

MAY 2023

The Prospector

Dahlonega United Methodist Church

Hearts for the Homeless Spaghetti Supper

The Spaghetti Supper will be at DUMC and five other local churches on Monday, May 1, 5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. This annual fundraiser provides support for Interfaith Ministries support for Jeremiah's Place, temporary housing for homeless families.

Tickets can also be purchased online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ninth-annual-spaghetti-supper-tickets-602515348627> and used at any of six church venues. Tickets sold on site are CASH/CHECK ONLY. Cost is \$12 per person or \$35 per family up to five members. Please contact Linda Herman, lhherman@windstream.net or 706-974-5694, if you can volunteer to help on May 1.



JEREMIAH'S PLACE
FUTURE • PROSPER • HOPE
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Announcements

Dahlonge United Women in Faith

Meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month, 10AM, Fellowship Hall.
All ladies from the church are invited.

May 2nd: 10 AM, Fellowship Hall

Dr. Melinda Frausto, the Executive Director of the Rainbow Children's Home for 23 years, will be our guest speaker. Rainbow Children's Home is a safe haven for children who need to be removed from their home or who are in trouble with the law, and it keeps them from being incarcerated. The facility is only for girls and can accommodate only 8 girls at a time.

June 6th: 11AM, Pavilion

Fellowship and tasty food as we conclude the 2022-2023 year for United Women in Faith.

Wednesday Night Suppers

Please note the Wednesday Night Suppers have ended for the summer, May—August. Stay posted for the start up date in September.

Church Representative Needed

A Church Representative is needed for events on the premise from the time of arrival to the time of departure. The Church Representative is responsible for opening and closing the church and overseeing the facility use policy and guidelines are followed during an event. The Church Representative will be paid for hours worked. If interested and for more details on what the Church Representative includes, contact deborah@dahlongeumc.org.

Baby Recognition Day 2023

The Dahlonge United Women in Faith (UWIF) will recognize **new babies born between March 2022 through April 2023**. The babies and their immediate families will be recognized on **Sunday, May 21**, at the 9:30 a.m. service. We will also announce their names and birthdates at the 8 and 11 a.m. services. If you have not yet been contacted about this recognition service by a member of the UWIF, please provide your child's name and parent contact information to the church office.

Security Team Recruitment

If you are interested in serving on the DUMC Security team, please call Wally Woods at 706-244-4981. Thank you.

Assisted Listening Capabilities

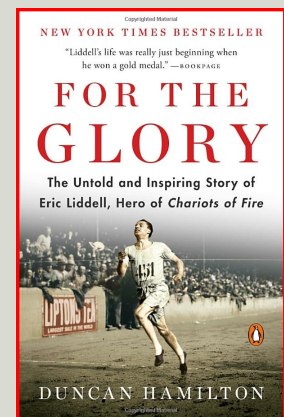
DUMC is now offering assisted listening capabilities through Listen Technologies. Please download the app "Listen Everywhere" from the APP or Google Play Store to your smart phone and pair your Bluetooth hearing aids or headphones to your device. Connect to the wifi "Listen" (Password – canyouhearme). Open the app and select "DUMC Sanctuary". For more information, contact Chuck Bell @ chuck@chuckbellmusic.com or stop by the audio booth on Sunday morning.



Lions of English Christian Faith Trip

Join Christy Greenwald and Katie Greenwald Reid on October 3-10, 2023 for a six day tour of the homes, pubs, schools, and churches in Oxford, Bristol and London, England, frequented by John Wesley and C.S. Lewis, "Lions of English Christian Faith." To sign up and for more information contact Christy Greenwald at 706-429-7818.

BOOK CLUB



The Book Club reading for May will be *For the Glory: The Untold and Inspiring Story of Eric Liddell, Hero of Chariots of Fire*, by Duncan Hamilton. We will discuss the book on Wednesday, May 31st at 6:30 pm in the Library. To purchase the book click here: <https://a.co/d/2LQH7gv>

Many people will remember Eric Liddell as the Olympic gold medalist from the Academy Award winning film *Chariots of Fire*. Famously, Liddell would not run on Sunday because of his strict observance of the Christian sabbath, and so he did not compete in his signature event, the 100 meters, at the 1924 Paris Olympics. He was the greatest sprinter in the world at the time, and his choice not to run was ridiculed by the British Olympic committee, his fellow athletes, and most of the world press. Yet Liddell triumphed in a new event, winning the 400 meters in Paris.

