

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Commerce, Texas
March 3, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent

Gathering Up

Prelude "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" E.L. Diemer
Welcome & Announcements

[You are invited to sign our attendance register. Fill out your contact information to receive emails about activities going on in the church.]

Enter with Acolytes Kayden Blake

Mission Moment Angela Roberts

Call to Worship "Enter Into His Gates"

Opening Prayer Rev. Cheryl Murray, Pastor

* Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" UMH 384

We Acknowledge What's Up

* WORDS OF WORSHIP Excerpts from Psalm 19

Leader: With hearts of sorrow, we come before you, O God, to confess what you already know –

All: we have failed to keep your laws.

Leader: Again and again, we have followed our own selfish will, rather than your holy and life-giving will for our lives.

All: We have twisted your decrees and institutions to suit our preconceptions and interests rather than your own.

Leader: Forgive us, O God, and cleanse us from hidden faults,

All: that the words of our mouths, and the meditations of all our hearts, may be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer.

Words of Assurance

* Hymn "On Eagles' Wings" 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

Children's Moment Pastor Cheryl

Anthem "Come, Share His Sacrifice" D. Lantz

Scripture John 2:13-22 Carolyn Trezevant

Message **Raise Up** Pastor Cheryl

Building Up

Call to Prayer "Lead Me Lord"

GIVING

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory "Récit" from "Petite Suite in Blue" J.M. Michel

INVITATION TO CHRIST'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

* Hymn "Take my Life, and Let It Be" UMH 399

Blessing for the Journey

* Sending Forth Pastor Cheryl

* Choral Benediction "God Be With You"

Postlude "The King of Heaven His Table Spreads" C.H.H. Parry

*You are invited to stand.

Worship Leaders

Cheryl Murray, Pastor

Gene Lockhart, Choir Director

John Burkett, Organist

John Mark Dempsey, 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 March Mission of the Month benefits the North Texas Food Bank. Every dollar bill dropped in the collection plate (or check with "NTFB" in the memo line) will benefit this mission. Scan the QR code to give online and select Mission of the Month.



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Upcoming Activities

March 5-Men's Breakfast Group at 8am
March 5-Women's Study Group at 3pm
March 5-Primary Elections
March 6-Little Ark Chapel at 11am
March 6-Country Home Estates worship at 2pm
March 6-Choir rehearsal at 7pm
March 7-Serve Team at 10:30
March 7-First Thursday Pot Luck at 12:00
March 7-M&M meets at 3:45pm
March 7-Youth meets at 6pm
March 9-Jerry Hutton's memorial gathering at 1pm
March 10-Worship at 10am, Ad Council to meet after worship

If you are interested in volunteering to help with Sunday School or the nursery, please see Ashlyn.

Ministers	All Members of the Congregation
Pastor	Rev. Cheryl Murray
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
- Diana Richards
- Clarence Jensen
- Tom Bailey
- Anna Blohm
- Wyman Williams
- Rose Stapleton
- Mike King
- Stacy & John Arnold
- Richard Young
- Shealee Morgan
- Carlos Rickman
- Jack McDaniel
- Mike Smith
- Bob Clark
- Kerry Clark
- 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
- Pete and Ann Chamberlain
- Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
- Bill Heitholt
- Janet & Jim Payne, family of Becky Coker
- Manuel Harrison
- Georgia Gholston
- Melanie Cortea
- Judy Cortea
- Harold & Becky Coker
- Mabel & Carl Little
- Brenda Mosley Longhoffer
- Robert Seay



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