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 February will support Dementia Friendly Fort Worth.

the flowers are given by the church in honor the 2024 Confirmation Class.

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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 Angie Parish (aparish@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!

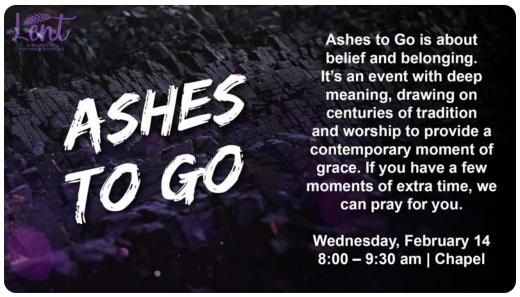




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Traditional Worship Service February 4, 2024 | 11:00 am

"Be Well"

Mark 2:13-17

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor

## Welcome

Matt Britt. Director of Youth Ministries

## Prelude: "Jesus Loves Me"

Charles Callahan, arranger Peggy Graff, organist

### \*Call to Worship

Claire Manno, Youth Ministries Staff

One: Brothers and sisters in Christ: Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we become part of God's family and God's story, and we are given new birth through water and the Spirit.

## All: All of this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

One: Through Confirmation – the claiming of our faith as our own – we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge the work God is doing in our lives and the world around us, and accept the Christian community as our home.

# All: This is our home, where we are seen, we are known and we are loved, just as we are.

One: Our story is not yet complete. There is still work to be done as the hands and feet of God in this world, showing kindness, compassion and love to the stranger and neighbor alike.

All: Our work is not yet finished. Thanks be to God! Amen.

# \*Hymn 571: "Go Make of All Disciples"

## Faith Like a Child

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

### **Service of Confirmation**

Elaine Johnson, Confirmation Leader

## **Membership Vows**

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor

#### **Act of Confirmation**

## \*Congregational Blessing

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything, God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

## \*Affirmation of Faith

Written by the Confirmation Class of 2024

We believe in God – Creator of heaven and earth; God is perfect and Holy. God is forgiving and trustworthy. God listens to us and understands what we're going through. We are never alone.

We believe in Jesus, God's son – Jesus is God in human form; he is perfect. Jesus shows us how to live; how to love people abundantly, and serve others humbly. Jesus died on the cross to save us from our sins and heal our relationship with God. Jesus is our source of hope.

We believe in the Holy Spirit – God's active presence in the world. The Holy Spirit gives us the strength and encouragement we need to live as people of God. The Holy Spirit is working in, around, and through us every day, even if we can't see it.

We believe the Bible is God's word; it reveals God's love and grace. The gospels show us how to live like Jesus. The Bible is a source of wisdom and should never be used to hurt anyone.

We are called to be God's people in the world – our faith calls us to love all of our neighbors, even when it is hard.

We believe in the United Methodist Church. FUMC Fort Worth is our safe place, where we can learn, ask questions, and grow together.

We believe that going to church, praying, and reading scripture regularly bring us closer to God.

We believe that we are human – perfectly imperfect.

We are God's beloved, created in God's image and likeness.

We believe that God holds us to a high standard, but even when we stumble, we believe God's love and grace never stop washing over us. Thanks be to God! Amen.

\*Hymn 89: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

### Scripture: Mark 2:13-17

Rebekah Davis, Youth Ministries Staff
God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.

Thanks be to God.

#### Sermon Series: Be Well

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor

## 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: "I Will Sing Praise"

Joseph Martin, arranger Adoramus Chamber Choir Alison Haygood, 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

Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as ever you can.

\*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

### Confirmation Class of 2024

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