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## Weekly News & Updates

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## Following Jesus - Thriving in Community - Healing the World

**We Are an Inclusive Community of Faith  
Open and Affirming to the LGBTQIA Community and to All  
Committed to Living and Teaching the Love of Jesus Christ.**

Published Thursday, June 26, 2025

**I.C.E.: "IF you see I.C.E. behavior, please dial 916-382-0256 and report the place and time. Thank you."**

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## ***Sunday Morning Worship at 10 AM***

*Sunday Worship is livestreamed here:  
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(Please note that times posted on the calendar do not reflect actual meeting times)

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## Contemplative Worship June 29th

This week's Scripture:

[Ecclesiastes 3. 1-8 \(NRSVUE\)](#)

We subscribe to the use of inclusive language in scripture and in song lyrics, though our online sources often do not reflect our intention. Please pass along inclusive resources to our office as you find them. Thank you.

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## Prayer Support

Contact us: [prayerchain@davisumc.org](mailto:prayerchain@davisumc.org)

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## Generous Giving for Faithful Ministry

[eGiving](#) -- US Mail -- Offering Plate

**Click photos below for more details**

**New!**: the button below links to the special Pastor Retirement Gift form. You can also express your appreciation by texting "DAVISUMC Pastor" to 73256 to give using your mobile device.

[Thank you, Pastor Brandon](#)

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## Vital Signs

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE June 22nd

In-person	<b>98</b>
<u>Livestream</u>	<b>151</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>249</b>

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## Financial Updates

FINANCIAL UPDATE				
	Month of May	Year to Date Actual	Monthly To Date Avg Income Avg Expense	Difference Between "To Date" Actual Income & Annual Budgeted Expenses
INCOME	25,014	169,376	33,875.16	169,376
EXPENSES	29,036	180,590	36,118.03	417,298
NET	(4,022)	(11,214)	(2,243)	(247,922) *

\* Amount needed by Dec 31st to meet 2025 Budgeted Expenses  
Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness in funding our ministries of DUMC,  
please contact our pastor and/or office manager - 530-756-2170.

Financial Update



## Pastor's Update

Please take a moment to read the Pastor's Update for this week. It contains information about the UMC Annual Conference.

Pastor's Update

## From Children & Youth Ministry

Contact: Megan Houp -  
[dumckids@davisumc.org](mailto:dumckids@davisumc.org)

We are seeking adults to serve in key leadership or assistant roles, from working directly with the kids as an activity leader, helping prepare snack, or serving as a small group leader. To learn more or sign up, click here:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQL\\_Sd6X8INRi5DR5OXyL3wDnFCK1dU1TBxxE9luV9XNBQ\\_CO1RZQ/viewform?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQL_Sd6X8INRi5DR5OXyL3wDnFCK1dU1TBxxE9luV9XNBQ_CO1RZQ/viewform?usp=sharing)



## From Church Council

Contact: Dori Marshall -  
[dori\\_marshall@gmail.com](mailto:dori_marshall@gmail.com)

### Good News

Church Council met recently to begin training and discernment on the Simplified Accountable Structure form of administrative model for a more effective and mission-aligned way of operating. We envision our learning curve to be over the next six months with a coach and Pastor Emily's guidance.

All are welcome to come alongside as we discover more about this form of more nimble governance. For more information please contact me at [dori\\_marshall@gmail.com](mailto:dori_marshall@gmail.com).

Faithfully,  
Dori Marshall, Council Chair

## Service & Justice



### Special Offering for June: Davis Phoenix Coalition

Contact: Marge Matoba ([margematoba@gmail.com](mailto:margematoba@gmail.com)) and  
Susan Padgett ([spadgett2018@gmail.com](mailto:spadgett2018@gmail.com))

June is Pride Month, and this month's special offering goes to the **Davis Phoenix Coalition**, a local group that provides tremendous support for LGBTQ+ people.

The **Phoenix Coalition** engages the Davis community in their effort to eliminate hate and promote social justice. They sponsor various campaigns around LGBTQ+ issues such as films, rallies, speakers, yard signs ("Davis is for Everyone"), and newspaper articles. They support LGBTQ+ families through the "Rainbow Families Support Group" and Up-stander Carnival. They also offer visibility and resources with events like the Davis Pride Fest on June 7 and other Pride activities.

