



*SHINE GOD'S LOVE INTO EVERY LIFE*

## **CELEBRATION WORSHIP**

**January 10, 2010**

**8:30 & 11:00 am**

**Ministers**

**All Members of the Congregation**

**Senior Pastor**

Rev. Matt Gaston

**Associate Pastor**

Rev. Lisa Marshall

**Associate Pastor**

Rev. Jessica Wright

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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## WE GATHER

Welcome

Deana Ferguson

Prelude

*The Star Proclaims the King Is Here*

Flor Peeters

Dale Peters, organ

*If you have prayers of joy or concern to share with the congregation and the Prayer Ministry Team, please write those on a blue Prayers of the People card located in the pew rack in front of you. These cards will be picked up during the first hymn.*

**\*Call to Worship**

Dave Desilets (8:30); Jane Graner (11:00)

One: Jesus said: "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink."

**Many: Let us act justly.**

One: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing."

**Many: Let us love tenderly.**

One: "I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."

**Many: Let us walk humbly with our God.**

One: May we see Christ in one another,

**Many: That we may be healers and peacemakers in Christ's name.**

Matthew 25:31-46

**\*Hymn 111**

*How Can We Name a Love*

*The Prayers of the People will be picked up during the singing of this hymn.  
The children are invited to the front for Children's Time.*

## WE PROCLAIM

A Time for Our Children

Rev. Jessica Wright

Hymn

*You Called Me by Name*

*See page 6*

Call to Prayer

John Priddy



Hear our prayer, O Lord; In - cline your ear to us, and grant us your peace

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Lisa Marshall

Lord's Prayer

the people praying

**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.**

**Ministry Witness**

Dorian Albert

**Our Offering**

*The Smallest Things*

James Clemens

Credo Choir

Hannah Cheek and Javan Stalls, soloists

James Franklin, director; Donna Meinecke, accompanist

*Please register your attendance on the registration pads. After you have completed your information, pass it down the row, and then back up the row so that everyone can see who is sitting nearby.*

**\*Doxology**

the people singing

***Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again,  
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.***

***O star of wonder, star of light star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.***

**Scripture**

Isaiah 43:1-7

Page 672 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible.

**Anthem (11:00)**

*Christ Be Beside Me*

Quinn/Cutts

Chancel Choir

**Message**

"Footprints in the Sand"

Rev. Matt Gaston

## **WE RESPOND**

### **Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

*If you would like to explore becoming a part of this church family, please come down at the close of the service to express that desire and see one of the pastors who will be happy to guide you in those next steps through our Methodism 101 class.*

**\*Hymn 438**

*Forth in Thy Name, O Lord*

### **Commissioning of Stephen Ministers (11:00)**

#### **Response**

**O God, we ask you to take our sisters and our brothers into your care. You have blessed them with particular gifts and talents and have provided them with an opportunity to learn more about helping people. May they serve you with the power of the Holy Spirit; may they be quick to serve, patient in listening, willing to share themselves with people. Give to us thankful hearts for them, and show them in times of stress and satisfaction a special measure of your mercy and joy. Keep them strong in the faith you have given them for the sake of Jesus, who cares for all of us in every way forever. Amen.**

**\*Blessing**

**Postlude**

*How Lovely Shines the Morning Star* Dietrich Buxtehude

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The white roses are in loving memory of Lucille Ruthrauff and Jessie Ellis-Bryant.

The acolytes today are Tyler Delzer and Kristin Williamson (8:30);  
Brooks Coker and Jack Wilde (11:00).

Childcare is provided for newborns through Pre-K on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
of the East Wing during worship.

A television is set up downstairs in Miller Center during the 11:00 am worship service  
for those who feel the need to leave the Sanctuary  
but still wish to be a part of the service.

New members are always welcome at First United Methodist Church of Denton.  
For more information, call one of our pastors at 940.382.5478.

The new library hours are posted on the Library door.

One of your pastors is always available for after hours emergencies at 940.566.6500.

A Stephen Minister is available to help you through a difficult time. All you need  
to do is call one of our pastors, 940.382.5478.

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## **Today . . .**

All Morning	Mission Fair, Monroe Gym
9:00 am -12:15 pm	Pictorial Directory Distribution, Miller Center
9:40 am	Sunday School Classes; Youth on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor in the Youth Loft
12:00 noon	Mission Fair – grilled hot dogs thanks to Men’s Ministry, finishing blankets to provide to the homeless, and face painting for the kids.
4:00 pm	Credo Choir rehearsal, Choir Room, Room 330, East Wing
5:30 - 7:30 pm	United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) -- Rethink Church 3; snack supper provided.

