



Davis Street

"A Church For All People"

OUR VISION

"As the body of Christ, we seek to fulfill God's commands to love Him with all our hearts, and to love one another as He loves us."

OUR MISSION

"To reach out and connect with all people, making disciples of Jesus Christ."

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FROM
THE
PASTOR



(As I write this note, I'm getting ready to attend the Conference on Global Filipino UM Movement and the 2019 Special Session of the General Conference to be held in St. Louis, Missouri on February 21-27. Let me share with y'all a portion of my commentary that was recently released by the United Methodist News Service. Please join with me in praying for the 2019 Special Session of the General Conference.)

From the very beginning, the Wesleyan movement's missional charge is, from the words of John Wesley, "to reform the nation and, in particular, the Church; and to spread scriptural holiness over the land." At the very core of who we are as a people called Methodists and whose we are as people of God, we are mandated to make disciples of Jesus Christ and to participate in God's ongoing mission to redeem and restore a broken world.

As a Filipino-American, I realize that the issue on human sexuality is "a main thing" with the American society and somehow vital in the mission and ministry of the church.

Growing up in the Philippines, human sexuality is important, but not central to our common life or to our Christian core beliefs and theology. As a predominantly Catholic nation, a majority of Filipinos recognize marriage as a "union between a man and a woman." However, tolerance for the LGBTQ community in the Philippines has increased over the years due to greater education on sexual orientation and gender identity issues as well as the growing visibility and political activism of the LGBTQ community. The fact remains, however, that same-sex marriage is still not legally recognized in the Philippines, and the LGBTQ community is not protected by any civil rights law.

When the Filipinos gather in St. Louis, we shall rise above this divisive issue and demonstrate the Gospel's mandate to "keep the main thing the main thing." On Feb. 22, a day before the start of the General Conference, we will launch the Global Filipino United Methodist Movement through the National Association of Filipino American United Methodists.

When the Filipinos gather in St. Louis, we are committed to the unity of The United Methodist Church. The basis of our primary commitment to unity is Jesus Christ. Into Jesus Christ we, with all members of the Church, were baptized. We, with all members of our church, have vowed in our Baptismal Covenant to "be loyal to Christ through The United Methodist Church, and do all in (our) power to strengthen its ministries."

When Filipinos gather in St. Louis, we invite the Council of Bishops, delegates, general agencies and participants to join with us in praying that we "keep the main thing, the main thing." And the main thing is the centrality of our faith in Jesus Christ, the Humble Servant and the Risen One, who draws us into profound community with one another in love and unity to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. With God's grace, let us be courageous to move forward by keeping the main thing the main thing!

Pastor Edgar



Harmony Class News

The class decided on a date for the annual BBQ fundraiser, which will be held Friday, April 12th. Tickets sales will be coming soon. The class under the direction of Jerry Fisher will cook whole hams on Friday morning and class members will chop and pack the BBQ late Friday afternoon. The BBQ cooking and packing takes place at the Burlington Police Recreation Hut located off Burch Bridge Road. All helping hands are welcome and encouraged to volunteer to help prepare the BBQ and/or help sell tickets. This is always a great fellowship time for all. To volunteer just contact Butch Wilson or any member of the Harmony SS Class. All funds raised are used for Missional outreach and Church projects. Butch Wilson (336) 269-2284; Bob Webster (517) 214-4970; Vernon Moore (336) 226-6007.

We invite anyone who is not presently attending a Sunday school class to come and visit. We are all in this together in *Harmony* to love God with all our heart, with all our mind, with all our soul and with all our strength. Come and see.



W.I.N.G.S.

WINGS will remain as Women IN God's Service at DSUMC. We will meet on a quarterly basis to assess the needs within DSUMC. At this time WINGS focus is on the homebound members of the Church. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 15th at 10 am to send Easter cards to our shut-ins. Polly Webb @ 336-228-7126



UNITED METHODIST MEN

The DSUMC UMM will resume meeting at the Southbound Sandwich Works (<http://www.southboundsandwich.com/>) on Tuesday, March 19th. Join us at 6:30 for food with program to begin at 7:00 pm. We adjourn at 8:00 as the restaurant closes.

Bob Webster,
President, DSUMM

JOIN US IN OUR LADIES GROUP!!

Ladies: Join us on March 11, 2019 at 6:30 PM at Donna Quiring's house at 3124 Juniper Drive in Burlington for our circle meeting. We will have an lively discussion followed by a short program and dessert with coffee. See you there!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

David Chris Anderson

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Anniversary: Dec 13, 2014



On February 3, 2019 David Chris Anderson joined Davis Street United Methodist Church.

