TRADITIONAL

DECEMBER 7, 2025

Order of Worship

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Trio on MERLE'S TUNE by Brenda Portman

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

HYMN OF PRAISE - UMH 209*
Blessed Be the God of Israel

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF PEACE Robert and Margaret Caput

SUNG RESPONSE

Light a candle bright and tall for the Peace we long to know. Peace on Earth for great and small where God's righteous mercies flow. Shine within our hearts today; Come, O Peace, to us, we pray.

ADVENT AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*

GLORIA PATRI - UMH 71*

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 1:8-17

MESSAGE "Imagine Peace"

INVITATION

OFFERING MOMENT Sonshine Kids Pre School

OFFERTORY

The Peace of God by John Rutter

ADVENT DOXOLOGY*

Please stand and join in singing the Doxology, which will be to the tune of "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

COMMUNION LITURGY UMH 8 – 11

> UMH 200 Tell Out, My Soul

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN OF COMMITMENT* UMH 202

People, Look East

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

BENEDICTION*

CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING*

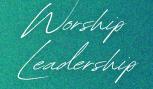
UMH 238

"Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo." (refrain of "Angels We Have Heard on High")

POSTLUDE

Shepherds' Dance by Richard Elliott

*please stand as you are able



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COMING UP AT FMUMC

Donate Poinsettias | Deadline: Dec. 16

Would you like to donate a poinsettia to be used in the Sanctuary for the Christmas Season? Names will be displayed during worship on Christmas Eve.



Advent Night | Dec. 7 | 5PM

Join us for Advent Night with potluck, carols, the PB&Jam Children's Choir, food, & the Chrismon Tree lighting. Bring a dish tied to a favorite Christmas memory, & add a note card with your name, the dish, & why it's special to you.



The Joy of Christmas | Dec. 14 | 10:30AM

Experience The Joy of Christmas with one worship service at 10:30 a.m. Join us in the sanctuary or online for uplifting music led by the FMUMC Music Ministry, including our choir. Thrive Band, handbells and more! Invite a friend for this special Christmas music Sunday!

Lovepacs Christmas Packing | Dec. 14 | 11:45AM

Meet us in the Fellowship Hall as we pack food bags to provide meals for students over Christmas break.



Youth Progressive Christmas Party | Dec. 14 | 5PM

Join us for the Youth Progressive Dinner + White Elephant Sock Exchange! Reach out to Paul Maletic or visit the youth Facebook page for more information about the location!

Young Adult White Elephant Gift Exchange | Dec. 15 | 6PM Get ready for a night of laughter, surprises, and holiday cheer! What to bring? A wrapped gift, valued around \$20 (fun, quirky, or useful - get creative!) Come ready to steal, swap, and have a blast. Bring your gift, game and a friend! Stay tuned for location.

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Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Delivery | Dec. 13 & 20

Volunteer to deliver to help set up a bed in a home where a child needs a bed. No experience or tools needed, though trucks are always an added resource for the group!



Kyle's Place: Shop with a Cop | Dec. 18 | 4:30PM

Help Kyle's Place and their larger organization Journey to Dream support students and families in our Lewisville area prepare for Christmas!



Blue Christmas | Dec. 21 | 5PM

Join us for Blue Christmas — a quiet space for comfort, hope, and healing for anyone who finds the holidays heavy. If you're carrying grief or longing, come as you are and know you're not alone. A meal will follow for those who wish to stay. Location: Fellowship Hall.

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal Dec. 22 | 10AM

Children & youth are invited to join this year's Christmas pageant at the 4pm. Christmas Eve Service. Rehearsal runs 10am–12pm, followed by a provided lunch. The day ends with caroling at local nursing homes and ice cream afterward.



Submit Your 2026 Estimate of Giving Card

We have received 141 Estimate of Giving Cards out of a possible 321 households for our 2026 budget year. So far, our total is \$1,015,966 out of \$1.3 million annual budget. It's not to late to be part of the inspiring giving! Cards can be returned in person, by mail, or online.



YEAR END GIVING UPDATE

We are so thankful for the faithful generosity of our church to ensure we finish the year strong. To meet our current 2025 budget, we will still need \$277,000 by December 31. Don't forget to share your Thanksgiving or Christmas gift with the church through a RMD, stock donation, or any tax-deductible donation. We would love to receive these as soon as possible to enjoy our Advent season with no stress! Contact Marci Reed at mreed@fmumc.org for more details and giving options.



Please help us out by recording your attendance on the Belong card or scanning the QR code

