

ORDER OF WORSHIP		
Words in bold indicate congregational response. *Please stand as you are able.		
11 a.m.		
As we enter the sanctuary, we prepare our hearts and minds for worship.		
PRELUDE		
“Fairest Lord Jesus”		arr. Frank Aspen
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN - 384		
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”		
GREETING		
*CALL TO WORSHIP		
As Jesus called John, Andrew, and Peter, God calls us to follow in trust. God is able to make us more than we have been and blesses us on the way. As Jesus invited Nicodemus to be born again, Christ invites us to be a new creation. Christ calls us out of darkness into his marvelous light, and we are saved through him. Amen.		
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - 881		
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.		
*GLORIA PATRI - 70		
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.		
PARISH JOYS AND CONCERNS		Rev. Lynn Smilie Nesbitt
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER		
ANTHEM		
“Worthy of the Lord”		Mary McDonald

*SCRIPTURE LESSON		
John 3:1-21 (<i>Pew Bible New Testament Page 93</i>) The Word of God, for the people of God. Thanks be to God.		
SERMON		Dr. David R. Saliba
“Jesus and Nicodemus”		
*HYMN OF REFLECTION - 382		
“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”		
OFFERTORY PRAYER		
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
OFFERTORY		
“Hear Our Prayer”		Moses Hogan
Vocal Ensemble		
*DOXOLOGY - 95		
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.		
*HYMN OF INVITATION - 393		
“Spirit of the Living God” (2x)		
*BENEDICTION		
*CHORAL RESPONSE		
“Benediction”		Edwin M. Willmington
POSTLUDE		
“Grand Chorus in B ^b ”		Theodore Dubois

NOTES

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	
Worship Arts Director	Erin M. Smith
Organist/Accompanist	Rocket Curtis, organ, Sally Northcutt, piano
Worship Experience Coordinator	Sonia Crutchfield
Sound/Live Stream	Morgan Creech, Keely Griffin, Matthew Murray
Greeter	Millie Armstrong
Ushers	Kerry Croom, Randy Hurst, Alan Richards, Webb Speigner
Acolytes	Luke Clements, Mary Daniel Sanders
Servers	Manning Sanders, Will Sorrels
Altar Guild	Millie Armstrong, Melissa Gholson, Rebecca McDonald, Maria Shelor

DONUTS

with David

SEPTEMBER 27
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!

