

WELCOME TO DECATUR FIRST

No matter who you are, where you have been, what you have been up to or who you love, you are loved and welcome here.

RESTROOM: A restroom is located in the back of the Chapel, as well as through the doors at the front left of the Chapel.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP: Children of all ages are welcome in worship! Some parents prefer to keep their kids with them in the chapel, while others prefer to use the church nursery for infants up to age 4. Either way is fine! The nursery is open from 8:30am-12:15pm on the first floor of the main building. Children ages 2 and older may participate in age appropriate Sunday school lessons from 9:45-10:45am in the main building.

WAYS TO GIVE: Giving to Christ through the church can be a sacrifice, but it shouldn't be complicated. You can drop your cash or check in the offering plate during worship, or give online by credit/debit card at decaturfirfirst.org/give-online, or make a gift by texting DECATUR + amount (example Decatur \$100) to 73256.

PRAYER: Prayer changes things. If you are looking for prayer support, you can complete a purple prayer card and place it in the offering plate or email pray@decaturfirfirst.org.

PASTOR ON CALL: Emergencies rarely cooperate with office hours. If you have a pastoral emergency such as a death or hospitalization when the church is closed, call 678-661-9425 to reach a pastor.

PARKING: If you have trouble finding a spot in our parking lot, you can park at the High House or the Wells Fargo Deck right across the street while you are worshipping at Decatur First. Just save your parking stub and ask for a parking voucher from a greeter or usher.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

It is a joy to worship together this morning. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out!

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 • CONTRIBUTIONS & ATTENDANCE			
ATTENDANCE	8:45 • 87	9:45 • 40	11:00 • 254
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$32,385		
YTD CONTRIBUTIONS	\$1,097,827		

CAFÉ DECATUR. Fellowship and delicious food available every Wednesday from 5:00-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. **COST:** \$7/person (\$25 max/family **OCT 16:** taco bar with rice and black beans, rolls, dessert; chicken fingers, mac 'n cheese available for kids **For more info, visit** decaturfirfirst.org/cafedeatur.

welcome

TO DECATUR FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 13, 2019 • 9:45AM

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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WORSHIP IN SONG

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG

SCRIPTURE READING

Madeline Mulkey

LUKE 17:11-19 COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE (CEB)

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with skin diseases approached him. Keeping their distance from him, they raised their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, show us mercy!" When Jesus saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." As they left, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw that he had been healed, returned and praised God with a loud voice. He fell on his face at Jesus' feet and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus replied, "Weren't ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? No one returned to praise God except this foreigner?" Then Jesus said to him, "Get up and go. Your faith has healed you."

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Dalton Rushing

OFFERING PRAYER

GIVING

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE ELECTRONICALLY, ONE TIME GIFTS are simple to set up using a debit or credit card or from a bank account. **RECURRING GIFTS** can be set up on a schedule that works for you, with flexibility to track and manage your giving. **MOBILE** text DECATUR + amount to 73256 **ONLINE** decaturfirfirst.org/give-online

SONG

BENEDICTION

TOP 5 THINGS TO KNOW THIS WEEK

- 1. SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 IS CONSECRATION SUNDAY AT DECATUR FIRST.** We'll gather for one, unified worship service in the Sanctuary at 11 am (no 8:45 or 9:45 services that week); our preacher is retired District Superintendent of the Rome-Carrollton District, Reverend Dr. David Naglee. He also served as Pastor here at Decatur First from 2003-2013. At the end of the service, we will distribute *Estimate of Giving* cards for you to fill out and bring to the altar. Please prayerfully consider what your gift will be in 2020. After worship on October 27, we'll have a free catered lunch in the Fellowship Hall. If you have not yet made a reservation for the luncheon, you can do so **by emailing Bethany Eyrich at beyrich@decaturfirfirst.org**.
- 2. COFFEE IS A MEANS OF GRACE.** The theology of coffee at Decatur First has three parts. 1. It's coffee. 2. Jesus said, *love your neighbor as you love yourself*, so if you give yourself coffee, you should give it to other people, too. 3. It's the perfect volunteer job for introverts because you're just making coffee and saying, *Want some coffee?* There's no small talk, just warm hospitality. In all seriousness, the Brew Crew is an easy but critical part of the Decatur First hospitality plan. You can serve while you are already here for church, and make a big difference. Plus, you can wear jeans and your Volunteer Crew t-shirt to church! **Sign-up at decaturfirfirst.org/brew-crew**
- 3. THE PUMPKINS ARE COMING!** The Greater Decatur Churches are teaming up for a pumpkin patch on North Decatur UMC's lawn. This year the sales will benefit New American Pathways in their work to support refugees in our community. Your help is needed to unload pumpkins at North Decatur on October 12, and to cover daily 2-hour sales shifts from October 12 to 31. **Sign-up online at bit.ly/DecaturPumpkins** or reach out to Alina Crews at alina@ndumc.org.
- 4. LOVE GROWS HERE AUCTION • THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7 • 6:30PM • COURTYARD MARRIOTT (DOWNTOWN DECATUR)** This adults only event features live music, food and drinks, and lots of great items up for auction, including vacation homes, sports tickets, and plenty of great Christmas gift items. The auction will benefit the scholarship funds for both the CMO and Preschool. We hope you will join us for this fun night. **Purchase tickets at decaturfirfirst.org/auction**.
- 5. FEED A FAMILY.** The Engage Team is coordinating food boxes for local kids and families during the holidays. We will be putting together a total of 110 boxes for families to take home over Thanksgiving and Christmas break. The boxes and grocery lists for Thanksgiving will be available at the church on Sunday, November 3 and should be returned on Sunday, November 17. If you would like to support this local mission **contact Matt Hicks at hicksm914@gmail.com**, or just pick up a box on November 3 in the back of the sanctuary.

OTHER NEWS

HONDURAS MISSION TRIP • FEBRUARY 15-22, 2020 COST: \$850 (MEALS, LODGING) + AIRFARE (FARE VARIES). Contact Barbara McCullough (DFUMC) at barbaramccullough@me.com or Daniel Kasbohm (NDUMC) at dkasbohm@gmail.com. You may also participate as a prayer partner, assist in craft preparation or send in monetary contributions for trip costs.

PAIN SUPPORT GROUP • SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 • 11AM-12:30PM • GATHERING ROOM. The Pain Support Group is taking steps to spread awareness, education, direction and support to help those suffering from any pain condition. The group is in the quest to cure ankylosing spondylitis and related diseases, and to empower those affected to live life to the fullest. The group is for those in pain and their families and friends.