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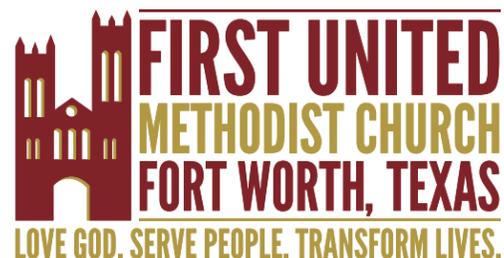
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ARE YOU NEW?

If you would like to find your Worship Plus One, we would love to visit with you and help you explore the First Church 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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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.

THE POWER OF THE PROMISE

Traditional Service
September 11, 2022 | 11:00 am

The Power of the Promise Series

Genesis 9:8-17

Rev. Lance Marshall
Senior Pastor

Welcome / Announcements

Brenda Brooks-Alexander, Associate Pastor

Prelude: “Lord of All Hopefulness”

David Cherwien, arranger

Peggy Graff, organist

Acolytes: George Anderson and Olivia Young

***Call to Worship**

One: Come, all you people, come and worship.

All: God has made a covenant with us.

One: Come, all creatures of the earth, come and worship.

All: God has made a covenant with all creatures.

One: Remember the covenant and be thankful.

All: God remembers the covenant and is faithful. Amen.

***Hymn 185: “When Morning Gilds the Skies”**

***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

Sadie Anne Wheelis, daughter of Cami and Jonathan Wheelis

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 Sadie Anne, 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

Dr. Mike

***Hymn 130: “God Will Take Care of You”**

Scripture: Genesis 9:8-17

Joseph Councilman, lay reader

God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series: The Power of the Promise

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor

These are foundation stories of faith that are all built around the idea of a
promise making, promise keeping God. The Promises God makes to all creation.

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)**

Offertory: “The Heavens are Telling”

Joseph Haydn

Choral Union

Soloists:

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: “Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God our Creator, children all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,

With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

***Postlude: “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”**

Jerry Westenkuehler, 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
worshippers of all ages.

In addition to your regular contribution, every one dollar (\$1) bill
placed in the offering plate during the month of September will
support Kids Hope Mentoring.

The Sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of John
Ammons by Marsha Ammons.

The flowers in the Narthex are given in memory of Gene M
Woodard, Jr. by the Woodard Family.

Weselyan Covenant Prayer

I am no longer my own, but yours. Put me to what you will, place
me with whom you will. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let
me be put to work for you or set aside for you, Praised for you or
criticized for you. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all
things, let me have nothing. I freely and fully surrender all things
to your glory and service. And now, O wonderful and holy God,
Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, you are mine, and I am yours.
So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, Let it
also be made in heaven. Amen.

9.11 Crossroad Singers 25th Anniversary Concert

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9.15 – 11.17 You’re Not Alone — A Moms’ Bible Study

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Living the Questions Short Term Study

fumcfw.org/event/living22-2/all



9.18 Baby Celebration Sunday

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