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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](mailto:lhelm@myfumc.org)), Director of Welcoming Ministries or Dr. Mike Marshall ([mmarshall@myfumc.org](mailto: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](https://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.



Traditional Worship Service  
January 2, 2022 | 11:00 am

## Epiphany Sunday

Ephesians 3:1-12

Dr. Tim Bruster and Rev. Lance Marshall  
Co-Senior Pastors

**Welcome**  
Rev. Lance Marshall, Co-Senior Pastor

**Prelude: “O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright” (Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern)**  
Jacob B. Weber, arranger  
Peggy Graff, organ

**\*Call to Worship**  
Dr. Tim Bruster, Co-Senior Pastor  
One: The Magi waited and watched, knowing something wondrous would be happening.  
**All: We waited for the birth of Jesus; now something wondrous is about to take root.**  
One: The darkness that invaded all lives was banished by the light of that star.  
**All: The darkness what surrounds us is gone!**  
One: Let us celebrate the bright shining of God’s love in our lives.  
**All: Let us become those who will bring the light of God’s love to others. AMEN.**

**\*Hymn 188: “Christ Is the World’s Light”**

**\*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 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**

**Faith Like a Child (11:00)**  
Mister Mark, Director of Children’s Ministries

**\*Hymn 173: “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”**

**Sermon and Scripture: Ephesians 3:1-12**  
God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Service of Holy Communion**  
Hymnal pages 12-13  
**Invitation**  
**Confession and Pardon**  
**The Great Thanksgiving**  
**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)**  
**Serving the Bread and Cup**

**Announcements**  
Rev. Linda McDermott, Associate Pastor

**Offertory: “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”**  
John L. von Wolzogen, arranger  
Thomas Williams, handbell solo

**\*Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

**\*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: “We Three Kings” (verse 1)**  
**We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar,**  
**field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.**  
**O star of wonder , star of light, star with royal beauty bright,**  
**west-ward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.**

**\*Postlude: “As with Gladness Men of Old”**  
Craig Phillips, arranger

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth – we are glad you’re here to worship 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 December will support the food bank.

The decorations for the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. A.J. Broderick and Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Smith.

**Tim’s Daily Devotional** arrives in your inbox early each morning and on our home page at [fumcfw.org](http://fumcfw.org).

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

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