

CONNECTING

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional (Sanctuary)
Sundays 8:30am and 11:00am

Contemporary (Patricia Tidwell Hall)
Sundays 10:45am

Dinner Church (Good Samaritan)
1st and 3rd Saturdays 5:00pm

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Sunday School- Sundays 9:30 & 9:45am
Small Groups- Begin Again This Month
Young Adults- Begin Again This Month

CONTACT US (770) 942-3146

WEBSITE douglasvilleFUMC.org

"IN THE LOOP" TEXT UPDATES

Text LOOP to 770-285-5600

LOOKING AHEAD

September

- 14 Great Day of Service
- 14 Blood Drive
- 15 Trinity Soup Kitchen
- 22 One Combined Service-
Bluegrass Mass
- 29 Church Conference

October

- 2 Kids' Christmas Pageant
Rehearsals Begin
- 6 Organ Dedication Concert
- 10-18 Thailand Mission Trip
- 12 Servant Saturday
- 13 Serve Sunday
- 17 Preschool Grandparents' Day
- 27 Charge Conference
- 30 Holy Ghost Marshmallow
Roast

November

- 3 All Saints' Evensong
- 9 Servant Saturday
- 18-25 Christmas Shoeboxes
- 22 "Senior Trip" Show



GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

Saturday, September 14 at 8:30am
Patricia Tidwell Hall

REGISTER AT

www.douglasvillefumc.org/GDOS

LOVE BIG & SERVE

GREAT DAY OF
SERVICE
SEPTEMBER 14



Life Circle Holiday Nut Sale

The LIFE Circle will be selling pecans, walnuts and other nuts for your holiday baking needs. Sales begin on Sunday, September 29 during the fellowship breakfast and after 11:00am worship in Huffine Hall and after The Journey in the elevator lobby. The deadline to order is Sunday, October 27 and delivery will be before Thanksgiving. Proceeds benefit our annual LIFE Circle Scholarship and other missions.

Please go to www.douglasvillefumc.org/GDOS to see all our projects and to get registered to serve.

We would like to thank the sponsors that are making our "Great Day of Service" possible: Chadwell Supply, Anchor Heating and Air, Ellis Hoyle King De Klerk, LLC, Attorneys at Law, Cornerstone Sunday School Class, John & Kim Daniell, Brotherhood Sunday School Class, Joe Douglas, III, Certified Real Estate Appraiser, ServisFirst Bank, Genesis Sunday School Class, Lively Sunday School Class, New Beginnings Sunday School Class and Greg Hites, Guitar X. Businesses and classes wishing to sponsor (\$100-\$500) should contact Angel Douglas at 770-942-3146 or AngelD@douglasvilleFUMC.org.

Childcare for Great Day of Service

Childcare is available from 8:00am-12:00pm for infants through 5th grade during Great Day of Service. Kids will have the opportunity to serve as they too engage in a special project.

If you have already registered to participate in GDOS and need childcare, please contact Angel Douglas at AngelD@douglasvilleFUMC.org to make a reservation. If you have not yet registered to participate in GDOS, you may register for childcare at www.douglasvillefumc.breezechms.com/form/dbff54

Please reserve space for your kids by Wednesday, September 11.

Items Needed for Our Preschool

Our Little Scholars Academy is seeking donations of Clorox wipes, baby wipes, Lysol spray, kitchen-size trash bags, gallon Ziploc bags, Animal Crackers, and Goldfish crackers. Please drop these off anytime to the nursery or church office.

Journey Ushers Needed

We are looking for smiling people to serve one Sunday a month handing out bulletins and offering a warm greeting in The Journey service. Please contact Suzie Stephenson at stephenson9094@gmail.com.

Sanctuary Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are placed to the Glory of God and in:

[September 1] loving memory of our parents, A.J. and Dot Price and Myles and Nelma Brackenrich. By John and Cindy Price, Susan Kirby and Marco Fuentes, Shirley and Tommy Vaughan and Mark Price and Chris Montoya.

[September 8] loving memory of Lofton Fouts, my beloved husband of 50 years and the father of my three girls, by Jean Fouts McManus.

[September 15] loving memory of my husband, Bob Noland, with gratitude for the years we were blessed to share our lives and service, by Betty Noland.

[September 22] loving memory of Beth Hutcheson on her birthday, "If ever I loved thee, my Jesus 'tis now." By Susan Hutcheson.

