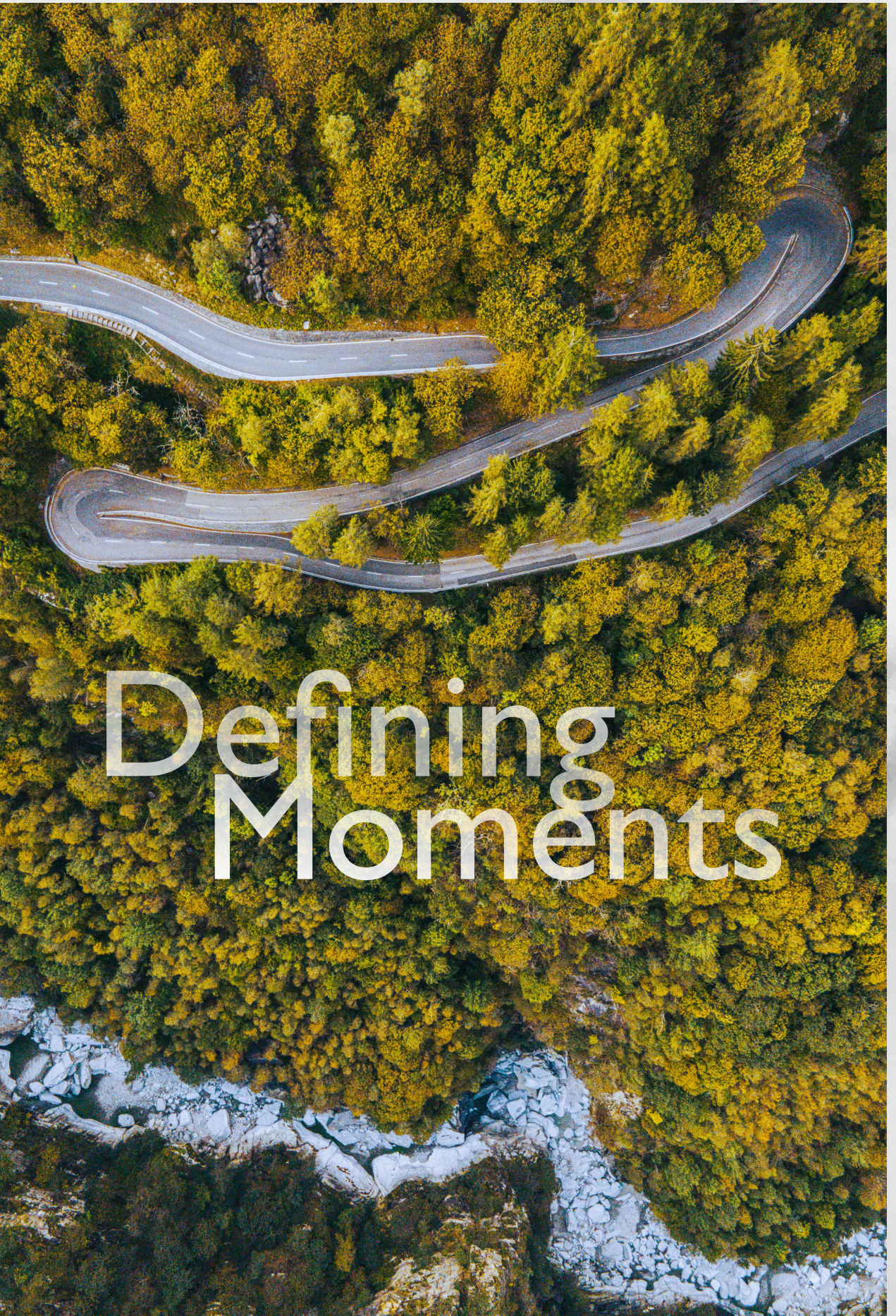




Defining Moments

FIRST UMC OF WEST DUNDE | MAY 11, 2025

Welcome!

Rise in body or in spirit where designated by * Please join in speaking the words in bold.

