



Darlington and Fayette United Methodist Churches October 2025



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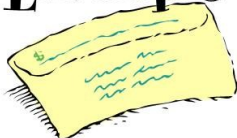



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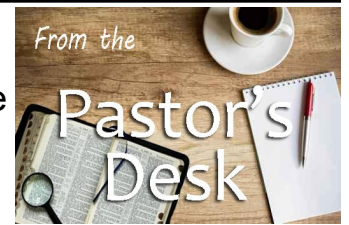


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**WORSHIP
LEADERS**

Greetings to friends in Darlington and Fayette,

I am writing this newsletter article before we meet in person. While some of you may have already heard a brief introduction about me, I would like to take a moment to share a little more.



My name is Han Yoon Lee. I was born and raised in South Korea as the eldest child of a pastor. My father has been serving in the Korean Methodist Church, faithfully leading a congregation he planted 36 years ago. He is now looking forward to retirement in the coming years.

At the age of 18, I came to the United States to attend college and studied Interior Design at Arizona State University. After graduation, I returned to South Korea to fulfill my military duty. Later, I entered seminary, went through the ordination process, and was ordained as an elder in 2018.

During seminary, I met my wife, Myungsu (her name is pronounced quickly as “me-young-sue”). She was also studying theology at the time. While we were praying together about our future—even before my ordination—God led us to pursue studies abroad. Following God’s call, we came to Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Illinois after my ordination. There, I studied both the Master of Divinity (MDiv) and Master of Theological Studies (MTS) programs, while Myungsu earned a Master of Arts in Pastoral Care and Counseling (MAPCC).

During my seminary years, I was given the opportunity to serve as an intern pastor through the school’s internship program at Yorkville UMC in Union Grove, under the leadership of Pastor Sue Leih. Although it was during the challenges of COVID, I learned a great deal from her and from the congregation. That experience was my first encounter with the people of Wisconsin churches, and it left a wonderful impression—so much so that my wife and I felt drawn to serve in Wisconsin and in the Wisconsin Conference of the UMC.

After graduation, I received my first appointment at Immanuel UMC in Jefferson. Over the past three years, I have grown as a pastor while serving alongside a wonderful congregation. It has been a blessing to share in ministry both inside the church and in the wider community. God has poured out many blessings on me, my ministry, and my family. When we first came to Wisconsin, it was just the two of us—but this June, our family grew with the joyful arrival of our daughter, Ashlynn.

Now, as I mark my third year of full-time ministry, I have been praying for a new leap in faith and service. Though this transition came suddenly and unexpectedly, I trust that God is the one who leads us, often in ways we may not anticipate, for His glory and the good of His people. I believe He has called me and my family to a new and wonderful

place, with new people to love and serve.

I am deeply excited to meet my new church family in Darlington and Fayette UMC. I look forward to getting to know each of you in person, discovering what God has prepared for us, and journeying together into the next chapter of faith.

With love in Christ and many blessings, **Pastor Han**

Welcome Rev. Han Lee!
Rev Lee begins October 1!

Help our New Pastor get acquainted with you and Darlington



Rev. Han Lee *with* wife
Myungsu and baby Ashlynn

Here are some ways you can do that:

- Come to church and say hello to him at least three times in the first couple months so he can learn your name and you can learn his
- Invite him to coffee, Bible Study, or other group events
- Introduce yourself every time you see him
- Introduce him to others when you see him in public
- Volunteer to serve on Sunday mornings
- Offer to walk (or drive) around town to show them around
- Share sports and City event schedules with him
- Send him a personal email hanlee.pastor@gmail.com



Are You Interested in Hosting a Cottage Visit!

Everyone is invited to host and/or participate in a cottage visit with Pastor Han and his family. We are looking for willing individuals to invite Pastor Han and 8-12 people to their home or to the church for a visit.

Wednesday or Thursdays, at your home or at the church...sign up today to host a cottage visit.

Becky Upmann will help us organize dates, times, and people. If you are willing to host, please contact Becky at, darlingtonumc@gmail.com or leave a message at the church office 776-4114.





A Warm Welcome

There are many ways to welcome our new pastor. Here are some that we gathered from the Lewis Center for Church Leadership, prepared by Robert Crossman.

