

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 | Room 350
eleven:eleven celebration | 11:11 am | Wesley Hall

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)

8:30 am – noon | Children’s Wing
Contact: Paula Wagstaff | pwagstaff@myfumc.org | 817-546-4414

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

9:15 – 10:50 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
Contact: Kat Bair | kbair@myfumc.org | 817-339-3882

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

First Talks | All ages | 9:30 am | Room 230
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 | Age 30s – 50s | 9:30 am | Room 333
Good Neighbors | Age 40s – 60+ | 11:00 am | Room 340 – 341
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

Contact: Robert Stovall | rstovall@myfumc.org | 817-339-5074

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.



HEALTHY PLATE
DISCIPLESHIP

WORSHIP | SERVE | GIVE | LEARN | PLAY | PRAY

Discipleship is the process of being shaped by the Holy Spirit through spiritual practices to become more like Jesus. **Healthy Plate Discipleship** uses a variety of practices to help you more faithfully follow Jesus Christ. Try all six areas to grow strong in faithful discipleship.

WORSHIP

Gathering to focus on God together

LEARN

Discovering and understanding who God is

SERVE

Being God’s people in the world

PLAY

Enjoying the good life God gives

GIVE

Putting God first in all things

PRAY

Talking and listening to God’s direction



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“The Light of Love”

Dr. Tim Bruster
1 John 4:7-9

11:00 am
December 3, 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
9:15 & 11:00 am | Sanctuary

December 10
Dr. Tim Bruster
“Light Shines in the Darkness”
Second in the series *First Light*

Word of the Day
Memory Verse

Love
Let us love each other.

WE GATHER		WE PROCLAIM		WE RESPOND	
Tower Bells		Scripture		1 John 4:7-9	
Welcome		God speaks to us through the reading of scripture. Thanks be to God.		A Time of Giving Offertory On This Day Earth Shall Ring <i>Fred Gramann, composer</i>	
Prelude	In the Bleak Midwinter	Special Music		*Invitation to Christian Discipleship *Hymn 242 Love Came Down at Christmas	
		This Little Babe and Deo Gracias		*Reception of New Members	
		(from <i>Ceremony of Carols</i>)		*Benediction	
		<i>This little Babe so few days old, is come to rifle Satan's fold; All hell doth at his presence quake, though he himself for cold do shake. For in his weak unarmèd wise the gates of hell he will surprise. With tears he fights and wins the field, his naked breast stands for a shield; his battering shot are babish cries, his arrows looks of weeping eyes. His martial ensigns Cold and Need, and feeble Flesh his warrior's steed. His camp is pitchèd in a stall, his bulwark but a broken wall. The crib his trench, haystalks his stakes; of shepherds he his muster makes. And thus, as sure his foe to wound, the angels' trumps alarum sound. My soul, with Christ join thou in fight; sticks to the tents that he hath pight. Within his crib is surest ward; this little Babe will be thy guard. If thou wilt foil thy foes with joy, then flit not from this heavenly boy!</i>		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.	
		<i>Deo Gracias! Adam lay ibounden, bounden in a bond; four thousand winter thought he not to long. Deo Gracias! And all was for an appil, an appil that he took, as clerkès finden written in their book. Deo Gracias! Ne had the appil takè ben, ne haddè never our lady A ben hevenè quene. Blessèd be the time that appil takè was. Therefore we moun singen. Deo Gracias!</i>		Instrumental Benediction Il est né le Divin Enfant (He is born, the divine Child) <i>Samuel Milligan, arranger</i>	
		Faith Like a Child		*Postlude	
		*Passing the Peace		Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates	
		*Hymn 221 (vs. 1 and 2)		<i>Wilbur Held, arranger</i>	
		Sermon		The poinsettias in the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Broderick and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Smith.	
		Pastoral Prayer		Worship Leaders: Dr. Tim Bruster, Senior Pastor Mr. Robert Stovall, Director of Music and Worship Arts Mrs. Peggy Graff, Organist/Associate Director of Music & Worship Arts Liturgists: Rev. Phyllis Barren, Mrs. Mary Grim, Rev. Chuck Graff Faith Like a Child: Mister Mark, Nicholas Story, helper Choir: Adoramus Chamber Choir, Singing Women of First Church with Cornerstone Youth Choir girls Fifth Street Bells: with Cornerstone Youth Choir boys Ms. Sandy Ritthaler, director Instrumentalists: Mrs. Laura Logan-Brandenburg, harp; Mrs. Sally Harrell, piano Acolytes: Jane Shelton, Will Scott, and Sam Bumgardner Procession of the Light: Sarah Barkley, Claire Cammack, Stella Cammack, Jackson Chastain, Lola Cowden, Rae Cowden, Clara Dean, Jamie Fahey, Liam Fahey, Tommy Fahey, Johnnie Hogue, Edward Holman, Henry Holman, Caroline Hughey, Claire Hughey, Amelia Hunt, Jubilee Hunt, Caitie James, Anna Johnson, Everett Jordan, Libby Kelley, Hudson Knight, Jaxson Knight, Ella Lawrence, Mavah Lawrence, Ava Long, Genevieve Monroe, Samantha Monroe, Sydney Moore, Landon Peugh, Elle Sanders, Hunter Semple, Martha Wynn Senter, Lilly Shive, Eleanor Thomas, Thomas Walker, Willie Walker, Emma Weir, Grace Wiley, Jordon Woods	
		The Lord's Prayer		Light Design – Holly Clifford	
		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. (<i>Matthew 6:9-13</i>)		*Please stand as you are able.	
		Special Music		Gesú Bambino (Infant Jesus)	
				<i>Samuel Milligan, arranger</i>	