

February 22, 2026

# Eleven:Eleven

*in the garden*

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**Arrival Song**

**Beauty in the World**

Music & Lyrics: Macy Gray

**Welcome Candle (Rumi)**

**Wes Stevens**

**Gathering Song**

**Come Dance**

Music & Lyrics: Charles Gaby

**Sharing Signs of Peace and Welcome**

**Gift of Song**

**If I Were To Pray**

Music & Lyrics: Charles Gaby & Brad Thompson

**Kairos**

**Sacred Text**

**Read by Kelly Reeves**

**Joel 2:12-14 (As interpreted by Dr. Jenn Pick)**

Even now—even now, when the air is thick with ash—says the Covenant-Keeping One: Return to me. Return with your whole heart. Not with performance, but with fasting that clears the fog, with tears that wash what pride has crusted over, with grief honest enough to name what is broken. Tear open your hearts, not your clothing. Let the rupture be inward. Let the dust settle where it must. Return to your God, for the Holy One is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love—love bound by promise, love braided through generations. Who knows? The Holy One may yet turn—may breathe again into these ashes, may leave behind a blessing where there was only absence: grain for empty hands, wine for parched lips, an offering rising from what once lay cold. Even now—return.

**Observations and Considerations**

**Living Lent**

**The Reverend Dr. Jenn Pick**

**Closing Song**

**Wake Now My Senses**

Lyrics: Thomas Mickelson

**Benediction**

**Kagan Parker**

**The Eleven:Eleven Revolution Band Is**

Brad Thompson - Music/Band Leader, Vocalist, Guitarist  
Justin Pate - Keyboard, Vocalist | Jon Mosig - Drums  
Kevin Grove - Lead Guitar | Lee Allen - Bass, Vocals  
Alaina Gunter - Vocalist | Lydia Smith-Osborne - Vocalist

**For info about Eleven:Eleven**

- Visit [fumcfw.org/1111fw](http://fumcfw.org/1111fw)
- Worship with us online on Sundays at [fumcfw.org/live](http://fumcfw.org/live).
- Download the MYFUMC App at [fumcfw.org/myfumc](http://fumcfw.org/myfumc) or the App Store for your device

*Winter Gardening Notes*

**Seeds need the winter to thrive**

- Germination is the period when a seed starts to grow.
- After spending the winter protecting the inner, vital parts, the hard outer shell absorbs water, becoming soft.
- Metabolic processes begin occurring during germination.

## Thoughts for Future Reflection

“Lent is about becoming, doing, and changing whatever it is that is blocking the fullness of life in us right now.”

— Joan Chittister

“Your task is not to seek for love, but merely to seek and find all the barriers within yourself that you have built against it.”

— Rumi

“The central question of a meaningful life is not, ‘What shall I do?’ but ‘Can I stay present to what is happening?’”

— Pema Chödrön

### Opportunities and Small Groups

#### Conspiracy Opportunities

#### Core Practice: Tell the Bigger Sacred Story

#### UMW Luncheon | *Thank You, Lady Bird*

March 3, 2026 | 11:30 am – 1 pm | Wesley Hall

\$20 | Register by February 24

Guest speaker JonAnna Reidinger, former assistant to the First Lady, speaks on this wildflower champion.

#### Save the Date!

**UMW Annual Boot Scoot** happens April 10 with music provided by the Brad Thompson Band! Yeehaw!

#### Pour and Ponder is here!

2nd, 4th Wednesdays | 6:30 – 8:30 pm | Next: Feb 25

Winehaus | 1628 Park Pl Ave | Fort Worth 76110

Join Kris Olsta for intentional dialogue about Sunday's Observations and Considerations. Contact Kagan, [kparker@myfumc.org](mailto:kparker@myfumc.org) or (682) 231-2784 for info.

#### Book Club: Folded Pages

1st, 3rd Wednesdays | 6:30 – 8:00 pm | Next: Feb 18

Avoca Coffee | 1311 W Magnolia Ave | FW 76104

Join us as we read “Soul Boom” by Rainn Wilson. We are currently on chapters 1-3. Contact Kagan, [kparker@myfumc.org](mailto:kparker@myfumc.org) or (682) 231-2784 for info.

For more opportunities, browse programs and events or search by ministry or keyword at [fumcfw.org/events](https://fumcfw.org/events)

### Core Practice: Show Up for Others

**First Street Methodist Mission** needs **Baby Wipes** this month. **Men's shoes**, especially sizes 9-12 are always appreciated. Gently used items are accepted. Leave donations in the bin on Refreshment Table.

#### The Cowtown Marathon takes place next Sunday.

University Dr is open between Trail Drive to the North and Riverfront Dr to the South. Trail and Riverfront are closed as are many other streets between the Stockyards and Colonial Golf Course. **Google Cowtown Marathon Sunday Course Map for all closures.**

**Butterflies in the Garden** kicks off next Sunday, March 1 and runs two months through April 30.

We can use parking lot help directing our community to the last two rows. It'd be great to have at least one person at either end, securing the space for our attendees. Contact Nancy Dearing, [nancydear@duck.com](mailto:nancydear@duck.com), for info.

### Core Practice: Mindfulness & Meditation

#### Lovingkindness Meditation

Sit with a straight back in a chair or on the floor or lie on a yoga mat flat on your back with a pillow under your head and another under your knees. When you've settled, do a scan of your body detecting areas of tension. Take a few deep breaths and relax, releasing any tension. Then say...

My heart fills with loving kindness. I love myself. May I be happy. May I be well. May I be at peace. May I be free.

