

ITEMS NEEDED

Open Hands Needs

We are in great need of toilet paper! Also need toiletries: toothpaste, tooth brushes, bars of soap, any toiletries greatly appreciated!

Heartfelt sympathy: to the family of Greg Shadrix whose mother passed away. **Prayers for:** HL McCright, Vicki West, Baby Davis Brooks, Sammy Eady, Frankie Rodenberry, Peggy Gordon, Amy Wilson, Marta Worley, Jimee Clay, Betty White, Louise Hearn, Ned Harman, Vi Carr, Heather Russell, Homer McEwen, George Archibald, Sally Sullivan, Christine Johnson, Harriette Phillips, Shaun Maddox, Bob Germany, Phil Kaughman, Marie Crews (cousin of James Crews), Judy Furr (Stacy Martin's mother), Margaret Mote (Sheri Evan's mother), Hilda Giles (Ken Stephen's cousin), Kay Howson, Dr. Bill McGee (friend of Milton & Susan Berry), Tiffany Henley (friend of Kathryn Samples), Henry Garrett (Jimmy Garret's grandson), Gwen Riddle, Jenny Bonner, Tyhesia Daniels, Cameron Teems (Glenda Banks grandson missionary training), Wayne Garner, Joe Kroll, Suzanne Phillips, Shirley Dennis (Harriett Phillips sister), Joan Nesbitt, Martha Thurman, Donna Holder, Benjamin Puckett, George & Jan Dixon, Tammy Ingram (friend of Donna Simmers), Glenda Banks, Kane Russell. Linda Aitken, Marie Yuran, neighbor of Karen Kagiyama, Vicky Murphy, Jackie Ward, Nancy Hurston, relative of Laura Richards, All involved in the invasion of Ukraine, Celita Page, Doris McClendon, Don Harp, (grandson of Rev. Don Harp), Donna Prest (Alice Robertson's sister-in-law), Alan Payne (Gherry Gustafson's nephew), Catherine Maier, Camille Yahm, Bobbie Kitfield, Laura Richards sister-in-law, Timothy Farris, friend of John Cook, Brian Hanrihan, (friend of David Miceli), Patrice Washington, friend of Phil Tuggle, Debbie Burgamy, Jacqueline Roberts, Samantha & Aurelie Martin, Bill Young, Jamie McDowell, Judy Lambeth, Laurie Gustafson, Cindy Tolbert, Ed Johnson, George Ward, Barbara Tanner, Bonny Watkins, Judy Holt, Paul Burkett, Courtney Allen, Stuart Yahm, Eric Powell., **Our military and their families:** Jonathan Wilbanks, Jason Preston (Harry Preston's nephew), Kevin Ayers, Dylan & Becca Wood, Matt Landon, Davis Marlar, Robert Geiger, Clayton Couch, Austin Walls, Rob Bennett, Brett Edmondson, Scott McClendon, John Hamil. **Those serving in the mission field:** Joy and Wes Griffin, Ronnie and Angi Hopkins, Bishop David Thagana, Timothy Thagana (Strong Tower Orphanage & Glory Outreach Assembly, Kenya), Will & Ella Faircloth, (Costa Rica & Spanish translation of discipleship resources)...**our community, our nation and our world around us** *Please notify the church office of any updates or additions.*

Stewardship

Time ♦ Talent ♦ Treasure

"Freely you have received; Freely give"
- Matthew 10:8

As of 12/11/2022

2022 Ministry Budget \$1,456,869.40
(Includes Preschool Expenses)

Year-to-Date Giving 2022: \$ 1,167,052.89
(Includes Preschool Tuitions & Fees)

2022 Contributions yet to be received:
\$ 289,816.51

"Blessed to be a Blessing"—Genesis 12:1-3

Ministry Staff.