[September 29] honor of "The Girls" in the Lively Sunday School Class by Bob and Brenda James.

COME AWAY TO THE SKIES
A HIGH LONESOME
BLUEGRASS MASS
SEPTEMBER 22 | 11:00AM | SANCTUARY
ONE COMBINED SERVICE
douglasville
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



TRINITY

Soup Kitchen

September 15

For the 26th year, DFUMC will serve at Trinity Soup Kitchen in downtown Atlanta. We need people to make soup (jugs with recipe are available in a bin in the office floor lobby of the B-building). We also need donations to provide 250 to-go bags with non-perishable food (the cost of each bag is \$2.50). Please make your check to "Genesis Class" and write "Trinity Soup" on the memo line. We will not be making sandwiches this year. To serve with 30 other DFUMC volunteers at Trinity on Sunday, September 15 from 9:00am-4:00pm, contact Jerry Pece at jpecelstad@gmail.com or 770-920-1358.

Called Church Conference, September 29

This is official notice that there will be a called Church Conference at 12:00pm in the Sanctuary to vote on DFUMC moving to a Simplified Accountable Board model of administrative leadership. There will be three Town Hall sessions for the task force to answer your questions: September 8 at 12:10pm in the Sanctuary, September 15 at 9:30am in the Sanctuary, and September 22 at 12:00pm in Huffine Hall. Documents detailing this proposed change are linked below:

- [Frequenting Asked Questions](#)
- [Guiding Principles](#)
- [Leadership Board Nomination Process](#)
- [Transition Provisions](#)
- [Leadership Board Member Job Description](#)

the BIG PAYOFF

Debt Remaining:
\$68,275

Three years ago, our church debt was nearly \$400,000. Now "The Big Payoff" is within reach! Please help us pay this debt off by the end of the year freeing up over \$40,000 in our annual budget for ministry!

Donations can be made online at www.douglasvilleFUMC.org/give selecting "I Love My Church" from the fund menu. When donating by check, please write "I Love My Church" on the memo line.



Communities that Care

Join together to help save lives.



Douglasville First United Methodist Church

GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

BLOOD DRIVE

September 14, 10:30am – 3:30pm
Douglasville First UMC | Patricia Tidwell Hall
6167 Prestley Mill Road, Douglasville, GA 30134

Please join us for a day of service and help save lives!

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: **douglasvillefumc**

Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

All presenting donors will receive a free haircut coupon for Sport Clips!

Eight Ways to Give to the Church

- ◆ Recurring, Automated Gifts- www.douglasvilleFUMC.org/give
- ◆ In the offering during worship
- ◆ Online- www.douglasvilleFUMC.org
- ◆ Text GIVE to 770-285-0177
- ◆ Grey Donation Boxes Around Campus
- ◆ Mail a Check to the Church
- ◆ Give IRA Distributions, Stocks/Bonds
- ◆ Remember the church in your will or trusts

Text-to-Give Option is So Easy

You can now give to the church by text using your credit card. Just text the word GIVE to 770-285-0177. It will take less than a minute to set up the first time. It will save your credit card information and future gifts will take less than 10 seconds to complete.





Do you have a Young Adult who has recently gone back to their college campus for the new semester? Send their name/email/phone to Robin Payne at RobinP@douglasvilleFUMC.org so that we can keep them posted on activities and events when they are home as well as online studies that they can participate in throughout each semester.

Here are the topics our Young Adult Online Study will discuss on Thursday nights from 7:30pm-8:00pm in September:

September 5: How can I see signs of God in my life?

September 12: How do I know if God is speaking to me?

September 19: What are the different ways that God might reach out to me?

September 26 How can I learn to recognize God's involvement in my life?

Join the discussion at www.zoom.us/j/192737150.

Young Adult Retreat

Join us "Race for the Prize" January 24-26 at Hinton Rural Life Center (\$140 per person). Paul speaks a lot about our faith as a race and he mentions training several times. We hire personal trainers because knowing how to achieve the best results and to exercise without proper form matters. We will talk about the race and how to train for it and how to focus to achieve maximum results. If you are a young adult (18-30), you don't want to miss this! The retreat begins Friday night at 7:30pm. Saturday afternoon, we have three to four hours of free time to hike, etc. Payments are setup so that you can make going a possibility! Price includes meals. There are four payments of \$35 each due October 1, November 1, December 1, and January 1. After January 10, payments can be transferred to another young adult but are non-refundable because reservations with Center are non-refundable.

