



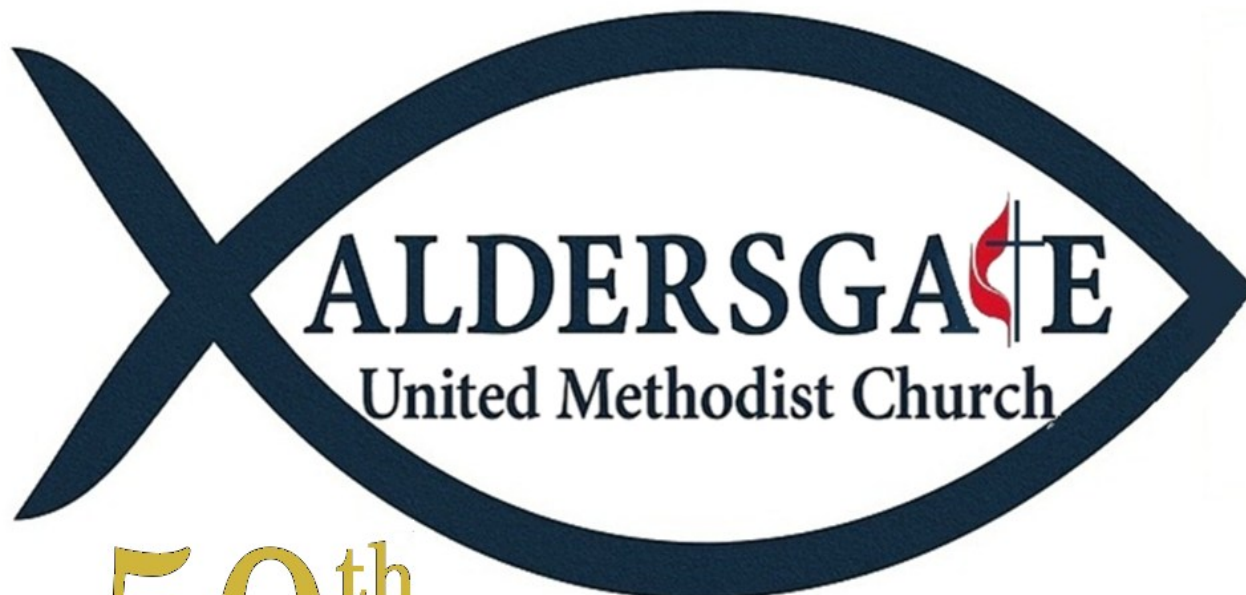
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Aldersgate United Methodist Church

April 2026

"Sharing the living Christ through life-changing service and love"



50th ANNIVERSARY

Weekly activities in the life of our Church:

Sundays

Small Groups: 9am Cokesbury

Coffee: 10am The New Room

Worship: 10:30am Sanctuary

Youth: 5:30pm Epworth

Tuesdays

Something's Brewing: 9am Genesis

Slidell Synch: 6pm JWC

Care Team: 7pm Cokesbury

Wednesdays

Prayer Shawl Ministry: 5 :30pm Bell Room

CrossWalk Praise Band: 6pm Sanctuary

Wesleyan Choir Rehearsal: 7pm Sanctuary

A LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Hello and Happy Spring!

A Vital Church

Scripture tells us what makes a vital, thriving congregation. In Acts 2, we learn about the very first experience of the church, the actions of a community of believers. In truth, it has not changed much over two millennia.

The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the community, to their shared meals, and to their prayers. All the believers were united and shared everything. Every day, they met together in the temple and ate in their homes. They shared food with gladness and simplicity. They praised God and demonstrated God's goodness to everyone. The Lord added daily to the community those who were being saved.

Aldersgate is that church. We worship together, study together, break bread and eat together, and we support our church financially. We are a vital church. Yes, we struggle financially, but we are paying our bills. We would also like more people to worship with us. But hear me...Aldersgate is a vital church. We have meaningful worship, we have active study groups, and our community outreach is phenomenal. Know that, and also know it's not the time to get too comfortable.

Look at that last statement in the scripture. "The Lord added to their number daily." I have always been a firm believer that when your heart is right, God sends people to you. When a church wants to grow, it's often because they need to do it. We want more people because. We need more money, or we need more children and young people. Having a heart to teach people about Jesus is different. God is sending people to us. We are working towards improving our efforts at welcoming and receiving them. Let's be sure our hearts are set on sharing Jesus, so God can send the people who need Jesus, to us.

Love and Peace,

Mollie



UPCOMING EVENTS

AUMC invites you to our

5th Sunday Potluck

Bring a dish and try a little bit
of everything. See you there!

May 31st

Directly after worship
in our John Wesley Center

JWC will be unlocked
before Sunday School so
you can drop off your
dishes. The warming
shelves will be on to keep
your dish hot.



ALDRSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
"SUPPORT OUR MISSIONS FUNDRAISER"

2nd Annual **GOLF** TOURNAMENT



4 PERSON SCRAMBLE - SHOTGUN START
\$75 PER PERSON, INCLUDES GOLF CART, RANGE BALLS, FOOD AND GIFT BAG
\$100 - HOLE SPONSORS

\$500 - CORPORATE SPONSOR - INCLUDES TEAM OF 4, HOLE
SPONSORSHIP FRONT & BACK NINE

\$750 - CORPORATE SPONSOR - INCLUDES 2 TEAMS OF 4, HOLE
SPONSORSHIP FRONT & BACK NINE

Mulligan Packages and Raffle Tickets Available



CONTACT SCOTT DUTTON (985) 768-6021 OR
SADUTTON@BELLSOUTH.NET OR
MARY ANN DUTTON (985) 502-8247

PINEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

405 Country Club Blvd. Slidell, LA 70458

CHECK IN Nov. 6th **TEE TIME**
11 AM **FRIDAY** **NOON**

REGISTRATION : <https://aldersgateslidell.shelbnextchms.com/external/form/ae7fe2d2-c810-49cc-9644-c9c5f95571da>

Mother's Day

Breakfast Fundraiser for the youth
summer mission trip!

Pancakes, eggs, bacon, coffee and
juice will be served.

Please RSVP by May 7th Call the church office at
(985) 641-5829 or email Cecilia@aldersgate-slidell.org

May 10, from 8:30 till 10,
in our John Wesley Center!!
Mom's eat free, everyone else,
donations appreciated.



Scan the QR
code to donate
ahead of time
and RSVP to
the youth
fundraiser

Sponsored by the Men's Club!!



UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



Scan for Volunteer registration

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Phillipians 4:13



Scan for camper registration

We are aware that not everyone is able to volunteer. If you are able to make any donations for supplies or snacks for our volunteers, our list will be coming soon. A sign up sheet will be in the back of the Sanctuary soon. We also need props of snow gear and anything for cold weather. Please label these donations accordingly.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

SUNDAY

Mornings
9:00am

CONTACT

Jay@aldersgate-slidell.org

SUNDAY

Nights
5:30 - 7:00pm

SUNDAY SCHOOL
AND YOUTH MEET
IN THE
EPWORTH
BUILDING

Youth Envelope Fundraiser:

Envelopes are located by the entrance of the church. Take an envelope with a money amount on it, return the envelope with that amount in it. Youth are raising funds for their summer mission trip.
Jay@aldersgate-slidell.org

***Senior Sunday is May 17th, reception to follow.
*Mission Trip date is July 5th to Delta Grace**

CHILDREN'S NEWS

Sunday School time and locations:

PreK 3 to 2nd grade

Ms. Lauryn Davella and Ms. Dede Ricard

Cokesbury Room 202

3rd and 4th grade

Ms. Madeline Malchow

Cokesbury Room 209

5th and 6th grade

Ms. Jamie Bissett

Cokesbury Room 203

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



**Calling All Volunteers!
We Need Your Help!**

Step out of your comfort zone!!

Aldersgate UMC is always needing volunteers for a variety of activities on our campus.

*Nursery Helpers

*Office Volunteers

*Ushers/Greeters

*Hospitality-for coffee and snacks

*Tech on Sunday Morning

Contact Cecilia if you would like to help out.

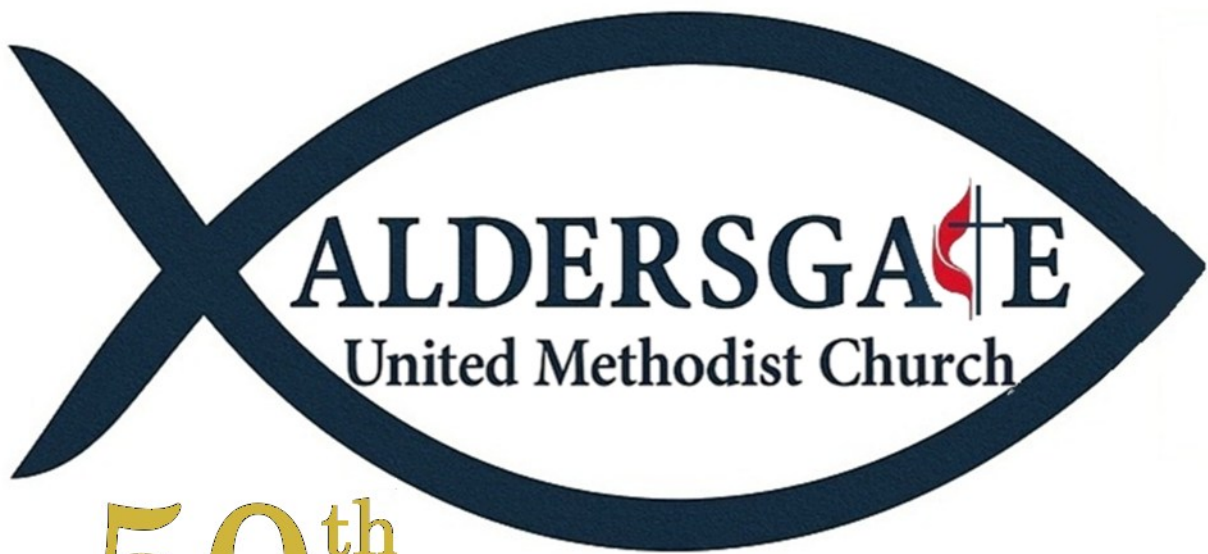
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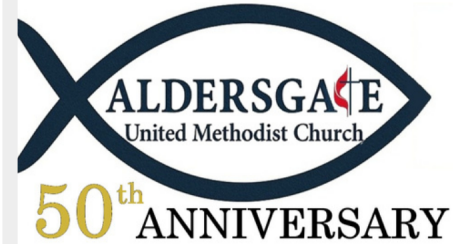
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ACCESS OUR LINK TREE SITE FOR THE MONTHLY UPDATES.

