

Wellspring Worship
December 24, 2025



Christmas Eve Worship

at First United Methodist Church

315 N. Church St
McKinney, Texas
www.sharingtheheart.org

Sharing the Heart of
Christ from the Heart
of McKinney

Welcome to Wellspring!

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Reader: Today, we gather to remember with the prophet Isaiah:

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders, and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Great will be his authority, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this (Isaiah 9:6-7).

All: We gather to once again bask in the glory that visited a stable and a manger, shepherds watching their flocks, and a young couple cradling the newborn Messiah.

Reader: We light the Christ candle as a sign of the glory that came among us in unexpected places and to unexpected people, that we may be people who seek and follow the glory of the Christ child here and now.

(Light the center candle of the Advent wreath.)

All: With expectant hearts we welcome Christ's coming. Into our lives, bring light. Into our hearts, bring love. Into our world, bring peace. Come into our hearts, Lord Jesus.



They've Got a Story to Tell

The Old Testament is filled with fascinating people and unforgettable stories. In this sermon series, *They've Got a Story to Tell*, we'll explore some of the Bible's most infamous characters—examining their lives, their failures and faith, and discovering how God still uses their stories to speak to our faith today.

Pastor Courtney's Study Hour

Join Pastor Courtney for a new study hour. Reading and Discussing: *The Misunderstood Jew: The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine

Meeting: In person on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. / On Zoom on Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. (1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11).

Registration begins January 4, 2026.

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Poinsettias

*given in
Memory & Honor
of those we Love*



Christmas 2025





Poinsettias Given in Honor

Our loving family and friends
by Bob and Barb Via

William W. Carter
by Kayla and Mark Owens and Family

Wednesday Night Chapel
by Sue Sanders

Jan and Bob Elwell
by the Winebar Family

Pomponio and Moore Families
by David and Debbie Pomponio

Our Children and Grandchildren
by Steve and Deb McCubbins

Emma Greer
by Gramma and Poppa

Taytum Greer
by Gramma and Poppa

Brenda Haley
by the Warwicks, Wests, and Wilsons

Bess Haley
by the Warwicks, Wests, and Wilsons

Our granddaughters, Lauren and Violet
by the Curfman Family

Summer McKinney
by Andy, Amy, and Blaine Hardin

Morgan McKinney
by Andy, Amy, and Blaine Hardin

Our Grandchildren Durwood, Bella, Madeline, Pierce, Clyde, Vivi, and Wrenn
by Dirk and Leanne Bush

