

# Christmas Decorating

Sunday, November 23  
12:15 – 4:00 pm



Come and be a Christmas Elf and help decorate the church and Christmas tree for Advent and Christmas! Lunch provided. Jobs for all ages. Sign up online.




Volunteer Opportunity

## A MEMORY grows

where love carries on

Monday, December 1 | 3:30 – 9:30 pm | The Brooks at Weatherford | Registration Required

## INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR

# COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP




Sunday, November 30 | 12:15 pm | Room 336




Dr. Bradley Hunter Welch

# ORGAN RECITAL



Monday, December 1 | 7:00 pm | Sanctuary | Free Admission




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## THE GIFT OF THE NUTCRACKER

# MONDAY MUSERS ADVENT STUDY



Mondays, December 1 – 22 | 1:00 pm | Room 350 | \$14



UMW DECEMBER LUNCHEON

# NUTCRACKER IS TUTU MUCH



Tuesday, December 2 | 11:30 am | Wesley Hall | \$20 | Register by noon on November 25



# ROOTED & RISING

*Season Series*

Traditional Worship Service  
November 23, 2025 | 11:00 am

## Rooted and Rising

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Rev. Lance Marshall, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Phyllis Barren, preaching



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## Welcome

Dr. Mike Marshall, Associate Pastor

## Opening Prayer

### Choral Voluntary: “He’s Got the Whole World In His Hands”

Setting by Ray Liebau  
Adoramus Chamber Choir  
Alison Haygood, director

### \*Call to Worship

One: The earth brings forth its fruit, and our hearts overflow.

**All: Rooted in Your mercy, we rise in songs of gratitude.**

One: Every blessing ripens under the warmth of Your love.

**All: Every table tells the story of Your abundance.**

One: From seed to harvest, You have been faithful.

**All: Rooted and rising, we give thanks and share Your generous grace. Amen.**

### \*Passing of the Peace

### \*Hymn 102: “Now Thank We All Our God”

### \*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<sup>o</sup> church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

<sup>o</sup>universal

### \*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

### Faith Like a Child

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

### \*Hymn 131: “We Gather Together”

### Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Danny Darr, lay reader

God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon Series: Rooted and Rising

Rev. Phyllis Barren, Associate 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: “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

Craig Courtney, arranger

### \*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: “Great is they Faithfulness” refrain

**Great is thy faithfulness,**

**Great is thy faithfulness,**

**Morning by morning new mercies I see.**

**All I have needed thy hand hast provided;**

**Great is thy faithfulness,**

**Lord unto me.**

### \*Postlude: “Now Thank We All Our God”

Sigfrid Karg-Elert, 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 online.

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 infant  
formula program at First Street Methodist Mission.

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.

## ARE YOU NEW?

If you would like to find your place, your community, we would love to  
visit with you and help you explore the First Church groups or ministries  
of special interest to you! Finding your community 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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