1. Open your hearts and decide that you are going to love your new pastor.
2. Begin praying daily for the new pastor and family, even as you continue to pray for your departing pastor and family.
3. Send cards of welcome and encouragement to the incoming pastor.
4. Know that welcoming your new pastor in genuine and effective ways lays the ground work for a healthy and vital relationship and the development of stable, long-term ministries together.
5. Do not invite the former pastor to return for weddings, funerals, or baptisms. This allows your former pastor to engage fully with his or her new congregation, and it establishes your new pastor as everyone's pastor from the beginning.
6. Invite the new pastor to any social events held by Sunday School classes or other groups in the early months.
7. Introduce yourself to the pastor repeatedly! You have one name to learn; your pastor has many names to learn.
8. Wear name tags. Even if name tags are not a tradition, the congregation can wear them for a few weeks to help the pastor learn names.
9. Offer to help arrange small group sessions to meet and talk with the congregation.
10. Create a "church yellow pages" (a list of people in the church who have specific skills that a newcomer may find beneficial.... auto mechanic, doctor, dentist, dry cleaners, book store, office supply, etc.).
11. Introduce the new pastor to public and community leaders.
12. Take the new pastor to your meeting of the organizations or civic clubs you belong to.

WELCOME RECEPTION

Rev. Han Lee

October 12, 2025
Following Worship @ Darlington UMC

You're invited to a come-and-go reception to greet our new pastor, Rev Han Lee, and his family. Enjoy some refreshments and snacks.

Consider writing the Lee's a note and/or enclosing a gift card to one of your local favorite restaurants or activities.



Extra Giving from Offering Envelopes during the Month of September

- In Memory of Henrich Deckman given by Owen & Ruth Thompson.
- In Memory of Jerry Davis given by Michael Furgal.
- In Honor of Marian Seffrood's Birthday given by Allen & Carolyn Abraham.
- In Honor of Owen & Ruth Thompsons Anniversary given by Ric & Donna Douglas.
- In Honor of Rev InSun & SunJung given by Allen & Carolyn Abraham.
- In Honor of Rev InSun & SunJung given by Bill & Jamie Smith.



Add your loved ones or friends to this list by filling out your offering envelope and designating an **extra** amount to be given in Memory or in Honor of someone to celebrate a Birthday or Anniversary. It's a great way to acknowledge those special people in your life. The amounts will never be listed!

Online Giving & Mobile Giving

Go to <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZJ3M/home> for our online giving version or download the app in your Apple or Google Play app. Enter with church code **FS4XM7**. Thank you for your continued support to the church.



A look at the Darlington numbers for August

Income	\$ 13,146.40
Expenses	- 12,375.44
Difference	\$ 770.96

YTD 2025

YTD Income	\$ 108,364.05
YTD Expenses	- 100,961.53
YTD	\$7,402.52

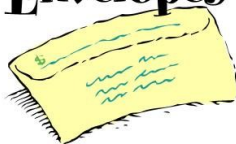
2025 Apportionment Total - \$28,488

Paid YTD - \$9,441
Balance Left for 2025- \$ 19,047
Percentage paid - 33.14%

Giving Envelopes

Its that time of year again where the office orders giving envelopes. It has come to my attention that some people do not want to get envelopes. So, I'm asking that if you would still like to receive your yearly giving envelopes to let the office know before October 31 and I would be happy to order them for you.

Offering Envelopes



Thank you for your continued support of the church.

Becky Upmann, Financial Secretary

3rd Quarter Giving Statements will be sent out in the next few weeks. Please review your statement for accuracy and let Becky in the office know if you have any discrepancies.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS!





Religious Education Starts



Religious Education

Religious Education will start on October 8. If you have a child in grades 1st-8th, please let Jamie Smith or the church office know so we can update our list. If you are willing to serve or lead, contact the office. Or be ready to say yes when contacted!

SPRC Meeting

SPRC (Staff Pastor Relations Committee) will have a meeting on Thursday, October 9 at 6:30 p.m. Any questions contact Judy Whalen, SPRC Chair.



Drop off donations today!



Darlington Harvest Auction

Our annual Darlington Harvest Auction will be held on Wednesday, October 15. Please donate items to sell, come and eat, and purchase from the auction. **This is our big fundraiser of the year!**

Donate items like: baked goods, canned goods, craft items, gift certificates and anything your creative mind can imagine.

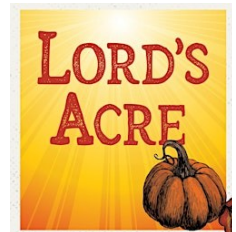
The United Methodist Men will be serving a sandwich supper starting at 4:30pm. The auction will get under way at 6:30pm.

