

reconnecting your spirit without disconnecting your mind

first united methodist church eleven:eleven celebration november 26, 2017



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 to register online from your smartphone)

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the welcome candle

joe howell

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

gift of song

“wondering where the lions are”

written by bruce cockburn

performed by eleven:eleven revolution

invocation

offering song

(these offerings go toward the support of
fumc ministries, including 11:11 celebration.
**dollar bills collected in november will support
community advocate financial assistance.**

“come dance” gaby

there are no steps to this sacred dance
just the feel of your feet on the floor
arms in the air as free as your birth
and as simple as a wave on the shore

the voices you heard have no power here
find a rhythm that fits how you live
silence the critical voices inside us
that strain our lives through a sieve

**god of pleasure and wilderness,
grant us the wisdom to dance with creation.
god of wonder and bliss,
give us love for the beauty of all our relations.
as we stretch out our hands to the heavens so fair,
let this dance be our prayer.**

we move in a mystery of all that we see
we dance for the wonder of being
we dance through the struggles to remind **us of how**
the truth is finally freeing

chorus

come dance with your brothers and leave all your cares
come sisters and mothers and let down your hair
come stars of the morning and darkest of night
for the joy of creation is god's greatest delight

chorus

passing the peace

(exchanging gifts of greeting and peace with one another)

“out beyond ideas” rumi/wilcox

**chorus: out beyond ideas
of wrong doing and right doing
there is a field, i'll meet you there.**

and the soul lies down in that grass
the world is too full to talk about.
ideas and language,
even the phrase “each other”,
doesn't make any sense.

kairos moment

charme robarts

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

opening our hearts and minds

adrian diaz

matthew 1: 1-16 (nrsv)

the family tree of jesus christ, david's son, abraham's son:
abraham had isaac, isaac had jacob, jacob had judah and his brothers, judah had perez and zerah (the mother was tamar), perez had hezron, hezron had aram, aram had amminadab, amminadab had nahshon, nahshon had salmon, salmon had boaz (his mother was rahab), boaz had obed (ruth was the mother), obed had jesse, jesse had david, and david became king. david had solomon (uriah's wife was the mother), solomon had rehoboam, rehoboam had abijah, abijah had asa, asa had jehoshaphat, jehoshaphat had joram, joram had uziah, uziah had jotham, jotham had ahaz, ahaz had hezekiah, hezekiah had manasseh, manasseh had amon, amon had josiah, josiah had jehoiachin and his brothers, and then the people were taken into the babylonian exile.

when the babylonian exile ended, jeconiah had shealtiel, shealtiel had zerubbabel, zerubbabel had abiud, abiud had eliakim, eliakim had azor, azor had zadok, zadok had achim, achim had eliud, eliud had eleazar, eleazar had matthan, matthan had jacob, jacob had joseph, mary's husband, the mary who gave birth to jesus, the jesus who was called christ.

ephesians 2:19-22 (the message)

it's plain enough, isn't it? you're no longer wandering exiles, refugees without a home. this kingdom of faith is now your home country. you're no longer strangers or outsiders. you *belong* here, with as much right to the path of love and grace. god is building a home. we are all a part of this hope and home—irrespective of how we got here. we are all a part of this kin-dom.

gift of song

“family is family”

written by kacey musgrave

performed by eleven:eleven revolution

message

“it's all in the family at the big messy table”

rev. tom mcdermott

gift of song

“shower the people”

written by james taylor

performed by eleven:eleven revolution

blessing

“let the river run” simon

let the river run,
let all the dreamers
wake the nation.
come, the new jerusalem.

we the great and small
stand on a star
and blaze a trail of desire
through the darkening dawn.

eleven:eleven revolution

brad thompson - acoustic guitar & vocals
kevin grove - electric guitar / mike brown - bass guitar
jon fortman - drums / dace sultanov – cello
laurie simmons - piano
david rosario & jim miller – saxophones
claire kirk & lisa stoval, alaina gunter - vocals
austin patton, iain kirk & xavier munoz - sound engineers
justin emerick, - av tech

some thoughts for the journey

crazy is a relative term in my family! - *paula poundstone*

family love can be messy, clinging, and an annoyingly repetitive pattern... like bad wallpaper. - *friedrich nietzsche*

family is family wherever longing becomes belonging. fill a space with love, and the place becomes home. - *anon*

programs and events

RED BAG FOOD DRIVE | November 26 – December 17

Pick-up & return bags to tables on first floor One in four children face hunger in our community. Help us give the gift of food this holiday season through our annual Red Bag Food Drive. The bags of food we collect will be given to **United Community Centers (UCC)** to distribute to families enrolled in their programs. **Contact:** Charmé Robarts | crobarts@myfumc.org | 817-339-5069

BLESSING OUR FIRST RESPONDERS Pick up treat boxes in Adult Sunday School Classes, Children's Wing & Welcome Center, Sundays, November 26 & December 3 | Deliver to first responders December 1 – 31 **Contact:** Sammye Dunn sammyelou9@gmail.com

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

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