PRC Medical Walk for Life

The money raised from the walk supports the ministry of the Pregnancy Resource Center's efforts to save the lives of babies and support for their mothers and fathers during this time of crisis. Last year, our PRC was instrumental in saving the lives of 1,023 babies. The center provides free services such as pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, STD testing and treatment, and parenting lessons. A number of members of Douglasville FUMC are going to be walking September 21 at 9:00am beginning at O'Neal Plaza in downtown Douglasville. If you would like to walk or sponsor a walker, email Susan Pece at SusanPece@gmail.com.

Personalized Discipleship Coaching

Jesus desires for each of us to engage in, participate in and cooperate with the process of growing spiritually. Wondering what your first or next step toward Christ is? Contact our Connections Director Robin Payne at RobinP@douglasvilleFUMC.org to schedule a one-on-one session of personalized coaching.

Prayer Requests

We believe in the power of prayer. Please send requests to Ivy Smith at IvyS@douglasvilleFUMC.org or 770-942-3146. Be sure to let us know if the request is confidential for the pastors only or can be shared with others.

Adjusted Office Hours

With our Administrative Assistant away on family medical leave, the church currently has limited public office hours. We are open Monday through Thursday from 9:00am to 2:00pm. For pastoral emergencies, please call 770-871-1081.

Join DFUMC Facebook "Group"

Groups (rather than pages) have become more important in the world of Facebook. Thus, DFUMC has started a Facebook "Group" to keep you updated on the latest news and to offer additional content. Look for new "Live" content. Join the group at <http://bit.ly/dfumcgroup>.

Text Notifications

Get Douglasville First UMC news and important weather closure notifications by signing up for our "In the Loop" text service. To sign-up, text the word LOOP to 770-285-5600.



Chili Cook-Off and Cornbread Competition, September 11

Proceeds from this Dinner With a Purpose will provide needed supplies for the Thailand Mission Team. Do you make a great pot of chili? Come and compete for a great cause. We will be voting with our dollar bills (or maybe more) for the best chili at the dinner. New this year is a cornbread competition. Maybe you like to cook jalapeno cornbread or possibly your favorite recipe is a little sweet. You might even have a secret recipe. If you will bring chili or cornbread for the competitions, contact Rev. Tamlyn Collins at 770-871-1081 or TamlynC@douglasvilleFUMC.org.

Visit Dinner Church in September

100 people worship twice a month at our Dinner Church at Good Samaritan Center, making it one of the most successful dinner churches in America. We want everyone to experience this powerful movement of God. You are invited to be our guest at Dinner Church on Saturday, September 7 or 21 from 5:00-6:30pm. Dress is casual. RSVP encouraged (but not required) to TamlynC@douglasvilleFUMC.org.

Serve at Dinner Church

We are now recruiting new volunteers to participate in this powerful movement of God. There will be a Volunteer Training on Sunday, September 22 from 6:00-7:00pm in the SLRC (B220).

Wednesday Night Dinner and Activities

Dinner is served from 5:30-6:30pm in Huffine Hall. \$5 per person, no reservation needed. Kids and youth programming from 6:30-8:00pm.

Growth matters in most things and movement does as well. We all know what happens when water quits moving – it gets stagnant. God wants us to be moving closer and closer to Him and he wants us growing to look more and more like Jesus. We can only do this when we are intentional about growing our faith. We know that smaller groups for discipleship create environments for God to break in and cause ENCOUNTER – encounter with God and encounter with God's people. Those smaller groups for discipleship look different depending on the group – Sunday School, Bible Studies and Small Groups are all examples of smaller groups for discipleship.

Discerning The Voice of God

September 10 – October 22

Tuesday Mornings, 10:30am- 12:30pm

Robin Payne - Leader

Cost is \$17

Meet at Ann Olson's Home

If hearing God has seemed challenging, come explore a more intimate relationship with Him - one that can make hearing Him - His will, His heart and His voice - your ongoing experience. Learn how to listen with greater confidence, clarity and discernment. Leader is Robin Payne.

To register, click here: [Discerning The Voice of God](#)

Bystander

September 4 – November 13

Wednesday Evenings, 6:30-8:00pm

Meet in SLRC (B220)

As an eyewitness to Jesus' miracles, the apostle John shows us that the supernatural feats of Jesus are not just random acts of kindness meant to help and inspire people. Join Kristen Douglas on Wednesday evenings to study Andy Stanley's Bystander. Childcare is available.