Liddell ran—and lived—for the glory of his God. After winning gold, he dedicated himself to missionary work. He travelled to China to work in a local school and as a missionary. He married and had children there. By the time he could see war on the horizon, Liddell put Florence, his pregnant wife, and children on a boat to Canada, while he stayed behind, his conscience compelling him to stay among the Chinese. He and thousands of other westerners were eventually interned at a Japanese work camp.

Once imprisoned, Liddell did what he was born to do, practice his faith and his sport. He became the moral center of an unbearable world. He was the hardest worker in the camp, he counseled many of the other prisoners, he gave up his own meager portion of meals many days, and he organized games for the children there. He even raced again. For his ailing, malnourished body, it was all too much. Liddell died of a brain tumor just before the end of the war. His passing was mourned around the world, and his story still inspires.

Announcements



GOOD SAMARITAN

The Good Samaritan Ministry is a new ministry at DUMC. It is designed to help community members with service projects that they may not be able to afford or complete on their own. If you would like to volunteer with the Good Samaritan Ministry, please complete the form by scanning the QR code or click on link. This form is designed to help us best use your skills and experience while serving our community.



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For more information contact Chris Davis at 404-693-5387.

Altar Guild Volunteers

The altar guild is a ministry - a gift of time and talent to serve God in His house. The housekeeping and decoration of God's house should be done with sincere devotion. The work of the Altar Guild is to prepare all the things necessary for the worship services, such as, restocking the pews with envelopes & etc., replenishing oil in candles, replenishing water for pastors. If you can help please contact linda@dahlonegaumc.org or call the church office at 706-864-2521.

Sewing Hearts Circle Heart Pillows



The pillows are for those who are going through a difficult time and in need of a little comfort. Loving women of DUMC have given their prayers and love in making these. If you or someone you know is in need of a heart pillow, they will be **distributed the first Sunday of each month from 9:00 to 11:00am.** Dahlonaga United Methodist Church is now offering a free service of creating a

bereavement pillow (up to 4 pillows). You provide the fabric such as a shirt, blouse, blanket etc. from your loved one and our Sewing Hearts Circle will do the rest. Contact Kara Martina by email: karamartina45@gmail.com.

North Georgia Chamber Symphony May Concerts

Friday, May 12th, 7:30, **Hancock Park**, Dahlonaga

Saturday, May 13th, 4:00, **Pavilion at The Arts Council**, Gainesville

Sunday, May 14th, 3:00, **Union County Schools Fine Arts Center**, Blairsville

Join us Mother's Day weekend for a fabulous concert! Our guest performer is Pamela Ryan, who is Professor of Viola at the Florida State University College of Music. She also is an experienced jazz violist, so you might hear a little jazz too!

We're opening with Prokofiev's *March from the Love for Three Oranges*, which some of you will remember from the radio show Your FBI in Peace and War.

Pamela will play *Concerto for Viola in D Major, Op 1* by Karl Stamitz, a piece which lets the violist show off his skills and really entertains the audience.

This will be followed by Janacek's *Idyll*, a set of 7 short, very different, pieces.

Hymn to the Fallen and *Summon the Heroes*, both by John Williams and John Phillip Sousa's *Liberty Bell March* conclude the program.

Congratulations High School Seniors!

Rae Lynn Myers

Georgia College & State University

Ethan Wilbanks

Georgia Southern

Madison Myers

Georgia College & State University

Ellie Lance

Georgia College & State University

Nicole Limehouse

Centre College

Sarah Staples

University of Kentucky

Henry Luesing

CU Boulder

Mary Mullinax

Emory University

Mia Dierkes

University of Alabama

Chloe Dierkes

University of Georgia

Luke Schofield

Harvard

Amelia Kennedy

Kennesaw State

Jack Carroll

Georgia College & State University

Lily Phipps

UGA

Sydney Pierce

UGA

Sophie Stone

UGA

Clara Waters

Gap Year

Dylan Henschen

NYU

Katherine Davis

UNG

Kayla Gaudino

UNG

Jack Lowry

Georgia Southern

Collin Edwardson

Care and Support



Help Community Helping Place With the Summer Food Program

Items Needed for Our First Distribution

Jelly, Peanut Butter, 64 oz bottle of juice, Cans of soup
Fresh Fruit would be great starting May 30; our first distribution is May 31, June 1st & 2nd.
If it is something that will keep, the Friday before would be fine too.
This might be grapes, oranges, apples, watermelon, etc.
(Please drop off items and perishables at CHP, 1127 GA-52, Dahlonega)
For more information contact CHP at 706-867-9621 Ext. 303 or online at chpservice@communityhelpingplace.org.

