



November 30, 2025

Advent 2025

Sharing  
the heart  
of Christ  
from  
the heart  
of McKinney



With Expectant Hearts



[sharingtheheart.org/advent](http://sharingtheheart.org/advent)

## SUNDAYS

- **Sanctuary Traditional** 8, 9, 10:05 & 11:10 am
  - **Wellspring Contemporary** 10:05 & 11:10 am
  - **Contemplative Prayer** 9 am in Room B205
  - **Nursery** 9, 10:05 & 11:10 am
  - **Children** 9 & 10:05 am, Children's Choir at 9
  - **Youth** 10:05 am & 5 pm at the Hub, Choir at 4 pm
  - **Adult Groups** 9, 10:05 & 11:10 am
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- **Chapel Communion** Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
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- **Melissa UMC** 10:00 am (3851 McKinney St in Melissa)

## INFORMATION

- **Information Desk** 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
- **Shuttle bus** for remote parking
- **HEART Special Needs Ministry** accommodations information at the Information Desk

# Welcome!

Welcome to First United Methodist Church!  
God loves you and so do we!

We are a church where everyone is loved, accepted, and welcomed. Our mission is to share the heart of Christ from the heart of McKinney.

Please use this bulletin and our website to learn more about worship, groups, events, and ways to connect in faith. Ushers, greeters, and the team at the welcome desk are here to assist with any needs you may have.

We are glad you're here!

8:00, 9:00, 10:05 & 11:10 am

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light.

**Come into our hearts, Lord Jesus.**

Bring us your gifts of peace and love.

**Come into our hearts, Lord Jesus.**

### \*OPENING HYMN No. 219

"What Child Is This"

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

### READING

Isaiah 11:6-9

### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Dear God, with expectant hearts we await Christ's coming. Into our lives, bring light. Into our hearts, bring love. Into our world, bring peace. Come into our hearts, Lord Jesus.

### CHORAL RESPONSE (please sing Hymn No. 246)

*Let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.*

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

### CHORAL RESPONSE

Chancel Choir

### OFFERING

You may place your offering in the boxes at the exits, give online at [sharingtheheart.org/give](http://sharingtheheart.org/give), text "sharingtheheart" to 73256, or mail a check to First UMC, 315 N. Church St., McKinney, TX 75069.

### ANTHEM

"Prepare the Way"  
arr. Margareta Jalkeus  
Chancel Choir

*Prepare the way, O Zion; ye awful deeps rise high;  
Sink low ye lofty mountains, the Lord is drawing nigh;  
The righteous King of glory, Foretold in sacred story.  
O blest is he that came in God the Father's name.*

*O Zion He approaches Your Lord and King for aye;  
Strew palms where He advances; spread garments in His way.  
God's promise faileth never, Hosanna sound for ever.  
O blest is He that came in God the Father's name.*

### \*DOXOLOGY No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 2095 (THE FAITH WE SING) "Star-Child"

### SCRIPTURE

Luke 3:1-9

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

"Hope"

Dr. Thomas O. Brumett

### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Persons desiring to join First United Methodist Church are invited to come forward during the singing of the hymn and meet with a pastor to be received into membership.

### \*CLOSING HYMN No. 196

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

### \*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

*Peace, peace, peace on earth and goodwill to all.  
This is a time for joy.  
This is a time for love.  
Now let us all sing together of peace, peace,  
peace on earth.*

### \*BENEDICTION

**May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you.  
May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.**

### POSTLUDE "Sleepers Wake! A Voice is Calling"

by Johann Sebastian Bach  
John Emory Bush, organist



\* Please rise in body or in spirit.

*Flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for our church, family, and friends  
by Martha Honea*

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today!

Please use the tear-off form to let us know you are here  
or sign in online at [SharingtheHeart.org/Resources](https://SharingtheHeart.org/Resources)



Online resources:

- Attendance
- Prayer Request
- Giving
- Newsletter sign up
- Bulletins
- How to Join



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your phone  
camera

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### ARE YOU NEW HERE?

Welcome! We want to get to know you! Stop by the Information 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. Stay in the loop with all the great stuff that's happening. Email [caitlin@sharingtheheart.org](mailto:caitlin@sharingtheheart.org) to sign up.

### NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM

Bring the whole family for crafts, activities, a petting zoo, and more as our Children's Ministry turns the church into a bustling marketplace in Bible-era Bethlehem. **Dec. 7, 4 – 6pm**, right after the **Children's Choir concert at 3pm**. More info on the Advent page.

[sharingtheheart.org/advent](https://sharingtheheart.org/advent)

### POINSETTIAS

You can purchase a poinsettia for Christmas in honor or memory of a loved one. Fill out the form at [www.sharingtheheart.org/advent](https://www.sharingtheheart.org/advent) or pick one up at the front desk. Forms due by **Dec. 7** to have names printed in the Christmas Eve bulletin.

