



### Advent 2025



## With Expectant Hearts

January 4, 2026  
10:05 & 11:10 a.m.  
Epiphany Sunday

### 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 & Children's lobby
- **Shuttle bus** for remote parking
- **HEART Special Needs Ministry** info on accommodations at the Information Desk

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### Welcome to Wellspring!

The Wellspring Community is a place where every person is encouraged to find connection with God and with each other. Jesus shows us that our God is a relational God – God wants us to be connected.

It's Sunday morning! Let's worship God together, build relationships with one another, and go into the world this week bearing hope and light in all the places we go. And let's meet back here next week (and maybe in between!) to do it all again.

**Sermon:** Epiphany  
**Scripture:** Matthew 2:1-12

## Sermon Notes

## New Wellspring Series for 2026

## 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. Begins January 11.

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Welcome! Thank you for joining us today!

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

Online resources are also available at  
[SharingtheHeart.org/Resources](http://SharingtheHeart.org/Resources)

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



## 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. Stay in the loop with all the great stuff that's happening. Email [caitlin@sharingtheheart.org](mailto:caitlin@sharingtheheart.org) to sign up.

### ADVENT CLEAN UP

We need your help to UN-decorate the church! We will gather on **January 6th at 10am** to take down all the beautiful decorations and safely store them for next year.

Want more info? Email Kathy at [kparent@sharingtheheart.org](mailto:kparent@sharingtheheart.org)

### KIDS & YOUTH

Check out our Kids and Youth pages for lots of upcoming events! We've got missions, small groups, music, and more planned all year. There are some important dates to save—like Vacation Bible School! We have a place for you!

### MEAL KITS

We will continue to collect and distribute meal kits as long as there is a need! Need a meal or know someone who does? We have plenty available! For the shopping list and recipe cards, visit the table in the hall or the *Volunteer Opportunities* page.

### NEW STUDY

#### Pastor Courtney's Study Hour

Reading: *The Misunderstood Jew: The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine. Meetings begin 1/21 at 7pm and will be in person or via Zoom. Sign up on the New + Upcoming page.

### MISSION & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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

There are so many ways to give, connect, and serve in the new year! From volunteering at the emergency warming shelter to going on a mission trip to Panama, you can share the Heart of Christ! For more information on volunteering and supporting missions, visit the *Volunteer Opportunities* or *Missions* pages or email Pam at [pparmley@sharingtheheart.org](mailto:pparmley@sharingtheheart.org)

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

### GENEROSITY

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Today's Communion Rail Offering will support our local cold weather ministries: *Emmanuel Labor* and *Samaritan Inn*. Thank you for your faithfulness to the missions of First UMC.

### Ways to Give

[www.sharingtheheart.org/give](http://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!

Please **Sign In**

We're glad you are here!

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Today's Date	□ First Time Guest	□ Returning Guest	□ Member				
Name _____	Wellspring	Location: <input type="checkbox"/> Sanctuary	<input type="checkbox"/> Member				
Email _____	Phone _____	<input type="checkbox"/> cell <input type="checkbox"/> home	<input type="checkbox"/> cell <input type="checkbox"/> home				
City/St _____	Zip _____	Relationship _____					
Preferred Contact: <input type="checkbox"/> Email	<input type="checkbox"/> Phone	Adult age group: <input type="checkbox"/> 18-24	<input type="checkbox"/> 25-34	<input type="checkbox"/> 35-44	<input type="checkbox"/> 45-54	<input type="checkbox"/> 55-64	<input type="checkbox"/> 65+ (over)
Guest/Relative of _____				Welcome to our guests! How did you hear about us? _____			
Address _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Update my info <input type="checkbox"/> Send weekly email newsletter						

## PRAYER REQUEST

www.SharingtheHeart.org/Pray

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Prayers requested for (name) \_\_\_\_\_  
This person is:  self  friend  relative \_\_\_\_\_  
Prayer need (include info as needed) \_\_\_\_\_  
  
 Pastors only  Add to published prayer list | Would you like a pastor to contact you?  Yes  No

## CONNECT CARD

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
  
I would like information about:  
 Nursery  
 Children's Ministry  
 Youth Ministry  
 Adult groups  
 Music Ministry  
 Becoming a member  
  
 1-on-1 with Pastor Courtney (leave contact info)  
  
 Faith, being a Christian  
 Generosity / Stewardship  
 Bible Study  
 Melissa UMC Campus  
 Help with personal issues  
 Finding a place to serve (over)

## STAY CONNECTED

For the latest news and events, sign up for the weekly church newsletter, "The Echo," at [SharingTheHeart.org/Newsletter](http://SharingTheHeart.org/Newsletter)

## SOCIAL MEDIA

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



[Facebook.com/FUMCMcKinney](https://www.facebook.com/FUMCMcKinney)  
[Instagram.com/FUMCMcKinney](https://www.instagram.com/FUMCMcKinney)



## PRAYER REQUESTS

† Melissa Cook and family on the passing of Anthony Nazzal  
† Attridge and Horne families on the loss of Shalyn Burgamy  
† Tony Hill and family on the loss of his mother  
† The family of Fred Canales on his passing  
† The Nderitu family on the passing of their son  
• Abigail & Charlotte Wolf  
• Alison Hogan  
• Ash  
• Canales family  
• Carol Bellard  
• Carol Crampton  
• Carol Grimes  
• Cecilee & Lawrence Havercamp  
• Charles Haverman  
• Chuck Pierce and family  
• Cindy Bailey  
• Corthaea Wynia  
• Debbie Stone  
• Dustin Bade  
• Family & friends of Wendy Rines  
• Jan Phillips  
• Jay De La Cruz  
• Jennifer Grey  
• John Burkhardt  
• Josh  
• Judy Cox  
• Judy Davis  
• Kara Brinley  
• Karen Linstrum  
• Karla Connally  
• Kathy Reynolds  
• Lisa Cox  
• Nderitu family

Please remember these names in your prayers

• Pat Johnston  
• Perry Waller  
• Phil Bazell  
• Rachel  
• Sean Z  
• Shauntina Batiste  
• Shelly Coons  
• Sherri Love  
• Sue Kenny  
• Thomas Rud  
• Tom Woodard  
• Trent Borchardt  
• Tyler Morris  
• Hospitalized children & their families  
• Equality for all  
• All veterans  
• Immigrants and 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 Almaguer, 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 CDR 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 Spiegel, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townsend, 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.

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