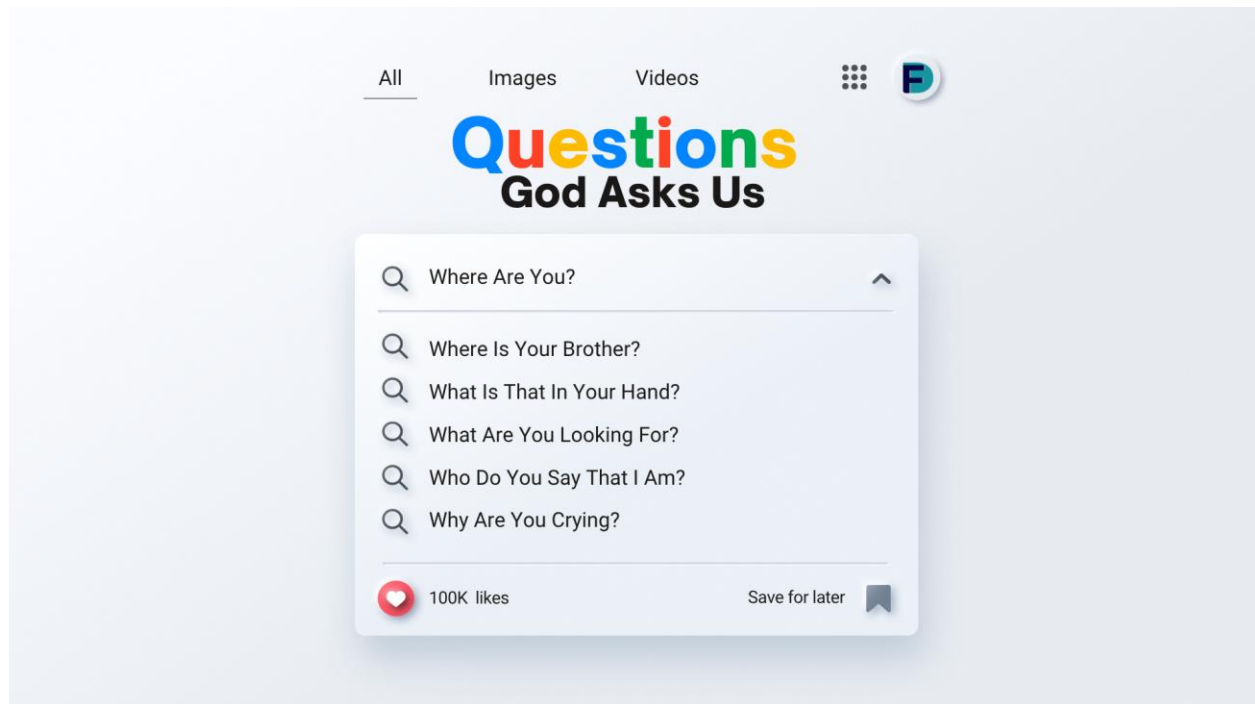


Dalton First United Methodist Church

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August 23, 2026



OUR MISSION:
“Making disciples of Jesus Christ throughout the world”

Order of Service

Sunday, August 23, 2026 11:00 am

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Welcome to Dalton First!
We are so glad you've
joined us today for worship.*

*If you are new here, we are
so honored to have you.
We invite you to complete a
RED Connect Card located
in front of you. Take that
card to our Welcome
Center located in the Atrium
or Narthex to receive our
thank you gift for your
attendance today!*

*You are invited to stand in
body or spirit for items
marked with an * and speak
aloud items marked in
bold print.*

Opening Voluntary

*"Only Trust Him"
"When in Our Music God is Glorified"*

Dr. Alan Nichols

Welcome & Chiming of the Hour

Mary Lynn Jones

*Call to Worship

Liturgist

adapted from John 15:1-10

Leader: Jesus says to us "I am the true vine,
and my Father is the gardener.
Remain in me, as I also remain
in you."

**People: Lord, grant us your presence
among us, so we can know
your comfort.**

Leader: Christ says to us "I am the vine; you
are the branches. If you remain in
me, you will bear much fruit."

**People: Lord, grant us your provision
among us, so we can grow in
your grace.**

Leader: Jesus promises us "If you remain in
me and my words remain in you,
ask whatever you seek, and it will
be done for you."

**People: Lord, grant us your wisdom
and power among us, so we
can be fruitful and multiply
your creation.**

Leader: Jesus concluded "As the Father
has loved me, so have I loved you.
Now remain in my love and keep
my commands."

People: Lord, grant us your everlasting love in this hour. As we worship you, teach us a more excellent way to share your love with others. Thanks be to God for his presence in our daily lives. Let our hearts be filled with gratitude for the spirit of the living God as we worship him. Amen.

***Opening Hymn**

#371 "I Stand Amazed in the Presence"

Matthew Dean

The lighting of the candles reflects the "coming in" of the Holy Spirit. We are blessed by God's presence every Sunday morning.

***Lighting of the Candles**

Acolytes

***Affirmation of Faith**

#880 "The Nicene Creed"

Liturgist

We always take a moment to claim what we believe. You are invited to join us as we proclaim our faith.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in the
one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

*Gloria Patri

#71 GREATOR EX

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.