### CALDWELL CHRISTMAS

'Tis the season! All the Angels are adopted! There are still ways to help. We are collecting food to distribute and we need volunteers to work at the event. You can help! More info and ways to get involved at [sharingtheheart.org/angels](https://sharingtheheart.org/angels)

### YEAR END GIVING

We are thankful for your generosity! You make the missions and ministry of this church happen. Please consider a year end gift. Also, make sure you have filled out your pledge card for 2026 at [sharingtheheart.org/good](https://sharingtheheart.org/good)

### WITH EXPECTANT HEARTS: ADVENT 2025

[www.sharingtheheart.org/advent](https://www.sharingtheheart.org/advent)

This Advent season, we prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ *with expectant hearts*. That's not just waiting around! Expectation means taking action. Maybe that means coming to worship, volunteering, making a special gift to the missions of the church, joining a new group, or praying over a devotional. Find activities, studies, devotionals, and more on our Advent page!

**GUEST WIFI:** Network: FUMC Guest Password: Sharingtheheart

## GENEROSITY

### DID YOU KNOW?

Hands 'n Hammers built and installed new shelving for the *Compassion Closet*. Stop by B110 to take a peek.  
Thank you, Hands 'n Hammers!

### WAYS TO GIVE



[www.sharingtheheart.org/give](https://www.sharingtheheart.org/give)

Text "sharingtheheart" to 73256  
Secure online portal  
Offering boxes at the doors  
Credit card kiosk in the hallway

**Your Gift Makes a Difference!**

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

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DATE:

ATTENDANCE CARD Please complete, tear off, and place in the offering plate or box. Thank you!

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ cell ☐ home

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+

Welcome to our guests! How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship of \_\_\_\_\_ (over)

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Prayers requested for (name) \_\_\_\_\_

This person is: ☐ self ☐ friend ☐ relative ☐ other \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer need (include info as needed) \_\_\_\_\_

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

I would like information about: Name \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Nursery ☐ Faith, being a Christian

☐ Children's Ministry ☐ Generosity / Stewardship

☐ Youth Ministry ☐ Bible Study

☐ Adult groups ☐ Melissa UMC Campus

☐ Music Ministry ☐ Help with personal issues

☐ Becoming a member ☐ Finding a place to serve

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_ (over)

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 information and deeper connections.



Facebook.com/FUMCMcKinney  
Instagram.com/FUMCMcKinney

## Worship Online

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

[www.sharingtheheart.org/media](http://www.sharingtheheart.org/media)

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember these names in your prayers

† Family and friends of Carlie Jo Johnson on her passing

• Andrew Hagen  
• Anita Stephens  
• Ash  
• Ben Clifton  
• Bennie Scott  
• Bob & Lori  
• Bob Yeo  
• Candace Harris  
• Carlie Jo Johnson  
• Carol Crampton  
• Caroline Sahni  
• Chuck Pearce & family  
• Cindy Moreland  
• Clay & Suzanna Robertson  
• Connie Hutt  
• Debbie Hunter  
• Debbie Stone  
• Deborah Banks-Nolan  
• Diane Plum  
• Doug Veling  
• Eva Ream  
• Everleigh Landrum  
• Gale Simpson  
• Garrett  
• Gary Mahan  
• Hanah Albrecht  
• Inez Willard  
• Jan Phillips  
• John Burkhardt  
• John Faulk  
• Judy Cox  
• Judy Davis  
• Karen Kleinman  
• Karen Linstrum  
• Karla Connally  
• Larry Jackson  
• Linda Crabtree  
• Lisa Cox  
• Mark & Debbie Moseley

• Molly Wynn  
• Nicole Holland  
• Pamela Helgeson  
• Perry Waller  
• Quetta Morton  
• Renata Chagas  
• Ronnie Gilbert  
• Sam Galyon  
• Scotty Davis  
• Shauntina Batiste  
• Shalyn Burgamy  
• Shayan Korde  
• Sherri Love  
• Stachia Hicks  
• Stephanie Gomez  
• Tara Jackson  
• Tess Schultz  
• Tom Woodard  
• Trent Borchardt  
• Wyatt  
• All veterans  
• Migrant families  
• Those who are food insecure  
• Politicians  
• LGBTQ community  
• Public education  
• Natural resources  
• Protection of marriage equality in the USA and Texas  
• City of McKinney  
• Our country  
• All children  
• World peace  
• Israel and Palestine  
• Ukraine and Russia  
• People struggling to cope day to day  
• Prison Ministries  
• 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 Almague, Pvt Austin Andre, Marc Belo, CPL Matthew Broker, CTI2 Abigail Burns, AFC Drew Causey, Chaplain Capt Adam Cavalier, Capt Vincent Chavez II, Capt Ryan Clark, Nikolai Clayton, 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, Pvt John Wesley Holder Jr., Lt CMDR Mark Jbeily, Lt Col Jim Johnston, 1LT AnnMarie Kessler, Ryan Kidd, Avery Montana Krast, Lt Ryan Lubin, Sgt Alec Mack, Capt John Martin, SR Caelan Matthews, Caleb McIntire, 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, Brian Smith, Jonathan Spiegall, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Lt Zach Vernier, A1C Preston Walker

Please submit updates and new prayer requests to  
[www.sharingtheheart.org/pray](http://www.sharingtheheart.org/pray)  
Thank you.