

Weekly Calendar

Sun, Aug 10	10:00am	Sunday Worship Service - Jodi Bohr preaching
	11:30am	Lemonade Lull
Mon, Aug 11		FUMCOG Office Closed
	9:00am	Walking Women
	11:00am	Fridge Cooking Crew
Sat, Aug 16	12:30pm	Mission Link Picnic - Bickley's New Beginning UMC
Sun, Aug 17	10:00am	Sunday Worship Service - Pastor Alisa preaching
	11:30am	Lemonade Lull
	3:00pm	Back to School Event

Mission Link Summer Picnic

Do you know that FUMCOG is a part of a “Mission Link” - a diverse group of 8 churches in Northwest Philly area. For the past few years, 2 of the churches (Bickley's New Beginning UMC and Lighthouse Fellowship UMC) have joined in a summer cookout and this year they are inviting us to join. There will be great food, music and fun. It's an opportunity to be true community in such a challenging time. The date is **Saturday, August 16th**, beginning at 12:30 pm. Bickley's will provide all the grilled meats and we are invited to bring a side-dish, side-salad, or dessert to share.

Bickley's located at 6239 North 6th St, Philadelphia, PA 19126

RSVP with Taneal at pastorsassistantfumcog@gmail.com.



AUGUST 10, 2025 • 10 AM

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF GERMANTOWN

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The First United Methodist Church of Germantown (FUMCOG) is a diverse, urban community of faith that seeks to experience and worship God through Jesus' message of love and inclusion and the mystery of grace expressed through his life. We affirm our commitment by working together, taking risks for social justice and peace in our community, our city, our nation, and our world.

Lead Pastor Rev. Alisa Lasater Wailoo • **Office Administrator** Michael Yancey
Director of Music Adrianna Barnett • **Organist/Pianist** Jodi Acker Bohr
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First United Methodist Church of Germantown

Sunday, August 10, 2025 10:00AM

Welcome To All Coming To Worship!

All people of all ages are invited to full participation in the engaging worship and outreaching mission and ministry of the church. We strongly encourage all persons to sing the gender nouns and pronouns they prefer in referring to God.

Congregational responses are in bold type.

UMH - United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS - The Faith We Sing

Announcements & Acknowledgements

As a faith congregation, we acknowledge that this is a pivotal moment in American history and that our mission is clearly laid out in the Gospel of Jesus.

We acknowledge our mission to:

- seek justice for black and brown people of all genders and orientations
- dismantle systems of bias and racism
- call out those who protect the power of state-sponsored violence against black and brown bodies,
- and re-center the voices of the marginalized of our community and society.

We acknowledge our part in perpetuating white norms of language, style, worship, behavior, and culture, and, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we acknowledge the truth that Black Lives Matter.

We acknowledge that this service of worship is being held on the traditional lands of the Lenape people, and we pay respect to elders past and present.

We affirm the sacredness of Native people, their languages, their cultures and their gifts to the church and the world.

Prelude

Jodi Acker Bohr

‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus,
arr. by Vicki Tucker Courtney

Call to Worship

Standing with body and spirit

L: I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

**P: My help comes from God,
The maker of heaven and earth.**

L: God will not let your foot be moved;
God who watches over you will not slumber.

**P: Behold, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

L: God watches over you -;
God is your shade on your right hand.

**P: The sun shall not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

L: God will keep you from all harm -
God will watch over your life.

**P: God will protect your going out and your
coming in
both now and forevermore.**

Opening Hymn

Standing with body and spirit

UMH 62 - “All Creatures of Our God and King”
v. 1, 2, 3, 7

Welcome and Passing the Peace

Gathered Prayer

Celeste Zappala

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Mother-Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive
us our trespasses as we forgive those who
trespass against us. Lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glory forever. Amen.**

Sung Response

UMH 454 - “Open My Eyes, That I May See” v.1

Contemporary Reading

A Prayer by Grahame Davies
(see insert for full text)

Scripture Reading

1 Chronicles 4:9-10
(see insert for full text)

Sermon

Jodi Bohr

Be careful what you pray for!

Hymn

Standing with body and spirit

UMH 405 - “Seek Ye First” v. 1, 2, 1

Connections & Announcements

Offertory Anthem

Laurice Kennel

“Words for the Spiritual”
by Florence B. Price

Offering Prayer

**God, we know that we are standing on stolen
land. We know that we are living in a country
that was built on slave labor. We confess these
things to you today because we are tired of
living this way. Help us to use these offerings
for reparations so that we can begin to heal
ourselves and the harm we have done to others.
Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Standing with body and spirit

TFWS 2153 - “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

Benediction

Postlude

Jodi Bohr

“The Blessing” by Chris Brown, Steven Furtick,
Cody Carnes and Kari Brooke Jobe

*Thank you for joining in worship today. You are
invited to participate in the postlude with the words on
the screens.*

*Lemonade and cookies are available in Pilling Hall
following the postlude.*

Cover design by Jodi Bohr

Barbara Revere, liturgist

Wayne Snover, tech

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Celeste Zappala, gathered prayer

Jodi Bohr, piano & organ

Laurice Kennel, soloist



Insert for Sunday, August 10, 2025

Upcoming Dates

- Sunday, Aug 17
Pastor Darren Hagood preaching, 10am
Back to School Event, 3pm
- Saturday, Aug 30
HealYourLove. Meditation, 9:30am
- Sunday, Sep 7
Hymn Sing
- Sunday, Sep 14
Homecoming Sunday, 11am
- Saturday, Sep 20
Villanova Day of Service
- Saturday, Sep 27
Rev. Dick Cox Memorial

KIDS AT FUMCOG

All children are beloved and welcomed here. We offer three ways for your child(ren) to engage:

- * Join in the new “Nursery Ministry.” All kids 6 and under are invited to join Ms. Lanette in Pilling Hall immediately following the Children’s Message.
- * Enjoy a “Kid Activity Bag”. Just ask an usher.
- * Play in the “Children’s Space” in the Sanctuary’s back corner.

