



The Dingmans Ferry
United Methodist Church
THE BRIDGE
Newsletter

July /
August
2026

From the Pastor's Pen...



Greetings! Happy Summer!

We are entering the vibrant months of July and August. We notice that nature does not remain still. The flowers of spring have faded, and the trees are now busily soaking up the intense summer sun, deepening the green leaves. It looks like they are getting ready to produce fruits in the time of harvest.

Just as it is with the laws of nature, our lives as Christians also naturally move toward growth, change, and fruitfulness. As our faith deepens, we become mature. If there are no traces of change in our lives, how can we call ourselves "Christians," the Christ followers? The first disciples of Jesus, as we know through the Gospels, were not perfect saints in the first place. They were spiritually dull, frequently losing their tempers, and being afraid enough to flee in the face of danger. Yet, after some time of following the Lord and experiencing the radical love of God through his life, death, and resurrection and the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, they became entirely different people. They were transformed into the "Christians" filled with love, courage, wisdom, patience, and tender mercy.

The bible offers us a profound clue to the secret of this great transformation through the event of Jesus' Transfiguration. When Jesus' appearance was gloriously changed on the mountain, the Gospel writers captured this divine moment using the Greek word "metamorphoo." This word was not reserved solely for the supernatural Transfiguration of Christ. The Apostle Paul used this exact same word in his letters to exhort the believers to be transformed in their own lives:

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be **transformed** (metamorphoo) by the renewing of your mind..." (Romans 12:2)

The glorious Transfiguration of Jesus is not just a historical event to marvel at; it is the ultimate blueprint and destination for the spiritual transformation we are called to embody today. The Lord is challenging us not to remain stagnant, comfortable churchgoers, but to live a life of metamorphoo—being renewed into the very image of Christ.

During the hot summer days of July and August, my prayer is that such a wonderful transformation will take place within all of us. May our rough edges be smoothed away, our fears be turned into courage, and our dry hearts be refilled with His love and mercy. May our transformed daily life witness to the good news of Jesus Christ to the world. Amen.

Servant of God and God's people,
Sung

Lectionary Reading of July and August 2026

Sunday, July 5, 2026

**Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67
Psalm 45:10-17
Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

Sunday, July 12, 2026

**Genesis 25:19-34
Psalm 119:105-112
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

Sunday, July 19, 2026

**Genesis 28:10-19a
Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**

Sunday, July 26, 2026

**Genesis 29:15-28
Psalm 105:1-11, 45b
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52**

Sunday, August 2, 2026

**Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 17:1-7, 15
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21**

Sunday, August 9, 2026

**Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Psalm 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45b
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22-33**

Sunday, August 16, 2026

**Genesis 45:1-15
Psalm 133
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28**

Sunday, August 23, 2026

**Exodus 1:8-2:10
Psalm 124
Romans 12:1-8
Matthew 16:13-20**

Sunday, August 30, 2026

**Exodus 3:1-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28**

DFUMC'S BIBLE STUDY
GOSPEL MARK
TUESDAY 10AM
WEDNESDAY 6:30PM



Hey Youth!
(Middle School and High School)
You are invited to
Dingmans Ferry UMC
(115 myck rd)
every first sunday
of the month 5-6:30pm
Movies, games, activities, foods,
stories, friends, and God.

 The Little Church In The Woods Presents 

Chicken B·B·Q

**only
\$15**

*Dinner Includes
1/2 a marinated,
barbecued chicken
corn on the cob, cole slaw
dessert and a soda




You Can't Spell
YUMMY
Without "UMM"
United Methodist Men

**Saturday
August 22nd
11AM - 3PM**

Eat-In OR Take-Out

Tree of Life Adventure Park
PLAYGROUND
Available For Kids Of All Ages To Play



 Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church
is at 115 Myck Road off Park Road... behind Childs Park.
Call with any questions, 570-828-2288.

July and August Birthdays(please delete those in red)

July

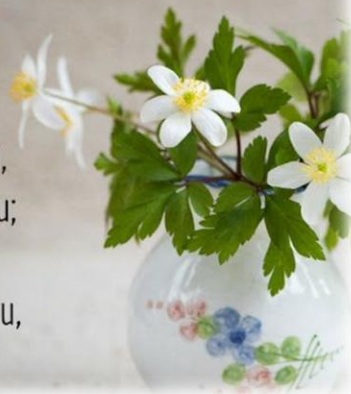
- 7/3: Dana Rutledge
- 7/3: Lincoln Harrington
- 7/4: Gianna Campanile
- 7/7: Marilyn Chasar
- 7/8: Susan Ridyard
- 7/10: Emma Garerra
- 7/11: Paul Wojcik
- 7/12: Richard Stevens
- 7/14: Pat Pierson
- 7/15: Deb McGowan
- 7/16: Lori DeAngelis
- 7/18: Irene Luciano
- 7/20: Dave Cowan Sr.
- 7/21: Sean Harrington
- 7/23: Steve Wollman
- 7/25: Joan Dawson
- 7/25: Pastor Sungduk Kim
- 7/26: Destiny Freeland
- 7/30: Ed Cribb
- 7/31: Trevor O'Brien

