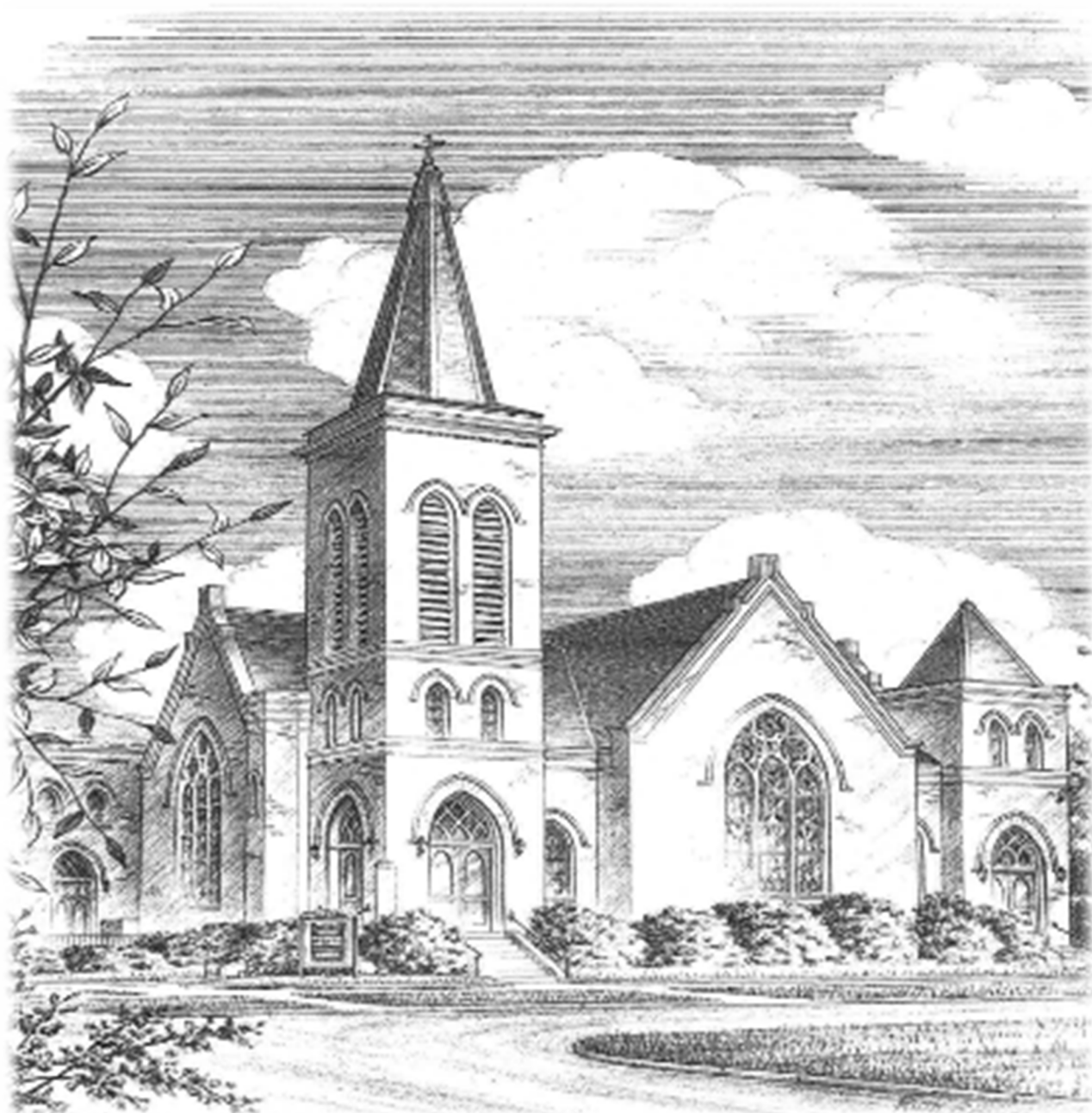


Duncan Memorial Methodist Church

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost



August 23, 2026

“Rivals”

Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford

Rev. Dr. Ben Gafford

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+Congregation standing, if able. Congregation responses in **BOLD**.

GATHERING

Quiet conversation among congregants is encouraged.

PRELUDE

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

arr. R. Hughes

Please observe a moment of prayerful silence as we enter our worship time.

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

KassiJo Lloyd

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As we gather, we come together as people of the cross and resurrection.

People: We come as children of the Father.

Leader: Reconciled by grace through the Son.

People: And filled with God’s love through the Spirit.

+OPENING HYMN

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Hymnal Pg. 557

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ Creed

Hymnal Pg. 881

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day, he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

+GLORIA PATRI	“Glory Be To The Father”	Hymnal Pg. 70
<i>Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.</i>		
CHILDREN’S MOMENT		KassiJo Lloyd
<i>Children ages 3 years – 2nd grade are invited to Children’s Church.</i>		
CHURCH CONCERNS		Rev. Gafford
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER		Rev. Gafford
THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
OFFERTORY	“Standing on the Promises”	arr. M. Hayes
+DOXOLOGY	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	Hymnal Pg. 95
<i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.</i>		
ANTHEM	“Goodness of God”	arr. B. Fielding
+SCRIPTURE READING	Genesis 27:30-41	Pew Bible OT Pg. 24
SERMON	“Rivals”	Rev. Gafford
+CLOSING HYMN	“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”	Hymnal Pg. 351
+DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING		Rev. Gafford
POSTLUDE	“Hymn of Praise”	arr. L. Smith

*The altar flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory and honor of God and
in honor of Duncan’s Choir and Musicians.
Thank you for your joyful noise!*

Weekly Calendar

August 23

9:30am Choir
10:30am Worship
4:00pm Children's Ministry Meeting
5:30pm MYF Fun Nuts

August 24

9:00am Counter – Mitzi Vaimberg

August 26

5:45pm Wonderful Wednesday Dinner
6:30pm LOL & Bridge
6:30pm Adult Bible Study
6:30pm Choir Practice

This Sunday's Greeters & Ushers

Greeters: Connie Fallon, Paula Ford, Millie Roberts, Lori Beard

Ushers/Offering: Dwight Ford, Gerry Harmon, Glenn Roberts, Jamey Walters

We are glad you are here!

Welcome to Duncan Memorial Methodist Church. May this time of worship renew your spirit, draw you closer to God, and remind you that you are deeply loved and never alone.

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 9:00am – 4:30pm
Friday 9:00am – 12:00pm

CHURCH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Duncan's Blessing Box: Our blessing box needs replenishing. Everyone is encouraged to stop by any time and refill it with non-perishable items. The blessing box is located at the Orange Street double doors.

Women's Bible Study: Starts September 17 – join us at 10am on Thursdays for "Jesus & Women" by Kristi McLelland. If you would like more information, call the church office or reach out to KassiJo.

Veterans: Nurture Group is updating Duncan's list of our Veterans. Please see Debbie Kaufman or call the church office to update your information or provide information for a Veteran you know.

Meals for Homebound Members: Help Nurture Group share a little extra love with members who are homebound or recovering from an illness or surgery by providing a meal. Volunteers serve on a rotating list, so the commitment is occasional and easy to share—if you'd like to be added, please contact Debbie Kaufman or call the church office!

IMPORTANT REMINDER

10:00am Sunday School & 11:00am Service
Start September 13, 2026

Our Faithfulness

August 16, 2026 Collection:	\$5,660.00
August 16, 2026 Attendance:	134