

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
COMMERCE, TEXAS
October 15, 2023**

Welcome to First UMC Commerce!

We Gather

Prelude "Canon in B Major" R. Schumann
 Enter with Acolytes Wyatt Bourcy
 Choral Call to Worship "Surely The Presence of the Lord"
 Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Cheryl Murray, Pastor
[You are invited to sign our attendance register. Fill out your contact information to receive emails about activities going on in the church.]

We Praise

* Opening Hymn "Standing on the Promises" UMH 374
 * Words of Worship
 Leader: Break open our hearts this morning to hear your word,
 O God.
People: Let our fears be vanquished, our spirits restored!
 Leader: Come and let us worship with great joy!
People: Let us drop the things of the past which weighed us down!
 Leader: God is about to do something new in our lives!
People: Let God's will become strong in our lives. AMEN.
 * Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" UMH 451
 * The Peace Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

We Proclaim

The Children Gather Pastor Cheryl
 Call to Offering Mariann Andrews
 Offertory "Intermezzo #2" H. Schroeder
 * Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95
 Scripture Philippians 3:4b-14 Mariann Andrews
 Anthem "Jubilance" L. Spevacek
 Message Just Say Know Pastor Cheryl

We Respond

Call to Prayer "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"
 Prayers of the People
 The Lord's Prayer

We Go Forth

* Closing Hymn "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" UMH 462
 * Sending Forth Pastor Cheryl
 * Choral Benediction "The Lord Bless You"
 Postlude "O God Our Help in Ages Past" H. Willan
 *You are invited to stand.

Prayer List

- All who are affected by the war in Israel
- Don Daffron
- Mayra Garcia
- Joe Milligan
- Madonna St. Clair
- Rob Lee
- Rita Thompson
- Suzanne Kizer Carter
- Michael Sandel, Tiffany Evans' father
- Wyatt Bourcy
- Mel Fox
- Priscilla McFarland
- Kyle Smith
- Michael Vickers, Ginny Haight's father
- The Elwell Family
- Jack Gray
- Richard Stapleton, Al Stapleton's brother
- Tom Bailey
- Pete and Ann Chamberlain
- Carlos Rickman
- Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
- Bill Heitholt
- Janet & Jim Payne, family of Becky Coker
- Manuel Henderson
- Georgia Gholston
- Melanie Cortea
- Judy Cortea

Worship Leaders

*Cheryl Murray, Pastor
 Gene Lockhart, Choir Director
 John Burkett, Organist
 John Mark Dempsey, Sound Tech
 Claire Floyd, Video Tech*

Friendship Class meets in the Friendship Classroom after worship. All are welcome. Children's Sunday School meets after Children's Time in the Family Ministry Center.

Our October Mission of the Month is Clothe-A-Child. Every dollar bill dropped in the collection plate (or check with "Clothe-A-Child" in the memo line) will benefit this mission. Scan the QR code to give online and select Mission of the Month.



Upcoming Activities

- October 17-Men's Breakfast group meets at Texas Diner Café at 8am
- October 18-Chapel at Little Ark at 11am
- October 18-Worship at Country Home Estates at 2pm
- October 18-Choir rehearsal at 7pm
- October 19-Prayer Shawl Crafting at 9:30am
- October 19-Little Ark Halloween Family Night 5:30-7:00
- October 23-Pledge cards due

Ministers
Pastor
Office & Communications
Financial Secretary
Children/Youth Director
Children's Music Director
Little Ark Director
Choir Director
Organist
Custodians

All Members of the Congregation
Rev. Cheryl Murray
Sharon Duncan
Mariann Andrews
Ashlyn Woods
Meagan Jones
Jennifer Knight
Gene Lockhart
Dr. John Burkett
Sandra & Fernanda Medrano



20th Sunday after Pentecost



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10:00am Sanctuary