

Weekly Update

ALL INFORMATION AS OF 8/23

Amounts Received	\$293,265
PLEDGES FOR 2024-2026	<u>\$278,918</u>
For Principal Reduction	\$ 14,347

Continue the
MIRACLE

*Thank you everyone for your commitment to this project.
Please send any pledge questions to dumcfinancial@gmail.com*

Amounts received above total pledges will be applied to the loan principal.

In person worship attendance	151
Nursery Attendance	<u>4</u>
Total Attendance	155

4 Week average giving \$4,741
Weekly Need in 2026 \$4,735
Year to date giving is ahead by \$12,475.
Thank you for your generosity.

Please prayerfully consider how you can help with giving throughout 2026.

WAYS TO GIVE: www.downsumc.org

--Our drop box on Pillar outside the front door
or mail to: Downs UMC
205 S Highway Ave
Downs, IL 61736

Reminder: Giving on line doesn't go on vacation

You may not see everyone putting tithes and offerings in the offering plate due to several people giving on line.



DOWN'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 30, 2026



How The Good Lord Works Series

SUNDAY MORNING IN PERSON AT 9:30AM
ONLINE SERVICE BY WEDNESDAY

309-378-2651
www.downsumc.org

Reverend Allen Miller
pastor@downsumc.org

Welcome

to



***We are so glad
you are worshiping with us!
We would love to know who has joined
us, so please sign in on the attendance
pads that will be passed in each row.***

Nursery: is located to the right as you exit the sanctuary through the double doors. It is at the far end of the fellowship hall.

Restrooms: Can be reached by exiting the sanctuary through the back left door as you face the stage. They are right by the Nursery.



Busy Bags are available at the entrance to the Worship Center for the children to use during the worship service. There are stickers, crayons, lacing items, etc. Please return the bags to the tote by the Worship Center Entrance after the service.



Children's Church is designed for K-3rd Graders. We will meet in Classroom #1 or the Youth Room. They will meet a volunteer at the front of the Worship Center and head out after the Doxology (so they'll meet during the Scripture Reading, Sermon and Up Next). Children will return to the worship service for the closing song.
Communion Sundays they will not meet.

Today & This Week



Sun 8/30	8:30am	Adult Sunday School in YR
	9:30am	Worship/Youth Worship/ Children's Church
	10:45am	Fellowship
	10:45am	Swap Room
	6:00pm	Bible Study in Chapel
Mon 8/31	6:00pm	Boy Scouts in WC
Tues 9/1	10:00am	Bible Study in YR/Zoom
	11:00am	Journey Group in Library
	6:00pm	Great Banquet in YR
Wed 9/2	5:30pm	Next Gen Volunteer Training
Thurs 9/3	6:00pm	Worship Team on Stage
Sat 9/5	11:30-3pm	Fellowship Hall/Kitchen in Use
Sun 9/6	8:30am	Adult Sunday School in YR
	9:30am	Worship/Youth Worship
	10:45am	Fellowship
	10:45am	Swap Room
	6:00pm	Bible Study in Chapel

ALL meetings and groups using the facility need to schedule through the office at office@downsumc.org or 309-378-2651.

Please don't assume meeting space will be available, or that verbal okays from anyone else will guarantee your spot. Thank you in advance for your help with this.

Should plans change and your ministry doesn't meet please let the office know.



Tuesday morning Bible Study meets at 10am in the YR or on Zoom.

Sunday night Bible Study meets at 6pm in the Chapel.

Adult Sunday School meets at 8:30am in the Youth Room each Sunday.

The class is using the videos "That the World May Know". Filming is done in Israel and the study brings the Bible to life.



What's Happening in September?

Wednesdays starting 9/6 at 5:30pm Next Gen Ministries

Thursday 9/10 at 9am Sewing Group in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, 9/13 5:00pm Finance meeting followed by Ad Board Meeting to approve items for Charge Conference.

Wednesday, 9/23 See You At the Pole at all school buildings.

Sunday, 9/27 4:30-6:30pm UWF Spaghetti Supper

August 30, 2026

Special: *Goodness of God*

Welcome

****I Will Follow***

Call to Worship: Thy Word (Psalm 119:105)

Prayer

***The Lord's Prayer**

"Written On Your Heart"

Children's Church

Message by Rev. Allen Miller

**How The Good Lord Works Series: Part 1
*Changed for Good (2 Peter 1:1-21)***

In the Garden

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory: *Holy Forever*

****"Doxology"***

Up Next

****Hallelujah (Your Love Is Amazing)***

Benediction

****Please stand if you are able.***

*****Children's Busy Bags are available during the service and are located just inside the Worship Center doors.***



We have an active prayer chain at Downs UMC and we believe in the power of prayer. If you would like your name added to the prayer list or the prayer chain please follow the instructions below. God hears us when we pray, and blesses us with His answers to prayer.

To be a member of the prayer chain and be notified of a prayer

request, please let the office know that you would like to be included in that group email.

To be added to the prayer list (for ongoing requests) please send information to prayerrequest@downsumc.org or call the office at 378-2651. Please be sure to mention if permission has been granted to publish each individual's name.

To be added to the prayer chain (for urgent or time-sensitive requests) please send an email to office@downsumc.org.

CURRENT REQUESTS

HEALTH & HEALING: Ron Terven; Ruth Christmas; Lori Roland; Sandy Courson, Dawn Belmar, Ellen Bricker; Jimmy Roach; Beverly Hamblin and Family; Cameron Jones; Guy Campbell; Abby Miller; Patrick Moran; Jonathan Thompson; Kathie Foster; Jim Jordine; Mary Iliff Engelbrecht; Jim Finch; Sheila Young; Angel Fender; Amber Maurer; Neal Roach; Pam Rush; Hazel Ellis; Kimberly Knapp; Joey; Betty Harvey; Cade Hasselbring; Dave Hoegger

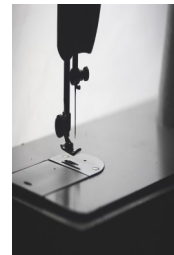
WISDOM: Colby & Lexi Riordan Family; Deb Bricker; Cameron Jones

MILITARY: Blaise McNeese, Matthew Kelly, Michael Allen, Cade Hasselbring



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
NEXT GEN PROGRAMMING**
Begins September 9th at 5:30pm
For grades K-Jr High

Volunteers to support the programming are needed. Contact Kyle for more info. There will be a training on September 2nd at 5:30pm.



SEWING GROUP

Their next meeting will be Thursday, September 10th at 9am in the Fellowship Hall.

They are asking that no more plastic shopping bags be donated at this time. Thank you for the donations, but they need time to catch up with what has been donated.

NEXT GEN YOUTH WORSHIP
meets Sunday mornings in the Youth Room at 9:30am and is designed for 4th grade students and up. The service is tailored to engage our youth audience.

BUDGET ITEMS DUE
All budget items are due Tuesday, September 1.
Please turn them in to the office and Finance Chair, Sherry Reed.



SPAGHETTI SUPPER
September 27, 2026
4:30-6:30pm

Sign up sheets for items and workers are by the office.