

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Commerce, Texas
June 2, 2024

How Shall We Live? Stay Close to Jesus

Prelude "Fantasia on 'CWM Rhondda'" J. Burkett
Greetings & Announcements
Call to Worship "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"
* Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" UMH 384
Words of Worship
Leader: We are called to be God's children.
All: God's love has been poured on us through Jesus Christ.
Leader: Fear and doubt are gone!
All: Joy and celebration ring in our hearts!
Leader: Come, let us raise our voices in song!
All: Let us offer our hearts and souls to God in prayer and praise. AMEN.
* Hymn "I Come with Joy" UMH 617
* Passing the Peace
Children's Moment Pastor Cheryl
Anthem "Come to the Lord and Give Praise" P. Liebergen
Scripture 1 John 3: 1-7
Message Pastor Cheryl
New Identity: Check Your Pronouns
Choral Call to Prayer "Hear O Lord"
Prayers for the Church and the World
Invitation to Generosity
Offertory "Prelude on 'Brother James's Air'" S. Wright
Invitation to Christ's Table
The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
... We sing your unending hymn:
**Holy, holy, holy God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**
... Together we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
The Lord's Prayer
Prayer After Receiving
Creative God, we thank you for revealing your love to us in bread and fruit of the vine. We recognize your presence in us and all around us, and we ask that you continue to reveal your love for all Creation to the ends of the Earth through our lives. Make us your people and use us to reveal the inbreaking of your kin-dom here and now: a world of justice and peace. Amen.
* Hymn of Commitment
"They'll Know We are Christians by our Love" TFWS 2223
* **Sending Forth** Pastor Cheryl
Love will come to perfection is us when we can face the day of judgment without fear – because our relation to this world is just like Christ's. There is no fear in love for perfect love drives out fear. (1 John 4:17-18)

* Choral Benediction "Three-Fold Amen"
* Postlude "Gavotte" S. Wesley
*You are invited to stand.



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Worship Leaders

Rev. Cheryl Murray, Pastor
Gene Lockhart, Music Director
John Burkett, Organist
Dennis Anderson, Sound Tech
Claire Floyd, Video Tech
Noah McDaniel, Reader

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

The June Mission of the Month is Boys & Girls Club Sports Scholarships. All dollar bills dropped into the collection plates, or checks with "Boys & Girls Club" in the memo line, will benefit this mission. Scan the QR code to give online and select the Mission of the Month.



Upcoming Activities

- June 2-4 – Annual Conference
- June 4 – Men’s Breakfast Group at McKay’s Country Kitchen at 8am
- June 5 – Country Home Estates worship at 2pm
- June 5 – Choir rehearsal at 7pm
- June 6 – First Thursday Luncheon at noon
- June 6 – Serve meets at 2pm
- June 6 – Ad Council meets from 5:30-7pm

Prayer List

- Our world, country and leaders
- All affected by the war in the Middle East
- The congregation of the Methodist Church in Royse City
- Lisa McGuyer
- Clarence Jensen
- Mariann Andrews
- Dan Perkins
- Betty Martin
- Anna Blohm
- Wyman Williams
- Rose Stapleton
- Mike King
- Richard Young
- Carlos Rickman
- Mike Smith
- Jack Kelly, Jill Grove’s father
- Sam Elwell
- Glenda Helton
- Rob Lee
- Priscilla McFarland
- Jack Gray
- Richard Stapleton, Al Stapleton’s brother
- Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
- Bill Heitholt
- Manuel Harrison
- Georgia Gholston
- Melanie & Judy Cortea
- Mabel & Carl Little
- Brenda Mosley Longhoffer
- Robert Seay

Volunteers are very much needed to help in the nursery and in Children’s Sunday School. Please see Ashlyn if you are able to assist in either of these ministries.

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



Second Sunday After Pentecost

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10:00 am Sanctuary