

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 COMMERCE, TEXAS
 October 22, 2023

Welcome to First UMC Commerce!

We Gather

Prelude "Cantilena" J. Rheinberger
 Enter with Acolytes Wyatt Bourcy
 Choral Call to Worship "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"
 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 "Trust and Obey" UMH 467
 * Words of Worship

Leader: Whatever is true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, commendable, and worthy of praise –

People: let us think about these things.

Leader: May we be strengthened to do what is pleasing and acceptable in God's sight.

People: Let your gentleness be known to everyone, and the God of peace will be with you.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

* The Peace Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

* Hymn "Abide with Me" UMH 700

We Proclaim

The Children Gather Pastor Cheryl
 Call to Offering
 Offertory "Nearer My God to Thee" P. Stearns
 * Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95
 Anthem "Let Joyful Anthems Rise" G. Handel
 Scripture Philippians 4:4-9
 Message Think on These Things Pastor Cheryl

We Respond

Call to Prayer "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"
 Prayers of the People
 The Lord's Prayer

We Go Forth

* Closing Hymn "Take Time to Be Holy" UMH 395
 * Sending Forth Pastor Cheryl
 * Choral Benediction "God Be With You"
 Postlude "Grand March" from "Aida" G. Verdi
 *You are invited to stand.

Prayer List

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



Altar flowers given by Wyman and Harriet Williams in memory of their parents.

Worship Leaders

Cheryl Murray, Pastor
 Gene Lockhart, Choir Director
 John Burkett, Organist
 Dennis Anderson, 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

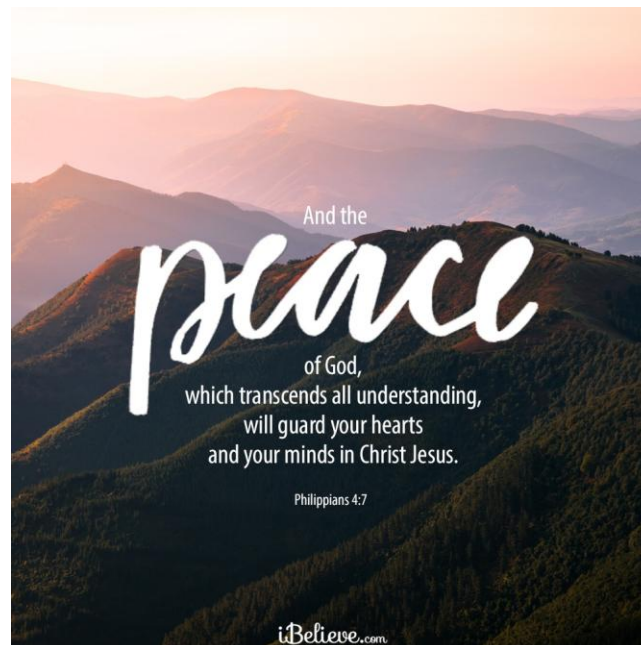
- October 23-Little Ark Pumpkin Auction
- October 23-Pledge cards due
- October 24-Men's Breakfast group meets at Texas Diner Café at 8am
- October 25-Chapel at Little Ark at 11am
- October 25-Worship at Country Home Estates at 2pm
- October 25-Choir rehearsal at 7pm
- October 26-Prayer Shawl Crafting at 9:30am
- October 26-M & M at 3:45-5:30pm and Youth from 6-7pm
- October 27-Little Ark Trick-or-Treating
- October 28-Fall Fest for Missions from 10am-3pm

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



21st Sunday after Pentecost



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**October 22, 2023
10:00am Sanctuary**