

Wellspring

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Heaven & Nature Sing

—CHRIST IS BORN—

December 8, 2024
10:05 & 11:10

SharingTheHeart.org/Wellspring

INFORMATION

- **Information Center** in main foyer
- **Nursery** 1st floor south end of the building
- **Children** 2nd floor south end of building
- **Refreshments** in the Dyer hallways
- **Elevator** south end of the building
- **Youth** across the street at The Hub
- **Restrooms** in main foyer & Children's lobby
- **Shuttle bus** for remote parking
- **HEART Special Needs Ministry** information for accommodations at the Welcome Desk

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Welcome to Wellspring!

Do you have a favorite Christmas song? For over two centuries, *Joy to the World* has been a beloved anthem of the season. Written in 1719 by Isaac Watts and inspired by Psalm 98, its lyrics capture the joyful harmony of heaven and nature singing together. In this timeless hymn, even fields, floods, rocks, hills, and plains join the chorus, echoing the sounding joy of Jesus' arrival.

This Advent season, we're exploring the songs that were sung in response to Jesus' birth—songs of hope, love, joy, and peace from Mary, Joseph, Zechariah, and the angels. These songs remind us of the incredible gift Jesus brings to our world. Along the way, we'll also sing some of your favorite Christmas songs, celebrating the joy that unites us during this special time of year.

As we worship together, may the music fill your heart with the assurance that you are deeply loved. Let's celebrate the good news that Jesus brings joy to the world—and to each of us. We're so glad you're here!

If you are new, please feel free to look around, ask questions, be yourself, and let us know if there is anything we can do to make your experience most memorable. Be sure to meet some of the great people here at Wellspring, and we look forward to living well alongside you.

First United Methodist Church
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Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

Sermon Notes

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Stay up to date with Wellspring events, news, resources, and more. Scan the QR code to the left with your smart phone and click on the link that appears on your phone screen. Provide your name and email and you're all set. You may also visit us online at **www.sharingtheheart.org/wellspring** to sign up.

“Like” our Facebook page and be sure to check-in online! For every new like and check-in we receive we will supply three meals to hungry kids! That’s right, your simple check-in helps spread the word about Wellspring AND feeds kids. This is a simple click of the button that can have a big impact. You can scan the QR code to the right with your smart phone camera to be taken to our Facebook page.



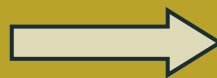
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Welcome! Thank you for joining us this morning!

Please use the tear-off form to let us know you are here

Online resources are also available at
SharingtheHeart.org/Resources



- Attendance
- Giving
- Join the Church
- Prayer Request
- Newsletter sign up
- Bulletins



Scan with
your phone
camera

What's Happening

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

Welcome! We want to get to know you! Stop by the welcome desk or fill out the attendance form so that we can reach out and help you get connected. Are you receiving the newsletters you want? We have our main newsletter, *The Echo*, plus Children's, Youth, and Melissa UMC. We can also mail a print version. Email caitlin@sharingtheheart.org to get signed up.

CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT VOLUNTEER FOR CHRISTMAS

TONIGHT at 7pm in the Sanctuary and online. Join us for a Christmas Concert featuring the Chancel Choir, Flutes of the Spirit, bell choir, youth choir, Wellspring music team, and you! A beautiful holiday music event!

ADVENT EVENTS AND MORE!

Heaven and Nature Sing! Visit our advent page for devotionals, events, and more! There's also a volunteer sign-up for Christmas Eve. We will need your help to Share the Heart! Details at sharingtheheart.org/advent

Christmas at First United Methodist Church can't happen without you! Can you help us as an usher, greeter, communion server, or as a friendly face on Christmas Eve? Sign up at sharingtheheart.org/advent

CALDWELL CHRISTMAS

"Tis the Angel Tree season! You have adopted ALL the angels! Gifts are due back **ASAP**. We appreciate your generosity! You can still help by providing meals for the pantry. More at sharingtheheart.org/angels

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS—LAST DAY!

Every year, we order poinsettias from Hugs Greenhouse to decorate the church for the season.

You may purchase poinsettias in honor or memory of a loved one. Scan the QR code to fill out the form. A paper form is available at the front desk.

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER!



GUEST WIFI: Network: FUMC Guest Password: sharingtheheart

GENEROSITY

DID YOU KNOW?

Since 2017, our average attendance on Christmas Eve has been over 3,500 people. Thank you to the 100+ volunteers who will be here to greet, serve communion, usher, etc.



Ways to Give

www.sharingtheheart.org/give

Text "sharingtheheart" to 73256
Give online through our secure portal
Give at the offering boxes at the door
Give by credit card in the hallway

Your Gift Makes a Difference!

ATTENDANCE CARD Please complete, tear off, and place in the box at the exit. Thank you!

