

**First United Methodist Church**

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**Mission**  
Denton, Texas

*"LIVED IN FAITH"*

**CELEBRATION WORSHIP**

**Mother's Day**

**May 9, 2010**

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

<b>Ministers</b>	<b>All Members of the Congregation</b>
Senior Pastor	Rev. Matt Gaston
Associate Pastor	Rev. Lisa Marshall
Associate Pastor	Rev. Jessica Wright

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# WE GATHER

Welcome

Rev. Matt Gaston

Musical Offering

*Excuses*

Pote/Long

Challenger & Chorister Children's Choirs  
Jett Cheek, director; Jessica Dean, accompanist

Ministry Procession

*Ceremonial March*

William Walton

Dale Peters, organist

*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

One: God of grace and glory, we thank you that you judge us not by the perfection of our actions, but by our readiness to live boldly by faith.

Many: **Help us, as individuals and as a congregation, to trust you and follow where you lead,**

All: **That in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.**  
(Ruth Duck, U.S.A., 20<sup>th</sup> Century)

\*Hymn 159

*Lift High the Cross*

*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

Jessica Dean

Call to Prayer

*Lord, Be Glorified*



In our hearts, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied...



In our hearts, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

2. In our lives....
3. In your church ...
4. In your world ....

**Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Jessica Wright

**Prayer Response**

*This is My Commandment*  
Cherub Children's Choir; Jett Cheek, director

trad.

**Our Offering**

*Almighty Father, Hear Me*

Handel/arr. Roddy

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

**Scripture**

Acts 4:23-31  
Page 122 in the New Testament of your pew Bible.

**Anthem (11:00)**

*Witness*  
Chancel Choir

arr. Halloran

*Who'll be a witness for my Lord? Oh, I'll be a witness for my Lord.*

*There was a man of the Pharisees; his name was Nicodemus and he didn't believe.*

*The same came to Christ by night, wanted to be taught out of human sight.*

*Nicodemus was a man who desired to know how a man can be born when he is old.*

*Christ told Nicodemus as a friend, "Man you must be born again."*

*He said, "Marvel not, man, if you want to be wise, repent, believe and be baptized."*

*Then you'll be a witness for my Lord; soul is a witness for my Lord.*

*You read about Samson, from his birth he was the strongest man that ever lived on earth. Way back yonder in ancient times he killed ten thousand of the Philistines. Then old Samson went a wand'rin' about. Samson's strength was never found out 'till his wife sat upon his knee. She said, "Tell me where your strength lies, if you please!"*

*Samson's wife, she talk so fair Samson said, "Cut off my hair! Shave my head just as clean as your hand, and my strength will come like a natural man."*

*Samson was a witness for my Lord; soul is a witness for my Lord.*

*There's another witness for my Lord! My soul is a witness for my Lord.*

**Message**

"Lived in Faith"

Rev. Matt Gaston

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Lisa Marshall

**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 98** *To God Be the Glory*

**\*Blessing**

**Postlude** *Crown Imperial* William Walton

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The acolytes today are Jack Wilde and Emily Hill (8:30);  
Samantha Finney and Haley Wilcox (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 Dining Room 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.

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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**Sunday, May 9**

*Lived in Faith*

Acts 4:23-31

**Wednesday, May 19**

Prayer Vigil, Cole Chapel, 8:30 am – 8:30 pm

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## Today . . .

9:00 -11:00 am Resource Conservation Table: Home Energy Audits  
& Wind Conservation, Miller Center  
9:40 am Sunday School Classes; Youth on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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) – No gathering  
Do something nice for your mother, her mother, another  
mother, or someone who is like a mother to you.

## ***This Week . . .***

- May 10**      **Business Council** meets, 7:00 pm, in Room 108.
- May 12**      **Community Bible Study**, noon, Miller Center, brown bag lunch
- Prayer & Meditation** in Cole Chapel, 6:30 – 8:00 pm.
- Children’s Musical**, opening performance of *Table for Five . . . Thousand*, the parable of the loaves and fishes set to music.  
7:00 pm, Flinn Hall.
- May 14**      **Children’s Musical**, 7:00 pm, Flinn Hall.

## ***Coming . . .***

- May 16**      **Confirmation Sunday**
- Children’s Musical**, 3:00 pm, Flinn Hall.
- Relationships, Sex, & Dating (for youth and their parents)**  
5:30-7:30 pm. This workshop, led by Jessica Wright and Lillian Chenoweth, is in response to the strong requests from our community for a workshop following up on the great work our church does with the *Created by God* curriculum. We will gather to eat together, then break into a group for youth and a group for adults to discuss the difficult topics of relationships, sex, and dating. Beyond the subject at hand, we’ll discuss communication skills to help parents and youth talk about the difficult stuff.
- It will be helpful if you and your youth can attend together, but it's not required. However, so we can prepare adequate resources, please rsvp to Rev. Jessica by May 12.
- May 10-16**    **Children’s Book Week.** Bring the kids for a special time in wonderful children’s section of the Library.
- May 19**      **Confirmation Sunday**
- Prayer Vigil** for the Debt Reduction Campaign, Cole Chapel,  
8:30 am – 8:30 pm
- May 23**      **Fulfilling the Mission Commitment Sunday**
- June 6**      **Senior Sunday**
- June 6-8**      **Annual Conference of North Texas Conference of United Methodist Church**
- June 7**      **Celebration of Ordination** for Rev. Lisa Marshall, 7:00 pm  
First UMC – Wichita Falls.

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First UMC-Georgetown  
invites you  
to  
**A Retirement Reception**  
for  
**Dr. Jim Porter**  
Celebrating his 38 years of ministry

**Sunday, June 13**  
5:00-7:00 pm  
Georgetown Community Center  
San Gabriel Park  
Georgetown, Texas

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### ***Mission Opportunities . . .***

Looking for a summer mission opportunity?  
Our church plans to participate in the city's **Summer Meals Program**, ensuring that children and youth in our community don't go hungry. If you can help distribute lunches at Quakertown Park to students who are ordinarily serviced by the free or reduced lunch program at their school, please contact Sharon Kremer or Rev. Jessica Wright. Volunteers are needed any day of the week, Monday-Friday, between 11:45 am and 12:45 pm, June 7-August 13. Background checks are required. We want to have everyone interested sign up for the background checks by May 14.

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**Drivers Needed for Meals on Wheels.**  
Contact Mike Mizell to volunteer: 940.382.8551 or birdmizell@msn.com.

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The **Miller Center Mission Corner** collection for May benefits the Diaper Depot for clients of Interfaith Ministries. Please leave your donations of diapers -- either children or adult sized -- in the Miller Center Mission Corner.

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### **Miller Center Café**

Last Sunday you may have noticed a healthy alternative to the donuts being served. Fruit, yogurt and granola bars were available at the new Miller Center Cafe brought to you by the Hospitality Committee. The Finance Committee has given its approval for a three month trial period for the Miller Center Café.

Healthy foods will be served during the month of May by the Credo Choir. Love donations will go to support their tour fund. VBS volunteers will serve healthy foods during June. The month of July is open so if any group wants to raise money at the Miller Center Cafe, please contact Genene Murphy at 940.387.4852.

Please support Miller Center Cafe and give generously to the Credo Choir.

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