Greg and Lindsey Noah & Max and Avery Reeder
by Keith and Debbie Reeder

Courtney Reynolds
by Eric and Kathy Reynolds

Matt Reynolds Family
by Eric and Kathy Reynolds

Angie and Chris, Ryland, Mason, and Hunter Wall
by Keith and Debbie Reeder

Donna Wenger
by Rose Christian Bible Study

Janet and Greg Winebar
by the Winebar Family

Blessings and Peace to all in 2026
by Ellen L. Palmer



Poinsettias Given in Memory

Opal Alexander
by Mark, Faleena, Caitlin, and Emily Dempsey

David Alexander
by his wife, Karen

Mr. and Mrs. Don and LaRue Allison
by Donna Williams

Ruel and Shirley Bain
by the Cothran Family

Oneta Baker
by Kerri and Adrian Sepcic

Nancy Barrett Tidwell
by her Family

Jack and Dot Bennett
by Blake and Megan Harris

Herbert and Joan Bickel
by Dan and Laura Bickel

Armando Bitar
by Gonzalo and Judy Gabby Serrano

Ralph Boatman
by Merielle, Brad, and Riley Boatman

Clarence and Bertie Boren
by Laura and Ken Crawford Family

Carol Bouse
by Brian and Courtney Bouse

David Brannon
by Keith and Michelle Brookshire Family

Jerry Bucklew
by the Lutz Family

Bennie Bush Bullock
by Dirk and Leanne Bush

Don and Mary Burger
by Mike and Yvonne Moore

Charlie Bush
by Dirk and Leanne Bush

Tom Cain
by Kevin and Leslie Cain

Robert Castle
by Shawn and Michelle Denman

Brad and Lavon Cothran
by the Cothran Family

Robert Croissant
by Eric, Hillary, Weston, and Judson Croissant

Maxine Croissant
by Eric, Hillary, Weston, and Judson Croissant

Sisty Davis
by Mark, Faleena, Caitlin, and Emily Dempsey

Raydene Denman
by Shawn and Michelle Denman

Brock Dixon Lutz
by the Lutz Family



Poinsettias Given in Memory



Marion Dyer
by Blake and Megan Harris

Jerri English-MacMeekin
by the Nash Family

Jasmine Gonzales
by Mike and Margaret Kroese and Family

Paul and Pam Graham
by Ron and Jo Ann Graham

Don and Rosemary Grey
by Greg

Debbie Hammett
by Lee Hammett

Paul, Martha, and John Hardin
by Andy, Amy, and Blaine Hardin

Paul and Martha Hardin
by Andy, Amy, and Blaine Hardin

Carol, Gibb, and Brandon Harris
by Blake and Megan Harris

William B. Harris, Jr. and Marie Harris
by Andy, Amy, and Blaine Hardin

Tom Henderson
by Greg and Maggie

Darius John Herold
by Merielle, Brad, and Riley Boatman

Darius W. Herold
by Merielle, Brad, and Riley Boatman

Greg Hipp
by Jennifer and Jim Wilson & Makenzie Reeves

Bud and Mona Hipp
by Jim Wilson

Nellie and Billy Hobbs
by Dan and Laura Bickel

Lowrance Hodge
by his Family

My loving husband, Jimmie Honea
by Martha Honea

Cissy and Dwayne Howell
by Keith Debbie Reeder

Lance Jackson
by Ben and Cynthia Jackson

Jimmy Jobe
by Peggy Jobe & Mark, Jaylyn, Matt, and Katie Welch

Mary Judd
by Scotty and Michelle Lynn

John and Patricia Kelly
by Ron and Jo Ann Graham

Amanda Sayle Kelly
by Carla Sayle & Brad and Parker Kelly

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Linard
by Jerry and Linda Niuman and Family

Margaret and Luther Little
by Larry and Pam Little

James Lively
by Austene Lively

Hugh Long
by Bonnie Long and Family

Rebecca Ann Long
by Mark, Anya, Katherine, Matthew and Haley Long and Kids

Brock M. and Nancy Lutz
by the Lutz Family

Frances Ann Lynn
by Ronnie, Scotty, and Michelle Lynn

James McCarley
by Sue McCarley

Justin Bradley McCoy
by Donna Williams

Parents Jack and Shirley McCubbins
by Steve and Deb McCubbins

Pauline McFadden
by Stephanie and Jeff McFadden, Claire and Carsen

Keith R. Miller, Sr.
by Wife Shirley, Children Keith R Miller, Jr, Sheryl Stephenson, Kyle, Kirk, & Families

Jeffrey Minshew
by Gary and Bobbye Jack & Robert and Irma Minshew

Gary Minshew
by Bobbye Jack, Robert, Irma, and Autumn Minshew

Joyce and Howard Mitchell
by Larry and Pam Little

Sue and Jimmy Moore
by Mike and Yvonne Moore

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Niuman
by Jerry and Linda Niuman and Family

Jenny Niuman-Sawey
by Jerry and Linda Niuman and Family

Our Loved Ones
by Snyder and James Family

Our Beloved Family Members
by JoAnn and Clint Scofield

Charles and Elaine Parent
by Kathy Parent

Richard Pflug
by Eunice and Susan Pflug

Pat and Hunter Pickens
by Keith and Debbie Reeder

Mormor and Poppy
by Doug and Kim Dixon

John Powlen
by Eric, Hillary, Weston, and Judson Croissant

Alice and Nicholas Prinsloo
by the Prinsloo Family

Veda Pritchett
by Larry and Pam Little

Mary Purtle
by Vicki Purtle

Sam Purtle
by Vicki Purtle

Mary Will and R.T. Craig
by Sue Sanders

Buster and Jewell Reeder
by Keith and Debbie Reeder

Jim Pearson and Richard Honey
by Pat Weeks

Sinden and L.D. Sanders
by Sue Sanders

Sherry and James Scheurich
by Allen, Jamie, Courtney, Charlotte, and Nicholas Prinsloo

