

MAJOR STORIES
OF THE
OLD TESTAMENT



Wednesdays | January 8 – February 26 | 9:30 – 11:00 am | Room 350 | Led by Rev. Phyllis Barren

WESLEYAN
ADVENTURERS

MOVIE DAY
..... featuring
**SOMEWHERE
IN TIME**



Thursday, January 9 | 10:30 am | Wesley Hall

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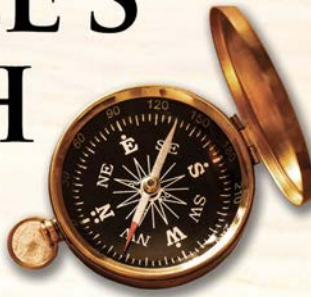
FRIENDS BREAKFAST CASSEROLES



Saturday, January 11 | 9:00 am | Wesley Hall

**A
DISCIPLE'S
PATH**

A GUIDE FOR
UNITED METHODISTS



Sundays | January 12 – 26 | Joining Day | February 2 | 9:30 – 11:30 am | Room 350

**DAY SCHOOL
Q&A
SESSIONS**



Thursday, January 23 | 1:00 pm or Wednesday, January 29 | 9:45 am | Sanctuary

**Would you like to read
the Bible more this year?**

In 2025, we offer 5 reading plans. Each plan provides 15 minutes of daily Scripture reading to deepen your faith and discipleship. Check out our downloadable journal with the reflection questions for each day to guide your readings.

**BIBLE
READING
SERIES**



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**WEIRD
THINGS
CHRISTIANS
DO**



Traditional Worship Service
January 5, 2025 | 11:00 am

**Weird Things
Christians Do**

2 Timothy 3:10-4:5

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor

Welcome
Rev. Zhenya Gurina-Rodriguez, PhD, Associate Pastor

Opening Prayer

Organ Voluntary: “As with Gladness Men of Old”
Jacob B. Weber, arranger
Peggy Graff, organist

***Call to Worship**
One: Come, people of God, to celebrate the practices that shape our faith.
All: We gather to proclaim what we believe, in word and deed.
One: Though some may find it strange, we find it sacred and true.
All: With creeds and songs, we declare God’s enduring love.
One: Let us worship with joy and gratitude.
All: Praise be to God, who calls us together in faith! Amen.

***Hymn 246: “Joy to the World”**

***Affirmation of Faith 881**
Dr. Mike Marshall, Associate Pastor
**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.**
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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
Ashlyn Louise Campbell, daughter of Gabrielle and Christopher
Campbell Jr.

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 Ashlyn Louise, 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 224: “Good Christian Friends Rejoice”**

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:10-4:5
Kim Bird, lay reader
God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series: Weird Things Christians Do
Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior 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: “We Three Kings of Orient Are”
John Leavitt, arranger
Bradley Naylor, Tenor I
Thomas Williams, Tenor II
Taylor White, Bass

***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: Gloria
(from Angels We Have Heard on High)**

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

***Postlude: Postlude on “Gloria”**
Jason D. Payne, arranger

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 December will support the First
Street Methodist Mission food bank.

The Poinsettias in the Sanctuary are in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs.
A.J. Broderick and Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Smith.

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Associate Pastor of Leadership Development — and be sure to include
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