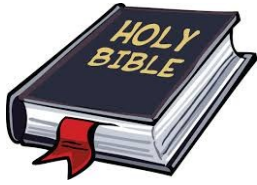
Fayette Lord's Acre Sale

The "Lord's Acre Auction" will take place at Fayette UMC on Saturday, November 1. A variety of handmade crafts, household items, baked goods, certificates from area businesses, and more will be available for bidding.

Come out and share in the fun of this annual fund raising event (and bring your family & friends too).

Lunch begins at 11:00AM with the auction to follow at 12:30PM.





Sunday, Oct 19

Bring your Bible to Worship as we celebrate our 3rd Grade Bible recipients.



All Saint's Day: November 2

On Sunday, Nov 2 during our worship, we will light a candle and read the names of our loved ones who have passed into eternal life **in the last year.**

WE NEED THE NAMES OF YOUR LOVED ONES.



If you have lost someone in the **last year** and would like their name shared during worship, please get the name to the office by phone or email by Monday, October 27.

We will remember with you all of the saints that have gone before us into eternal life.

The Choir will be singing on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

Choir practice will be on Wednesday nights at 7pm the week prior to singing. If it is a Sunday that they sing, they will have practice at 9 a.m. to run thru the songs.

We are looking for more people to join the choir. If you are interested please contact Doug Kelly.

Choir Practice for the month of October

- Wednesday October 1 7pm
- Sunday October 5 9am
- Wednesday October 15 7pm
- Sunday October 19 9am



Rosie's Bags

Rosie Bags are back and looking for donations. Rosie Bags send a weekend snack bag home with about 40 DEMS students per week. With rising costs and growing number of students in need, our funds over time have depleted quickly. We are asking for **monetary or food donations** to help offset the cost of snacks for our needy students. Any questions, please reach out to Danielle Hardyman or Jamie Hartwig.

If you would like to donate to this program, submit donations in the offering plate or send to the church office. Please mark donations "Rosie's Bags".

Thank you for your support.



"Faith over Fear"

"God did not give us a spirit of fear, but of power and love and self-discipline." — 2 Timothy 1:7

Fear is not always loud. Sometimes it whispers.

It whispers "What if it's not enough?" "What if we don't meet the goal?" "What if people don't step up?"

And for individuals: "What if I give and regret it?" "What if I need this later?"

These are natural questions. In fact, they're part of being human. But if fear is the only voice we listen to, we'll always play it safe - and the mission God gives us will always feel slightly out of reach.

Stewardship - real, spiritual stewardship - is not about coaxing money from people. It's about forming people in faith. It's about inviting one another to live boldly in response to God's generosity.

Faith says, "God has provided before. God will provide again."

Faith says, "This gift matters. It's not the size - it's the trust behind it."

Faith says, "We are called to be faithful, not fearful."

If your church is entering a stewardship season or making financial plans for next year, listen to the questions - but don't let fear lead. What God has planned for your church isn't rooted in fear, but in power, love, and self-discipline.

Rev. Jason Mahnke, Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation

NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE READING PLAN SCHEDULE – OCTOBER 2025

(Schedule-Read one chapter **each weekday** to complete the New Testament in one year.)

<u>End of Week (Saturday)</u>	<u>Chapters Completed</u>	<u>Check-off</u>
October 4	II Timothy 2	_____
October 11	Titus 3	_____
October 18	Hebrews 4	_____
October 25	Hebrews 9	_____

(Progress Milestone: 213 chapters read – 81.9% of the New Testament)

OLD TESTAMENT SELECTED BIBLE READINGS SCHEDULE – OCTOBER 2025

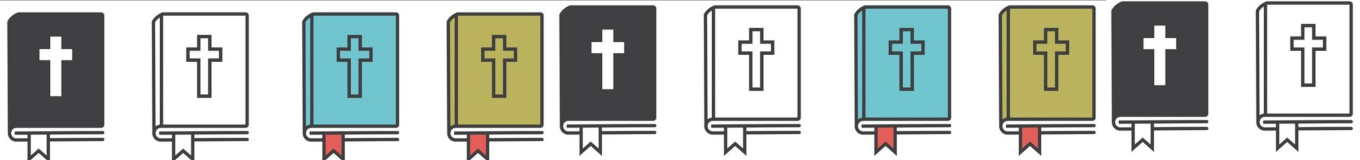
(Read one chapter **each weekday** to complete Year 2025 Old Testament readings.)

