

Sunday, December 3 | 6:00 pm | Chapel | Led by Dr. Mike Marshall







Arrive early before our evening Christmas Eve services to get a good parking place, visit with your friends, and beat the rush.

Come to Wesley Hall and join us for refreshments and a time to visit with old friends and make new ones!

Saturday, December 24 Noon – 11:00 pm Wesley Hall



What better way to warm up on a cold Winter Day in January than to enjoy a bowl of hot soup and a movie? Wesleyan Adventurers is serving a variety of hot soups and showing a movie in Wesley Hall. Come and warm up with us.

Thursday, January 11 10:30 am – 1:30 pm Wesley Hall





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Traditional Worship Service December 3, 2023 | 11:00 am

"I Can't Wait"

Jeremiah 33: 14-18

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor

Welcome

"Mister Mark" Burrows, Director of Children's Ministries

Children's Nativity Pageant

Part 1 - Jesus is Born #230 O Little Town of Bethlehem, verse 1

Part 2 - The Angels Announce the Good News #240 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, verse 1

Part 3 - The Shepherds and Sheep Run to the Manger #234 O Come All Ye Faithful, verse 1

Part 4 - A Visit from the Wise Men #254 We Three Kings, verse 1

Part 5 - Savior of the World #217 Away in a Manger, verse 1

Hymn 211: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Dr. Mike Marshall, Associate Pastor

Scripture: Jeremiah 33:14-18

Jeanne Cochran, lay reader

God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series: I Can't Wait

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory: "Peace"

Patricia Mock, 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.

Service of Holy Communion

Hymnal pages 12-13 Rev. Phyllis Barren, Associate Pastor

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

*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: "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His is called Emmanuel. God with us, revealed in us, His name is called Emmanuel

*Postlude: "Wachet auf" (Awake, calls the voice to us)

A. D. Miller, arranger Peggy Graff, organ 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 or registering on-line.

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

In addition to your regular contribution, every one dollar (\$1) bill placed in the offering plate for the month of November will support the First Street Mission infamt formula program.

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