

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
COMMERCE, TEXAS
March 12, 2023**

Welcome to First UMC Commerce!

We Gather

Prelude	<i>“March in A Major”</i>	E. Bloch
Enter with Acolytes		The Webster Family
Choral Call to Worship	<i>“Hail the Power”</i>	
Welcome		Pastor Cheryl

We Praise

* Hymn	<i>“Come Thou Fount”</i>	UMH 400
* Words of Worship		Psalm 95

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord!
Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

**People: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving;
Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.**

Leader: For the Lord is the great God,
And the great King above all gods.

**People: In His hand are the deep places of the earth;
The heights of the hills are His also.**

Leader: The sea is His, for He made it;
And His hands formed the dry land.

**People: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

Leader: For He is our God,
And we are the people of His pasture,
And the sheep of His hand.

* Hymn	<i>“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”</i>	UMH 127
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We Proclaim

Children’s Time	Exodus Story	Pastor Cheryl
<i>[You are invited to sign our attendance register. Fill out your contact information to receive emails about activities going on in the church.]</i>		
Mission Moment-The Blessings Table		Kelli Howard
Anthem	<i>“Bless the Lord, O My Soul”</i>	G. F. Handel
Gospel Lesson	John 4:5-42 Woman at the Well	Pastor Cheryl

We Respond

Confession & Assurance		
Choral Call to Prayer	<i>“Lord, Teach Me”</i>	
Prayers of the People		
The Lord’s Prayer		
Offertory	<i>“More Love, O Christ to Thee”</i>	J. Goode
* Doxology		UMH 95
* Hymn of Invitation	<i>“Fill My Cup, Lord”</i>	UMH 641

We Go Forth

* Opportunities to Serve		
* Sending Forth		Pastor Cheryl
* Choral Benediction	<i>“God Be With You”</i>	
Postlude	<i>“Dialogue in G Major”</i>	J.F. Dandrieu
<i>*You are invited to stand.</i>		

You are invited to join us in the Gathering Area and Family Ministry Center after worship for a drink of cold water, or a cup of coffee plus a sweet treat. Please mingle and try to meet one person or talk to someone you haven’t seen in a while.

Prayer List

- Richard Stapleton, Al Stapleton’s brother (advanced Parkinson’s)
- Family of Randy Butler
- Sandy Hutton
- Bill Knutson
- Emma Dean, 3rd grader fighting a severe staph infection, named by Chance Webster
- Scott Prather, fighting stomach cancer
- Sam Elwell
- Lynette Gill, Lee Riddle’s daughter
- Tom Bailey
- Pete and Ann Chamberlain
- Carlos Rickman (M.D. Anderson Hospital)
- Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
- Bill Heitholt
- Janet & Jim Payne, sister of Becky Coker
- Manuel Henderson
- Georgia Gholston
- Melanie Corteaal
- Judy Corteaal

Worship Leaders

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

Our Lenten Mission of the Month is the Blessings Table. Every dollar bill dropped in the collection plate (or check with "Blessings Table" in the memo line) will benefit this mission.

You can also give online. Get started today by visiting the church website at www.fumccommerce.org or by scanning the QR code below and select Mission of the Month. It's easy! Try it today.



Upcoming Activities

- March 12-NTC Prayer Vigil for healing and joy begins.
- March 13-Prayer Shawl meets at 9:30am
- March 14-Men's Breakfast at Omega's at 8am
- March 14-Pastor's Lenten Bible Study at 10am in the Friendship Room
- March 14-SPRC meets at 6:30pm in Friendship Room
- March 14-Trustees at 6:30pm
- March 14-Women's Study Group meets at 5:15pm
- March 15- Oak Manor worship at 10am, Little Ark chapel at 11am, Country Home Estates worship at 2pm
- March 15-Choir Rehearsal at 7pm
- March 16-Prayer Shawl Crafting time at 9:30am
- March 17- Church office & Little Ark closed for Spring Break

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

Ministers
Pastor
Church Administrator
Communications Director
Children's Director
Youth Director
Little Ark Director
Choir Director
Organist
Custodians



Third Sunday of Lent

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10:00am Sanctuary