

eleven:eleven, downtown

august 20 • 2023



gathering and registration

please use this time to connect with others and register your attendance on the cards in your seats. you may scan the qr code below. cards may be left in the seat or brought with your offering during the gathering song



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gift of song

"shake it out"

written by florence & the machine

performed by eleven:eleven revolution band

the welcome candle

led by margaret and george sutton

come, come, whoever you are -
wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving;
it does not matter.

ours is not a caravan of despair
come, even you have broken your vows
a thousand times!
come, yet again!

gathering song

"love now ascending"

modern hymn

performed by eleven:eleven revolution band

sharing signs of peace and welcome

gift of story

read by margaret sutton

matthew 13: 44-52 (the message)

all jesus did that day was tell stories— much as isaiah had spoken hundreds of years ago:

*'i will open my mouth and tell stories;
i will bring out into the open
things hidden since the world's first day.'*

then jesus asked, "are you listening to this? really listening?"

god's kin-dom is like a treasure hidden in a field for years and then accidentally found by a trespasser. the finder is ecstatic—what a find!—and proceeds to sell everything they own to raise money and buy that field. god's kin-dom is also like a jewel merchant on the hunt for exquisite pearls. finding one that is flawless, they immediately sell everything to buy it."

jesus asked again, "are you starting to get a handle on this?" and they answered, "yes."

so he said, "then you see how every one well-trained in god's kin-dom is like the owner of a general store who can put their hands on anything you need, old or new, exactly when you need it."

gift of song

"questions for the angels"

written by paul simon

performed by eleven:eleven revolution

kairos

message

there's nothing like a good temptation

"exhibit c - living 'as if'"

rev. tom mcdermott

gift of song

"head full of doubt/road full of promise"

written by avett brothers

performed by eleven:eleven revolution band

benediction

thoughts for further reflection

*love sometimes wants to do us a favor:
hold us upside down and shake all the nonsense out.- hafiz*

*we are the cosmos made conscious and life is the means by
which the universe understands itself. - brian cox*

*what is saving my life now is the conviction that there is no
spiritual treasure to be found apart from the bodily
experiences of human life on earth. my life depends on
engaging the most ordinary physical activities with the most
exquisite attention i can give them. what is saving my life now
is becoming more fully human, trusting that there is no way
to god apart from real life in the real world. – barbara brown
taylor*

the eleven:eleven revolution band is...

brad thompson - music/band leader, vocalist, guitarist •
justin pate - keyboard, vocalist • jon mosig - drums •
chris brown - lead guitar • lee allen - bass, vocals • alaina
gunter - vocals

for more info about eleven:eleven, joining this community,
& FUMCFW check out <https://fumcfw.org/1111fw/>



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subscribe to tom's blog: tmcdermott@myfumc.org



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opportunities and small groups

wine and wishful thinking

tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm

• in-person @ winehaus

[Winehaus 1628 Park Pl Ave. Fort Worth. TX 76110](#)

wine, beer, light bites, and great conversation

contact tom for info: tmcdermott@myfumc.org



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FSMM's supply of **Adult Tube Socks (new)** is rapidly dwindling. So Bernie and his team are now asking for help. Drop donations off at the First Street Methodist Mission, Tuesday – Thursday, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. Just ring the bell at the double doors facing Henderson Street, leave your donation, and know that you are doing your part.

If you would like to make a donation to help buy groceries or for emergency rent and utility funding, please designate "First Street Methodist Mission" on your check/online giving or contact Bernie Scheffler, Director
bscheffler@firststreetmission.org

to help at eleven:eleven, scan the qr code



or email nancy@ nancydear@duck.com

"there's an app for that!"

first church now has an app for iphone, ipad, and android devices to connect you with livestreams, blogs, events, and more (including 11:11)!

**go to apple/android app store on phone or tablet
and search for "myfumc"**

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come, come, whoever you are, greeter or reader



come, be the magic ✨

**we're using signup to organize our upcoming signups. here's
how it works in 3 easy steps:**

- 1) snap the qr code below or go to this link to see our signups: <https://signup.com/go/xWYBhnM>
- 2) review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) sign up! it's easy - ***you will not need to register an account or keep a password on signup.***

note: signup does not share your email address with anyone. if you prefer not to use your email address, please contact nancy dearinger@ nancydear@duck.com and i can sign you up manually.



come, be the magic ✨

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welcome candle (from rumi)

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padraic o'touma / tom mcdermott

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old ideas have been upended
our faith transcended
amended

and in all the unraveling
we find we are traveling
together
into something larger

of which all are a part,
to invite the confusion
to diffuse the illusion
and find the place of meeting again
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to see and feel and
share the world anew!

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details @ fortworthreport.org on the Arts & Culture Events menu
Opal's Walk for Freedom at 1050 Evans St. 6/19, 9:30

Juneteenth Music and Art Festival at Sycamore Park
6/18 3-8

Bass Reeves Exhibit highlighting the life of legendary
Black lawman Bass Reeves at the **National Multicultural
Western Heritage Museum**

The **ZimSculpt** exhibit is on display at the **Fort Worth
Botanic Gardens** through 7/30 featuring over 100
sculptures by contemporary Zimbabwean artists.
Free admission on June 19



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