

Spring
Handbell Festival

Saturday, April 27 | 9:00 am – 3:30 pm | Wesley Hall | \$15

SANCTUARY ORGAN
10th
Anniversary
MARSHALL JOOS ORGAN RECITAL

Friday, May 3 | 7:45 – 9:00 pm | Sanctuary

Rise
AGAINST HUNGER
food • community • sustainability

Sundays, April 28 & October 13 | 8:00 – 11:30 am | Wesley Hall

SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Sunday, May 5 | 11:00 am – 12:00 pm | Sanctuary

Learn more about...
scheduling a baptism
children and youth programming
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Join us at **Baptism & Beyond**
on Sunday, April 28 in Room 350 at 9:30 am.

Baptism & Beyond

REGISTER ONLINE

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United Methodist Women
First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth

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Tuesday, May 7 | 11:30 am | Wesley Hall | \$20



Traditional Worship Service
April 21, 2024 | 11:00 am

Spirit Moves

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor

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Welcome

Rev. Phyllis Barren, Associate Pastor

Prelude: Prelude on “Shall We Gather at the River?”

Gordon Young, arranger

Peggy Graff, organist

*Call to Worship

Dr. Mike Marshall, Associate Pastor

One: Today, we unite in the presence of the Holy Spirit, who brings harmony to our lives and restores us.

All: With open hearts, we seek the Spirit’s direction, yearning for healing in our vulnerabilities.

One: Like Paul’s teachings in Thessalonica, let us embrace the call to redemption and transformation.

All: We recognize our longing for reconciliation with God and each other. Together, let us raise our voices in gratitude and praise for the Holy Spirit’s work within us. Amen!

*Hymn 166: “All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine”

*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^o church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

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*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

Stephen Carter Gilchrist, son of Pamela and Stephen Gilchrist.

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 Stephen Carter, 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

“Mister Mark” Burrows, Director of Children’s Ministries

*Hymn 172: “My Jesus, I Love Thee”

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Claire Brandon, lay reader

God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series: Spirit Moves

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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: “Fairest Lord Jesus”

Derek K. Hakes, arranger

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: “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” refrain

Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove,

Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love.

And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;

Without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived,

When we shall leave this place.

*Postlude: “Menuet gothique” (from Suite Gothique, op. 25)

Léon Boëllmann, 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 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 April will support Methodist Justice Ministries.

The Sanctuary Flowers are given by Dr. & Mrs. Lee Bloemendal in loving memory of their parents, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Bloemendal and Mr. & Mrs. Howard Mays.

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