

**In the Mission Corner**

Each child in the **Interfaith Ministries Apple Tree project** will receive a complete set of school supplies, new backpack, voucher for new shoes, and a **\$50 gift card for school clothing. We only supply the \$50 gift cards.** This change will allow parents to shop for their child's individual needs, size, and taste. Cash donations are also welcome.

**June Mission Corner Collection**

This month we collect items for **Vacation Bible School**. Pick up a tag in the Mission Corner showing items needed.



Often, when providing financial reports, our focus is obviously on the numbers. But the funds you generously provide result in so much more than numbers on a bank statement or monthly financial report. They represent spiritual formation through worship and study, young lives who are coming to know Jesus and what it means to be His disciple, new people coming to our faith community that need to know the love and grace of God.

We don't want to ever forget that the money we receive from you makes ministry possible. It's much more than paying the electric bill, making sure the lawn is mowed, paying salaries, etc. As you can see from the graphics above, our income from giving is short of budget, both for the month of May and year-to-date (\$10,291.49 and \$37,563.75 respectively). While we would all like for this to be a positive rather than negative variance, it is still a pretty good report. Have a great summer!

**Connect with us at [fumc-denton.com](http://fumc-denton.com).**



6.18.17 attendance: Sunday school - 262 Worship - 746

- Today Open Worship, Flinn Hall, 11:00 am**  
Our new modern worship service. Come check it out and invite your friends and neighbors. Visit [openfumc.com](http://openfumc.com).
- VBS training, Room 108, 11:15 am and 12:15 pm**  
Required training for all VBS volunteers.
- Summer Small Group Book Study, Monroe Building, 11:00 am**  
In *Toward a True Kinship of Faiths*, the Dalai Lama explores where differences between religions can be genuinely appreciated without serving as sources of conflict. Contact [lbyrd@fumc-denton.com](mailto:lbyrd@fumc-denton.com).
- UMYF, Monroe Building, 5:30 pm** - Swim parties off site
- Jun. 28 Community Bible Study, Miller Center, noon**  
Everyone is invited to bring your lunch and join this weekly study group.
- July 2 Vesper concert, Sanctuary, 3:00 pm**  
The Music Ministry invites you to experience the young concert pianist Arsentiy Kharitonov in concert. Noted classical music critic Raymond Beegle proclaimed that Kharitonov's Carnegie Hall debut in May, 2016 "ranked among the top five classical music events in New York City for the entire year." *Fanfare Magazine* described him as a pianist of "sumptuous tone, technical mastery, with a broad dramatic range of astonishing breadth and elegant phrasing." The recital is free. A goodwill offering to support the Music Ministries will be collected.
- July 4 The church will be closed for the Independence Day holiday.**
- July 23-27 Vacation Bible School, 6:00 - 8:30 pm**  
Register your child and their friends now at [www.fumc-denton.com](http://www.fumc-denton.com). Volunteers are also needed. Please go online to sign up or contact [bsouthwell@fumc-denton.com](mailto:bsouthwell@fumc-denton.com).

*catch the Fire*



**2017 Children's Choir Camp**  
First United Methodist Church of Denton

**July 31 - August 4  
Children's Choir Camp**

For children entering grades 1-6.  
Information and registration at  
<http://bit.ly/1WOKXVx>.



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Celebration Worship



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June 25, 2017



**The Art of Forgiveness  
Grant Forgiveness**

**Sunday Worship Services**

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
Open Worship	11:00 am, Flinn Hall
Jesus Fuente de Vida	12:30 pm, Flinn Hall
3 <sup>rd</sup> Day Family Worship	11:15 am, Monroe Building, 3rd 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.

Ministers  
Lead Pastor  
Associate Pastor  
Associate Pastor  
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Director of Music and Worship  
Organist  
Song leader

All Congregation Members  
Rev. Don Lee  
Rev. Deana Mason  
Rev. Jonathan Perry  
Rev. Mauricio Orozco  
John Priddy  
S. Andrew Lloyd  
Nathan Schafer

June 25, 2017

11:00 am

Lord's Prayer

*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**

*Etude op. 44 #6*  
Arsentiy Kharitonov, piano

A. KHARITONOV

**\*Call to Worship**

David Taylor

One: The Holy Spirit has given us life and pours on us the power to  
become new people!

Many: **The winds of the spirit have given us breath and the fire of  
the spirit has enkindled in us a love for God and each other.**

One: Come here in faithfulness and be ready for the surprises that  
God's Spirit brings.

All: **We open our lives to the presence of God and trust God's  
promise to us that we can live new lives of mercy and grace.**

Sandra E. Graham

**\*Hymn 57***O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

*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**

Brandi Southwell  
Director of Ministries for Children

**Anthem**

*Dry Bones*  
Men's Ensemble

ARR. MARK HAYES

**Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Deana Mason

**Offering***Hallelujah from Judas Maccabeus*

HANDEL

Chancel Choir

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

**\*Doxology**

*We now on earth have union with God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
Oh, happy ones, and holy! Lord, give us grace that we  
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.*

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**Message**

Rev. Don Lee

The Art of Forgiveness

Grant Forgiveness

Luke 15:11-32

*Found in the New Testament on page 78 of the pew Bible.*

**WE RESPOND****Baptism Remembrance**

*Down in the River*  
Shelby Hendryx, soloist

ARR. PRIDDY

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship****\*Hymn 560***Help Us Accept Each Other***\*Blessing****Postlude**

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing*  
S. Andrew Lloyd

JOHN LEAVITT

The altar candle is lit today in loving memory  
of Nick Glaskowsky.

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

Acolytes today are Ian McKenna and Eli Davis.  
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.