<u>End of Week (Saturday)</u>	<u>Chapters Completed</u>	<u>Check-off</u>
October 4	Joel 1	_____
October 11	Amos 3	_____
October 18	Amos 8	_____
October 25	Jonah 3	_____

(Progress Milestone: 213 chapters read – 85.2% of the Books of the Prophets)

Darlington & Fayette United Methodist Churches
DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN FOR OCTOBER 2025

___ 10/01/25 Psalm 137	Lament – Exiles in Babylon
___ 10/02/25 I Peter 5:1-9	Stand Firm in Your Faith
___ 10/03/25 Romans 4:16-25	Abraham Had a Strong Faith
___ 10/04/25 II Timothy 1:1-14	Encouragement to Be Faithful
___ 10/05/25 Luke 17:5-10	Faith as a Mustard Seed
(World Communion Sunday – October 5)	
___ 10/06/25 Psalm 66:1-12	God Tests and Refines
___ 10/07/25 II Chronicles 36:11-21	The Fall of Jerusalem-Exile to Babylon
___ 10/08/25 Jeremiah 29:1-7	A Letter to the Exiles in Babylon
___ 10/09/25 Ephesians 1:7-14	The Gospel – The Word of Truth
___ 10/10/25 II Timothy 2:8-15	Correctly Handle the Word of Truth
___ 10/11/25 Psalm 107:17-22	The Lord Heals and Rescues
___ 10/12/25 Luke 17:11-19	Ten Healed of Leprosy
___ 10/13/25 Psalm 119:97-104	Meditate on God’s Law
___ 10/14/25 Jeremiah 31:27-34	The Lord’s New Covenant With Israel
___ 10/15/25 Deuteronomy 6:4-9	God’s Commandments Upon Our Hearts
___ 10/16/25 II Timothy 3:14-17	All Scripture Is God-Breathed
___ 10/17/25 II Timothy 4:1-5	False Teachings – False Doctrine
___ 10/18/25 Proverbs 21:1-3	The Lord Weighs the Heart
___ 10/19/25 Luke 18:1-8	The Parable of the Persistent Widow
___ 10/20/25 Psalm 65	God Hears Prayer and Forgives
___ 10/21/25 Joel 2:23-32	The Day of the Lord
___ 10/22/25 I Corinthians 9:24-27	Crown That Will Last Forever
___ 10/23/25 II Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	Crown of Righteousness
___ 10/24/25 Obadiah 1:1-10	Edom’s Pride Will Bring Destruction
___ 10/25/25 II Chronicles 32:24-26	King Hezekiah –Repented of His Pride
___ 10/26/25 Luke 18:9-14	Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector
(Reformation Sunday – October 26)	
___ 10/27/25 II Corinthians 10:12-18	Do Not Commend Yourself
___ 10/28/25 Mark 12:38-40	Jesus Warns Against Religious Leaders
___ 10/29/25 Habakkuk 1:1-4	Habakkuk’s Complaint
___ 10/30/25 Habakkuk 2:1-4	The Righteous Live By Faith
___ 10/31/25 Psalm 119:137-144	The Lord’s Testimonies are Righteous



October Lectionary

October 5

**17th Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday**

Lamentations 1:1-6
Psalm 137
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10

October 12

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Psalm 66:1-12
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19

October 19

**19th Sunday after Pentecost
Laity Sunday**

Jeremiah 31:27-34
Psalm 119:97-104
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Luke 18:1-8

October 26

**20th Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday**

Joel 2:23-32
Psalm 65
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14



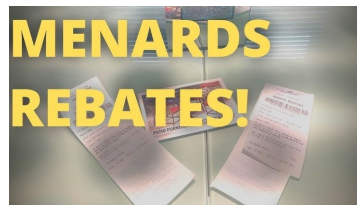
Thank you to the wonderful people who have signed up to help get ready, serve and deliver our Annual Roast Beef Supper. We wouldn't be able to do it with out you. Also, thank you to our wonderful bakers for making the desserts. You are all so appreciated.



Helping the Church

Feel called to help out the church but cant figure out a way to do it..... Do you shop at Menards???

If you do then consider keeping your rebates for the church. If you don't send them in and want to donate, either send them to the Church, attention Vickie Pratt, Treasurer, or drop them in the collection plate. They can use your donated reward dollars to purchase supplies. THANK YOU.



During this time of transition it's a great opportunity to take a look at all that is happening in our church, how we present to our contingent and what we present to the world.

If you notice a sign, or a policy, or an outdated item: would you notify the office?

Take a look at our online presence--read through the content to be sure that it aligns with our churches mission and our purpose: Darlingtonumc.com

Update your email contact for Pastor to: hanlee.pastor@gmail.com

Watch the newspapers and signs around town for old information that needs updating.