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Service attended: ☐ 8:00 ☐ 9:00 ☐ 10:05 ☐ 11:10 Location: ☐ Sanctuary ☐ Wellspring ☐ First Time Guest ☐ Returning Guest ☐ Member

Name

Email

Phone

Children Attending (names & ages)

Address

City/St

Zip

☐ Update my info ☐ Send weekly email newsletter

Preferred Contact: ☐ Email ☐ Phone

Adult age group: ☐ 18-24 ☐ 25-34 ☐ 35-44 ☐ 45-54 ☐ 55-64 ☐ 65+

Relationship of ☐ (over)

Welcome to our guests! How did you hear about us?

Please *Sign In*
We're glad you are here!

Your Name _____ Today's Date _____

Prayers requested for (name) _____

This person is: ☐ self ☐ friend ☐ relative ☐ other _____

Prayer need (include info as needed) _____

☐ Pastors only | ☐ Add to published prayer list | Would you like a pastor to contact you? ☐ Yes ☐ No

I would like information about:

- ☐ Nursery ☐ Children's Ministry ☐ Youth Ministry ☐ Adult groups ☐ Music Ministry ☐ Becoming a member ☐ Other _____
- ☐ Faith, being a Christian ☐ Generosity / Stewardship ☐ Bible Study ☐ Melissa UMC Campus ☐ Help with personal issues ☐ Finding a place to serve _____

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Please do not tear here.

STAY CONNECTED

For the latest news and events, sign up for the weekly church newsletter, "The Echo," at **SharingTheHeart.org/Newsletter**

SOCIAL MEDIA

Engage with us on social media for up to date information and deeper connections.



Facebook.com/FUMCMcKinney
Instagram.com/FUMCMcKinney

Worship Online

-LIVESTREAMED SERVICES-
-VIDEO DEVOTIONALS-
-SERMON LIBRARY-

www.sharingtheheart.org/media

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember these names in your prayers

† Melody Wolfe and family on the loss of her sister, Paula Graham

• Brady Russell
• Carlie Jo Johnson
• Carol and Gera Crampton
• Carolyn Pulos
• Cathy Zaccarello
• Chuck Bray
• Darla Norris
• Daryl Grounds
• Dave Webb
• Debbie Stone
• Ethan Emerson
• Gale Simpson
• Gwen Porter
• John Burkhardt
• Juanita Manzo
• Juanita Arceneaux
• Jude De La Cruz
• Judy Cox
• Judy Davis
• Judy Farrington
• Karen Linstrom
• Karla Connally
• Kevin Simmons
• Lauren Brennan
• Lee Elam
• Linda Crabtree
• Lucy Street
• Lynda Davis
• Margarita Fajardo
• Marisa and Brianna Alonso
• Marti Kale
• Mary Louise Wharton
• Melanie Lohr Miller

• Michael Wenger
• Perry Waller
• Peter Hagen
• Richard Pflug
• Ryan Amir McDowell
• Sharon Thigpen
• Shauntina Batiste
• Steve Parry
• Susan Kelsey
• City of McKinney
• Our country
• All children
• World peace
• Victims of war
• Israel and Palestine
• Ukraine and Russia
• Families affected by shootings in the USA
• People struggling to cope day to day
• Rev. David & Cindy Ceballos, Missionaries in Panama
• Friends in care facilities
• Families experiencing job loss
• Church families in transition
• Those experiencing homelessness
• Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti
• Melissa United Methodist Church
• Caldwell Elementary School
• Military service members including: Capt Scott Adler, Capt Libby Adler, Sofia Lerma Alarcon, Jose Almaguer, Marc Belo, CPL Matthew Broker, CTI2 Abigail Burns, AFC Drew Causey, Chaplain Capt

Adam Cavalier, Capt Vincent Chavez II, Capt Ryan Clark, PFC Paul Confalone, Sgt Martin Damian DeLeon, GY Sgt Jim Ellsworth, Kevin English, Patrick English, James Evans, Lt Col David Faulk, PFC Mac Foulk, MSG Brian Franck, PFC Cody Furstenberg, Charlie Gilbert, LC CPL Robert Gray, ETN2 Cory Halberstadt, Pvt John Wesley Holder Jr., Lt Mark Jbeily, Lt Col Jim Johnston, Ryan Kidd, Avery Montana Krast, Lt Ryan Lubin, Alec Mack, Capt John Martin, Maj. Richard Milam, Maj Chuck Miller, AFC Kevin G. Persons, Jr., MSGT Tyler Renshaw, 2nd Lt Austin Rine, SPC Blake Robertson, Bobby Sanders, SR4 Nick Schofield, Chap MAJ Tim Shepherd, Jonathan Spiegel, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Lt Zach Vernier, SR Caelan Matthews, 2LT AnnMarie Kessler, A1C Preston Walker

Please submit updates and new prayer requests to
www.sharingtheheart.org/pray
Thank you.