

Love Others



Coat Drive for LMS

We will be collecting coats for LMS students. Collection dates are November 28-December 12. There will be Market to Mission boxes in the Narthex and the church office. Coats should be new or very gently used. Acceptable sizes include Adult M, L and XL.

An Evening in Old Bethlehem: Orientation, Costumes, Baby Jesus Pictures, and Horah Dancers

This year's event will be held on December 10th and 11th at the George H. Henderson Expo Center. To better prepare for the event there will be an orientation on Wednesday, December 8 at 6PM in the CLC classroom. Costumes will be available at this time. Horah Dancers will have a quick practice. Baby Jesus pictures will be December, 9 at 6:30 PM at the Expo Center. Please contact Carolee Brink for more information. 936.631.3233

Christmas Jars to be blessed December 19

Join us for our annual Christmas Jar tradition! The Christmas Jar tradition is based on the 2005 New York Times bestselling novel by Jason Wright. A Christmas Jar is an empty jar you have to collect spare change each day. On December 19th Pastor Jerome will bless these jars in service. Afterward, carefully select someone to give it to. It's not too late to start your jar now to participate in this annual tradition at FUMC. Stickers for your jar are available to pick up in the Narthex.

Join Us In Prayer

Amy Childs	Joe Davis
Ann Stewart	Kathie Armstrong
Bennie Hollis	Linda Stafford
Beth Jones	Liz Wilkie
Bettye Platt	Luke Michael Jefferson
Bob McCarroll	Lynn Berry
Brenda Stogner	Mollie Shands
Carolee Brink	Patsy Lawrence
Cherry Barnes	Sandy McEntire
Dennis Holder	Sarah Williams
Donna Spore	Seth M Wheeler
Dot Brookshire	Sheridan Romack
Gene & Sherry McClung	Vercie McMullen
Georgia Kimmey	Vergia Walker
Harold and Evelyn Ward	Wayne Haglund
Harry Stafford	Wendy Okray
J.D. Barnes	
Janet Squires	

Our Military...

Boyce McClellan
Cody Minshew
David Webb
Jan Janisch
Josh Rudis
Richard Wilroy
Ryan Hamel
Jacob Hamel

General Announcements

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A Thrill of Hope: The Joy of the Nativity
Sunday Mornings
10AM
November 28th-December 24th

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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WELCOME

Welcome to First United Methodist Church! We are glad you chose to worship with us today and we hope you experience a time of community and spiritual renewal. Please fill out our connection card on our mobile app or using the QR code, so that we can connect with you. Let an usher know if we can assist you in any way. Whether you're a first-time guest or a long-time member at FUMC, volunteers are ready to assist you with any questions you may have regarding activities and ministries at the church. FUMC Lufkin currently offers our weekly worship service in-person or on Facebook Live at 10 AM.

Gather in Worship



Welcome New Members

We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members, together with you in the body of Christ and in the congregation of First United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Busy Bags

Children are welcome in our worship service. Busy bags filled with activities offering scripture lessons are available to help keep children engaged. Look for the blue FUMC Kids bags!

Hand Chimes for Kids

1st-5th graders interested in playing hand chimes will meet on Sundays, at 4PM in the Youth and Worship Building. For more information, please contact Chasity Gauthier or Vickie Evans.

Christmas Cantata-Voces of Christmas

Voices of Christmas will tell the story of Christ's birth through narrators and echoed in the choir's voices, instruments, and congregational signing. Voices of Christmas will enrich our understanding of Christmas. Make plans now and invite a friend for this Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 19th in the sanctuary at 10am.

Check In



Scan this QR code to mark your attendance on your phone!



FREE WIFI

Feel free to connect to **FUMC Guest WiFi**
Use the password: **CharlesWesley***

December 6, 2021 • 10 AM

Second Sunday of Advent

Opening Chorus

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

UMH No. 204

Lighting the Second Advent Candle

Kerr Family

Welcome and Greeting

Welcome to First United Methodist Church! We are glad you chose to worship with us today, and we hope you experience a time of community and spiritual reviving. Please be sure you let us know you are here by filling out our connection card at <http://lufkinfirst.com/check-in-form/>.

†Song of Praise

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

UMH No. 196

Prayer

Invitation to God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Ways To Give

- Through our website at www.lufkinfirst.com
- On the Venmo App - our username is @FirstUMC-Lufkin
- By texting FUMCLufkin to (936) 209-1422
- By mailing your check to: FUMC, 805 E. Denman Ave. Lufkin, TX 75901



Musical Offering

Advent Kyrie

Scripture

Luke 1:68-79

Sermon

Joy of the Song
Rev. Dr. Jerome Brimmage

Service of Word and Table

UMH No. 12

The United Methodist Church practices open communion; the Lord's table is open to all who profess Jesus Christ as Savior. Gluten free option available. Today's love offering goes to Local Education Group.

†Closing Song

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

UMH No. 203

†Pastoral Benediction

Let us be people of joy.

Let joy live in our hearts and share the joy of Christ with all we meet.

Share joy by seeing the good in each other.

Share joy by remembering good times and hoping for good times to come.

Share joy by praying for our world.

In this Advent season, let us see, feel, and share joy.

As we go out into the wonder of God's creation, let us share joy, peace, and

hope with those we encounter. Amen.

Grow In Small Groups



At FUMC, we hope that everyone grows in their relationship with Jesus Christ and develop a deeper understanding of God's word.

Sunday School classes offer an opportunity for Growing in Small Groups. Please contact our ministry staff for more information on classes.

Adult Classes (All Ages)

Carolee Brink at cbrink@lufkinfirst.com

Nursery/Preschool/Elementary Age Children (Infant-5th Grade)

Chasity Gauthier at cgauthier@lufkinfirst.com

Youth (Grades 6-12th)

Jenny Capps at jcapps@lufkinfirst.com

Advent Studies

There are several ways to Grow in Small Groups through the season of Advent. Please reach out to Carolee Brink to sign up for one of these studies.

All The Good-A Wesleyan Way of Christmas

Led By: Pastor Jerome
November 28th-December 19th
Sundays at 5pm-105 Y&W
OR
December 1-22nd
Wednesdays at 7am in 105 Y&W

The Journey

By: Adam Hamilton
Led By: Carolee Brink
November 1st-22nd
Mondays at 9am
Zoom

The Heart That Grew Three Sizes- Finding Faith in the Story of the Grinch

By: Matt Rawle
Led By: Pastor Madison
Sundays at 2pm
Zoom

Supper with Santa

Join in on the fun! On December 15th from 6-8PM in the Fellowship Hall we will have a pancake dinner with Santa. All ages welcome!

Lunch and Gingerbread House

Following service on December 19th come over to the Fellowship Hall and CLC to enjoy lunch and Gingerbread House building. This is a great family activity. All ages welcome.