

# WELCOME!

We're so glad you're here in worship today! Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, or you're here every week, we want to help you take your next step in faith.

## ON THE CALENDAR

Visit [mdumc.org/events](https://mdumc.org/events) to find registration details and for a full list of all upcoming opportunities to connect!



**MEMORIAL DRIVE**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### I'M NEW HERE

#### STAY CONNECTED | JOIN OUR WEEKLY NEWS LIST

 [mdumc.org](https://mdumc.org)

Stay up to date on important announcements and all that's happening in the life of the church. Visit [mdumc.org](https://mdumc.org) to subscribe to our weekly e-mail news and have all the info delivered to your inbox every Friday, or text MDUMC to 71301 to receive our text alerts.

#### MDUMC KIDS

 [mdumc.org/children](https://mdumc.org/children)  Allyson George | [AllysonGeorge@mdumc.org](mailto:AllysonGeorge@mdumc.org)

Children are welcome and celebrated in all worship services! Children are invited to Children's Time as a part of each worship service.

### TAKING MY NEXT STEP

#### READY TO JOIN? | MEMBERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT

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Ready to call MDUMC home or ready to get involved? We're so glad to have you as part of the family. Stop by the Welcome Desk on Sunday or send an email throughout the week to learn more about how to join or how to volunteer.

#### BAPTISM AT MDUMC

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We believe baptism is an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace marking us as the children of God. At MDUMC, we baptize adults through profession of faith and children as a sign of God's grace.

### GIVING

 Text GIVE to 71301 or visit [mdumc.org/give](https://mdumc.org/give).

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#### PIZZA WITH THE PASTORS

**TODAY | 12:15 PM | WEST CAMPUS - THE NEW ROOM**

New to MDUMC or just curious to learn more? Join us for Pizza with the Pastors! This casual lunch is a great way to hear about what's happening beyond Sunday mornings, ask questions, and get to know our pastors in a relaxed, friendly setting. Lunch is on us, and kids are welcome!

#### SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEER TRAINING

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1 | 12:15 PM | MAIN CAMPUS - SANCTUARY**

Interested in serving on a Sunday morning but not sure where to begin? Join us for a brief, hands-on training that introduces opportunities to serve as an usher, greeter, or communion server. This training is open to anyone who calls MDUMC home, no matter which campus you attend, and no registration is required. Questions? Contact Kelly Cragg Vicente at [KellyVicente@mdumc.org](mailto:KellyVicente@mdumc.org).

#### LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ARE STARTING BACK UP

New Bible studies, small groups, and spiritual practices are beginning this winter and spring at MDUMC. From Pastor-led Bible studies and Scripture courses to prayer practices, creative offerings, and community groups for all stages of life, there's something for everyone. Find the full list and get connected at [mdumc.org/learning](https://mdumc.org/learning).

#### TOGETHER + LOVE: A MARRIAGE & RELATIONSHIP COURSE

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7 | 9 AM - 12 PM  
WEST CAMPUS - ADULT MINISTRY CENTER**

We're excited to invite you to Together + Love, a course designed to equip couples with practical tools for a healthy, thriving marriage. Whether you're hoping to deepen your connection or reconnect in a meaningful way, this course is for you. Led by Pastor DeAndre Johnson, the experience begins with an engaging in-person kickoff before continuing at your own pace at home through video lessons and guided discussion questions. Cost is \$15 per couple, which includes the book, continental breakfast, and childcare if needed. Questions? Contact Kelly Cragg Vicente at [KellyVicente@mdumc.org](mailto:KellyVicente@mdumc.org).

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# slow start

FINDING REST IN A RESTLESS WORLD

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026**

9:30 & 11 AM



Scan the QR code  
to check in!



SUNDAYS AT MDUMC

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE READING

SUNDAY MORNING

CLASSIC WORSHIP | 9:30 & 11 AM

Worship God in our Main Campus Sanctuary, which is surrounded by beautiful stained glass. In these services, God’s truth is proclaimed through the rich heritage of United Methodist liturgy, hymns, an inspirational message, and a more formal worship order.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP | 9:30 & 11 AM

With a casual and friendly atmosphere on our West Campus, the Journey Contemporary Worship is a place to come as you are and leave changed by the grace of God. We connect with God through worship that combines the church’s ancient traditions with modern music and a relevant teaching message.

ADULT SUNDAY CLASSES

Our adult Sunday school classes are a wonderful way for individuals to deepen their faith, connect with others, and grow spiritually. To see what classes are offered, visit [mdumc.org/adultsundayschool](http://mdumc.org/adultsundayschool).

ARISE | 9:30 AM | THE REFUGE

Build community and faith together with 7th-12th graders every Sunday at Arise. Whether it’s mission opportunities, music and worship, small groups or more, we always have a great time on Sunday mornings. Visit [mdumc.org/youth](http://mdumc.org/youth) for more information.

NURSERY & CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

We want your child to feel at home at MDUMC. We have nursery & Sunday School options on both campuses for all ages so your child can learn about God’s love on their level. Our main goal is to facilitate your child’s growth and knowledge of God through activities and lessons that keep them engaged and having fun. Visit [mdumc.org/children](http://mdumc.org/children) for more information.

GATHER & PRAISE

Prelude.....Stephen Distad, organ  
\*Welcome.....Rev. Jenny Veres-Schrecengost  
Choral Introit.....*“We Have Come Into His House”*  
Call to Worship  
\*Hymns of Praise.....No. 451 | *“Be Thou My Vision”*  
No. 369 | *“Blessed Assurance”*  
\*Affirmation of Faith.....No. 881 | *“The Apostles’ Creed”*  
\*Gloria Patri.....No. 70

HEAR & RESPOND

Children’s Time.....Allyson George  
Anthem.....*“Be Still” - McDonald*  
Scripture Reading.....Micah 6:1-8  
Pastoral Prayer.....Rev. Jenny Veres-Schrecengost  
The Lord’s Prayer.....John Riesen, tenor & Stephen Distad, organ  
Invitation to Give  
Offertory.....John Riesen, soloist | *“Come To Me” - arr. Forrest*  
\*Doxology.....No. 94  
Scripture Reading.....John 15:1-11  
Sermon.....Rev. Seann Duffin

SENDING FORTH

Invitation to Discipleship  
\*Closing Hymn.....No. 387 verses 1, 2, 3, 6 | *“Amazing Grace”*  
\*Benediction  
Postlude.....Stephen Distad, organ | *“Toccata in B Minor” - Eugene Gigout*

\* Please stand as you are able.

JOHN 15:1-11

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

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“If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love.” – JOHN 15:10