August

- 8/2: Deborah Clemens
- 8/2: Gabriella Bush
- 8/3: Victoria Odynsky
- 8/5: Axel Edgell
- 8/6: Connor Fedorsin
- 8/7: Pastor Juel Nelson
- 8/8: Trenton Queen
- 8/10: Elaine Cooper
- 8/10: Evelyn Kim
- 8/12: Briana Del Rosario
- 8/13: Al Frable
- 8/14: Cody Fahey
- 8/14: Jane Ridley
- 8/15: Eduardo Moraga
- 8/16: Bailey Kislak
- 8/17: Ross Davis
- 8/17: Adelaide Vivaldo
- 8/18: Morgan Arnold
- 8/19: Keith Kraycar
- 8/22: Mary Balton
- 8/23: Suzanne Wollman
- 8/27: Shirley Kautz
- 8/28: Kathy Carroll
- 8/28: Tara Queen
- 8/29: Savannah Wollman
- 8/29: John Garren
- 8/31: Sally Pohlman

Happy Birthday

The Lord bless you,
and keep you;
The Lord make
His face shine on you,
And be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up
His countenance on you,
And give you peace.'





SATURDAY WORSHIP *Services*

7PM

115 Myck Rd. Dingmans Ferry, PA 18328

Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church



Sunday School will begin from
September.

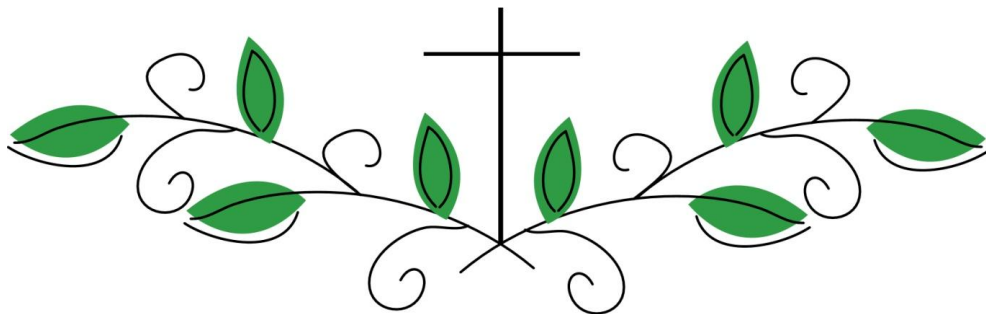
Have a wonderful summer!



Servants

GREETER/USHER SCHEDULE:

7/5 Sally Pohlman
7/12 Carol Birtner
7/19 Scott Knapp
7/26 Linda Rutledge
8/2 Marilyn Chasar
8/9 Linda Shierloh
8/16 Carol Magazino
8/23 Sally Pohlman
8/30 Carol Birtner



UNDER GRACE

The Christian Life in Galatians

JULY 12 | What is your testimony? (Gal 1)

JULY 19 | How do you handle conflicts? (Gal 2)

JULY 26 | As you have been redeemed (Gal 3)

AUG 2 | Growing as Children of God (Gal 4)

AUG 23 | Fruit of Spirit (Gal 5)

AUG 30 | The meaning of the Cross (Gal 6)



Finance Report for May/June 2026

Summer is the season to make up the pledge giving you have missed.

Thank you so much for your giving!

Total Offering \$46,984.64

Total Income \$138,489.92

Total Expense \$149,123.11

**If you can make up the pledge giving you have missed,
it will be a great help for us to pay the bills below.**

**Bills not paid yet from 2023 \$4,067.44
GNJ's Shared Ministry of 2026 \$10,401.52**



DINGMANS FERRY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY

AUGUST 8TH (SAT) 8AM - 1PM, 2026
115 MYCK ROAD, DINGMANS FERRY, PA 18328
570-828-2288 WWW.DFUMC.COM

FREE OF CHARGE

GOOD•CLEAN•USED
CLOTHING
MEN'S•WOMEN'S•
CHILDREN'S• INFANT'S•
BABY ITEMS •
HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

PLEASE BRING EMPTY BAGS

DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT AT
THE CHURCH
BEGINNING AUGUST 2ND



Kids Backpacks

For Primary School Kids in Need



Crayons

Pencils

Markers

Glue Sticks

Folders With Pockets

Small Hand Sanitizers

Hand Wipes

All backpacks and donations

Are needed by

Aug. 9th

**Please separate
backpacks from
school supplies**

Help for a New School Year

We have a mission opportunity to help children in our area. Over the next few weeks, we will collect backpacks and school supplies for children in need at the Primary School. We will need backpacks for younger children and supplies such as pencils, crayons, markers, glue sticks, folders with pockets, small hand sanitizers and hand wipes. The school needs our donations by mid- August for orientation. Watch for an informational flier in the bulletin and the pink bin for donations. May we be faithful in sharing God's compassion with our young neighbors.