- Oct 2 Boone Havens
- Oct 2 Jerry Lindsay
- Oct 3 Scott Douglas
- Oct 4 Karri McCarthy
- Oct 5 Linda Bawden
- Oct 5 Cathy Calvert
- Oct 5 J. Michael Gould
- Oct 7 Breylin Goebel
- Oct 7 Cheyanne Elzen
- Oct 10 Courtney Tyson
- Oct 10 Jamie Smith
- Oct 11 Tammy Reichling
- Oct 12 Samantha Mathias
- Oct 12 Marion Stanton
- Oct 14 Angela Davis

- Oct 14 Victoria Elzen
- Oct 14 Lynnette Boatman
- Oct 15 Nick Chiaverotti
- Oct 16 Dick Allendorf
- Oct 16 Roger Burbach
- Oct 17 Cheryl Riley
- Oct 18 Tommy Davis
- Oct 18 Rhonda Kitelinger
- Oct 20 Hannah Kelly
- Oct 21 Tanner Boatman
- Oct 22 Chad Allendorf
- Oct 23 Barb Nemec
- Oct 24 Paige Douglas
- Oct 27 Beaver Paulson
- Oct 27 Shane Havens
- Oct 27 Reagan Boatman
- Oct 28 Franklin Smith
- Oct 29 Doug Kelly
- Oct 31 Teresa Wamsley



- October Ushers
- Oct 5 Cathy Paulson
Beaver Paulson
 - Oct 12 Tim Pratt
Vickie Pratt
 - Oct 19 Todd Chiaverotti
Cheryl Chiaverotti
 - Oct 26 Tim Stover
Stephanie Stover

- October Liturgists
- Oct 5 D- Judy Whalen
F- Lance Lansing
 - Oct 12 D- Lori Allendorf
F- Pam Gould
 - Oct 19 D- Kent McConnell
F- Ron Ingwell
 - Oct 26 D- Kent Mieke
F- Dennis Wirth



- Oct 2 Steve & Gina Crist
- Oct 6 Nick & Stacy Chiaverotti
- Oct 11 Andy & Heather Fitzsimons
- Oct 12 Jason & Kara Tyson
- Oct 12 Tim & Kory Douglas
- Oct 13 Doug & Sheila Kelly
- Oct 15 Bob & Joan Teasdale
- Oct 16 Jeremy & Audrey Gould
- Oct 20 Kari & Matt Gornik
- Oct 23 Gil & Georgina Meyers
- Oct 26 Alex & Athena Abraham



- October Acolytes
- Oct 5 Rya Fitzsimons
Piper Ritchie
 - Oct 12 Jake Fox
Frankie Smith
 - Oct 19 Wheeler Douglas
Kynrk Johnson
 - Oct 26 Cheyanne Elzen
Ryley Burbach



- Sneak peak at November 2
- Liturgist: D- Judy Whalen
F- Lance Lansing
- Ushers: Beaver Paulson
Cathy Paulson
- Acolytes: Chesne Fink
Cruz Fink

COME WITH US Worship

October 2025



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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1 7:00 Choir Practice

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5 **17th Sunday after Pentecost**
Guest Speaker Carly Winslow
World Communion Sunday
 8:30 Worship in Fayette
 9:00 Choir Practice
 10:00 Worship in Darlington w/Choir

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7 10-3 Darlington Food Pantry

8 6:00 Religious Ed

9 10-3 Darlington Food Pantry
 6:30 SPRC mtg.

10 10-3 Darlington Food Pantry

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12 **18th Sunday after Pentecost**
Pastor Hen's First Sunday
Holy Communion
Lily Sunday
 8:30 Worship in Fayette
 9:00 Choir Practice
 10:00 Worship in Darlington

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14 10-3 Darlington Food Pantry

15 4:30 Harvest Auction
 6:00 Religious Ed
 7:00 Choir Practice

16 10-3 Darlington Food Pantry
 6:00 Finance mtg.

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19 **19th Sunday after Pentecost**
3rd Grade Bible Presentation
 8:30 Worship in Fayette
 9:00 Choir Practice
 10:00 Worship in Darlington w/ Choir

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21 10-3 Darlington Food Pantry

22 6:00 Religious Ed

23 10-3 Darlington Food Pantry
 6:00 Admin mtg.

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26 **20th Sunday after Pentecost**
Reformation Sunday
 8:30 Worship in Fayette
 10:00 Worship in Darlington

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28 10-3 Darlington Food Pantry

29 6:00 Religious Ed

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