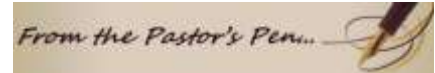




The Dingmans Ferry
United Methodist Church
THE BRIDGE
Newsletter

September /
October
2026



Recently, during a morning drive to school, my daughter remarked that 2026 seemed to be flying by so quickly. Her words surprised me, not only because several members of our church had recently shared the same feeling, but also because such a reflection came from someone so young. Today, so many of us feel that the days seem to evaporate. Perhaps this shared feeling comes from the fact that our time on earth is limited.

As we grow older, the feeling of time accelerating becomes more conspicuous. This is often explained by the Proportionality Theory, which suggests that our perception of a year is proportional to the total length of life we have already lived. To a ten-year-old, a single year represents an enormous ten percent of their entire existence; to an adult, that same year is merely a small fraction of a much longer journey. Because each passing season makes up a smaller proportion of our accumulated memories, time appears to rush forward ever faster.

Scripture not only reminds us of our limitedness, but also instructs us on how to live wisely within these days.

Psalms 90 sings about our limited life on earth and our wishes in this life time on earth.

“Our days may come to seventy years, or eighty, if our strength endures... Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days. Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, for as many years as we have seen trouble. May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children. May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us — yes, establish the work of our hands.” In this limited time on earth, our rightful desire should be satisfaction with the love of God, so that we may sing a joyful song, and follow the work of God with our hands! By doing so, we have a certain hope for the fruit of the work of God both in this life and the life beyond time! In this September and October, our church continues various ministry and mission opportunities. Let us join these opportunities, with gladness in the love of God! As we invest our fleeting days in the eternal love of God, may the enduring joy of this harvest fill our hearts. Amen.

Servant of God and God's people,
Sung

Lectionary Reading of September and October 2025

September 6

Exodus 12:1-14
Psalms 149
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20

September 13

Exodus 14:19-31
Psalms 114
Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35

September 20

Exodus 16:2-15
Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45
Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 20:1-16

September 27

Exodus 17:1-7
Psalms 78:1-4, 12-16
Philippians 2:1-13
Matthew 21:23-32

October 4

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20
Psalms 19
Philippians 3:4b-14
Matthew 21:33-46

October 11

Exodus 32:1-14
Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23
Philippians 4:1-9
Matthew 22:1-14

October 18

Exodus 33:12-23
Psalms 99
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22

October 25

Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-46

If you need daily readings, please visit the link below.

(You can click the link, if you see it on your computer or smart phone)

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily-readings/>

DFUMC'S FALL BIBLE STUDY: ISAIAH
TUESDAY 10AM & WEDNESDAY 6:30PM

WEEK 1. CALLING
WEEK 2. PEACE
WEEK 3. THE WAY
WEEK 4. PRAYER

WEEK 5. COMFORT
WEEK 6. REDEMPTION
WEEK 7. THE SERVANT
WEEK 8. HOPE



Hey Youth!

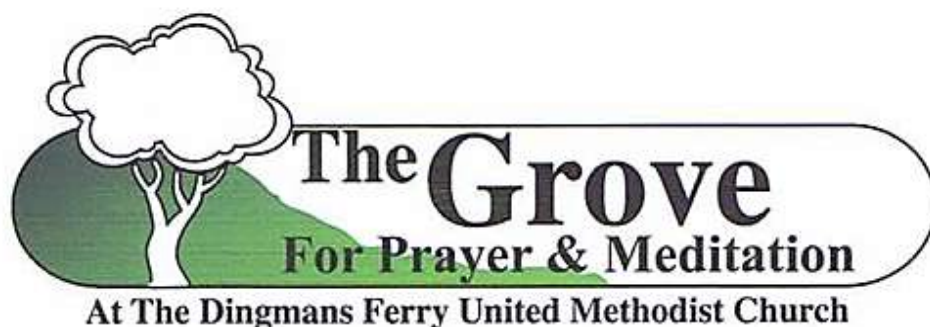
(Middle School and High School)

**You are invited to
Dingmans Ferry UMC**

(115 myck rd)

**every first sunday
of the month 5-7pm**

**Movies, games, activities, foods,
stories, friends, and God.**



PRAYER GROVE SESSION
Theme: "GOD'S PROMISES"

Facilitator: Jerry Schierloh

Date: Sunday, Sept. 13

(following Coffee Hour)

The emphasis of this session will be to highlight ways that we, as Christians, can both Perceive and Perpetuate **God's Promises**.

The session will involve visitation to various Features of the Prayer Grove to learn how each of them symbolize one or more of **God's Promises**.

Between various Grove Feature visitations, there will be 'Sit-Down' periods where participants will reflect on Ways that Christians can Perceive and Perpetuate **God's Promises**. They'll learn that Perception involves the dual Awareness of God's PROMISES and His PRESENCE. They'll additionally learn that Perpetuation of **God's Promises** involves their active Participation in both PRAYER and Responsiveness to God's PROVIDENCE.