- Elaine Cooper, Mission Committee Chair

🌲 The Little Church In The Woods Presents 🌲
TWO GREAT EVENTS



CAR & BIKE SHOW

- 🏆 Oldest Car
- 🏆 Fan Favorite
- 🏆 Farthest Trip
- 🏆 Many More!

Registration \$25 Early Bird \$20

**FOOD
DRINKS
MUSIC**

Saturday October 3rd 10am to 2pm

☂️ Rain Date October 10

**Delaware
Twp. Vol.
Emergency Squad**
😊 SPONSOR



**Delaware
Tire & Auto**
😊 SPONSOR

**JEM
Screen Printing
& Embroidery**
😊 SPONSOR

CRAFT FAIR

Vendor Registration \$20 Early Bird \$15
10X10 Space BYO Table

✝️ **Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church**
115 Myck Road Dingmans Ferry PA 18328
Off Park Rd. behind Childs Park. Call with any questions, 570-828-2288

Coffee Hour Help Needed

Set up:

Set up 8-10 tables with 8 chairs.

Food table in middle; plates, napkins, plastic forks.

Cover tables with plastic cloths.

Place mugs on cart.

Prepare coffee urn, coffee pot & tea water, placing them on side table.

Time Commitment: about half an hour before worship.



Food Donations:

Prepare food (baked, nonbaked, whatever)

Plug in coffee, decaf and hot water pots before worship

Set out food as last song begins



Clean-up:

Collect used mugs, dishes,

Wash dishes by using dishwasher

Dry mugs placing them in hall closet.

Sign up on table in back

Ministry Sign-Up



There are lots of opportunities available to serve the ministry of God here in the Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church. Look over the list and see if something appeals to you. If you have any questions, just talk to pastor Sung!

Worship Committee: Please fill out the survey on the back table at the sanctuary to be the Greeter, Scripture Reader, Eucharistic Minister, Prayer Leader, etc.

Music Ministry: Join the Choir, Offer to play an Instrument for Special Services, Assist with Audio/Video as needed.

Trustee Committee: Share in the care and up-keep of the church facilities, Let the church office know if you have special skills in Electrical, Plumbing, carpentry etc. (Your assistance could save the church from hiring someone and incurring a bill.)

Missions: Work with others on Baby Blessings Ministry, Bread for the World, Food Pantry Donations, Holiday Angel Tree & Food Distribution, Nursing Home Visits w/Pastor,

Fundraiser and Communication: Assist chairpersons of committees as needed, Prepare and Put Street Signs Out, Help with Event Set-up/Clean-up.

United Women of Faith (UWF): Please join the women of the church in Ministry Service & Fellowship. They meet 4 times a year. Watch for meeting announcements.

United Methodist Men (UMM): The Men of the church are here for Ministry, Service and Fellowship.

Want to Help?

If you, your business, or perhaps a few of you, would like to sponsor one of our upcoming London Broil Dinners, please contact the church office. The dinners are FREE to the community. Our Flyers, street signs and announcements will feature your names unless you prefer to remain anonymous. The cost for sponsorship is \$450. Checks should be made out to "DFUMC" and "London Broil Sponsor" should be noted on the memo line.



Thank you

-DFUMC Mission Committee

Welcome
To Our
Church



Welcome
New
Members

***Join the Church
Family!***

Please see/contact
Pastor Sung or call the
church office if you
would like to become
a member.

