

SUNDAYS AT FIRST CHURCH

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Traditional Worship | 9:30 & 11:00 am | Sanctuary

DiscipleChurch | 7:15 am | Community Breakfast | Wesley Hall

8:30 am | Worship | Chapel

The Gathering | 9:30 am | Wesley Hall | 11:00 am | Justin Youth Building

eleven:eleven celebration | 11:11 am | Wesley Hall

Children First | First Sunday of month | 9:45 am | Sanctuary

OTHER OFFERINGS

Chapel Communion | 10:35 am | Chapel

Connections | 10:30 – 11:00 am & noon – 12:30 pm | Garden & Wesley Hall

SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY (3 MONTHS – PRE-K)

9:30 am – noon | Children's Wing

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CHILDREN'S ACADEMY SUNDAY SCHOOL (K – 5TH)

9:30 – 11:00 am | Children's Wing

Contact: Mark Burrows | mburrows@myfumc.org | 817-339-5097

CONFIRMATION (6TH GRADE)

September – January | 9:30 – 10:45 am | Justin Youth Building

Contact: Rev. Casey Orr | corr@myfumc.org | 817-339-5067

YOUTH SUNDAY PROGRAMMING (7TH – 12TH GRADE)

Sunday School | 9:30 – 10:30 am | Justin Youth Building

Cornerstone Youth Choir Rehearsal | 4:30 – 5:30 pm | Choir Room

The Refuge | 5:30 – 7:30 pm | Justin Youth Building

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

First Talks | All ages | 9:30 am | Room 350

Wesley Bible | All ages | 9:30 am | Room 340 – 341

Veriditas | All ages | 9:45 am | Room 332

Quest | All ages | 11:00 am | Room 333

Foundations | Age 30s – 40s | 9:30 am | Room 336

Genesis Couples | Age 30s – 40s | 9:45 am | Room 351

Aldersgate Couples | Age 40s – 60s | 9:30 am | Room 333

Good Neighbors | Age 40s – 60+ | 11:00 am | Room 334

New Horizon Singles | Age 50s – 60s | 9:30 am | Room 231

Koinonia | Age 60s – 70s | 9:30 am | Room 224

Loyalty | Age 60s – 70s | 9:30 am | Room 334

Sojourners | Age 60s – 70s | 9:30 am | Room 335

Creative Couples | Age 60s – 70s | 9:45 am | Room 321

New Passages | Age 60s – 70s | 11:00 am | Room 352

Covenant | Age 70+ | 9:30 am | Room 331

Inquirers | Age 70+ | 9:30 am | Room 352

Twosome | Age 70+ | 9:30 am | Room 154

Contact: Rev. Chuck Graff | cgraff@myfumc.org | 817-339-5065

CHOIRS

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USHERS & GREETERS

Contact: Lisa Helm | lhelm@myfumc.org | 817-339-2403

NOTES

MORE WAYS TO WORSHIP

Live Stream | Join us live online on Sunday mornings at fumcfw.org/live at 9:30 am for The Gathering, 11:00 am for Traditional, and 11:11 am for eleven:eleven celebration.

WRR Radio | Listen to each previous week's sermon and music on Sunday mornings at 7:30 am on WRR 101.1 FM.

GET THE NEWS

Get your FUMCFW Weekly newsletter and CONNECT Magazine here at the church. Read the news online and sign up for emails at fumcfw.org/news.

SINGING MEN OF FIRST CHURCH

Rehearsals | Wednesdays, September 20 & 27, 2017
8:00 – 9:00 pm | Choir Room

Performance | Sunday, October 1, 2017
9:30 & 11:00 am worship | Sanctuary

Calling all men! If you enjoy singing in a choir but are not available to commit weekly to Choral Union, please consider committing to a short-term, "sprint" choir experience! Singing Men of First Church will be featured on Sunday, October 1 at the 9:30 and 11:00 am Traditional Worship services in the Sanctuary. Two rehearsals will be held Wednesdays, September 20 and 27 from 8:00 – 9:00 pm in the Choir Room. Mark your calendar and come join us as we lift up our voices together on World Communion Sunday!