CLERGY

Dr. David R. Saliba	Rev. T. Matthew Langford, Jr.
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Rev. Lynn Smilie Nesbitt	
Pastoral Care Pastor	
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Today - Christmas in September for Orphanage Emmanuel** - At the conclusion of the worship service, visit the Main Street entrance to “adopt” a child and purchase gifts for them. Gifts are due on or before the wrapping party on Sunday, October 11, 2–4 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.
Info: ryan@fumcdothan.org
- **55 Forward Senior Adult Ministry - Movie Day - September 23, 2:30 p.m. - Room 165** - Join us for popcorn and the movie, *The Sheep Detective*. No sign up necessary. Info: hchapman@fumcdothan.org
- **Midweek Recharge Fall Studies - September 23**
 - 4:45–6 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
 - 5:30 p.m. Cheerful Chimers
 - 6 p.m. Activities for all ages including Bible Studies & Choir
Details: fumcdothan.org/events or call 334-793-3555
- **Houston County Rural Ministry Serve Day - Saturday, September 26, 8:30 a.m.– noon** - Come lend a hand as we serve others through home repair projects and food distribution. Every volunteer makes a difference!
Sign up: fumcdothan.org/events
- **Donuts with David - Sunday, September 27, 10:15 a.m. - The Parlor** - New members and visitors are welcome! If you’re new to FUMC Dothan, interested in joining, or want to learn more about the Christian faith, we would love for you to join us.
- **Yuletide Choir Rehearsals begin - Sunday, September 27, noon–3 p.m. - Room 255** - Lunch will be provided. Info: erin@fumcdothan.org
- **Media & Production Team Interest Meeting and Training - Sunday, September 27, 4:30–6 p.m. - Fellowship Hall** - Help make worship happen behind the scenes! Adults and youth 7th grade and older are invited to learn about serving with lyric slides, cameras, lighting, livestreams, and more. No experience required! Flexible scheduling and service hours available for youth. Interest Meeting, 4:30 p.m.; Hands-On Training, 5–6 p.m.
Info: hannah@fumcdothan.org
- **Discovery Sunday School Class - Sunday, October 4, 10 a.m. - The Parlor** - Are you new here or interested in joining a Sunday school class? Pastor Matt will lead this four-week class to help you explore what it means to be United Methodist, learn our church’s core values, and find ways to get connected.
Info: matt@fumcdothan.org
- **All Saints Choir Rehearsals begin - Sunday, October 4, 10–10:30 a.m. - Room 255** - Info: erin@fumcdothan.org
- **A Special Invitation to 2026 Worship Arts Campers** - If you participated in our camp choir this summer, you are invited to sing “I Choose Love” with the Chancel Choir during the **World Communion** service on *Sunday, October 4, at 11 a.m., in the Sanctuary*. Info: erin@fumcdothan.org
- **Blessing of the Pets - Sunday, October 4, 4–5 p.m. - Burdeshaw Street Portico** - All pets are welcome—be sure they are leashed, kenneled, or properly contained. Info: lynn@fumcdothan.org
- **United Women in Faith meeting - Tuesday, October 6, 11:45 a.m. - Fellowship Hall** - The UWF executive committee will meet in Room 165 at 11 a.m. Lunch: \$5.
Info: Priscilla Tucker at 334-618-0210.

Attendance and Giving for the week 9/13/2026:

Worship Attendance: 630
Online Worship Attendance: 480
The Harbor Attendance: 72
Giving: \$69,640.00

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.

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP

Children are always welcome to attend worship in the Sanctuary, and bags with sermon-related activities are available at each entrance. During 8:30 and 8:55 a.m. services, children (3P through 5th grade) are invited to participate in fellowship and age-appropriate worship in the children's building: 3P-4P meet downstairs; K5-5th grade meet upstairs. Sunday School is provided for all ages at 10 a.m.

NURSERY

Nursery care is available for children ages six weeks to Kindergarten. 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.

SUNDAY EVENING

Westminster Handbells - 4 p.m. | Room 256
*Co-Ed Study with Pastor Matt - 5-6 p.m. | Room 157 - *Resumes Sept. 27*
*Ladies Study with Kash Deaton - 5-6 p.m. | Room 131
Confirmation Class - 6-7 p.m. | Room 263
Youth Worship - 6-7:30 p.m. | Christian Life Center (CLC)

MONDAY

*Mom's Group with Kaylee Vaughn - 9:30 a.m. | The Parlor

TUESDAY

Men's Bible Study with Pastor David - 6 a.m. | Fellowship Hall
Ladies Bible Study with Katharine Forrester - 10:30 a.m. | The Parlor

WEDNESDAY

Co-Ed Study with Pastor Lynn Smilie Nesbitt and Jim Ellis - 10 a.m. | The Parlor
Supper - 4:45-6 p.m. | Fellowship Hall
Cheerful Chimers - 5:30 p.m. | Room 256
*Bible Study with Pastor David - 6 p.m. | Fellowship Hall
*Men's Discipleship with Ryan Deaton - 6 p.m. | Room 165
*CoJourneyer's Training with Jason Keel - 6 p.m. | Room 233
**The Way of the Chosen (Season 3)* with M. Saliba + L. Williams - 6 p.m. | Room 157
*Women's Bible Study with Jessica Robinson - 6 p.m. | The Parlor
*Chancel Choir rehearsal - 6-7:15 p.m. | Room 255