Mary and Stuart Schneible
by Myles and Cindy Schneible

Larry Shaw
by Scotty and Michelle Lynn

Anneliese Shaw
by Kyle and Kristen Shaw and Family



Poinsettias Given in Memory

Max Shaw
by Carolyn Shaw

Parents Howard and Dona Sheckler
by Steve and Deb McCubbins

Lee Smith
by Dave and Studie Smith

Greg Smith
by Pat Smith

Gretchen Smith
by Cindy and Myles Schneible

Don Smith
by Cindy and Myles Schneible

Parents of Dave and Studie Smith
by Dave and Studie Smith

Marty
by Melanie Smith

Beloved husband Rudy Tumminello
and son Michael Tumminello
by Monica Tumminello Evans

Jim (Pop) Staif
by Carol, Greg, and Stacy Staif

Sharon Stewart
by Ben and Cynthia Jackson

Rickey (Papa) Storey
by Doug and Kim Dixon

Aleene Strawn
*by Mark, Faleena, Caitlin, and Emily
Dempsey*

Bryan Swanner
by Kathryn Swanner and Family

Marion and Virginia Uhl
by Suzanne Powell

Michael Kent VanMeter
by Kent and Carol VanMeter

Ren and Ed Veigel
by Keith and Debbie Reeder

Erla Mae Vestal
by the Vestal Family

LeRoy Vestal
by the Vestal Family

Our parents Frank and Kathryn
Dougherty & Walter and Alice
Reynolds
by Terry and Joyce Dougherty

Patricia Ward
*by Stephanie and Jeff McFadden, Claire
and Carsen*

Selma Williams
*by Allison Pentecost & Ella and Drew
Fletcher*

Michael Williams
by Donna Williams

Melissa Williams Cooke
by Donna Williams

Robert Yeo
by Alice and Ken Halsor



We light a candle for hope.

We light a candle for love.

We light a candle for joy.

We light a candle for peace.

*We light a candle for Jesus, the baby born
in a manger, the light of the world.*

*The light shines in the darkness
and the darkness has never overcome it.*

Sermon: When the Wait is Over (the work begins)
Scripture: Luke 2:1-21

Sermon Notes

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Merry Christmas! Thank you for choosing to worship at First United Methodist Church McKinney, where the Love of Christ is shared and all are welcome! We are so glad you are here.

I invite you to worship with us on Sundays at any of our four Sanctuary services and two Wellspring Contemporary Services. Our Melissa location, Melissa UMC, offers worship at 10:00 am.

Scan the code to visit **SharingtheHeart.org** and explore the opportunities to worship, grow, give, and serve together with us from the heart of McKinney, Texas.

May God's love fill you this day as we celebrate the birth of Christ.
Wishing you a Merry Christmas!



Rev. Courtney Schultz
WELLSPRING PASTOR



WHAT'S HAPPENING

CLASSES and GROUPS

There is a place for you! Are you interested in Sunday school? Bible study? Quilting? Veterans Fellowship? Do you sing or play an instrument?

Explore the opportunities at **SharingtheHeart.org/Ministries**.

MISSIONS and SERVICE

From supporting Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti to Caldwell Elementary School down the street, you can be involved in missions. See opportunities for blood drives, the Compassion Closet, Lunch Bunch, and more at **SharingtheHeart.org/Give**.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

We have so much fun here! Learn all about events and activities such as children's groups, camps, choirs, youth groups, missions, and more at **SharingtheHeart.org/Kids-Youth**

Vacation Bible School will be June 15-18, 2026. There will be morning and evening sessions. Watch the Children's page for registration dates **SharingtheHeart.org/Children**

HEART Special Needs Ministry is available during Sunday School and events.

STAY CONNECTED

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

SOCIAL MEDIA

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