Jerry will also share information on two excellent Scriptural-based references that focus on **God's Promises**

The session will begin about 11:45 a.m., allowing sufficient time for those who attended the Worship Service to participate in Coffee Hour Fellowship following the Morning Worship Service. The Session will conclude no later than 1:15 p.m.



SATURDAY WORSHIP *Services*

7PM

115 Myck Rd. Dingmans Ferry, PA 18328

Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church





The Little Church In The Woods Presents



Our FREE LONDON BROIL BARBECUE

**Saturday
September 19th
4PM - 6PM**



**In Loving Memory Of
Art Ridley
Thank You Jill Mann**

**The Playground Is Open
For Children Of All Ages To Play**

Donations Gratefully Accept For Our Community Outreach!



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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**
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**Delaware
Tire & Auto**
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CRAFT FAIR

Vendor Registration \$20 Early Bird \$15

10X10 Space BYO Table



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Off Park Rd. behind Childs Park. Call with any questions, 570-828-2288

CONNECTING PEOPLE AND PLACES TO ENGAGE IN GOD'S MISSION

As an agency of The United Methodist Church, Global Ministries collaborates with partners in more than 100 countries to connect the church in mission and alleviate human suffering.

Nepal Flash Flooding Columbia Earthquake Puerto Rico Drought

Venezuela Earthquake

Washington Wildfires



Global Ministries and the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) strengthen United Methodist response to humanitarian crises around the world through disaster relief and recovery, migrant and refugee support, environmental sustainability, agriculture and food security.

Ways to Give

By phone: 1-888-252-6174

**By mail: Global Ministries/UMCOR GPO
P.O. Box 9068 New York, NY 10087-9068**

Online: <https://umcmmission.org/giving>



**2026 Charge Conference
at Milford United Methodist Church
October 3rd (Sat.) 9AM**

The charge conference is the basic governing body of United Methodist local church, meeting at least once per year, directing the work of the church, giving general oversight to the church council, reviewing and evaluating the mission and ministry of the church, setting salaries for the pastor and staff, electing the members of the church council, and recommending candidates for ordained ministry.



**We are so excited to welcome our children back to Sunday School,
beginning Sunday, September 13th!**

**Following the children's message in the service,
kids will be invited to a time of learning and fellowship for them.**

**To help everyone get the most out of their experience,
we have two classes with age-appropriate stories, crafts, and activities.**

**We are incredibly grateful for our dedicated teachers
and can't wait to see our children grow in faith this year.**

God bless them all!

September and October Birthdays

September

- 9/2: Kristen Campanile
- 9/3: Gideon Higgins
- 9/4: Justin Riccardi
- 9/6: Hannah Solch
- 9/6: Malcolm Leo Hartman
- 9/7: Linda Rutledge
- 9/8: Cecelia Szmetema
- 9/11: Billy Joe Garerra
- 9/12: Ivy Quinlan
- 9/12: Elaina Staiano
- 9/13: Kathi White
- 9/13: Michael Macksoud
- 9/14: Emily Solch
- 9/15: Madilyn Rose Stevens
- 9/15: Melissa Joseph
- 9/17: Pastor Rich Cooper
- 9/18: Eliza Olito
- 9/18: Maeve Higgins
- 9/21: Aubrey Vivaldo
- 9/25: Kurt Mihiel
- 9/25: Scott McGowan
- 9/26: Clare Kim
- 9/28: Malaki Nellums
- 9/30: Aliison Walker

October

- 10/2: Seth Garerra
- 10/2: Meg Garerra
- 10/2: Phyllis Delaney
- 10/4: Dylan Campanile
- 10/8: Kim Mihiel
- 10/12: Nicole Daskus
- 10/13: Kayle Edgell
- 10/14: Tom Hickey
- 10/14: Kelly Macksoud
- 10/16: Fran Myck
- 10/18: Scott Knapp
- 10/21: Kate Garerra
- 10/21: Joseph Arnold
- 10/23: Carleahna Manuel-Seabrooks
- 10/25: Ada Mannino
- 10/28: Jarrell Del Rosario
- 10/30: Art Birtner





Servants

GREETER/USHER SCHEDULE:

9/6 Youth Group
9/13 Marilyn Chasar
9/20 Linda Rutledge
9/27 Carol Birtner
10/4 Youth Group
10/11 Carol Magazino
10/18 Sally Pohlman
10/25 Linda Schierloh





Stewardship Sundays
Nov. 8, 15, and 22

Gift Givers

Nov. 8	Stewardship, not Ownership
Nov. 15	Transformational Giving
Nov. 22	Together, not Alone



Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church

Without your generosity, we can't make it.

Total Offering \$ 15,526.10

Total Income \$ 48,110.74

Total Expense \$39, 641.96

Bills not paid yet from 2023 \$4,067.44
GNJ's Shared Ministry of 2026 \$6,934.36

Would you love to give now? Scan the QR Code.