David is the husband of our own Kitty Matkins Anderson. Growing up in Olean, NY, David can attest to the lake effect of the region- it was COLD living in close range to Lake Erie!

As a younger man, David served for 6 years in the U.S. Navy assigned to submarines. He is the father of four sons and one daughter, as well as five grand-children. A couple of his children are involved in the restaurant business. One place that you might be familiar with is Daine's Place in Durham and others are Heavenly Buffaloes at both Duke University and UNC, with a third to open soon in Greensboro. He is very proud of all his children and their diverse interests.

David himself has a wide variety of occupations in his background. He has worked for IBM, done some teaching, worked in book publishing and marketing. He did a lot of work in the "vanity press", (publishing books at the author's expense). One of these books most well-received is titled--- Sunset Beach. Another book that he published that did really well was written by a Korean war general and it was a nice "coffee table book".

Other interests or hobbies that David has in addition to publishing are reading, politics, music and the arts, and dogs. David is an active member of a dog park and interestingly enough, that is where he and Kitty met. Kitty tells that she had to edge out the other women who were trying to snare David! She must have done a very good job because six months later, she and David were married. David's pets include a dachshund named "Little Bit" and a cat named "TC" ("Top Cat").---

David is a talented conversationalist and is enjoying being at Davis Street with Kitty. He says that now he knows what having a church "family" feels like. Working with the 8:30 missional community is important to David. He is helping with breakfast preparation, working as Wilson Scott's backup for cooking the eggs.

We are thankful that God has brought David into our midst to serve, to learn, and to grow in his faith. Welcome, David! May God richly bless you.

An advertisement for church directories. The text reads: "Our NEW Church Directory Won't Be Complete Without You!" followed by "FREE 8x10 PORTRAIT for participating families." Below this is a list of bullet points: "• FREE Directory for participating families", "• Specially priced portraits and frames", "• Portraits available in Full Color, Black & White, and Sepia", and "• Immediate viewing of digital proofs". At the bottom, it says "Credit Cards Accepted" and "Re:MEMBER Church Directories". The ad features a collage of photos: a couple with a dog, a family of four, and a woman in a red top. A signature "Remember" is written in the bottom right corner of the ad.

DIRECTORY PICTURES

It's that time again! We are getting our pictures taken in April. Appointment sign up dates are March 10th, 17th and the 24th. All participating persons only will be getting a FREE 8 x 10 portrait and a church directory. Someone will be calling you to set up an appointment time for these portraits.

Contact Cynthia Walker (336) 584-4347 or Brenda Wilson (336) 269-1992 for further information.

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Church Office Hours	Monday - Friday	9:00 am - 1:00 pm

MESSAGE FROM THE PRAYER MINISTRY:

An unknown author made the statement: "The shortest distance between a problem and a solution is the distance between your knees and the floor".

Rev. Billy Graham also said "On our knees we are the most powerful force on earth."

"Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." Hebrews 4:16

"...'The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.' James 5:16

Keep Praying!! Always for GOD's will.



GIFTS TO THE CHURCH (1/20/19-2/11/19)

In Honor of Vernon & Norma Moore were given by:

Betsy Hall

In Honor of Geraldine Rivenbark were given by:

James Mullins



**MARCH 9TH — DON'T FORGET TO
SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD BEFORE
YOU GO TO BED!!**

MESSAGE FROM THE BURLINGTON CAROUSEL QUILT GUILD

We will be have a fabric sale on Saturday March 9 from 1-3 PM in the fellowship hall at Davis St. UMC. Quilting fabricall sizes from fat quarters to backings. Kit, Notions, rulers, patterns, batting, baskets, crafting supplies....priced to sell.

All proceeds will go to Frances Jordan, a BCQG Lifetime member who recently downsize and moved to Home Place. Any questions, see Ann Acquilano.

Find your United Methodist family on Facebook

There are many ways to connect with fellow church members. Now thanks to social media we can be part of a huge community of United Methodists on Facebook. Come and see us.

[https://www.facebook.com/Davis-Street-United-Methodist Church](https://www.facebook.com/Davis-Street-United-Methodist-Church)

www.davisunited.org

ATTENTION - Our newsletter can be viewed on the DSUMC website. Invite visitors who "Surf the Net" to learn more of the opportunities that Davis Street UMC offers.