

## eleven:eleven, downtown

December 17 • 2023



### gathering and registration

please register your attendance on the cards in your seats or scan the **qr code**. cards may be left in the seat or brought with your offering during the gathering song.

**point camera, touch website that appears to register your attendance.**



### gathering song

***"feliz navidad"***

by jose feliciano

performed by eleven:eleven revolution band

### the advent/solstice candle

read by margaret sutton

### gift of song

***"god rest ye/star of wonder"***

trad carol (adapted - bare naked ladies)

performed by eleven:eleven revolution band

### sharing signs of peace and welcome

### gift of song

***"love is christmas"***

written by sara barielles

performed by **hilary tipps & steve obermiller**

### gift of story

read by george sutton

**luke 3: 7- (inclusive bible)**

the crowds who came out to be baptized by john, who replied, "you pack of snakes! who warned you to escape the coming wrath? produce good fruit as a sign of your repentance. and don't presume to say to yourselves, 'we have sarah and abraham as our mother and father,' for i tell you that god can raise children for sarah and abraham from rocks! ... so the people asked him, "then what should we do?" john replied, "let those with two coats share with those who have none. let those who have food do the same." tax collectors were also there and asked john, "teacher, what are we to do?" he answered, "tax nothing over and above your fixed amount." soldiers likewise asked, "what about us?" john told them, "don't bully anyone. don't accuse anyone falsely. be content with your pay."

### gift of song

***"holiday song"***

by the indigo girls

performed by eleven:eleven revolution band

### kairos

rev. tom mcdermott

### gift of story

***"ghost of christmas present"***

by charles dickens

performed by bernadette nason

### gift of song

***"one more circle"***

by peter mayer

performed by the eleven:eleven revolution band, with special guests

### benediction

let's make good news as riveting as bad.

**pay attention!**

be astonished!

**tell the world about it!**

## thoughts for further reflection

*god ripened me. so i see it is true: all objects in existence are  
wildly in love. - meister eckhart*

*if you want to become full, let yourself be empty. - lao tzu*

*one does not discover new lands without consenting  
to lose sight, for a very long time, of the shore. - andre  
lourde*

*to sit down, like a weed among weeds, and rustle in the  
wind! listen, are you breathing just a little,  
and calling it a life? - mary oliver*

### the eleven:eleven revolution band is...

brad thompson - music/band leader, vocalist, guitarist •  
justin pate - keyboard, vocalist • jon mosig - drums •  
kevin grove - lead guitar • chris brown - bass, vocals •  
alaina gunter - vocals • hilary tips - guest vocalist •  
steve obermiller - guest vocalist • bernadette nason -  
guest performer

for more info @ bernadette: [bernadettenason.com](http://bernadettenason.com)

FSMM needs **CANNED FOODS** this  
month. Food insecurity is a frightening  
reality for many families in our community.  
Donations may be left in the collection box in  
Wesley Hall on Sundays.



To make a donation for groceries, emergency rent  
and utility funding, please designate "First Street Methodist  
Mission" on your check/online giving or contact Bernie  
Scheffler, Director [bscheffler@firststreetmission.org](mailto:bscheffler@firststreetmission.org)



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### "there's an app for that!"

on the apple/android app store for phone or tablet



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## opportunities and small groups

**resumes jan 9, 2024**

**wine and wishful thinking**

**tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm**

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

wine, beer, light bites, and great conversation  
contact tom for info: [tmcdermott@myfumc.org](mailto:tmcdermott@myfumc.org)

**Happening soon!**

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**Dec 24 (no eleven:eleven or Sunday school classes)**

**Merry Christmas!**

Please join us at one of the Christmas Eve services  
in the Sanctuary

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Services**

**Noon, 3:30, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 pm, Sanctuary**  
Light refreshments in Wesley Hall before services

**Dec 31 (no eleven:eleven or Sunday school classes)**

**One All-Church Service, 11:00 am, Sanctuary**

**For Details, & All Upcoming  
Opportunities & Events, Scan Code  
or <https://fumcfw.org/events/>**



come, come, whoever you are, especially coffee brewers



come, be the magic

**as 2024 creeps in, and you're contemplating resolutions,  
considering volunteering at eleven:eleven!**

**It's easy...point your smartphone at the QR code and touch  
the website that appears**

**or**

**go to this link to see our signups:**

<https://signup.com/go/xWYBhnM>

**or**

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