To register, click here: [Bystander Registration](#)

Encounter Jesus

September 11 – October 30

Wednesday Mornings, 10:00-11:30am

Meet in SLRC (B220)

Cost: \$17

This study teaches and encourages you to walk with *the* Jesus and not just *a* Jesus. You will learn to walk daily with Him, side by side, through all your circumstances—big and small—just as the disciples did. You will discover practical, proven ways of encountering Him today, as you come to understand how enduring He is.

To register, click here: [Encounter Jesus Registration](#)



Couples' Small Group | Goliath Must Fall

September 19 – October 31

Thursday Evenings, 6:30 - 8:00pm

Leaders: Paul & DeeDee Zachos

Cost: \$12

In Galatians 5:1, Paul says “It is for freedom that Christ has set us free.” And yet, not very many of us live lives marked by freedom, victory and peace. Many of us have giants in our lives - hang-ups and habits, fears and insecurities that keep us from reaching our full potential. Frozen, we lose sight of the promise God has for our lives and settle for far less than best. But there is a better way forward. In *Goliath Must Fall*, Louie Giglio offers powerful insights from the Biblical story of David that will help you overcome your giants once and for all by fixing your eyes on the size of your God, not the size of your giant. Join Paul and DeeDee Zachos on Thursday evenings for a couples small group.

The small group will not meet on Halloween night – the group will decide how to handle the 10/31 class as a group as Halloween gets closer.

To register, click here: [Goliath Must Fall - Couples Small Group Registration](#)

If you are not connected in a smaller group for discipleship, or if you are not sure what group would be a good fit for you, or if you want more clarity or a personalized plan for your discipleship, contact Robin Payne, Connections Director, at 770 -843-3466 or RobinP@douglasvilleFUMC.org and she will help you take your next step toward Christ.

SEPTEMBER REGULAR EVENTS CALENDAR

SUNDAYS

Traditional Worship (not September 22), 8:30am, Sanctuary
 Breakfast, 9:00am, AHH
 Sunday School, 9:30am, & 9:45am
 Kids' Church (not September 1 or 22), 10:40am, A201
 The Journey Worship (not September 22), 10:45am, BPTH
 Traditional Worship, 11:00am, Sanctuary

MONDAYS

Little Scholars Academy, 9:00am, A101-A107
 Scouting BSA Boys, 7:00pm CYAC

TUESDAYS

Little Scholars Academy, 9:00am, A101-A107

Discerning The Voice of God Study, 10:00am, Ann Olson's Home
 Emotions Anonymous, 7:00pm, B222
 Scouting BSA Girls, 7:00pm, A206
 Cub Scouts 7:00pm, A201
 Chamber Singers Rehearsal, 7:30pm, B132
 Survivors of Suicide Support Group (2nd), 8:00pm, B226

WEDNESDAYS

Little Scholars Academy, 9:00am, A101-A107
 Encounter Jesus Study, 10:00am, B220
 Men's Lunch & Bible Study, 12:00pm, AHH
 Rachel's Blankets (2nd), 4:30pm, B220
 Dinner, 5:30pm, AHH
 Choir Rehearsal, 6:30pm, B132
 Renew Youth, 6:30pm, CYAC

Kids' First, 6:30pm, A201
 Bystander Study, 6:30pm, B220

THURSDAYS

Little Scholars Academy, 9:00am, A101-A107
 Couples Small Group, 6:30pm, Paul & DeeDee Zachos' Home
 Stephen Ministry (1st & 3rd), 6:30pm B228

SATURDAYS

Servant Saturday (2nd), 8:30am
 Dinner Church (1st & 3rd), 5:00pm, Good Samaritan Center

AHH- Huffine Hall (A-bldg)
 BPTH- Patricia Tidwell Hall (B-bldg)
 CYAC- Youth Activity Center (C-bldg)

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO YOU!

PLEASE NOTE: If your name or a family members name is missing from the birthday calendar, please contact the church office at 770-942-3146.