[HTTPS://LINKTR.EE/AUMC50YEARS](https://linktr.ee/aumc50years)

FILL OUT THE INTEREST FORM SO WE HAVE THE BEST WAY TO REACH YOU!!

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SAVE THE DATES

Jan. 11
&
Oct. 2-4
2026



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Aldersgate UMC is turning 50 in 2026



BACKPACK BLESSINGS

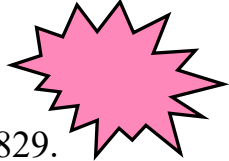
Feeding Kids for the In Between Times

The Mission is to provide supplemental nourishment to children who are at risk due to a variety of circumstances.

ANY GROUP ON CAMPUS *or* ANY INDIVIDUAL (this means you) is wanted and welcome to help with this much needed feeding ministry that is caring for our littlest ones in the surrounding community.

Do you have questions, or would like more information?

Please contact Cylinda Barron or the Church Office for help with questions. 985-641-5829.



CHECK OUT OUR NEW FACEBOOK PAGE! LIKE & SHARE

You now have several options to Sponsor a child. Please scan the QR code provided to learn more.

You can also sponsor a child in Memory or Honor of someone. We will send a card to those who are Honored so they know a donation was made in their name!



Slidell Synch Membership is open to women 18 years and older. Practice is Tuesday nights at 5:30 p.m. in the John Wesley Center. Come see how we make the magic. Call Suzie Hunt at 985-768-6294 or go to Slidell Synch Facebook page for more information.

*Open House is April 28th, at 6pm, in the John Wesley Center.



JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP EACH SUNDAY MORNING ON CAMPUS OR ONLINE.

SERVICES ARE LIVE STREAMED ON FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE

WORSHIP TIME

WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:00 AM

COFFEE TIME - 10:00 AM

SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY - COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP IN THE NEW ROOM

SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS 9AM

LOOKING FOR A SUNDAY SMALL GROUP CLASS TO ATTEND BEFORE SUNDAY WORSHIP? LOOK NO FURTHER!

Cornerstone - Cokesbury 205

Cornerstone is a vibrant, welcoming class for adults in every stage of life – young or old, married or single, and everyone in between. Together, we explore practical ways to live out our Christian faith in the rhythms of everyday life. Each Sunday, we listen for God's call amid the noise and busyness of the week, engaging in thoughtful, lively conversations grounded in Scripture. Beyond our weekly gatherings, we also enjoy

The Adventurers - Cokesbury 206

Our studies range from scriptural (recent study was the Disciple Fast Track New Testament Study) to theological (e.g. Adam Hamilton). We look to the Wesleyan quadrilateral: scripture, reason, tradition, and experience to form and ground our beliefs. We strive to be accepting, thoughtful and attentive to beliefs different from our own. We embrace the concept of life-changing service. We enjoy food, fun and fellowship. Join us.

The Contemporary Class - Cokesbury 207


We are a group of young adults - from those starting the adult journey to those in the process of raising the next generation. A contemporary class, we're learning how to do life together in Christ and addressing the issues people face in today's world. Come as you are, take a break from your busy life and join us for great discussion each week.


TITHES & CHURCH INFORMATION



	March 2026	Year to Date
Income	\$ 26,989.62	\$119,216.71
Expense	\$ 44,933.92	\$131,806.15
Loss	(17,944.30)	(\$12,589.44)

 **SHELBY NEXT GIVING APP**
You can download the ShelbyNext app to your phone and give anytime from your mobile device.

 **AUMC WEBSITE**
Visit our website: www.aldersgate-slidell.org and click on the "Online Giving" option at the top/right of your screen. You have the option of giving a one time gift or you can select the "Make this Gift Recurring" and never have to worry about missing a tithe or offering again.

 **AUTOMATED**
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) is a convenient way to give. Simply specify your amount and frequency and provide account information to our Financial Secretary, Jon Nelson, at jon@aldersgate-slidell.org. This will ensure your gifts are received regularly without having to worry each month. NO credit card processing fees.

MAIL The USPS is still delivering mail. Your gift/tithe can still be mailed to:
Aldersgate UMC
360 Robert Blvd.
Slidell, LA. 70458



Secretary's locked office.

EXTERNAL DEPOSIT
If you are out and want to save a stamp, you can drop your offering off at church through our "Church Drop Box" slot located in the alcove by the side door. This drop box leads straight into the Financial



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