

The Jackie Preston Fellowship Circle is meeting on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, in the Gathering Room at First Methodist Church at 2:00 PM. The accomplished organist, Friedemann Stihler, is our guest and will be playing the organ in our sanctuary. Selections will include requested songs from our Circle that range from Gospel to Broadway. All ladies are invited. It will be a beautiful time of fellowship.



*Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
Who worship passionately,
love sacrificially
and witness boldly.*

Prayer List

Heartfelt sympathy to: the family of Cheryl Childers on the passing of her brother, Billy Griffin; the family of Doyle Garrett on the passing of his sister, Nelva Roop; the family of Cathy Arnett on the passing of her brother, Bill Young.

Prayers for: Patty Culpepper, Austin Payne (friend of the Tanner family), Mike & Joan Carter (Bill Carter's brother & sister-in-law), Ben Gordon, Karen Howson, Ashlyn Hovey, Frankie Rodenberry, David & Susan Smith, Louis Maier, Trey Carter, Leslie Pair (Midway), James (Jamie) Wood, Tom Pohl (Jan & Dave Reynolds son in law), David Perry, Ernest & Doris McClendon, Delaney Jackson, Bob Stone, Sally Arnett, (Wil Arnett's mother), Ted & Brenda McMillian, Laura Hutchinson (friends of Wil & Cathy Arnett), Kathy & Billy Pardue (Robin Newman's sister & brother in law), Mary Jane Denny Goodson, Carmen & Jimmy Pope, Linda Aitken, Buddy Farmer (Charlotte Shackelford's brother), June Sorrells, Shaun Maddox, Shields Upchurch, Jo McGuire (Jerry Eady's sister), John Trawick, George Archibald, Joe Kroll, Jackie Todd, Greg Lavendar, and for our Pastoral Search Committee, our church and her future,

Our military and their families: Tyron Sneddon (Kay & David Mecklin's son-in-law), Chris Hamil, Jonathan Wilbanks, Jason Preston (Harry Preston's nephew), Dylan & Becca Wood, Matt Landon, Davis Marlar, Robert Geiger, Clayton Couch, Austin Walls, Rob Bennett, Scott McClendon.

Those serving in the mission field: Sam & Madison Harris Cromley, Joy and Wes Griffin, Ronnie and Angi Hopkins, Cameron Teems (Glenda Banks grandson missionary training) Bishop David Thagana, Timothy Thagana (Strong Tower Orphanage & Glory Outreach Assembly, Kenya), Will & Ella Faircloth

Please notify the church office of any changes.

March 24 2024 ■ 11 a.m. ■ Palm Sunday

Today's Sermon "What the Centurion Saw"

Dr. Joel Snider

Mark 15:33-39

God is not greater than he is in this humiliation. God is not more glorious than he is in this self-surrender. God is not more powerful than he is in this helplessness. Jürgen Moltmann



The Vision of First Methodist of Carrollton:

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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Attendance & Offering

As of 03/17/2024

Attendance:

Sunday School	157
11 Worship	281

Offering:

Year-to-Date Giving	\$ 270,179.41
Year to Date Expenses	\$150,913.34

Pledges 2024

92 received	\$648,656.00
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Order of Worship

March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

Gathering Music

Prelude in C (Bach)

Friedemann Stihler

Welcome & Invocation

Travis Studdard

Call to Worship

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O people of Zion. Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem! Look, your king is coming to you.

He is righteous and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey—even on a donkey's colt.

All: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Leader: You are our God, and we will praise You!

All: You are our God, and we will exalt You!

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

All: His faithful love endures forever!

✠ Processional Hymn #227

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

✠ Affirmation of Faith /Apostle's Creed

Bill Garrett

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, his only son our Lord--- who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day He arose from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

✠ Gloria Patri #667

Tracy Rainwater

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Dr. Joel Snider

Hymn #228

All Glory, Laud, and Honor (V 1 & 3)

✠ Scripture Lesson

Mark 15:33-39

Claire Manley

Leader: The word of God for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

✠ Hymn

Ancient Words (insert)

Offertory Prayer

Dr. Joel Snider

Offertory

Community (Michael Schütz)

Friedemann Stihler

✠ Doxology #682

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Sermon

“What the Centurion Saw”

Dr. Joel Snider

✠ Hymn of Response #231

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed (v 1, 4, 5)

Life of the Church

Dr. Joel Snider

✠ Passing of the Peace

✠ Benediction

✠ Postlude *Trumpet Voluntary* (Prince of Denmark's march) - Jeremiah Clarke (Comp.)

Friedemann Stihler

✠ Congregation standing as you are able

Acolytes: Artie Mills, Ava Rowell

Ushers: Dennis Albright, John Ball, Barry & Caryn Beaman, Tim Davis



TODAY - Children of all ages meet in the Gathering Room, next to the Sanctuary, at 10:45. After walking into the service waving palm branches the 3rd graders and up will sit with their families for the remainder of the service. 2nd Graders and under will go downstairs to Children's Church.

TODAY - Easter Egg Hunt 4:00

Smokerise Subdivision Park - 175 Mink Hollow Drive
BRING YOUR BIGGEST EASTER BASKET AND A FRIEND!

VBS 2024 - SAVE THE DATE

June 24 - 26, 4:00 - 6:30 PM

EASTER SCHEDULE

March 28, Maundy Thursday Worship 6:30 Sanctuary

March 31, Easter Sunrise Service, 7 AM church front lawn

Easter Worship, 11 Am Sanctuary

Friday, **March 29** and Monday **April 1**, Church Office Closed

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to our congregation for providing side dishes and desserts for last Sunday's fellowship lunch.

FLOWER CROSS

Please bring fresh cut flowers on Easter Sunday to help decorate the flower cross.

Sadie Ruth Barrett Scholarship

For graduating high school seniors, applications are available outside the church office and the sanctuary. Application is due April 1. All requirements are included in application

SOULISH VICTORY Bible Study

Wednesday, April 10 and 17, 10:00 am - 11:30 am

At the home of Merritt Lane 112 Sunset Court



All in One QR Code: Scan the QR code to record your attendance, send a prayer request, sign up for text messages from the church, and give online.
Network: Cfmc-guest password: Cfmc#206

Church Wide Conversation April 21 after 11 AM worship In the Fellowship Hall

Join us immediately after worship on Sunday, April 21, as we participate in a church-wide conversation to provide input for our Pastor Search Committee. Dr. Joel Snider will lead us in the first of two guided conversations to explore our core strengths and our aspirations as a congregation.

Your input is vital for the committee to develop a clear profile of the qualities and skills we need in a pastor for this next chapter in the life of Carrollton First. Lunch will be served. Help us prepare for your presence by making a reservation.

Please fill out the reservation form below, call the church office, or use the QR code to sign up online.

We want your input. Please join us on April 21.

Name: _____

of adults: _____ Children: _____



ANCIENT WORDS

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart Oh, let the Ancient words impart.

Words of Life, words of Hope Give us strength, help us cope
In this world, where e'er we roam Ancient words will guide us Home.

Ancient words ever true Changing me, and changing you.
We have come with open hearts Oh let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our Faith Handed down to this age.
Came to us through sacrifice Oh heed the faithful words of Christ.

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RISING PreK4
through
RISING 5th graders



Children and Volunteers scan to register