



UMW SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

United Methodist Women
First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth

Community
Friendship • Faith • Service



Tuesday, September 5 | 11:30 am – 1:00 pm | Wesley Hall | \$20

YOUTH

2023
FALL KICK-OFF

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM



Sunday, September 10 | 5:30 – 8:00 pm | Justin Youth Building



Young Adult
GAME
NIGHT



YOUNG
ADULT
MINISTRY

Wednesday, September 13 | 7:30 – 8:30 pm | Justin Building | Asbury Hall

The Heart of Christianity

Book Study



Wednesdays, September 13 – December 13 | 9:30 – 11:00 am | Room 350



GROW

BIBLE STUDY
MATTHEW



Wednesdays, September 13 – November 15 | 6:00 – 7:00 pm | Room 350 & Zoom

MOMS'

BIBLE STUDY



Thursdays, September 14 – November 9 | 9:30 am – 11:00 am | Room 224

WORDS FROM THE WISE



Traditional Service
August 27, 2023 | 11:00 am

“Words from the Wise”

Ecclesiastes 2:18-26

Rev. Samuel Macias, Associate Pastor
preaching

Rev. Lance Marshall - Senior Pastor



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Welcome and Announcements
Dr. Zhenya Gurina Rodriguez, PhD, Associate Pastor

Prelude: “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”
Michael Burkhardt, arranger
Beverly Howard, guest organist

***Call to Worship**
Rev. Phyllis Barren, Associate Pastor
One: God, in your wisdom, you call us here to worship you.
All: We gather in gratitude, ready to listen.
One: You give us the gift of joy, yet we are worried, and our lives are cluttered.
All: We respond in peace, ready to focus.
One: In the midst of toil, our minds are racing and our hands our clinging to so many things.
All: We stand in God’s grace, ready to slow us down and loosen our grip.
One: In the midst of our vanity and suffering, we boast in our hope through Christ.
All: Let us be open to God’s love poured into our hearts as we join together in worship. Amen.

***Hymn 67: “Holy, Holy, Holy”**

***Affirmation of Faith 881**
I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. 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
Annie Elizabeth Jones, daughter of Ashley and Caleb Jones.

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 Annie Elizabeth, 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
Amber Shive, Children Ministries Assistant

***Hymn 301: “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”**

Scripture: Ecclesiastes 2:18-26
God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series: Words From the Wise
Rev. Samuel Macias, Associate 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)*

Offertory: “A Time for Everything”
Mark Hayes, 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: “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: “Jubilation”**
Jason Payne, composer

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.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Natalie Prince by her parents, Donna & Doug Prince and brother, Nick.

Today’s musicians are: Violin 1- Liz Beck, Violin 2 Edna Rinconjimenez, Cello -Santiago Ariza, Flute- Ally Langley, French Horn-Emily Martin, Trumpet- Taylor White, Percussion-Chris Dorrell, Piano- Alison Beck

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