



“SPEND LESS”

SERMON SERIES: ADVENT CONSPIRACY

CELEBRATION WORSHIP ALL SAINTS' & COMMUNION SUNDAY

November 6, 2011

8:30 & 11:00 am

Ministers	All Members of the Congregation
Lead Pastor	Rev. Matt Gaston
Associate Pastor	Rev. Lisa Marshall
Associate Pastor	Rev. Jessica Wright
Associate Pastor	Rev. Deana Ferguson

SHINE GOD'S LOVE INTO EVERY LIFE

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WE GATHER

Welcome

John Priddy

Remembering the Saints

Improvisation

S. Andrew Lloyd

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**

Jessica Dean (8:30); Rev. Cammy Gaston (11:00)

One: Dying, Christ destroyed our death.

Many: Rising, Christ restored our life.

One: Christ will come again in glory.

Many: As in baptism, we put on Christ, so in Christ may we be clothed with glory.

***Hymn 711**

For All the Saints

*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. Deana Ferguson

Hymn 581

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

Confession

Rev. Jessica Wright

One: As we prepare to meet Jesus Christ at table, let us confess to God our brokenness and need.

Many: Gracious God, we come before you a people too nearly conformed to this world and its values.

One: We fail to develop our God-given abilities, then envy those who do. Too busy for the care of our bodies or the development of our minds and spirits, we neglect the nurture of our own best selves.

Many: We serve, but sometimes with resentment, because we say "Yes" to the most insistent caller more than to you. Expecting too much of ourselves, we resent others who seem not to do their share.

One: We waffle between weakness which allows others to walk all over us, and defensiveness which ignores the rights of others.

Many: We spend our money on that which is not bread and turn our eyes away from images of those who have not bread. Yet we ignore our own hunger and thirst for you and your righteousness.

One: Transform us by your spirit and renew our minds.

Many: May we find the joy and peace that comes from seeking your will, through Jesus, your faithful servant. Amen. (Ruth Duck)

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.

Receiving the Bread and the Cup

Communion will be served at the front of the Sanctuary or by intinction at stations in the back of the Sanctuary or in the balcony. If you choose to receive communion at the front, an usher will direct you to an open place at the rail where you may kneel or stand. There will be no formal dismissal; you are welcome to remain as long as you like and return to your seat when you are ready. If you choose to receive communion by intinction, you will receive the bread to dip into the cup before partaking. If you prefer to be served in your pew, please tell an usher.

Anthem (11:00)

More Love
Chancel Choir

arr. Sid Davis

More love, more love; the heavens are blessing, the angels are calling, O Zion, more love. If ye love not each other in daily communion, how can ye love God, whom ye have not seen?

As the congregation shares in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please join in singing the first and last verses of the following hymns: 710 *Faith of Our Fathers*; 707 *Hymn of Promise*; 708 *Rejoice in God's Saints*; 704 *Steal Away to Jesus*; 709 *Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above*

Prayer after Communion

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 702

Sing With All the Saints in Glory

*Blessing

Postlude

Child of God

S. Andrew Lloyd

The acolytes today are Alyssa Williamson and Stephanie Williamson (8:30); Jackson Dean and Evan Eshelman (11:00).

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

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

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.

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

Today . . .

Alternative Gifts Fair, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm, Miller Center

This is the 24th annual Alternative Gifts Fair at FUMC. It offers an alternative to the traditional Christmas shopping. It is not a fundraiser for FUMC, but an opportunity to support missions and improve the lives of others around the world. Items purchased at the fair will give twice. All money raised will positively affect people struggling to make a better life.

Angel Tree Project adoptions, in partnership with the Salvation Army, are available in Miller Center all morning.

9:40 am Youth Sunday School on the 3rd Floor in the Youth Loft area
4:30-5:20 pm Credo Choir Rehearsal for 6th-12th grades, Room 331.
5:30-7:30 pm UMYouth – Snack Supper and program: If We are the Body . . . Love

Coming . . .

November 9 Community Bible Study, noon, Flinn Hall, brown bag lunch.

Children's Choir Rehearsals

6:00-6:30 pm - Cherubs (ages 4-Kindergarten)
6:40-7:20 pm - Choristers (Grades 1-3)
7:30-8:15 pm - Challengers (Grades 4-5)

Handbell Choir Rehearsals

5:30-6:30 pm – Adult Handbell Choir
6:45-7:15 pm – Children's Choirchimes
7:30-8:15 pm – Youth Handbell Choir

November 11 Organ Recital by S. Andrew Lloyd, 7:30 pm, Highland Park Presbyterian Church, Dallas. The recital features the organ music of Jehan Alain and commemorates his death in WWII, as well as 100 years since his birth.

November 12 Gifts & Graces Gala for the Denton Wesley Foundation
7:00 pm, 1801 Maple, Denton. This auction of students' musical gifts and ministry service benefit the group's mission trip to Honduras in January. Dessert will be served at the event.

November 13 Church Conference, 12:00 noon, Sanctuary
The District Superintendent will join us as we receive the yearly reports from committee chairs, approve the pastors pay packages and vote on the lay leadership for the coming year. Jett Cheek will also be presenting information on a proposed Music Academy. At a church conference all church members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

More Chili, Please! All Church Chili Cookoff

5:30-7:00 pm, Monroe Gym, benefiting youth missions.

November 15 The Shawl Ministry meets at 2:00 pm at the home of Erma Carpenter, 3313 Nottingham Dr., 940.566.7949. All knitters are invited to join the group as they craft shawls for our members who are in need of warmth for body and soul.

Foo McBubba, FUMC Big Band, presents a fall concert, 8:00 pm, in the Sanctuary. A goodwill offering will be received.

MORE CHILI, PLEASE!

all-church chili cook-off

Sunday, November 13 | Monroe Gym | 5:30 – 7:00 pm

SPONSORED BY FUMC YOUTH -- BENEFITING YOUTH MISSIONS

Tickets on sale in Miller Center and at the door

Schedule of Events:

5:30 - 5:45 Food Drop-Off
5:30 – 6:00 Activities
6:00 – 6:45 Dinner & Entertainment
6:45 – 7:00 Silent Auction Results

Ticket Prices:

Adults - \$ 7; Youth/Univ. - \$5
Child - \$ 3; Family max-\$ 20

Cool Auction Items!

Fun Activities!

Surprise Entertainment!

Entry Categories:

Chili: Spicy, Mild, Vegetarian, Alternative

Desserts: Cakes, Pies, Cookies/Bars/
Brownies

Cornbread

Angel Tree Project

In cooperation with the Salvation Army,

Adopt an Angel

from the Miller Center Mission Corner
on Sunday mornings:

November 6 & 13.



Provide a little Christmas joy to those in need.

Return your Angel gifts on November 20 & 27.



Pssst Kids..... Be on the

lookout for Top Secret information coming soon concerning a new opportunity for you to serve God and your neighbors!

It's called Mission Possible Kids.

The agents (or kids) in this group work together to help people who are in need. They perform "hands-on" missions to do things that will make people's lives better, whether it's people here in our community or on the other side of the world. And, they are on a mission with other special agents all around the U.S. to *change the world*. So far this top secret group of KIDS has helped more than 540,000 people worldwide. Isn't that amazing? And I'll let you in on another secret . . . we're going to be recruiting NEW agents to join on Saturday, November 12, at 10:00 am in Miller Center. So, if you're in 1st-5th grade, you can become a special agent with **MISSION POSSIBLE KIDS**.

A TOP SECRET mission awaits!

Shhhhh This month's secret password is "thankful".



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