The Communion Rail Offering for May 7th is for the CHP Summer Food Program.

May Communion Rail offering will be for CHP Summer Bread. Every summer Community Helping Place has a Summer Food Program for school aged children (4-18) that live in Lumpkin County and attend LC Schools, that receive free or reduced breakfast & lunch during the school year. They will receive breakfast, lunch and snacks for Monday—Friday, throughout the summer to get them through until school starts.

Fundraiser Cookout at Pavilion

On Wednesday, May 10th from 6-7 PM there will be a free (for donation) cookout at the Pavilion to benefit the children of the La Magdalena Christian School in El Salvador. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and sides. Enjoy good food and fellowship in the great Spring weather!

LA MAGDALENA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL - HERE WE GROW!



The construction work continues for the much-needed new classroom building at the school we sponsor in La Magdalena, El Salvador. We are excited to share with you the recently-received complete site plan for the entire school, showing what the school will look like when all construction and infrastructure is completed. Currently, some of the rooms shown for future uses (Library, Infirmary, Teacher Office, all required by the Government) are being utilized as classrooms until the construction of new classrooms is completed. The section in green is the recently-acquired property, with the set of four classrooms currently under construction shown on the right of that property. The set of classrooms shown on the left will be future construction, as funds are raised. Also, there is currently not a multi-purpose athletic field as shown on the site plan (also required by the government), but rather just a grassy field with fissures in the hard, volcanic earth during the current dry season.

Click here to view the School Architect Plan:

https://dahlongaumc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Complete-School-Architect-Plan_English-version-copy.pdf

Please contribute directly to One Child El Salvador, Inc. instead of to DUMC.



Mail your checks to One Child El Salvador, P.O. Box 274, Dahlonega, GA 30533 or make online donations using QR Code or www.onechildelsalvador.org or contact us at onechildelsalvador@gmail.com or call 706-265-5236.

Community Helping Place



Ways to contribute:

There are many ways to contribute to CHP's mission to help our neighbors in need! You can volunteer, provide monetary donations, donate items needed for the food pantry, baby pantry, personal care pantry, or the medical clinics. The Thrift Store sales is the main way they fund CHP programs. Consider donating your gently used items & shop with them too!

Food Pantry needs for May

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cans of Soup, Juice



Rainbow Children's Home Needs

Laundry Detergent
& Fabric Softener

Sheets, tablets or liquid detergent for dishwasher, dish detergent—Paper Products For Kitchen: Aluminum Foil, Clear Plastic Wrap, Storage Bags, all sizes, Trash bags: Tall and Small for wastebaskets—Cleaning Supplies: Clorox, Windex, 409, Kaboom, etc., NO SHOW socks, NEW Hand Soap, Liquid, Antibacterial—Paper Products: Paper Towels, Toilet Tissue, Paper Napkin—Large Duffle Bags, soft, foldable for storage, NOT luggage—Batteries AAA and AA; Copier Paper; Gift Cards or Checks. PLEASE mail direct to: Melinda Fausto, Director, 247 E. Main Street, Dahlonega, GA 30533; PLEASE MEMO: DUMC/and what funds are to be used for.

N1A
No One Alone

Non-perishable convenience foods like peanut butter, soup, mac 'n cheese, or hamburger helper. Diapers & baby

wipes, full size women's toiletries, & large size laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, twin size sheets, bath towels. Please place in NOA bin. Thank you for your donations!

Children's Ministry

KidVenture

The last KidVenture for the school year will be Sunday, May 7th. It's National Lemonade Day! Wear yellow! KidVenture will resume after Labor Day.