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| 1 John Burk | 9 Scott Randolph | 17 Ann Anderson | 24 Carole Johnson |
| 1 Kelsey Hoydar | 10 Brian Baker | 17 Kathleen Martin | 24 Larry McLeod |
| 1 Mary Winsley | 10 Paul Henry | 18 Valerie Davis | 25 Rosanne Goolsby |
| 2 Sophie Bentley | 10 Helyn Mayhew | 18 Ryan Garrett | 25 Janice Morris |
| 2 Quentin Farmer III | 10 Mark Tidwell | 18 Tammy Kone | 25 Ashley Payton |
| 2 Tina Occhipinti | 11 Benjamin Davidson | 19 Melba Council | 25 Trent Powers |
| 3 Mary Gibson | 12 Andrew Garbade | 19 David Schad | 26 Patrick Hoydar |
| 3 Emmaline Pursley | 12 Davis Gibson | 20 Rebecca Camp | 26 Doris Kieh |
| 3 Jack Sutton | 12 Jeffrey Helms | 20 Daniel Cloud | 26 Betty Noland |
| 3 Gary Woodell | 12 Easton Johnson | 20 Bonnie Faller | 27 Tyler Carroll |
| 4 Charles Fuqua | 13 Lauren Harper | 20 Emily Holsey | 27 Jordan Murphy |
| 5 Martha Hopkins | 13 Alexis Volckman | 20 Ralph Leprone | 27 Elizabeth Olson |
| 5 Donald Pridgen | 13 Brooke Wilson | 21 Deena Canup | 27 Matthew Vots |
| 5 Jordan Ramsey | 14 Madison Dittman | 21 Steve Cole | 27 Amanda Wojcikowski |
| 5 Ken Stephens | 14 Susan Dodson | 21 Donald Martin | 29 Sera Clower |
| 6 Cyndi Chappel | 14 Allison Horan | 21 Dylan Scoggins | 29 Addison Cowart |
| 6 Christopher Davis | 14 Blake Protzman | 21 Gloria Wilson | 29 Walter Elmore |
| 6 Blake Watkins | 14 McKenzie Swain | 22 Julia Allen | 29 Denny McFarland |
| 7 James Brown | 14 Judy Webb | 22 Eugene Gooden | 29 William Milush |
| 7 Byron Hunt Jr. | 14 Margaret Wike | 22 Anne Ludlam | 29 Lonnie Thigpen |
| 7 Peter Ogbuagu | 15 Ryan Colliston | 23 William Bowen | 29 Evan Volckman |
| 8 Grayson Douglas | 15 Pamela Hites | 23 Christopher Carle | 30 Kim Daniell |
| 8 Mike Moffett | 15 Joleene Holmes | 23 Daniel Denucci | 30 Alexandria Edmondson |
| 9 Larry Bentley | 15 Gina Jackson | 23 Sarah Gilley | 30 Charles Jordy |
| 9 Madeline Dowdy | 15 Annette Lee | 23 Todd Thompson | 30 Betty Parrott |
| 9 Diane Hemmings | 15 Tamara Powers | 23 Sandra Williams | 30 Chris Wynn |
| 9 Ruth Matteson | 15 Chanda Williams | 24 Lawrence Dickinson | |
| 9 Gina Melilli | 16 Christine Bentley | 24 Joseph Douglas III | |
| 9 Glenda Myers | 16 Pam Blackerby | 24 Alison English | |

Douglasville First United Methodist Church

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Labor Day- Office Closed		Dinner, 5:30pm, AHH	Stephen Ministry, 6:30pm, B228		Dinner Church, 5:00pm, Good Samaritan Center
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
SAB Town Hall Meeting, 12:10pm, Sanctuary Trustees Meeting, 12:30pm, B120	Worship Committee Meeting, 5:30pm, B120		Child/Combread Cook- off, Dinner with a Purpose, 5:30pm, AHH		Setup for Great Day of Service, 6:00pm, BPTH/G2,4,6	Great Day of Service, 8:30am, BPTH Blood Drive, 10:30am, BPTH
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Trinity Soup Kitchen Town Hall Meeting, 9:30am, Sanctuary		Missions Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, B120	Dinner, 5:30pm, AHH	Stephen Ministry, 6:30pm, B228	Girl Scouts, 6:30pm, A201	Dinner Church, 5:00pm, Good Samaritan Center
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
One Combined Worship Service- Bluegrass Mass, 11:00am, Sanctuary SAB Town Hall Meet- ing, 12:00pm, AHH		Reserved, 5:30pm, AHH	Staff Meeting, 2:00pm, B220 Dinner, 5:30pm, AHH			
29	30					
Called Church Confer- ence, 12:00pm, Sanctuary Girl Scouts, 3:00pm,						