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints, and give thanks.

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night but joy comes with the morning!

You, O Lord, have turned my mourning into dancing and clothed me with gladness.

from Psalm 30

*HYMN

How Great is Our God

W&S #3003

*OPENING PRAYER

Glorious God, you have heard our prayers, our cries for help. Though we may enter the dark of night in worry and sadness, your Spirit comes to us with reassurance, enabling us to wake up in the morning with joy and gladness. Renew us in the love of the risen Christ that we might find favor in your eyes. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG

Change My Heart, O God

TFWS #2152

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LESSON

John 21: 1-19

SPECIAL MUSIC

MESSAGE

Defining Moments: The Redemption of a Rock

Pastor Rick Carlson

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN**

It is Well with My Soul

UMH #377

***SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE

Please join us for a time of sharing in the Fireside Room.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Greeters	Carol Buvel, Mark Lauber, and Sonja Hunter
Liturgist	Susan Gould
Media	Dane Granholm, Laura Suskin
Pastor	Pastor Rick Carlson

For pastoral care, please contact Pastor Rick at 630-564-0413

Donations for Kids Above All – Due by Sunday, May 25

A representative from Kids Above All will be at First UMC on Sunday, May 25 to pick up baby items for the families they serve. If you're able, please consider donating items such as diapers, wipes, bibs, toys, or clothing. All donations are greatly appreciated!

Order Your Rhubarb Pies – Support Our Missions

The United Women in Faith will be making rhubarb pies on Friday, May 30. Each pie is \$14, prepared frozen and ready to bake at your convenience. Please place your order by Thursday, May 29 by calling or texting Marcia at 331-276-7979.

If you'd like to help assemble pies, join us in the church kitchen on Friday, May 30 at 3:30 p.m. For details, contact Jennifer Schaffer at 847-287-7185.

Adult Education Forum

You're invited to join our weekly Adult Education Forum, where we explore meaningful questions about our faith, values, and beliefs. This forum is a welcoming space for open dialogue, reflection, and a deeper understanding of how our faith shapes our lives. We meet in the library from 8:45 to 9:45 on Sunday mornings prior to worship.

Fellowship Sundays – Share Your Favorite Treats!

Pick a Sunday to bring some of your favorite snacks or treats to share! Fellowship time is a wonderful opportunity for the congregation to gather, catch up, and welcome new friends. Sign up to host and help make our time together even more special!

Special Music

Do you or someone you know have a musical talent to share? We're coordinating music for our worship services and would love for you to be a part of it! Please reach out to Marcia or call/text 331-276-7979.

Save the Date for Vacation Bible School!

Theme: A Day at Rocky Point Lighthouse

Join us for a special 2-evening Vacation Bible School where kids will *shine God's light*!

Dates: Thursday, June 26 & Friday, June 27

Time: 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Where: First United Methodist Church

It'll be an unforgettable adventure at Rocky Point Lighthouse filled with faith, fun, and fellowship!

More details coming soon!

How can you help? We're always looking for volunteers and support—there's a place for everyone to get involved!

Questions? Please reach out to Amanda Tracy or Laura Suskin.

Let's get ready to shine bright together!



Teen Girl Mission Group

The United Women in Faith at FUMC is organizing a group of teen girls to work on local service/mission projects in our community. Teens will earn community service volunteer hours. Teens do not need to be members of FUMC or attend regularly. Any teen girl would be welcome to join this service group.

First meeting/project:

Today, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Location: Youth Room in the lower level
First United Methodist Church West Dundee
318 West Main St, West Dundee

Project: We will be assembling oral hygiene kits (toothbrush, toothpaste, flossers, lip balm) for donation to a Shoebox Christmas gift ministry assembled for children and Teens who live in the Spirit Lake Native American Reservation in South Dakota. We will discuss ideas for future projects.

Donations are welcome:

Toothpaste- We need this item the most
lip balm
Toothbrushes (single or multipack)
flossers

Please contact us for more information:

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