

MEMORIAL DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

End-of-Year Celebration & Church Conference

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GATHER

Welcome & Prayer

Rev. Jennifer Gros

Greeting

Rev. R. DeAndre Johnson

Church Conference

Rev. Elizabeth Duffin

Looking Back: *What is something that you want to celebrate as a church that God has done in or through you since the last charge conference?*

Looking Around: *What do you see happening in your neighborhood that God has equipped this congregation to address?*

Looking Ahead: *What most excites you about your church's future?*

CELEBRATION

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Dr. Stephen Martin & Kemble Witt

Introduction

Rev. Michael Jarboe

2023 In Review

Two Minute Testimonies

Cindy Mood

Dana Gary

Barbara Mitchell

Isaac & Elliot Young

Jeff & Jenny Simmons

Senior Pastor's Report

Dr. Brad Morgan

Prayer & Benediction

“The Blessing”

Dr. Stephen Martin & Kemble Witt

2024 COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

CHURCH COUNCIL

The Church Council serves as the highest decision making body of the church and works with the Senior Pastor to set vision and direction for the church. Additionally, the Church Council serves as the Charge Conference between annual Church Conferences.

Chair: Jennifer Blaine

Lay Leader: Greg Nelson, Sr.

Senior Pastor: Dr. Brad Morgan

Senior Associate Pastor:

Rev. Michael Jarboe

Chief Operating Officer:

Sean Kennedy

Class of 2024:

Jennifer Blaine

Scott McKnight

Jud Martin

Class of 2025:

Jacqueline Shumate

Skip Ward

Rebecca Wagstaff

Class of 2026:

Jeff Simmons

Walker Agnew Jr.

Nina Wohlwend

Youth Member: Lucy Noguera

STAFF/PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The SPR Committee functions as the principle personnel committee for the congregation, responsible for both appointed and employed staff.

Chair: Greg Nelson, Jr.

Lay Leader: Greg Nelson, Sr.

Class of 2024:

Greg Nelson, Jr.

Trudy Nix

Katie Miller

Class of 2025:

David Hammer

Pam Brien

Gerald Long

Class of 2026:

Tyler Woodby

Chris Couch

Kay Meyers

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees functions as the legal representatives of the congregation and has supervision, oversight, and care of all real property and equipment.

Chair Elected by Board:

Kristen Kozel

Class of 2024:

Ashley Kerr

Eric Williams

Joe Nelson

Class of 2025:

Michael Mitchell

Peggy Stilwell

Ryan Stepler

Class of 2026:

Bruce Madison

Laura Boldt

Ralph Devine

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Nominations Committee is charged with identifying, developing, and encouraging lay leadership for the congregation that will enable it to most effectively carry out its mission.

Chair: Dr. Brad Morgan	Class of 2024:	Class of 2025:	Class of 2026:
Lay Leader: Greg Nelson, Sr.	C. A. Williams	Haley Melbourn	Heather Willard
Senior Associate Pastor:	Leah Tepera	Deana McElroy	Caro Ann German
Rev. Michael Jarboe	Randy Lee	Jenni Emery	Reagan Griffith
	Ric Smith	Currie Evans	

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee is charged with oversight of the congregation's financial life including the raising, receiving, and administering of funds contributed for the annual operating budget, building or debt retirement, and designated accounts.

Chair: Jeremy Garner	Class of 2024:	Class of 2025:	Class of 2026:
Lay Leader: Greg Nelson, Sr.	Jeff Treadway	Stephen Hand	Nancy Gifford
Senior Pastor: Dr. Brad Morgan	Andy Merryman	Jeremy Garner	Lisa Lejeune
Senior Associate Pastor:	Scott Neal	D'Lisia Bergeron	Blake Kirshman
Rev. Michael Jarboe	Matt Armand		Brian McElroy
Chief Operating Officer:			
Sean Kennedy			

CARING FOREVER FOUNDATION BOARD

The Caring Forever Foundation is a 501(c)3 corporation and applies its contributions to its permanent endowment funds. Earnings from our endowment funds enable the Foundation to make grants and scholarships as well as cover administrative costs.

