcdothan.org/join-our-team

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

High School Senior Recognition
Sunday, May 17,
11 a.m., Sanctuary -

We will honor our graduating high school students in this worship service. If you have not received an invitation to include your student, contact Robbie Amunds at robbie@fumcdothan.org, by May 1. Please include three photos of your senior to be featured in the Bridge service recognition.

HONORARIUM

Bill Church
Tom Fortner

MEMORIALS

Hilda Church
Tom Fortner
Terry Ingram
Carol & Kerry Croom
Don Swanson
Buddy Jones
Young Folsom
Mike Marshall
Lenore Hilbert
Connie Preston
Wyndal Adams

See church photos!



Scan here to view!

RETIREMENT RECEPTION

for Beth Sizemore

Sunday, April 26
8:30 - 11 AM • Rainbow Room

You are invited to a come-and-go reception!

We are excited to announce that Kaylee Vaughn has been named our new Nursery & Preschool Ministry Coordinator.