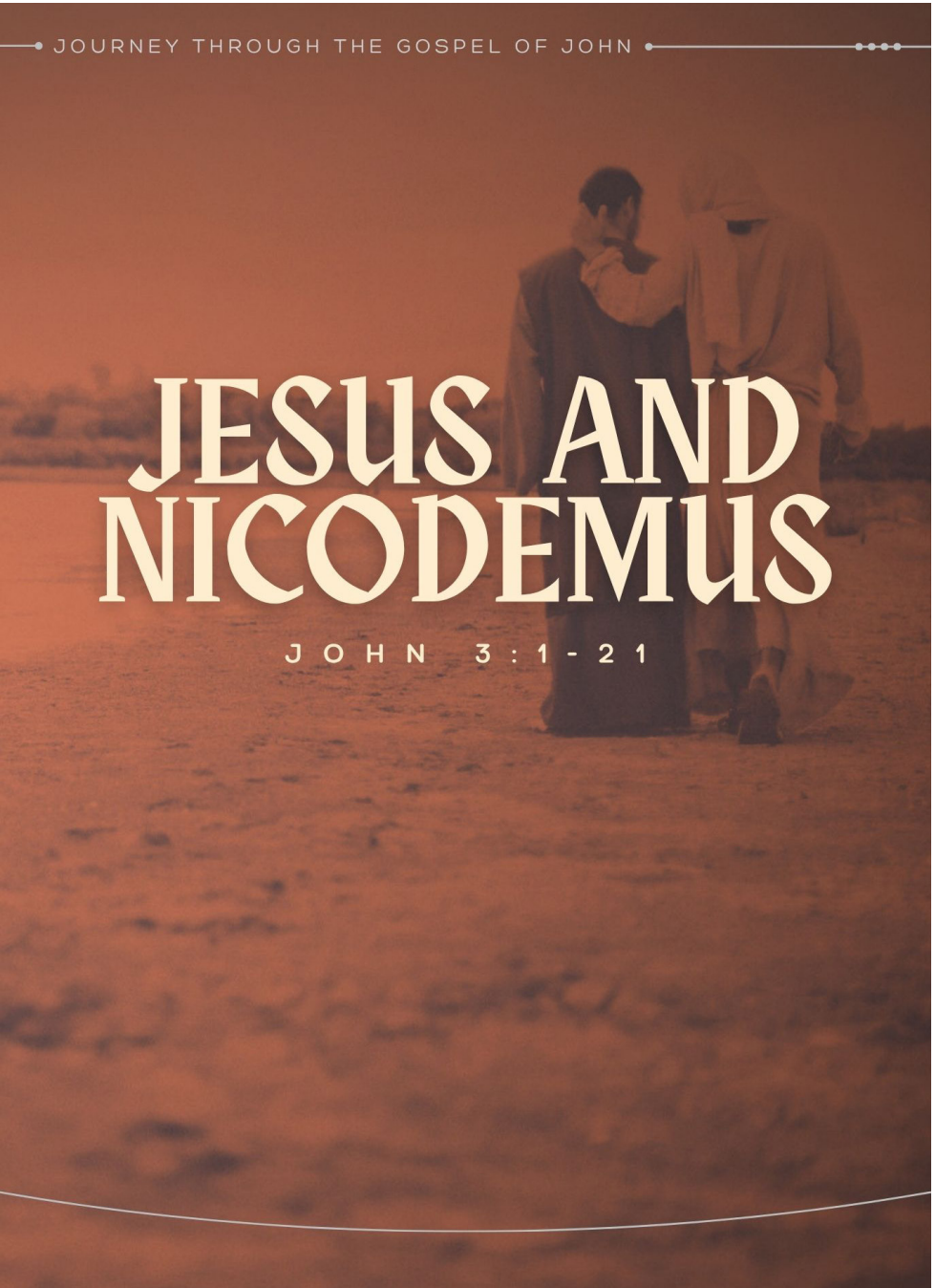
*Nursery provided

If you would like more information about our ministries, please visit 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, you can visit our webpage at fumcdothan.org/prayer, or call the church office.

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



**September 20, 2026
11 a.m.**



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