Executive Director: Stacy Stepler	Class of 2024:	Class of 2025:	Class of 2026:
Administrator: Lisa Nelson	Ross Robinson	Elaine White	Kim Bradshaw
Senior Pastor: Dr. Brad Morgan	Larissa McLean	Kelly Johnson	John Aven
Lay Leader: Greg Nelson, Sr.	Tricia Brice	Marty Ontko	Jan Whitehead
Chair: Kelly Johnson	Erin Valdez		

LAY DELEGATES TO TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

John French, Stacy Stepler, Jeff Simmons, Allyson George, Art McGimsey, Linda McGimsey
Alternates: Susan Garfield, Gerald Long

MEMBERSHIP & GENEROSITY

END-OF-YEAR GOAL

THROUGH THE END OF OCTOBER WE ARE IN NEED OF \$1.575 MILLION TO COVER ALL REMAINING KNOWN EXPENSES.

ATTENDANCE

*Average Weekly Attendance
in 2023 (Online & In Person)*

1,207



BAPTISMS

52



NEW MEMBERS

199



CONFIRMANDS

77



**# OF GIVING HOUSEHOLDS
(YTD IN 2023)**



**NEW GIVING HOUSEHOLDS
(YTD IN 2023)**

2024 BUDGET

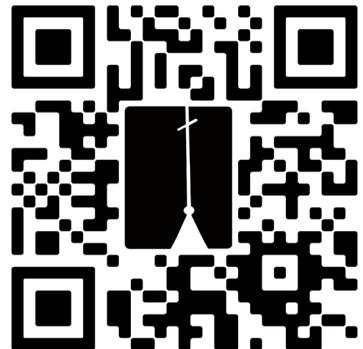
Budget	\$5,980,529.90
Salaries and Benefits	\$3,670,143.17
Apportionments	\$429,829.94
Missions and Other Expenses	\$1,880,556.79
Clergy Compensation	\$755,376.81

WHAT TO SHARE

- Your generosity helps MDUMC move forward in learning, living, giving, and serving, and shares God's love with our neighbors. Every event, worship service, missions opportunity, and update to our spaces is made possible by your generosity. Learn about all the ways you can share your resources via mdumc.org/give.
- There are many ways to find community this Advent! Find a full schedule of upcoming Christmas concerts, Live Nativity, worship opportunities and more on the back of your program or via mdumc.org/advent.

Your gifts make a difference.

Disciples of Jesus give of their time, energy, and resources to the local church to enable the sharing of the gospel. All the ministries that enable MDUMC to better serve God and neighbor, here and around the world, are made possible by dedicated giving. One of the easiest ways to give is to set up an automated weekly, monthly, or quarterly recurring gift by scanning this code with your smartphone camera or via mdumc.org/give.



ADVENT SCHEDULE

Children's Choirs Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 3 | 3 PM | Main Campus Sanctuary

Live Nativity

Tuesday, December 12 | 5:30, 6, & 6:30 PM | Main Campus Gym

See the story of Christmas come to life in this presentation by our MDUMC Youth. Tickets are available at the door for \$5 per family or \$2 for an individual.

O Holy Night Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 17 | 6:30 PM | Main Campus Sanctuary

Our music ministry joins together to present a Christmas concert featuring a 70 voice choir, 30 piece orchestra, the Agape choir, Journey worship band, and Covenant Carillon.

Service of the Longest Night

Monday, December 18 | 6:30 PM | The Journey Worship Center

Our Service of the Longest Night is a safe and sacred space to mourn the losses and griefs of the year, to let the tears flow for the hurting places in our own lives, as well as for our country and our world.

Traveler's Eve Christmas Worship

Wednesday, December 20 | 6:30 PM | Main Campus Sanctuary

A Christmas Eve worship service for all who will be out of town on December 24.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 24 | 9:30 AM | Both Campuses

The last Sunday of Advent celebration before Christmas Eve worship.

Christmas Eve Worship

Sunday, December 24

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP | 11 AM | MAIN CAMPUS SANCTUARY

CLASSIC WORSHIP | 4 & 6 PM | MAIN CAMPUS SANCTUARY

JOURNEY WORSHIP | 3, 5, & 7 PM | THE JOURNEY

SERVICE OF PEACE | 11 PM | MAIN CAMPUS SANCTUARY

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