We are so glad you and your family are here!

Want to Connect?

Use this QR code to access our link tree. From there, you can follow us on Facebook, Instagram or YouTube, fill out an online connect card or easily reach our website:

www.fumcog.org

If you’re looking to do any of that while you’re here, our wifi info would help!

WIFI: Fumcogsanc

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Staff and Office Information

Office Hours

Tuesday-Friday from 9:30am-5pm

Pastor Alisa takes her Sabbath on Mondays

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Help our Immigrant Neighbors

We are still collecting food for members of a local Latina church who are not safe to go to work currently. Pastor Alisa is coordinating with their Pastor for food delivery. There is a box in the entryway, sanctuary as well as Pilling Hall. Any non-perishables are helpful: especially rice, beans, oil, and corn flour. Thank you for your support!



Prayers for FUMCOG Friends and Family

Please know that we are thinking about and praying with you.

For the many family and friends of Bill Ewing's friend **Ghebre Selassie Mehreteab**, who passed away Wednesday night from heart disease.

For the family of **Ruth E. Chonka**, mother of Rodney, who passed away Friday, August 1, 2025.

For **Julie Cox**, after the passing of her husband, Dick Cox. You can also send cards of love and support to: 806 Foulkeways, 1120 Meetinghouse Rd. Gwynedd, PA 19436

For our **youth and children** that they feel loved and safe and supported. Prayers for educators as they prepare for a new school year.

For the family of **Vicente Castaneda** who passed away. Vicente is the son-in-law of Janet and Lyle Rosenberger.

For the family of **Fred Gaines**, especially **Lilian & Joy**. Fred’s memorial service was on Saturday, July 26.

For **Bob Smart** who has returned home from rehab and is continuing to recover from severe infections.

For the **victims of house fires** who’ve lost their possessions.

For **Wayne Varnadore** who is improving wonderfully each day.

For **Nadine Hackman**, dear friend of Celeste Zappala, who continues to recover at the Dresher Hill Nursing Center after a paralyzing fall.

For **Katreise Ruffin**, a scout parent who is recuperating at home from open-heart surgery.

For **Judy Robinson** and her family as she moves into hospice.

For **Jean Young**, Barb Revere's longtime friend, from Omaha, Nebraska, as she's receiving treatment for Acute Myeloid Leukemia.

For **Linda & Paul T** as they deal with the challenges of dementia.

For **Larry W** during his rehabilitation.

For **Ken Espejo**, who is recovering at home after his open-heart surgery.

Prayers of healing for **Karima, Nate, Joy, Betty, Allen, & Bridgette**; of clarity for **Skyy, Diane, & the Byrd family**; and of comfort for **Marshall Jones, Connie, Alan, & Geraldine's** family.

For **Corey Walker**, Jean Walker's great nephew, who is recovering from a serious health issue.

For healing for **Patrica Hayward**, Nicole Bull's mother.

Readings for August 10, 2025

Contemporary Prayer

Spirit, use me today,
not in some miracle
that would make others marvel
and would make me proud.

Not in the word of wisdom
that would stay in the mind
and make me always remembered.

Not in the heroic act
that would change the world for the better
and me for the worse.

But in the mundane miracle
of honesty and truth
that keep the sky from falling.

In the unremembered quiet words
that keep a soul on the path.

And in the unnoticed acts that keep the word moving
slowly closer to the light.

Scripture Reading

1 Chronicles 4:9-10

9 Jabez was more honorable than his brothers. His mother had named him Jabez, saying, "I gave birth to him in pain." 10 Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, "Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain." And God granted his request.



September Hymn Sing

What is your favorite hymn or praise song? On **Sunday, September 7**, we will share in a special worship service. With the return of our choir, we will sing people's favorite hymns and learn a bit about their history and meaning. But we need your help to develop the service! Please email Pastor Alisa (wailoo@fumcog.org) a few of your favorite music selections. We will then plan the service with many of the suggestions and especially songs that several people name. Thank you in advance!

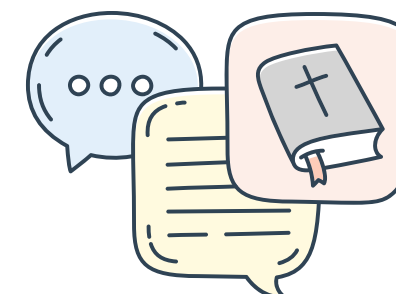
Announcements

Guest Preacher Darren Hagood

In two weeks, on August 24th Pastor Darren Hagood from HealYourLovePeriod will share from the FUMCOG pulpit.



The next Black Meditation led by HealYourLove. will be on Saturday, August 30 at 9:30 am.



Summer Bible Study

When can you join in this summer? Well, we will have a few opportunities to gather and explore the word together until our usual studies kick-off weekly again in the fall. You can log-on to zoom at tinyurl.com/zoomcog on Wednesday, Aug 20 at 1:30pm. Or you can join an in-person study on Tuesday, Aug 27 at 7pm. No need to prep, just come as you are. Ask Pastor Alisa for more details - wailoo@fumcog.org

GERMANTOWN COMMUNITY FRIDGE PRESENTS:

NEIGHBORS TABLE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

**ENJOY DELICIOUS FOODS, COME OUT FOR
GOOD VIBES, AND MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS!**

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