*As we pass the peace, take
time to check in, fellowship,
and meet a new friend!*

Passing of the Peace

Matthew Dean

Children's Moment

Erin Smith

*All children (PreK-5th
grade) are invited to our
11:00 Children's Church on
the second floor. Please
pick up your child at the
Family Ministries Welcome
Center after the service.*

*Hymn of Preparation

#369 "Blessed Assurance"

Matthew Dean

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Don Landen

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who
trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

*We invite you to worship
through giving by placing
your gift in the offering
plate, by scanning the QR
code below with your
phone, or by texting
DFUMC to 73256.*



*Today's offering will further
God's Kingdom and support
the mission of Dalton First.
We encourage you to be
generous and faithful!*

*A message outline is
provided for you. Please
turn in your worship guide
to the last page. We
encourage you to take
notes during the message.*

Offertory Anthem

"Devotion"

Chancel Choir

*Doxology

#95 OLD 100th

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen.**

Matthew Dean

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Don Landen

*Scripture Reading

John 20:11-18

Liturgist

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew¹ "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' " Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

Message

"Why Are You Crying?"

Rev. Don Landen

	*Closing Hymn	#314 <i>"In the Garden"</i>	Matthew Dean
<i>Special thanks to our acolytes for helping us usher the light of Christ into the world.</i>	*Benediction		Rev. Don Landen
<i>We hope you have a wonderful week! If you are new here at Dalton First we invite you to stop by one of our welcome centers and pick up a gift as you leave.</i>	*Response to Benediction	#159 <i>"Lift High the Cross" (refrain)</i> Lift high the cross; The love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.	
	Recessional	<i>"Recessional on Italian Hymn"</i>	Zach Gibson

The altar flowers are given in honor of Heather & Don Landen with love from your church family.

Service Participants:

Rev. Don Landen, Senior Pastor
Matthew Dean, Director of Music Ministries
Mat Napp, Director of Modern Worship
Erin Smith, Interim Director of Family Ministries
Patti Renz, Liturgist
Parker Bock, Acolyte
Vivian Ward, Acolyte
Lydia & Tom Bartley, Hospitality
Sarah & Charles Maret, Hospitality

Dr. Alan Nichols, Pianist
Zach Gibson, Organist
Mark Orr, Audio/Visual
Ross Phillips, Audio/Visual
Jackson Hitchens, Audio/Visual
Mary Lynn Jones, Host
Jeff Coon, Usher
Kelly Coon, Usher
Laura Sangster, Hospitality

Music:

"Only Trust Him"
"When in Our Music God is Glorified"
"Devotion"
"Recessional on Italian Hymn"

John H. Stockton (arr. Nichols)
Green/Stanford (arr. Nichols)
John Ness Beck
Alexande Guilmant

PRAYER CONCERNS

New This Week:

Sympathy to the family of Bill Sloan

Past Concerns:

Eaddy Elrod
Vann Roberts
Jim Patterson
Kim Tucker, Laura Gotham's friend
Richard Coker, Jan Roberts' friend
David Painter, Doug Renz's friend
Margaret Crow
Chuck Blessing, Chris Blessing's cousin
Jerry Hayes, Dee Goodwin's uncle
Susan Reams
Wendy Thomas, Ted Smith's niece
Dana & Johnny Bray, Dee Goodwin's friends
Hollon Kohtz, Jan Roberts' friend
Dana Easley
Carroll Vinson, Karen Townsend's father
Vernon Jackson, Jennifer Blessing's father
Linda Jones, Tiffany Martin's mother

Family Members in Military and Related Services

Caleb Carlson - National Guard - Sylvia Carlson's grandson
Edgar Hernandez – US Marine Corps - Bridgeport, CA – Rod McClain's friend
Patrick McCormick - Taiwan - Bob McCormick's grandson
Sam Stuart - Army – Fort Lee (Richmond, VA) - Kelly & Joey Stuart's son
Thomas Bruce Yandle IV - US Navy - Guam - USS Tripoli - Nancy & James Ross's nephew

Dalton Square

Kathryn McGuire
Vann Roberts

The Gardens at Royal Oaks

Bob McCormick
Ronnie McClurg

Life Care Center of East Ridge

Jim Chamblee

The Retreat

Lisa Burton
Barbara Renz

Regency Park

David Norman

Walnut Creek

Carl Smith
Elizabeth Arnold

Royal Oaks

Virginia Abernathy
Peggy Allen
Donna Barclay
Sylvia Carlson
Jane Clark
Ben Walker
Betty Wright

If you have a prayer request, please contact Carey at 706-278-8494 or carey@daltonfumc.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



A poster for the 2026 Fall Tailgate Kickoff. The background is a green-tinted image of a football player in a helmet. In the center is a shield-shaped logo with a blue border. Inside the shield, there are two orange 3x3 dot patterns on the left and right, and a white football icon in the center. Below this, the text "FALL TAILGATE" and "KICKOFF" are written in bold, green, sans-serif capital letters. To the left of the shield is a large green number "20" and to the right is a large green number "26". Below the shield, a black banner contains the text "Wednesday August 26th" and "Please register on our website" in white. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner.

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**FALL TAILGATE
KICKOFF**

26

Wednesday August 26th
Please register on our website



A poster for Bible Presentations. The background is dark blue with light blue circular accents. At the top center is a white icon of an open book with a cross and rays above it. To the right is a QR code. Below the icon, the word "BIBLE" is in large, white, sans-serif capital letters, and "Presentations" is in a large, orange, cursive script font. Below this, the text "A FAITH MILESTONE TO CELEBRATE" is in small, white, sans-serif capital letters. To the left of the text "For children in" is a white heart icon inside a circle. Below this, the text "3rd grade and older" is in orange, sans-serif font. At the bottom, a light blue brushstroke banner contains the text "AUGUST 30 | 9:30 AND 11" in white, sans-serif font. At the bottom of the poster is a photograph of a black leather Bible with a blue bookmark, resting on a wooden surface next to some greenery.





BIBLE
Presentations

A FAITH MILESTONE TO CELEBRATE

 For children in
3rd grade and older

AUGUST 30 | 9:30 AND 11

MORE THAN A SUNDAY

Aug 30-Sept 13

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