Call on us if we can serve you in any way! 770-832-7069

- Rev. Larry Patton, Senior Pastor—larry@cfumc.com (Ext 14)
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Our Methodist Mission: Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
For the transformation of the world. (Matt. 28:19)

December 18, 2022, 9 & 11 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Advent



Our Carrollton First Vision:

*A congregation in which anyone and everyone can **Connect** with Christ ~ **Grow** in Faith ~ and **Serve** more and more fully in the Spirit of Jesus*

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Welcome to First Methodist... "Where There's a Place for You"

Order of Worship

Gathering Music	<i>Noel Suisse</i> (Daquin)	Tony Childers
Welcome		Rev. Larry Patton
Chiming of the Hour		
Call to Worship	<i>E'en So, Lord Jesus Quickly Come</i> (Manz)	Chancel Choir
*Opening Hymn	<i>Angels from the Realms of Glory</i>	#220
*Passing the Peace	Greeting One Another in the Grace of Our Lord	
Lighting of the Advent Candles: Joy	9: David & Melissa Smith 11: Echols Family	
<p>Congregation Response: Come, my Light, and illumine my darkness. Come, my Life, and revive me from death. Come, my Physician, and heal my wounds. Come, Flame of divine love, and burn up the thorns of my sins, kindling my heart with the flame of your love. Come, my King, sit upon the throne of my heart and reign there, for you alone are my King and my Lord. Amen.</p> <p>ALL SING: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.</p>		
Anthem	<i>Christmas Gospel Jubilee</i>	Carrolltones
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer		
Offertory Hymn	<i>There's A Song in the Air</i> (V 1&4)	#249
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory	<i>Beautiful Star of Bethlehem</i>	Carrolltones
*Song of Thanksgiving	<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i> (V4)	#221
<p>What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part; Yet what can I give him: give my heart.</p>		
Scripture		Matthew 1:18-25
Message	"The Reason for the Season"	Rev. Jake Webster
Hymn of Response	<i>Go, Tell It on the Mountain</i>	#251
*Benediction		
Choral Response	<i>Joy to the World</i>	
<p>Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy</p>		
*Postlude	<i>Festival Improvisation on Hark the Herald Angels Sing</i>	Tony Childers
*Congregation standing as you are able.		

Christmas Eve



Family & Child
Friendly Service
3 PM Fellowship Hall

Candlelight Communion
Service 5 & 11 PM
Sanctuary

Come & Go Communion
6:30—8 PM
Sanctuary

THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE

Wednesday DECEMBER 21st 6:30 p.m. Church Sanctuary

Christmas can be a painful time for some. It may be the first Christmas without a loved one who has recently died; it may be a time that has always been difficult. Please come and join with us in reading scripture, meditation, prayer, and music that acknowledge that God's presence is for those who mourn, for those who struggle-and that **God's Word** comes to shine light into our darkness. Refreshments will follow in the Gathering Room.

Christmas & New Years Services Schedule



For both Christmas Day and New Year's Day, one combined worship service in the sanctuary at 11 AM. December 25 is "Celebration & Carols" and January 1 is "New Years Covenant Communion".

Holiday Office Schedule

Church Office Closed December 26 thru December 30. Finance Office will be open Wednesday and Thursday, December 28 and 29, 10 AM until 2 PM to bring in year end donations.

Year End Finance Office Update

To catch up on your 2022 pledging and giving, contact Amy Harris at 770-832-7069 ext. 12 or Amy@cfumc.com. Anything you can contribute in the next couple of weeks to get us across the finish line is greatly appreciated. We're excited about what God has in store! Feel free to mail in your contributions but please ensure they are postmarked by December 31, in order to be counted in the 2022 tax year. Thank you! Blessings to you and yours!

How To Make A Difference This Christmas—Alternative Giving Catalog

This year, **GIVE A GIFT THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.** 1. Visit our display outside Covenant class or Church Office. 2. Look through the catalog and choose **up to 3** ministries you want to support. 3. Fill out the form (don't forget to purchase honorarium cards) and place cash or check in the donation envelopes. 4. Place in the boxes provided. 5. Give honorarium cards to friends, teachers, etc.



All in One QR Code

Use this scan to record your attendance, send a prayer request, sign up for text messages from the church, and give online. Network: Cfumc-guest password: Cfumc#206

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