In these terrible times of culture war attacks on trans people, we feel it is especially important to continue to advance justice and inclusion for ALL God's children in the Davis community. By our giving we can show that DUMC honors and affirms the belovedness of LGBTQ+ people. **Please give generously.**

This month's Special Offering

Update to Special Offerings Collections

2025's Special Offerings Recipient List

**S&J Contacts:**

Marge Matoba ([margematoba@gmail.com](mailto:margematoba@gmail.com)) and  
Susan Padgett ([spadgett2018@gmail.com](mailto:spadgett2018@gmail.com))

**DUMC Service & Justice Ministry focuses on:**

- \* Housing and Homelessness
- \* Immigration
- \* Environmental Stewardship
- \* Fighting Hate



**Come Join Us! Contact Service & Justice via the E-mail links above or get in touch with the Church Office.**



☀️ Thank You, VBC Volunteers! ☀️

What an incredible week at Davis Progressive Vacation Bible Camp! None of it would have been possible without the energy, love, and dedication of our amazing volunteers. From helping with set up leading small groups, preparing snack, endless clean up, and showing up day after day with kindness and joy that you all helped to make this camp a place where children felt safe, seen, and deeply loved.

You lived out the message of God's love in every moment, and we are so grateful for your time, your hearts, and your hands. ❤️

Thank you for being part of this special ministry. We couldn't have done it without you!

With deep appreciation,  
Megan Houpt (DUMC), Kate Boxeth (DCC), and Lindsey Burns (LCI) Pamela Dolan (St. Martin's)

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## **Safe Parking Pilot Program**

*When: Summer 2025 (approximately July 1)*

*Where: Davis UMC*

*Contact: John Castelfranco - [johncastelfranco@att.net](mailto:johncastelfranco@att.net)  
or Susan Padgett - [spadgett2018@gmail.com](mailto:spadgett2018@gmail.com)*

Davis UMC is working with HEART of Davis (formerly Interfaith Rotating Winter Shelter) and Turning Point Community Programs, to launch a small, three-month Safe Parking pilot program using our parking lot. The program, which we expect will begin this summer, is based on the work of long-running, successful programs in Santa Barbara, Monterey (including at Pacific Grove UMC), and elsewhere.

For more information, click the button below. Please note that the program is confidential and for approved guests only. Please do NOT publicize the program on social media or elsewhere.

[Safe Parking Pilot](#)

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## **SUMMER BOOK STUDY 2025**

*When: Sundays starting this week, June 29th*

*Where: Davis UMC*

*Contact: Jim Cramer - [cramerjc@gmail.com](mailto:cramerjc@gmail.com)*

**Jonathan Blitzer, "Everyone Who Is Gone Is Here", Penguin Books, 2024**

As we have done for many years, during the summer Service & Justice supporters will participate in a summer book study instead of meeting with Forum speakers. Our book this summer is **"Everyone Who Is Gone Is Here"** by Jonathan Blitzer. One reviewer describes the book as a "sweeping history of humanitarian crises on the US-Mexican border and of the politics of immigration in Washington....What could be a complex story is a stunning epic woven around the lives of four individuals seeking sanctuary from the death squads and murderous gangs that at different times dominated their homelands....this is a novelistic account rather than a tract, and his tale is beautifully told."

While tracing the life histories of four individuals from Central America, Blitzer describes the violent and oppressive conditions in their homelands that force them to leave and their experiences struggling to immigrate to the US. He also describes US complicity in creating or condoning those conditions and the evolution of US policy aimed at regulating or restricting immigration from those conditions. Finally he briefly describes their experiences in the US as undocumented immigrants and in some cases their experiences with deportation.

We will meet weekly on Sundays following service (our Forum meeting time). Our first meeting will be June 29 to review the weekly reading assignments and plan how we will conduct discussions. If possible acquire the book by then and read pages 1-5. The book can be ordered on line or requested from Avid Reader and costs about \$21. It is essentially not available from the library as there are over 50 requests for it already. The book is long and we will read only selected pages, about 25-30 pages each week. It is totally engaging so you will be tempted to read more. Our first "discussion" meeting will be July 6 when we will discuss pages 9-36.

## United Women of Faith

**Contact:** Rosa Olson (530-601-8024 / [golson7373@aol.com](mailto:golson7373@aol.com))



The UWF meets third Thursdays monthly.



## HOSTS Needed for Fellowship at DUMC *Immediately after Worship*

We are seeking hosts, please contact  
Rosa Olson (530-601-8024 / [golson7373@aol.com](mailto:golson7373@aol.com))

Each week there is Fellowship with simple refreshments;  
please come enjoy time together. Refreshments are provided  
by the Ministries at the church.

Please contact Rosa if you are interested in being a host!

## Opportunity to serve in the DUMC Meal Ministry

**Contact:** Helen Roland ([hroland2@gmail.com](mailto:hroland2@gmail.com))

**This ministry has a great need for more people to  
help make home made meals!**



When a person or family in our congregation is dealing  
with an illness or welcoming a new baby or grieving a  
death, our church **meal ministry** will step in and arrange  
meals for them.

To learn more or sign up, please contact Helen  
Roland [hroland2@gmail.com](mailto:hroland2@gmail.com)

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