

Live the Dance / Dance the Faith / Join the Vigil

Please join the FUMC Denton faith community in a prayer vigil, Saturday, September 30, between 9 am and noon. Accept God's invitation to join in the dance of faith, praying for the financial flourishing of our church, so that we can participate fully in the work God is inviting us to do. During the morning of September 30, you may come to Cole Chapel or pray wherever you are. Meditation materials are available in Cole Chapel or download from fumc-denton.com/dance.

Alternative Gift Fair, November 3, 4 and 5

CALLING ALL ARTISTS, CRAFTERS, and HANDMADE MAKERS!! AGF is once again seeking generous artists to donate their time and talent to the Congregational and Community Artisans Booth. This year the profits from this booth will go to the local nonprofit Opening Doors International Services (ODIS) which works to raise awareness and fight human trafficking. Contact Shari Cobb 940.453.2622 or Marti Conley 940.262.3473 to donate. Thank you for using your talents to give back to our community.

Stephen Ministry

FUMC Denton will host a 12 week Stephen Ministry training course beginning January 28, 2018. Please visit their table today in Miller Center to learn more.

Connection Worship is changing!

Worship Leaders J.R. and Laura Byrd, are excited to announce that the 9:45 worship service will become **Mosaic Worship** with new additions to the worship space and a fresh new vision. Come see for yourself on October 15! Email mosaicworship@fumc-denton.com to learn more.

Please return flood buckets to the Mission Corner by October 1.



5 THINGS YOU CAN DO

Please pray for those whose lives have been impacted by Harvey. Please also pray for Early Response Teams, disaster coordinators, and the many volunteers who are working tirelessly to provide relief.

Make relief kits. Download the packing list and shipping label at umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies.

Give to UMCOR's relief and recovery efforts: U.S. Disaster Response, Advance #901670 at umcor.org/donate.

Donate only those items requested. (To keep relief supplies in stock, give to Material Resources Advance #901440 at umcor.org/donate.)

Please wait for an invitation to volunteer.



The United Methodist Committee On Relief is grateful for your relentless prayers and support.

Connect with us at fumc-denton.com.



9.17.17 Attendance: Worship: 887 Sunday School: 373

- Today Living the Bible, Flinn Hall Lounge, 9:40 am**
This new class begins a study of Moses-The Reluctant Prophet. Come join us as we seek to know this man on a deeper level. How does he relate to our life today?
- Methodism 101, Room 108, 9:45am**
A four week course for new or prospective members and visitors. Topics include UM beliefs, what it means to be a connectional church, mission outreach and how to be involved in ways that fit your gifts and graces.
- Celebration Luncheon, Monroe Building, 12:00 pm**
The Hispanic Ministry invites you and your family to enjoy an afternoon of authentic Mexican food, music and fellowship. You won't want to miss out on the fun!
- UMYF, Monroe Building, 5:30-7:30 pm - Mission Night**
- Sept. 25 & 26 The church Library will be closed.**
- Sep. 27 Community Bible Study, Miller Center, noon**
Bring your lunch and join this weekly study group.
- The Social Principles of the UM Church, Flinn Hall Lounge, 5:00-7:30 pm**
The United Methodist Church has a long history of being involved with and advocating for social justice issues, believing that no area is outside of God's care and that God's love compels us. This discussion group meets weekly through October 25. For more information go to <http://fumc-denton.com/united-methodist-churchs-social-principles>.
- Oct. 1 Blessing of the Animals, Ivey Garden, 1:00 pm**
Bring your pets to be blessed during this traditional Christian rite. All pets must be on a leash or safely contained and current on all vaccinations.
- Oct. 8 Commitment Sunday/Communion will be served on the second Sunday.**
Communion Sunday will be celebrated in October on the 8th as part of our Commitment Celebration. This will be an opportunity to share in the Lord's Supper together and present our estimate of giving cards for 2018 as a sign of our love and worship. Please plan to join your church family as we give God thanks and praise. Come join in the dance!
- Oct. 9 Monday Women's Study Group, Flinn Hall Lounge, 10:00 am**
Ladies, please join us as we complete the fascinating study of the **Book of Daniel** led by Janet Luttrell. The study runs through Nov. 20 and refreshments and beverages are provided for information contact risa.earl@verizon.net or dentonluttrell@verizon.net.



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Celebration Worship



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September 24, 2017

16th Sunday after Pentecost



Live the Dance So You Think You Can Dance

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 rd 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 and televised live on Charter 191 and Frontier FIOS 39.

September 24, 2017

11:00 am

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Don Lee

WE RESPOND

*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*Speak, O Lord*

ARR. M. McDONALD

Credo Youth Choir

Will Chandler, conductor; Esme Wong, pianist

***Call to Worship**

Betty Roberts

Layperson

One: Welcome, travelers.

Many: Welcome home.

One: Sometimes it is harder to cross an unrepaired sidewalk than
to travel a thousand miles.

**Many: Sometimes it is harder to forgive a brother or sister than to
welcome a stranger.**

One: But God teaches us to welcome all, both stranger and friend.

**All: However far we have come this week, with joy we bring gifts
of ourselves, our minds, our compassion, our love, and our
dedication. Let us continue the dance of faith together.**

Hymn 732Come, We That Love the Lord*

*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**

Shelly Renfro

Layperson

Anthem*Down in the River to Pray*

D. MENNICKE

Ministry Witness

Mike Woods

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.**

Our Offering*My Dancing Day*

GERALD NEAR

Chancel Choir

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

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day: I would my true love did so chance

To see the legend of my play, To call my true love to my dance:

Sing O my love, O my love, my love, my love;

This have I done for my true love.

Then was I born of a virgin pure, Of her I took fleshly substance;

Thus was I knit to man's nature, To call my true love to my dance:

Sing O my love, O my love, my love, my love;

This have I done for my true love. In a manger laid and wrapped I was,

So very poor, this was my chance, Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass,

To call my true love to my dance: Sing O my love,

O my love, my love, my love; This have I done for my true love.

***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

Live the Dance

So You Think You Can Dance

Luke 15: 21-28, 32

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

Response to the Word

**We believe in God, the Creator Spirit, Who moved upon the
face of the deep at the beginning of creation, Who created all
that is, and Who spoke through the prophets of old. We believe
in Jesus Christ, into Whom God's Spirit was poured in fullness
and in power, that the whole creation might be restored and uni-
fied; and Who promised that the Spirit would come and fill the
faithful with power to witness to the mighty love of God.**

**We wait on that Spirit today with longing hearts, seeking to be
empowered to witness to God's love in Christ, with fresh words
and courageous actions of love and hope.**

**Glory be to God - Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit- now and
always. Amen.**

Colossians 1:19-20

Invitation to Christian Discipleship***Hymn 617***I Come with Joy****Blessing****Postlude***Gigue Fugue in C major*

D. BUXTEHUDE

S. Andrew Lloyd, organ

Ministers

Lead Pastor

Associate Pastor

Associate Pastor

Associate Pastor

Director of Music and Worship

Organist

All Congregation Members

Rev. Don Lee

Rev. Deana Mason

Rev. Jonathan Perry

Rev. Mauricio Orozco

John Priddy

S. Andrew Lloyd

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 Aiden Anderson and Aiden Daly.
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.