## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Commerce, Texas **February 25, 2024**

### **Second Sunday of Lent**

### Gathering Up

Prelude "Toccata" M. Monnikendam Welcome & Announcements 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.]

Boy Scout Troop 6027 Presentation of Flags Enter with Acolytes Kayden Blake Call to Worship "Hail the Power"

**Opening Prayer** Pastor Cheryl

### We Acknowledge What's Up

\* WORDS OF WORSHIP Excerpts from Psalm 22 Leader: Here's the story I'll tell my friends when they come to worship, and punctuate it with Hallelujahs:

All: Shout Hallelujah, you God-worshipers; give glory, you sons of Jacob; adore him, you daughters of Israel. Leader: God did not hide God's face from me but heard when I cried out.

All: Here in this great gathering for worship I have discovered this praise-life.

Leader: Our children and their children will get in on this as the word is passed along from parent to child.

All: The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek God shall praise the Lord!

"On Eagles' Wings" \* Hymn **UMH 143** 

\* Passing the Peace Peace be with you. And also with you. [You are invited to greet the people sitting near you in the name of Jesus Christ.]

### Filling Up

What's Up with the Children? Pastor Cheryl \* Anthem "Softly and Tenderly" W.Thompson Mark 8:31-38 Carolyn Trezevant Scripture \* Hymn "Take Up Thy Cross and Follow Me" UMH 415 Take Up Pastor Cheryl Message

### Building Up

#### **PRAYERS**

Choral Call to Prayer "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer

#### **GIVING**

Invitation to Generosity Offertory "Elevation" from "Messe Basse" L. Vierne **UMH 95** \*Doxology \* Hymn "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" **UMH 301** 

### Blessing for the Journey

\* Sending Forth Pastor Cheryl \* Choral Benediction "Go Now and Live" "Postlude on 'Darwall'" H. Willan Postlude \*You are invited to stand.

#### Worship Leaders

Cheryl Murray Pastor Gene Lockhart. Choir Director John Burkett, Organist Dennis Andersson, Sound Tech Claire Floyd, Video Tech

Children's Sunday School meets in the Family Ministry Center after the Children's Moment during worship. The Friendship Class meets in the Friendship Classroom after worship. Everyone is invited.

Our February Mission of the Month benefits the local food pantries. Every dollar bill dropped in the collection plate (or check with "Food Pantries" in the memo line) will benefit this mission. Scan the QR code to give online and select Mission of the Month.

The Serve team is collecting hats, gloves and socks for our blessing table neighbors. Look for a collection box in the gathering area.



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### **Upcoming Activities**

February 27-Men's Breakfast at 8am

February 27-Women's Study Group at 3pm

February 28-Little Ark Chapel at 11am

February 28-Country Home Estates worship at 2pm

February 28-Choir rehearsal at 7pm

February 29-Music and More from 3:45-5:30pm

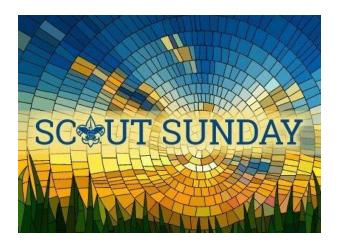
February 29-Youth meets at 6pm



All Members of the Congregation Ministers Rev. Cheryl Murray Pastor Office & Communications **Sharon Duncan** Financial Secretary Mariann Andrews Children/Youth Director Ashlyn Woods Children's Music Director Meagan Jones Little Ark Director Jennifer Knight Choir Director Gene Lockhart Organist Dr. John Burkett Custodians Sandra & Fernanda Medrano

### Prayer List

- All who are affected by the war in Israel
- Family of Jerry Hutton
- Wyman Williams
- Rose Stapleton
- Mike King
- Stacy & John Arnold
- · Richard Young
- Shealee Morgan
- Carlos Rickman
- Jack McDaniel
- Mike Smith
- Sgt. Kyle Ray Capps
- Bob Clark
- Kerry Clark
- Clarence Jensen
- Jack Kelly, Jill Grove's father
- Sam Elwell
- Vance Underhill
- Glenda Helton
- Rob Lee
- Rita Thompson
- Suzanne Kizer Carter
- 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 Harrison
- Georgia Gholston
- Melanie Corteal
- Judy Corteal
- Harold & Becky Coker
- Mabel & Carl Little
- Brenda Mosley Longhoffer
- · Robert Seay



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February 25, 2024 10:00am Sanctuary