

# reconnecting your spirit without disconnecting your mind

**first united methodist church**  
**eleven:eleven celebration**  
**october 8, 2017**



## celebration leaders

**tom mcdermott, brad thompson**  
**& charme robarts**

## gathering and registration

(please use this time to connect with others and to register your attendance; bring your attendance card to the altar during our time of offering and singing or scan the qr code on the back or go to [fumcfw.org/celebrationattendance](http://fumcfw.org/celebrationattendance) to register online from your smartphone)

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## the welcome candle

mary ellen barrow

come, come, whoever you are. wanderer, worshiper, lover of  
leaving. it doesn't matter. ours is not a caravan of despair.  
come, even if you have broken your vows a thousand times.  
come, yet again

## invocation

We lift our voices to speak of our grief and to lay open our  
broken hearts:

**The world is full of violence**  
**Death breathes heavily in our faces**  
**Inequity waves over our heads like a flag**  
**A sea of anger and fear tosses us about**

We lift our voices to cry for ourselves and for our human race.  
And still...

**May we love as long as we live**  
**May we speak for those whose voice is not heard**  
**May we sacrifice our fear in the service of justice.**  
God's love is always as close as our next breath.

## offering song

(these offerings go toward the support of  
fumc ministries, including 11:11 celebration.  
**dollar bills collected in October will support**  
**First Street Mission's clothing closet for the homeless.**

### "healing river"

o healing river, send down your waters,  
send down your waters upon this land.  
o healing river, send down your waters,  
and wash the blood from off the sand.

this land is parching. this land is burning.  
no seed is growing in the barren ground.  
o healing river, send down your waters,  
o healing river, send your waters down.

let the seed of freedom, awake and flourish,  
let the deep roots nourish, let the tall stalks rise.  
o healing river, send down your waters,  
o healing river, from out of the skies.

## passing the peace

(exchanging gifts of greeting and peace with one another)

"it's in every one of us" pomeranz

it's in every one of us to be wise  
find your heart, open up both your eyes  
we can all love endlessly without ever knowing why  
it's in every one of us by and by

## kairos moment

(the ancient greeks had two words for time, *chronos* and *kairos*.  
*kairos* is "a time in between" – sacred time.)

## opening our hearts and minds

kirk stolley

**romans 13:8-10**

owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves  
another has fulfilled the law. for the commandments, "you shall not  
commit adultery," "you shall not murder," "you shall not steal," "you  
shall not bear false witness," "you shall not covet," and if *there is* any  
other commandment, are *all* summed up in this saying,

namely, "you shall love your neighbor as yourself." love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

### philippians 4:8

finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

### gift of song

"wild world"

written by drew holcomb  
performed by eleven:eleven revolution

### message

"the next right thing"

rev. tom mcdermott

### gift of song

"beautiful"

written by carole king  
performed by eleven:eleven revolution

### blessing

"I am willing" near

i am open and i am willing  
for to be hopeless would seem so strange  
it dishonors those who go before us  
so lift me up to the light of change

### eleven:eleven revolution

brad thompson - acoustic guitar & vocals  
kevin grove - electric guitar / mike brown - bass guitar  
todd franks - drums / dace sultanov - cello  
laurie simmons - piano  
david rosario & jim miller - saxophones  
claire kirk & alaina gunter, vocals  
austin patton & ian kirk- sound engineers  
justin emerick,- av tech

### some thoughts for the journey

ring the bell that still can ring. forget your perfect offering. there is a crack in everything. that's how the light gets in. - *leonard cohen*

where can I go that I am not in your presence and you in mine.  
- *psalm 139*

let it go. let it out. let it all unravel. and you will see that it can be a path upon which to travel. - *michael leunig*

## programs and events



A constructive process of sharing what we love about our church and how God uses our church to impact the world. To do this, *Focus*

*First* asks the questions, "Who are we? Who is our neighbor? What is God calling us to do now?"

<http://www.fumcfw.org/connect/focusfirst>

Questions? Contact: Rev. Lance Marshall,  
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**FIRST WE DRUM** - Wesley Hall | October 10 | 7:00 - 8:30 pm | **No experience necessary:** whether you bring your own drum or share one of ours. come join us for community, inspiration, and connection. (*Meets the second Tuesday of each month.*)

**WINE & WISHFUL THINKING** - mondays | 7:00 - 8:30 pm | 1628 park place *conversation on faith, sunday's message, or topics of the day.* [tmcdermott@myfumc.org](mailto:tmcdermott@myfumc.org)



**Sundays**  
9:30 – 10:45 am  
Room 230

Check out this great Adult Education discussion group meeting on Sunday mornings. The meeting always includes viewing a 15-20 minute TED Talk followed by guided discussion, or a speaker from the community giving a short informational and motivational presentation from artists, community leaders, academics and spiritual leaders followed by time for discussion. These presentations and the conversations that follow will help us find Spirit in every facet of life. **Contact:** Charmé Roberts | [crobarts@myfumc.org](mailto:crobarts@myfumc.org) | 817-339-5069

visit tom's blog, "the space between..."

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