Vacation Bible School

June 19-22 (Monday-Thursday) - 9am-12pm

VBS is for children who are 3-years old - 5th Grade (completed). We do have 2-year old classes available for our church families, MMO families, and VBS volunteers.

A Nursery is also available for our VBS volunteers who have children under 2.

Register your child now for Monumental VBS!

Register online now at: www.dtownkidz.org



Grow Day Camp

July 24-28

9am-5:30 pm (except Friday which is 9am-12:30 pm)

Cost is \$160 (some scholarships are available)

Grow Day Camp is for kids who are rising 1st-rising 6th graders. This is an awesome day camp your child will love to attend! You can register now at:

www.growdaycamps.org.



**Congratulations to all the
2022-23 Pre-K Graduates!!**

We are so proud of you!

DUMC MMO-PRESCHOOL

Graduates 2022-23

Porter Brown † Tanner Boston † Bryson Caldwell † Mary Taft Copeland †
Annie Corbin † Fisher Fitts † Samuel Franklin † Ethan Furnas †
Silas Guettler † Magnolia Hollis † Griffin Little † Dave Lucido † Lilly Nix †
Logan Perry † Jakob Pitchford † Ellis Reese † Torin Reeves †
Nora Sizemore † Ruthie Smith † Jackson Steed † Harper Thompson †
Blake Watson † Corinne Weeks † Will Young

Youth Ministry

DUMC Youth strive to live **LIFE**.

Love Everyone

Inspire Many

Fulfill God's Call

Empower Others

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Sunday

MS Worship & HS Small Group

Sunday Afternoons 4—6pm

Meet at DUMC field/Fellowship Hall

MS Worship & HS Small Group

Wednesday

HS Worship & MS Small Groups

MS Dinner & Small Groups-5:45-7:30pm

HS Dinner & Small Groups-5:45-8:00pm

May

7th—HS Rafting Trip

14th—Youth Worship

21st—Youth Worship

28th—Fun End of School Activity

High School Mission Trip

June 23rd through July 1st

Mission Trip to Dayton, Ohio

Cost: \$250

Middle School Summer Camp

July 13th through July 16th

Ocoee Retreat Center

Cost: \$175

Contact Information

Chris Davis: chris@dahlongeumc.org
404-693-5387

Bailey Tam: bailey@dahlongeumc.org
706-962-2614

Sunday Worship

Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:00 am

Worship in the Sanctuary at 9:30—Children's Ministry available

Worship in the Sanctuary at 11:00 am

Live Streaming 9:30 and 11:00am Service

<https://dahlonegaumc.org/services/>

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Wesley Woods Foundation Special Offering

May 14th special offering is for Wesley Woods Senior Living, our Conference-wide Wesley Woods Mother's Day Offering. Your generous support funds financial assistance for meals and housing to residents who have the gift of a long life but may have outlived their resources. In addition, the Mother's Day Offering also supports on-site chaplains and an innovative wellness program. Please mark your gift "Wesley Woods."



Join the Chancel Choir!

Your chancel choir needs you. The choir practices 6:15-7:30 on Wednesday evenings. We practice before the service, meeting in the choir room at 10 a.m. All voices are needed. You can contact Suzanne Crossan suzannecrossan@yahoo.com, or Text at 706 300 1839, or show up at Wednesday's practice.



Honor a loved one in celebration of a birthday, anniversary, or in remembrance with flowers. Sign up table is outside of Fellowship Hall or you may call the church office. The cost is **\$95.00**. Please make certain that your check is clearly marked "Altar Flowers".

Sunday Adult Growth Groups

Third Floor, Education Building

9:30 a.m.

Primetime Class—Room: Library

Facilitators: Chris Buice

Friendship Class—Room 308

Facilitators: Nancy Goodyear

11:00 a.m.

11th Hour Class—Room: Library

Facilitator: Jeff Ramsland

Study Group Educational Meetings



In an effort to provide the congregation with requested resources, we have decided to put together a website to help organize the information. To watch the videos of the study group educational meetings click here: <https://sites.google.com/view/dumc-study-group-resources/home> or go to DUMC website www.dahlonegaumc.org. Please do not hesitate

to continue to reach out to members of the Study Group or your pastoral team with any questions or concerns.

In Christ, The DUMC Study Group