(570) 828-2288

Call the Church Office or See Pastor Sung

DINGMANS FERRY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THURSDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING
AT 8:30PM ON FACEBOOK

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

Ad Board meetings are usually held bi-monthly.
The next Ad Board Meeting: **July 20th at 7PM**



BOARD MEETING

Ad Board Members 2026

Pastor: Sungduk Kim
Ad Council Chairperson - Donna Frable
Ad Council Secretary - Linda Rutledge
SPRC Chairperson - Carol Magazino
Lay Leader - Carol Birtner
Alt. Lay Member - Elise Knapp
UMW - Jill Mann & Linda Rutledge
Finance Chairperson - Mary Balton
Church Treasurer - Susan Dennison

Finance Counters Linda Rutledge / Jill Mann
Trustee Chairperson - Paul Wojcik
Worship Chairperson - Scott Knapp
Organist: Chris Bradley
Sunday School - Elise Knapp
Missions Chairperson - Elaine Cooper
UMM - Seth Natter
Recording Secretary - David Cowan
Communications-Jim Bois, Tom Hahn, Linda Rutledge



Those serving on the SPRC for 2025 are:
Carol Magazino, Susan Ridyard, Linda Rutledge, Jill Mann,
Sally Pohlman, Mandy Librizzi, and Carol Birtner.

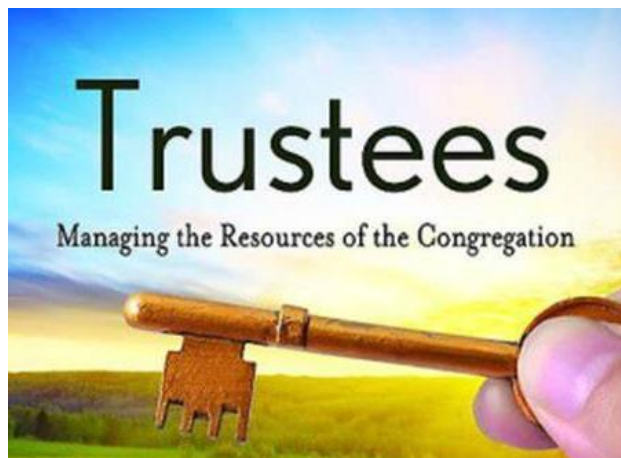


FINANCE COMMITTEE

Our talents, possessions, and time are all gifts from God. Our offerings and gifts are our return to God through DFUMC. Your weekly and monthly offerings are our most important source of funds to support our ministries and missions.

The following persons are serving on the Finance Committee for 2026:
Pastor Sung, Mary Balton, Donna Frable, Carol Magazino, Carol Birtner,
Susan Dennison, and Dave Cowan.

Those serving as Trustees for 2026 are:
Rob Balton, Paul Wocjik, Justin Riccardi, Keith Bush, Ed Moraga John
Magazino, David Ridyard, and Scott Knapp.



DINGMANS FERRY

Baby Blessing PANTRY

Opens Second Sunday 11am
of each month!
Come & pick baby's essentials

DABY
BLESSING
PANTRY

**DINGMANS FERRY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
for more info. call 570-828-2288



Nursing Home Ministry

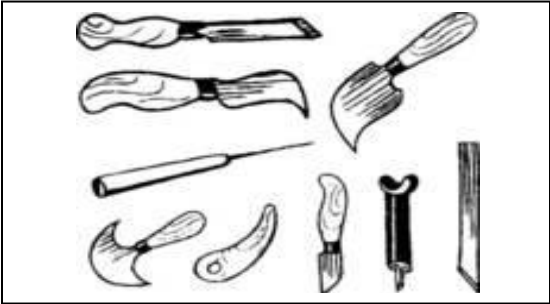
Please Join Us!

During the month we get together with the nursing home residents of DV Personal Care, DV Rehab, and Milford Rehab Center for our time of "Hymns and Scripture". Our monthly visits give us the great honor and opportunity to visit and serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Our Schedule for
July and August:**
Del. Valley Personal Care
July 8th (Wed.) 2PM
August 19th (Wed.) 2PM

Del. Valley Rehab Center
July 29nd (Wed.) 2PM
August 5th (Wed.) 2PM

Milford Rehab Center
July 22nd (Wed.) 2PM
August 25th (Wed.) 2PM
We invite and encourage you to
please join us!
If you have any questions....



WOODCARVERS & Sewing, Crocheting & Etc.

Our Woodcarving, Sewing & Etc. group meets on Wednesday's from 10AM to 12:30PM at Art and Carol Birtner's home. If you've never done either before, don't let that stop you! We can teach you enough to get you started.

Come & Join us!!
It's Lots of FUN!
Talk to Carol Birtner if you want more information.





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Rev. Sungduk Kim, Pastor

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**In Person & Online Worship Services † Sunday School
Vacation Bible School † Preschool † Kinder-Camp
Bible Study † Prayer Meeting † Baby Blessings Pantry
Mission/Outreach Projects † Men's/Women's Missions
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www.dfumc.com • We're on Facebook too!**

Don't miss our Sunday Worship Service at 10AM!

For Online Donation/Giving: Visit our Website DFUMC.Com

OR

See Our Church App:

<https://easytithe.ministryone.com/landing/VWLE>

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