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ARE YOU NEW?

If you would like to find your Worship Plus One, we would love to visit with you and help you explore the FUMCFW groups or ministries of special interest to you! Finding your Worship Plus One will help you meet others, build relationships, and grow stronger in your faith.

For details, please email Lisa Helm (lhelm@myfumc.org), Director of Welcoming Ministries or Dr. Mike Marshall (mmarshall@myfumc.org), Associate Pastor of Leadership Development — and be sure to include your phone number in your email!



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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. Learn more at fumcfw.org/healthyplate.

WORSHIP

Worship is an expression of our love and need of God. When the community gathers for worship, God teaches us, draws us closer to one another, transforms our lives, and equips us for the work and mission of the coming week.

LEARN

Learning is the intentional pursuit of knowledge and a growing understanding of who God is. Study exposes us to God's complexity, opens us to new ideas, and can connect us to others with similar ideas and questions.

SERVE

Service is giving our time and gifts back to God and the church by putting our faith into action. In service, we turn our hearts toward God's people and can be transformed by relationships with our church and community.

PLAY

Play is good for our physical, mental, and spiritual health. Having fun and enjoying the company of other people can inspire our imaginations. Play opens us up to friendships that help us bear burdens and celebrate life's joy.

GIVE

Giving is the commitment to put God first in all things. The habit of sacrificial giving of our money and resources allows us to trust God in deeper ways and to share our love with others.

PRAY

Prayer and meditation are especially critical in a world where we are all addicted to being busy. Regular prayer and personal disciplines can renew our energy and open us up to the places God is leading us.

OUR COMMUNITY *of Faith*

Traditional Worship Service
October 31, 2021 | 11:00 am

"Our Ways of Understanding Scripture"

Last in the series
Our Community of Faith
2 Timothy 3:14-17

Dr. Tim Bruster, Senior Pastor

Welcome
Rev. Lance Marshall, Co-Pastor

Prelude: “Be Still My Soul” (Finlandia)
Kevin McChesney, arranger
Peggy Graff, organist
DFW Brass
Fifth Street Bells

***Call to Worship**
One: How beautiful is the word of the Lord!
All: How wise are God’s commandments!
One: Through the Lord’s precepts, we gain understanding.
All: Through God’s wisdom, we find truth.
One: The Lord is our God; we are God’s people.
All: God’s word lives within us, for it is written on our hearts.
One: Living Word, Great Teacher, lead us and guide us!
All: Amen!

***Hymn 110: “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”**

***Affirmation of Faith 883**
Dr. Mike Marshall, Associate Pastor
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 70**
 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**

Sacrament of Baptism
Olivia Lynne Cunningham, daughter of Kelsey and Brent Cunningham
Lucie Katherine Hopkins, daughter of Katherine and Travis Hopkins

Baptismal Hymn 191: “Jesus Loves Me” (vs. 1)

Congregational Response
 With God’s help we will so order our lives after the example

of Christ that Olivia Lynne and Lucie Katherine, surrounded by
 steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed
 and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Faith Like a Child
 “Mister Mark” Burrows, Director of Children’s Ministries

***Hymn 545: “The Church’s One Foundation” (vv 1, 2, 4, and 5)**

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:14-17
Nancy Fisher, Director of Stewardship
 God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.
 Thanks be to God.

Sermon: “Our Ways of Understanding Scripture”
Dr. Tim Bruster, Senior Pastor

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)

Announcements

Offertory: “Christ is Made the Sure Foundation”
R. Christopher Teichler, composer
Choral Union
Thomas Williams, director

***Doxology 95**
 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.

***Benediction**
One: Our gathering will soon be ended. Where will we go, and what will we do?
 All: We will go out to be God’s people in the world.
One: May grace, peace, hope, love, and joy forever accompany you.
Amen.

***Congregational Benediction: “O Church of God, United”**
 O church of God, united to serve one common Lord,
 proclaim to all one message, with hearts in glad accord.
 Christ ever goes before us; we follow day by day
 with strong and eager footsteps along the upward way.

***Postlude: “Fanfare and Flourishes”**
James Curnow, composer

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth — we are so glad that you are worshipping with us today!

Please let us know you are here by filling out the attendance pad as it comes by.

Asterisks (*) indicate times when you are invited to stand as you are able.

“Faith Like a Child” is our children’s sermon developed for young worshipers of all ages.

In addition to your regular contribution, every one dollar (\$1) bill placed in the offering plate during the month of October will support the clothing bank.

Lance’s Daily Devotional and Prayer Meeting is at 9:00 am weekdays on Facebook Live.

Tim’s Daily Devotional arrives in your inbox early each morning and on our home page at fumcfw.org.

Join us for **GROW Bible Study:**
Wednesdays
10:00 – 11:00 am
Room 350
6:00 – 7:00 pm
Room 350 & Zoom

Go to **fumcfw.org/grow** to register or learn more.

DFW Brass Personnel
Trumpet: Larry Spencer, Will Pratt, Taylor White
Horn: Heather Suchodolski
Trombone: Tony Baker
Tuba: Carl Kleinsteuber
Timpani: Jaime Esposito
Percussion: Will Champion
Fifth Street Bell Ringers
Meredith Ball, Jeanne Cochran, Matthew Roth, Lauren Walter, Elaine Johnson, Avary Vaughn, Jayme Vaughn-Linebarger, Cat Milus, Melody Shepherd