

**Spring 2017 Enrichment Opportunities**

**Toxic Charity**, Leader: Dale Tampke  
 Tuesdays, March 21, 28, April 4, 11, Room 208, 6:30 -7:30 pm  
 Urban activist Robert Lupton has spent over 40 years in Atlanta working to alleviate poverty in that city's toughest neighborhoods. In *Toxic Charity*, Lupton makes the provocative claim that many ministries to the poor do little to help and often hurt those who are the object of the charitable effort. This four-week study examines Lupton's premise in a seminar-style format that encourages thoughtful reflection and lively discussion. Text available for purchase in the library and at the first session.

**Why? Making Sense of God's Will**, Leader: Don Williamson  
 Wednesdays, April 19, 26, May 3, 10, Flinn Hall Lounge, 6:30-8:00 pm  
 Why do bad things happen to good people? What can I say to someone who is hurting? Does God really give us trouble to make us strong or teach us a lesson? How can we understand? Text available for purchase in the library and at the first session.

**Using Library Resources to Enrich Bible Study**, Leaders: G. Thomas and D. Hettler  
 Wednesday, April 26, Church Library, 1:00-2:30 pm or 6:30-8:00 pm  
 Identical sessions, choose only one. Handouts available, hands on opportunity.

**Walking Tour of Stained Glass Windows**, Leader: Christie Wood  
 Sunday, May 7, Cole Chapel, 3:30 -5:00 pm Wear walking shoes. Handouts available.

I plan to attend: (you may choose more than one):

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to the church library, or main office, or place in the offering plate.

The **2017 Easter Offering** will benefit Saratov UMC, our covenant church in Saratov, Russia and "Go" Camp, providing summer camp experience to children of the Rivera Elementary community in Denton.

**Do Lent Generously.**

Join FUMC Denton in the 40 Acts Challenge: <http://www.40acts.org.uk/>

**Lenten Rebuild**

For information contact Carol Rogers at [crogers1903@gmail.com](mailto:crogers1903@gmail.com).

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| Ministers                     | All Congregation Members |
| Lead Pastor                   | Rev. Don Lee             |
| Associate Pastor              | Rev. Deana Mason         |
| Associate Pastor              | Rev. Jonathan Perry      |
| Associate Pastor              | Rev. Mauricio Orozco     |
| Director of Music and Worship | John Priddy              |
| Organist                      | S. Andrew Lloyd          |
| Song leader                   | Nathan Schafer           |

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3.12.17 attendance: Sunday school - 337 Worship - 681

**Today 3rd Day Family Worship, Flinn Hall, 11:15 am**

**Used Book Sale, Library**

More books are being added weekly, so shop often through March 26.

**UMYF, Monroe Bldg., 5:30 - 7:30 pm - Mission night**

**Mar. 22 Community Bible Study, Miller Center, 12:00 pm**

Bring your lunch and join this weekly study group.

**Lenten Vespers, Cole Chapel, 6:30 pm**

A service focusing on spiritual practices and means of grace for the Journey of Lent, each Wednesday through April 5. Tonight, *Fasting: Trusting God in All Things* led by Kathy Nations.

**Mar. 26 UMW Baked Potato Lunch, Monroe Building, 11:30 am -1 pm**

The United Methodist Women invite everyone to a lunch featuring a baked potato with trimmings, fresh salad and **homemade** desserts. "To Go" orders available. A love offering will benefit local missions.

**Mar. 27 Red Bird Mission trip meeting, Flinn Hall Lounge, 7:00 pm**

Get details about the mission trip to Kentucky on October 22-28. Contact [donnasgregory@gmail.com](mailto:donnasgregory@gmail.com).

**Mar. 29 Credo Talent Show, Monroe Building, 7:00 pm**

**Apr. 2 Credo Talent Show, Monroe Building, 1:00 pm**

**Open:Worship is launching April 23!**

Want to support Open:Worship, our new 11:00 modern worship service? Visit [openfumc.com/signup](http://openfumc.com/signup) to learn how you can help!

**Easter Spring Flowers Fundraiser**

The Youth & Mission Team are selling spring flowers to remember or honor a loved one and decorate our worship spaces on Easter Sunday, April 16. Flowers are \$20 each (Please mark check memo "Easter flowers"). The funds will be used to run a "Go Camp" for children from the Rivera community that will allow them the opportunity for a church camp experience this summer.