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"Holy Ground"

Rev. Linda McDermott

11:00 am

Exodus 3:1-5

September 24, 2017

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth — we're so glad that you are worshipping with us today! Let us know you're here by filling out an attendance registration card. Just grab one from the pew pocket in front of you and then place it in the offering plate. If you would like to join our church family, fill out the How to Join card and bring it with you during the closing hymn.

Large-print bulletins, hearing enhancement devices, and children's activity packets are available. Our ushers would be happy to assist you at any time. Please silence your cell phone as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

Coming Next in Traditional Worship

9:30 & 11:00 am | Sanctuary

October 1

Dr. Tim Bruster

"Is the Lord Really with Us or Not?"

World Communion Sunday

October 8

Dr. Tim Bruster

Series: The Gospel According to Dogs:

What Our Four-legged Friends Can Teach Us

"Love Unconditionally"

Word of the Day

Holy

Memory Verse

We will praise Your name; for You have

done wonderful things.

WE GATHER

Tower Bells

Welcome

Instrumental Call to Worship

Galliard Battaglia
*Samuel Scheidt/David Marlatt,
composer and arranger*

***Call to Worship**

We gather to worship the One who crafted creation out of chaos.

We will praise Your name; for You have done wonderful things

We gather to lift our praise to the God who gives us life.

We will praise Your name; for You have done wonderful things!

We gather as the children of God, our joy unbroken in God's love.

We will praise Your name; for You have done wonderful things!

***Hymn 64**

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

***Affirmation of Faith 883**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

**to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

**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. Amen.**

Please be seated. Ushers will assist in seating at this time.

WE PROCLAIM

Sacrament of Baptism

Amelia Marie Hardin, daughter of Shawna and Brandon Hardin

Baptismal Hymn 191 (vs. 1)

Jesus Loves Me

Congregational Response

**With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of
Christ that Amelia Marie, surrounded by steadfast love, may
be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in
the way that leads to life eternal.**

Special Music

Rejoice
Craig Courtney, composer

Scripture

God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.

Thanks be to God.

Faith Like a Child

***Passing the Peace**

***Hymn**

**We are standing on holy ground,
And I know that there are angels all around;
Let us praise Jesus now;
We are standing in his presence on holy ground.**

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Sermon

“Holy Ground”

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our 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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen. (Matthew 6:9-13)**

WE RESPOND

A Time of Giving

Offertory

Bist du Bei Mir
*Johann Sebastian Bach/David Marlatt,
composer and arranger*

*In addition to your regular contribution, every one dollar (\$1) bill placed in
the offering plate during the month of September will support Kids Hope
USA Mentoring. Thank you for reaching out to others.*

***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

Exodus 3:1-5

***Hymn 438**

Forth in Thy Name, O Lord

***Benediction**

Our gathering will soon be ended, where will we go, and what
will we do?

We will go out to be God's people in the world.

May grace, peace, hope, love, and joy forever accompany you.
Amen.

***Congregational Closing Song Let There Be Peace On Earth**

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our Creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.**

**Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,
With every breath I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.**

***Postlude**

**Concerto in B-flat Major for
Two Trumpets and Continuo: Allegro**
Antonio Vivaldi, arranger

** Please stand as you are able.*

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Bill Fuller by
Gaye, Bill, Bob, and Mary.

The flowers in the Narthex are given by United Methodist Women in loving
memory of the members who passed away in 2016-2017.

The white carnation symbolizes our sympathy to the family and friends of
W. L. Hailey.

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Linda McDermott, Sr. Associate Pastor

Mr. Robert Stovall, Director of Music & Worship Arts

Mrs. Peggy Graff, Organist and Associate Director of Music & Worship Arts

Liturgists: Welcome, Baptism - Dr. Mike Marshall;

Prayer, Baptism - Rev. Phyllis Barren;

Affirmation, Scripture - Mr. John Howard

Faith Like a Child: Mister Mark & Mrs. Lynn Cockrell, Mrs. Amber Shive,

Helper: Stella Camack

Choir: Choral Union

Musicians: Lacey Hays and Adam Miller, trumpets (DFW Brass members)

Acolytes: Will Scott, Luke Bolger, Matthew Goleman

Procession: Charlotte Gibbs

Altar flower correction: the flowers on September 3 were given by Jan
Moncrief.