## **This Week . . .**

**January 13**      **Community Bible Study**, noon, Flinn Hall, brown bag lunch.  
  
**Feast in Fellowship**, a Wednesday night meal, 5:30-6:30 pm,  
Monroe Gym. Cost: Adults \$ 5.00; Children 10 and under \$ 3.00;  
Family maximum \$15.00. **Make reservations by noon on  
Monday, please. Menu:** Lasagna **Your Servers:** TBD.

**January 17**      **Stone Soup Luncheon**, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, Monroe Gym  
Beef and vegetable soup, hot bread, and delicious homemade  
desserts will be prepared and served by the New Horizons Class.  
Your love donations will be given to the Denton Community Food  
Center to help stock the shelves.  
  
**Youth Lockout**, an overnight event, 8:00 pm – 10:00 am. See Rev.  
Jessica Wright for details.

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### **New Leader Training**

**Tuesday, January 26, 6:00 pm Miller Center**

This workshop is designed for members of Church Committees and teams. To  
inquire or sign up talk with Greg Ankeney (gregankeney@msn.com) or Dan Riddle  
(riddledsn@verizon.net), or call the church to RSVP.

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## Church Pictorial Directory Distribution Begins

The new pictorial directories have arrived and will be distributed over the next few Sunday mornings. Those who took the time to have a photo taken for this directory can stop by Miller Center for their free family copy between 9:00 am and 12:15 pm. If you have not received your free 8 x 10 portrait, it will also be available to pick up at the same time. New members who have joined since the picture taking concluded - September 1, 2009 - may also pick up a free copy. A few directories will be available for purchase by those members who chose not to have a photo included in the directory. The cost per copy is \$20.

**Financial Peace University** – once again FUMC will host the FPU workshop on Saturday mornings starting January 16. Tired of dealing with debt and wondering why you can't seem to get ahead? Want to learn how to be the master of your money instead of your money directing what you do? Classes run from 9:00 – 11:00 am, and childcare is available by reservation only. The cost is \$100 for the kit. If interested please call Joe Carbonaro in the Church office.

## Methodism 101: A Overview of our Faith

January 17-February 21

9:45-10:30 am, Monroe Gym, Room 101

This course is recommended for all people coming into our congregation whether by profession of faith and baptism, renewal of vows, or transfer of membership. It is also a good refresher course for long-time members who want to remember who we are and where we came from as a denomination.

## Harvest Class Begins New Study

January 17, 9:40 am, Room 336

The Harvest Class is beginning a new 10 week study entitled, "Bad Girls of the Bible" by Liz Curtis Higgs on Sunday, January 17. If you don't presently attend a Sunday School class or would just like to come participate with us during this study, we welcome you. Harvest meets in Room 336, and we will start promptly each week at 9:40 am. For additional information, please contact Jimmy and Shelly Renfro at 940.484.8892 or renfro95@verizon.net.

## Credo Talent Show

Friday, January 22, 7:00 pm, and Sunday, January 24, 2:00 pm, Flinn Hall

Ticket prices are as follows: Adult - \$10 ; Kids - \$5; Family - maximum \$20

\*\*Refreshments will be provided during intermission.\*\*

Proceeds will help fund a summer tour.

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## *Super Servant Sundays –*

*a Sermon Series by Rev. Matt Gaston*

January 17    *Tears of Sadness; Tears of Joy*    Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

January 24    *Called?! Who's on the Line?*    Jeremiah 1:4-10

January 31    *Holy Help Them, Batman!*    Isaiah 6:1-8

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## You Have Called Me by Name



When I con - si - der the work of Your fin - gers, the  
All of cre - a - tion was made for Your pleas - ure, the



sun and the stars, the land and the sea;  
sun and the stars, the land and the sea;



I start to won - der, Al - might - y Cre - a - tor, just  
But, by Your grace, you have giv - en me fa - vor, with



why You would ev - er take thought of me.  
You I will reign for e - ter - ni - ty.



Yet You have called me by name. You are ac -  
For You have



quaint-ed with all of my ways; Bought by Your blood, drawn by Your



love, I am Your dwell - ing place; For You have called me Your



friend, show-ing me fa - vor, a - gain and a - gain; I'm set a -



part, dear to Your heart, You called me by name.



For You have called me Your friend, show-ing me



fa - vor, a - gain and a - gain; I'm set a - part, dear to Your



heart, You called me by name.