“Cuts Impact Local Families”

Earlier this summer, panelists organized by Milford Borough Mayor Candace Mahala discussed the impact of federal cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) on families in Pike County. They reported that 770 families in Pike County will be affected by the cutbacks and 40 percent of those households have children. This will increase the number of clients who will need help at local food pantries.

This fall we will focus on collecting items for the food pantry. We will contact the pantry to see what items they need most. Watch for a list in the bulletin. May God find us faithful in helping our neighbors and being a sign of God’s love and compassion.

- Elaine Cooper, Mission Committee Chair



SAVE
the DATE

Coffee & Canvas

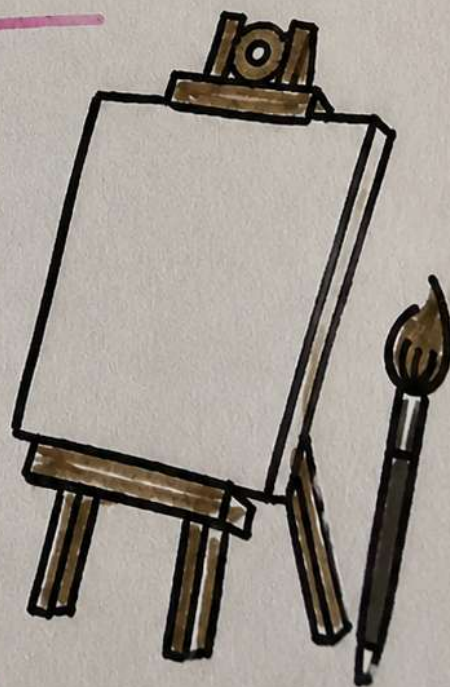
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UPCOMING:

SUNDAY
OCTOBER 18TH

12:30-1:30 PM



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 sign-up sheet on the back table at the sanctuary to be Scripture Readers. There will be more opportunities to be Eucharistic Ministers, Prayer Leaders, 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 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 TODAY!



ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

Ad Board meetings are usually held bi-monthly.
The next Ad Board Meeting: **Sep 28th (Mon) 7PM**



Ad Board Members 2026

Pastor: Sungduk Kim

Council Chairperson - Donna Frable

Ad Council Secretary – Linda Rutledge

SPRC Chairperson – Carol Magazino

Lay Leader - Carol Birtner

Alt. Lay Member –

UMW - Jill Mann & Linda Rutledge

Finance Chairperson - Mary Balton

Church Treasurer – Susan Dennison

Finance Counters Linda Rutledge / Jill Mann Ad

Trustee Chairperson - Paul Wojcik

Worship Chairperson – RoseAnn Heckman

Organist: Chris Bradley

Sunday School -

Missions Chairperson - Elaine Cooper

UMM - Seth Natter

Recording Secretary – David Cowan

Communications-Jim Bois, Tom Hahn, Linda Rutledge



Those serving on the SPRC for 2026 are:
Carol Magazino, Susan Ridyard, Linda Rutledge, Jill Mann,
Mandy Librizzi and Carol Birtner.

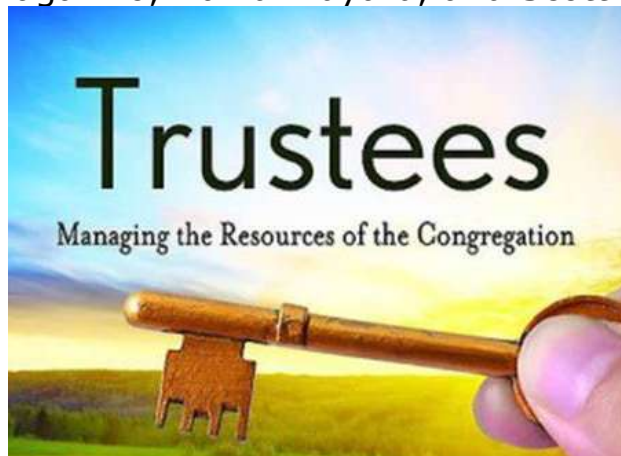


FINANCE COMMITTEE

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, 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

BABY
BLESSING
PANTRY

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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 September and October:

Del. Valley Personal Care

Sep. 9th (Wed.) 2PM
Oct. 14th (Wed.) 2PM

Del. Valley Rehab Center

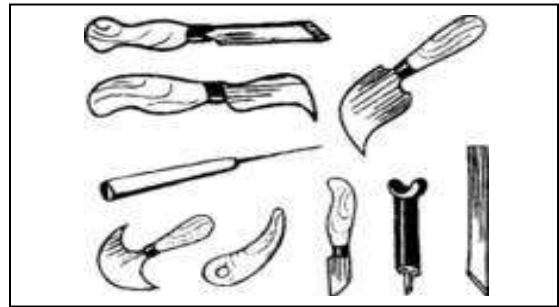
Sep. 2nd (Wed.) 2PM
Oct. 7th (Wed.) 2PM

Milford Rehab Center

Sep. 23th (Wed.) 2PM
Oct. 21th (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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Don't miss our Sunday Worship Service at 10AM!

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

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