



“STAND & BE COUNTED”

CELEBRATION WORSHIP

April 11, 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

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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WE GATHER

Welcome

Rev. Lisa Marshall

Prelude (8:30)

The Wise May Bring Their Learning
Challenger Children's Choir; Jett Cheek, director
Diane Finney, flute; Jessica Dean, piano

John Carter

(11:00)

Prelude II
Dale Peters, organ

Frank Bridge

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**

Chandler Dean (8:30); Janet Luttrell (11:00)

One: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life.

Many: **Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,
And everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.**

***Hymn 514**

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

*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

Deana Ferguson

Hymn 318, v 1-4

Christ Is Alive

Ministry Witness

Call to Prayer

John Priddy



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

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Jessica Wright

Our Offering

The Morning Trumpet
Men's Ensemble

trad. arr. Parker/Shaw

*O when shall I see Jesus and reign with him above,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning,
And from the flowing fountain drink everlasting love?
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.
O Shout, with glory! I shall mount above the skies,
When I hear the trumpet sound in the morning.*

*But now I am a soldier, My Captain's gone before;
He's given me my orders and bids me ne'er give o'er
Til I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.*

*When shall I be delivered from this vain world of sin,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning,
And with my blessed Jesus drink endless pleasures in?
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.
Shout, O glory! For I shall mount above the skies,
When I hear the trumpet sound in the morning.*

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 318, v.5**

the people singing

***Christ is alive, and come to bring good news to this and every age,
till earth and all creation ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.***

Scripture

Acts 5:27-32

Page 123 in the New Testament of your pew Bible.

Anthem

Fight the Good Fight

arr. John Gardner

(8:30) Men's Ensemble; (11:00) Chancel Choir

*Fight the good fight with all thy might; Christ is thy Strength, and Christ thy Right;
Lay hold on life, and it shall be Thy joy and crown eternally.*

*Run the straight race through God's good grace. Lift up thine eyes, and seek His face.
Life with its way before us lies. Christ is the Path, and Christ the Prize.*

*Cast care aside, upon thy Guide lean, and His mercy will provide;
Lean, and the trusting soul shall prove Christ is its Life, and Christ its Love.*

*Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He changeth not, and thou art dear.
Only believe, and thou shalt see that Christ is all in all to thee.*

Message

"Stand & Be Counted"

Rev. Matt Gaston

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

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.

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 569** *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations*

***Blessing**

Postlude *Chorale* Joseph Jongen

The flowers today are given in honor of Thelma and Dub Turner
with love from Betty and Joe Roy.

The acolytes today are George Elliot and Sheridan Evans (8:30);
Chase Zemanek and Haley Wilcox (11:00).

Childcare is provided for newborns through Pre-K on the 1st 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.

Today . . .

9:40 am	Sunday School Classes; Youth on the 3 rd Floor in the Youth Loft
4:00 pm	Credo Choir rehearsal, Room 331, East Wing
5:30 pm –7:30 pm	United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) – Snack supper; Rethink Church #5.

This Week . . .

April 14 **Community Bible Study**, noon, Flinn Hall, brown bag lunch

Prayer & Meditation in Cole Chapel, 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

April 16-17 **Women's Spring Retreat** at Forestburg, Texas, sponsored by our
United Methodist Women. The "Friendship Factor" will be the focus
of the weekend. Full or part time participation options are available.
Registration is \$5. For information in call Sue O'Neill at
940.387.8056.

April 18 **Karla K. Morton Poetry Reading**, 3:00 pm, Flinn Hall, is sponsored
by the Church Library with a reception following in Flinn Hall Lounge.
2010 Texas State Poet Laureate, Karla K. Morton will read some of her
poetry. All are welcome.

Coming . . .

- April 27** **All Church Mission Study: Sudan**, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary. Hear from Elizabeth Akuen, one of the *Lost Girls of Sudan*. A reception follows the presentation.
- May 8** **Introduction to the Bible**, 9:00 am – noon, led by Senior Pastor, Rev. Matt Gaston. Coffee and donuts provided. RSVP to Suzanne Dees Taylor, sdtaylor@fumc-denton.com or 940.382.5478.
- May 9** **Financial Peace University** begins a new session @ 4:00 pm. Contact the leader, Joe Carbonaro, Church Business Administrator, for more information about costs, registration, and childcare reservations.

Mission Opportunities . . .

Drivers Needed for Meals on Wheels.

Contact Mike Mizell to volunteer: 940.382.8551 or birdmizell@msn.com.

The **Miller Center Mission Corner collection** for April benefits UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief):

- 1 pair blunt scissors (rounded tip)
- 3 pads (or loose leaf) of 8 1/2" x 11" ruled paper
- 1 30-centimeter ruler
- 1 hand held pencil sharpener
- 6 unsharpened pencils with erasers
- 1 eraser, 2 1/2"
- 1 box of 24 crayons (only 24)

Also needed:

14" x 16" tote bags or cash to buy tote bags and for shipping of items to the Sager Brown depot.

GOD'S HEART, OUR HANDS

May-Days of Mission

Saturday, May 1

9 am – Noon

From Our House to Yours

Lawn Work & Home Repair

Easter Egg Rock Hunt

Cleaning up our back yard for summer fun and mission

Sunday, May 2

Noon – 2pm

Family Cookout/Potluck Lunch

Easter Egg Rock Hunt

& School Kits

Assembling supplies for children without other educational resources

More information? Contact Rev. Jessica Wright, 940.382.5478 or jwright@fumc-denton.com



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