



January Food Drive

for Dixie's Pantry



Help us provide weekend backpacks food and snacks for children in our city schools, identified as having need by school counselors. Dixie's Pantry is our First Methodist backpack food outreach. Here's how you can help in January: bring with you to church a bag of the following-

Individual servings of :

Mac n cheese, Pop top cans of Spaghetti-s, Soup, Vienna Sausage, Ravioli, Beanie Weenies

Also, Granola bars & Pop tarts

Set your bags of food items along the back wall of the sanctuary when you come for church, or bring to the church office. Thank you!

As of 12/13/2020



2020 Ministry Budget:	\$ 1,345,342.11
Year-to-Date Giving 2020:	1,252,401.65
2020 Contributions yet to be received:	\$ 92,940.46

2021 Stewardship Campaign: "Giving Life"

148 Pledges Year to Date Totaling \$789,935.00

*****All contributions for the tax year 2020 must be received or postmarked by December 31, 2020. Thank You! Bless You!*****

Sympathies for the family of Larry Ashmore, Paul Baker and Charles Ferrell

Prayers for: Laurie Ware, Bobby Wynn, Gene Fender, Bernie Barker, Cindy Tolbert, Jason Rowell, George Dixon, Laura Richards, Ed Johnson, Jonah McConnell, George Ward, Barbara Tanner, Robert Harper, David Smith, Paul Bush, Bonny Watkins, Leah Weaver, Judy Holt, Linda Scales, Margaret Perkins, Paul Burkett, Cheryl Childers, Kay Howson, Courtney Allen, Camille and Stuart Yahm, Zoey Boul, Eric Powell, Ann and Bob Cummings, Steve Sheely..

Our military and their families: Jonathan Wilbanks, Kevin Ayers, Dylan & Becca Wood, Matt Landon, Davis Marlar, Robert Geiger, Clayton Couch, Austin Walls, Rob Bennett, Brett Edmondson, Scott McClendon, Dan Harris, John Hamil.

Those serving in the mission field: Lauren Norton, 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)

...our community, our nation and our world around us... Please notify the church office of any updates or additions.



Our Methodist Mission: Making Disciples of Jesus Christ

For the transformation of the world.

Sunday, December 27, 2020

First Sunday of Christmas



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 God's Love*

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10:00 a.m. Combined Order of Worship

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

Prelude	"We Three Kings"	Tony and Cheryl Childers - Piano
Welcome		Rev. Larry Patton
Call to Worship	"Joy to the World"	#246
(Remain seated)	"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"	# 229
Affirmation of Faith		United Church of Canada
We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.		
*Hymns of Praise	"Good Christian Friends Rejoice"	#224
	"Away in a Manger"	#217
*Greeting One Another (Passing the Peace Sign)		
Pastoral Prayer and Offertory Blessing		Pastor Ken Stephens
Anthem	"Go Tell it on the Mountain"	Chancel Choir
Scripture	Galatians 4:4-7	
Message	"Children of the Most High"	Pastor Briggs Smith
*Song of Invitation to Discipleship	"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"	#206
*Benediction		
Postlude	"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" (Donald Hustad)	Tony Childers
* Congregants stand, as you are able.		

For all news, updates, calendars, across the landscape of First Methodist ministries and missions, go to our website, www.cfumc.com, and follow your church on social media.

Also, create your own log-in for full church directory access.

Let's Connect



Child Friendly Worship Service

3 pm Fellowship Hall

Candlelight Communion Worship Service

5 pm & 11 pm Sanctuary *Nursery Provided*

Come & Go Communion (Sanctuary)

6:30-7:30 pm

This Sunday, December 27

One Combined 10:00 am Service

No nursery or Children and Youth Sunday School

Adult Sunday School Optional at 11:00 am



Sunday, January 3

New Year Covenant and Epiphany Sunday Worship

Remembering the Gifts of the Three Kings

"Go Tell It On the Mountain that Jesus Christ is Born"

Back to our regular schedule

9:00 & 11:00 AM

Combined in Sanctuary

Sunday School at 10:00 AM

New Study "Image of God"

Starting Wednesday, January 6, 6-7 pm. Led by Ms. Grace Miller in the Gathering Room (across hall from sanctuary) This is a 6 week DVD study series with resources Ms. Grace will provide. The goal of the class is to explore together deeply who God is and who God created us to be. Sign up by calling or emailing the church office, info@cfumc.com.

Joy to the World # 246

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare him room, And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing

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

No more let sins and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as, the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly # 229

Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Swift are winging angels singing, noels ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the babe is Lord of all!

Flocks were sleeping; shepherds keeping
Vigil till the morning new saw the glory, heard the story,
Tidings of a gospel true. Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow,
Praises voicing, greet the morrow: Christ the babe was born for you!

Good Christians Friends Rejoice # 224

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say: News, news!
Jesus Christ was born today. Ox and ass before him bow,
And he is in the manger now. Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss: News, news!

(continued on back)

Jesus Christ was born for this! He hath opened heaven's door,
And we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave: News, news!
Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all
To gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Away in a Manger # 217

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light # 206

I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world;
The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain *In him there is no darkness at all; The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God; Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
And show me the way to the Father. Refrain

I'm looking for the coming of Christ; I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus. Refrain