**(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY) All orders must be received by April 2.**

Given in **honor** or **memory** (circle one) of:

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



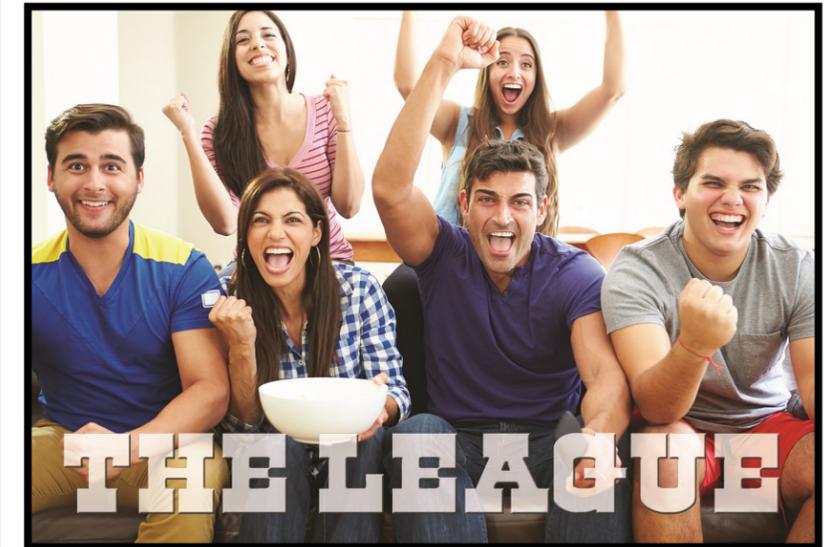
Celebration Worship



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**March 19, 2017**



**God's Top Picks  
 Your Best Offensive Line**

**Sunday Worship Services**

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| First Meal                         | 7:30 am, Monroe Building   |
| Traditional Worship                | 8:30 am, Sanctuary   |
| Connection Fellowship              | 9:45 am, Monroe Building   |
| *Celebration Worship               | 11:00 am, Sanctuary  |
| Spanish Worship                    | 12:30 pm, Flinn Hall   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Day Family Worship | 11:15 am, Monroe Building,<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month |

\*The 11:00 am Celebration service is Livestreamed each Sunday at [fumc-denton.com](http://fumc-denton.com) and televised live on Charter 191 and Frontier FIOS 39.

March 19, 2017

11:00 am

Third week in Lent

*Thank you for silencing your electronic devices and disposing of all food and drink.  
To use the sanctuary's assisted hearing system, please speak with an usher.  
Please, no flash photography during worship.*

**WE GATHER***\*Congregation Standing***Greeting**

John Priddy

*If you have prayers of joy or concern to share, please use a prayer card  
found in the pew back. These will be picked up during the first hymn.*

**Prelude**Aberystwyth  
S. Andrew Lloyd, organist

GERALD NEAR

**\*Call to Worship**

David Moses

One: God calls us away from the tumult of the world, that we  
may focus our thoughts on things that are lasting.

**Many: In God's presence we see our lives more clearly; the  
broken pieces are put back together.**

One: God calls us out of loneliness into a life of community.

**All: Worshiping together, caring about one another, we find  
out what it means to be truly human. Strengthened to  
be God's servants, we will grow patiently and kindly as  
bearers of God's love.**

**\*Hymn 267***O Love, How Deep*

*The children are invited to come forward for their special time  
during the final verse of the hymn.*

**WE PROCLAIM****A Time for Our Children**

Rev. Jonathan Perry

**Hymn 393***Spirit of the Living God***Anthem***Sound an Alarm*  
Men's Ensemble

G. F. HANDEL

**Pastoral Prayers**

Rev. Mauricio Orozco

**Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Offering***I Will Not Leave You Comfortless* CARLTON YOUNG  
Chancel Choir

*Please register your attendance on the pad in your pew and pass it down the row.*

**\*Doxology**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

UMH 95

**Message**

Rev. Don Lee

God's Top Picks  
Your Best Offensive Line  
Galatians 5:16, 22-25

*Found in the New Testament on page 190 of the pew Bible.*

**WE RESPOND****\*Response to the Word**

**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.**

Apostle's Creed

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship****\*Hymn 500** *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart***\*Blessing****Postlude***Choral Dorien*

JEHAN ALAIN

Today we recognize the work of The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), a non-profit organization dedicated to alleviating human suffering around the globe. UMCOR's work reaches people in more than 80 countries, including the United States. It provides humanitarian relief when war, conflict, or natural disaster disrupt life to such an extent that communities are unable to recover on their own.

Most of UMCOR's fund-raising campaigns support specific, one-time needs. All monies raised by these efforts are spent directly on that project with no administrative expenses being deducted. Today, we are encouraging our congregation to consider making a donation to UMCOR's Undesignated fund which supports the day-to-day operational expenses of the organization. Please make checks payable to "Advance GCFA" with Undesignated - UMCOR #999895 on the memo line and mail to: Advance GCFA PO Box 9068 GPO New York, NY 10087-9068. To donate by phone, please call 1-888-252-6174 or, text "UMCOR" to 41444 to make a \$10 donation.

We are glad you are worshipping with us today and welcome you  
to join this family of faith in making disciples for Jesus Christ.  
Please speak with a pastor about membership.

Acolytes today are Emilie Terrell and Jack Lovette.  
Children are always welcome in worship. If preferred, childcare  
is offered for newborns through Pre-K on the East Wing 1st floor.

For after-hours pastoral care emergencies, call 940.536.3353.  
A Stephen Minister is available to help you through a difficult time.  
Please call to speak with a pastor.