

**CHURCH PICNIC – EVERYONE IS INVITED!**

**APRIL 28 || 12-2:30 P.M. || MEMORIAL GARDEN/PLAYGROUND**

Children’s ministry is hosting a picnic immediately following the 11 a.m. services. We will grill out hamburgers and hot dogs. Bounce houses and the playground will be available for added fun.

**EVERYONE** is invited to bring lawn chairs or a blanket and come join us!

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**AS UNTO HIM COLLECTION FOR SECOND HELPINGS**

**APRIL 28-MAY 12 || BLUE COLLECTION BINS**

In Matthew 25:40, Jesus says whatever is done for the least of these is done as unto Him. At FUMC, we want to love our neighbors year-round. Blue bins will be out around the church for the collection of items for our friends at Second Helpings, FUMC’s community meal. As we do not want to overload our outreach center closet, please stick to the items listed and only bring one or two. Duffel bags/backpacks, towels, 2XL and up size t-shirts, ballcaps, sunscreen, brushes/combs, toothbrushes, deodorant, individual packs of Kleenex, disposable wipes, hand sanitizer, powder laundry detergent

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**HELPING HANDS MINISTRY**

**MAY 4 || 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.**

Helping Hands is an outreach mission of First LBK. The goal of the Helping Hands ministry is to help elderly homeowners that are in need make their homes safe, warm, and dry.

**More Info:** [fumc.com/helping-hands-ministry](http://fumc.com/helping-hands-ministry)

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**MOTHER’S DAY LUNCH**

**MAY 12 || 12:15 P.M. || CLC**

Join Celebrate Mother’s Day with us! Indulge in a delicious steak and baked potato lunch crafted specially for our wonderful mothers. Join us for great food and even better company at just \$15 per plate. Please RSVP by May 9.

**RSVP:** [fumc.com/mothers-day](http://fumc.com/mothers-day) || **Contact:** Marley Blake, [mblake@fumc.com](mailto:mblake@fumc.com)

**MEN’S WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY**

**APRIL 17; MAY 1, 15 || 6-7:30 P.M. || MARKET STREET, 98TH & QUAKER**

Join us for an insightful discussion on “Becoming A King” by Morgan Snyder. This study will provide a space for men to gather in the community and explore the teachings of the Bible.

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**JOIN THE HOSPITALITY TEAM**

**SUNDAY MORNINGS**

Hospitality Team shifts are divided into approximately 30 minutes. Shifts start 15 minutes before class or service and conclude 15 minutes after. You will never be more than 15 minutes late to a service or your Sunday school class. Consider serving with your family, friend group, or Sunday school class.

**Sign up:** [fumc.com/hospitality-sign-up](http://fumc.com/hospitality-sign-up) || **Contact:** Chris Ferguson, [cferguson@fumc.com](mailto:cferguson@fumc.com)

**GRACE MARKET**

**OPEN DOOR WELCOME CENTER**

First UMC’s Grace Market is to support the Grace Orphanage in Yadgiri, India. Market items spotlight the talents of some of our church makers. All of the proceeds go to the orphanage.

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**FIRST UNITED METHODIST COUNSELING CENTER OF LUBBOCK**

The Counseling Center at FUMC is now on Facebook! Follow us and watch for helpful information.

[facebook.com/FUMCCounselingLubbock](https://www.facebook.com/FUMCCounselingLubbock)

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**MEDICAL EQUIPMENT MINISTRY**

FUMC’s Care committee is happy to offer a ministry that provides medical equipment to those in need both within the church and the community.

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**ROOM & CALENDAR REQUESTS**

We are excited to offer a streamlined way to request a room or request an event, study, etc. be added to the church calendar. If you need to schedule a room or add an event to the calendar, please visit the online form at [fumc.com/room-request](http://fumc.com/room-request). For further assistance, contact Jeanine Austin.

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**4 WAYS TO GIVE**

Your tithes and offerings given to God through First United Methodist Church, Lubbock are greatly appreciated.

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TEXT “TITHE” TO 806-256-6004

**ONLINE**  
[fumc.com/giving](http://fumc.com/giving)

**SMART PHONE**  
SecureGive app

**MAIL**  
1411 Broadway, Lubbock, TX 79401

**SCAN CODES OR VISIT WEBSITE FOR:**

Record of Attendance <a href="http://fumc.com/connect-card">fumc.com/connect-card</a>	Give Online <a href="http://fumc.com/giving">fumc.com/giving</a>	RightNow Media <a href="http://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/join/FUMCLubbock">app.rightnowmedia.org/en/join/FUMCLubbock</a>



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • LUBBOCK

**FIRSTLBK**

MOVED BY JESUS. LOVING PEOPLE. SERVING ALL.

**The Infinite Circle**

Dr. Shera Atkinson

11:00 a.m.

Acts 2:37-47

April 28, 2024

5th Sunday of Easter

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Lubbock! We are glad you are here. Our mission is to create a grace-filled environment in which Christ transforms lives.

Watch the previous week’s 11:00 a.m. service on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on MyLubbock TV KMYL channel 14.1.

Watch our 9:00 Chapel, 11:00 Contemporary, and 11:00 Traditional services live every Sunday on our Facebook page; or our website: 11:00 Contemporary at [fumc.com/contemporary-live](http://fumc.com/contemporary-live) and 11:00 Traditional at [fumc.com/live-stream](http://fumc.com/live-stream).

Notice: In order to share God’s Word, we broadcast, live stream and record our services. If you wish to remain off camera, seating is available in the balcony.



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Prelude  
"Morning Song of Praise"  
Handbell Choir  
Derek Hakes

Welcome and Opening Prayer  
Abigail Eugenis

Introit  
"Sing, Ye Faithful"  
Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness, wake your noblest, sweetest strain, with the praises of your Savior let his house resound again; him let all your music honor, and your songs exalt his reign.  
Christopher Dearnley

\*Call to Worship  
We worship the God who inhabits our world and indwells our lives.  
**We need not look up to find God, we need only to look around:**  
within ourselves,  
beyond ourselves,  
into the eyes of another.  
**We need not listen for a distant thunder to find God, we need only listen to the music of life,**  
the words of children,  
the questions of the curious,  
the rhythm of a heartbeat.  
**We worship the God who inhabits our world and who indwells our lives.**  
Abigail Eugenis

\*Hymn 317  
"O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing"  
O FILII ET FILIAE

\*Affirmation of Faith 883  
Tessa Armes  
**We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri (Hymn 70)  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Time for Children (Hymn 277 v 1)  
Tessa Armes  
*Join us in singing while the children come forward.*

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

Anthem  
"O for a Closer Walk"  
arr. C. V. Stanford (1852-1924)  
*O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heav'nly frame; a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb! Return, O holy Dove, return! Sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame; so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.*

**Please remember the following members of our church family in your prayers:**

Jonathan Ziegener, who is at Covenant Medical Center

Please notify the church if you or someone you know has been hospitalized.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer  
Dr. Shera Atkinson

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Connection Time  
Tessa Armes

Giving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory Anthem  
"The Majesty and Glory of Your Name"  
Tom Fettke (b. 1941)  
*When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers; the moon and stars suspended in space. O, who are we, that You are mindful of us? You have given us a crown of glory and honor, and have made us a little lower than the angels. You have put us in charge of all creation: the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea. But who are we that You are mindful of us. O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of Your name transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord, our God, little children praise You perfectly, and so would we, and so would we. Alleluia! The majesty and glory of Your name. Alleluia!*

\*Doxology (Hymn 95)  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Scripture Reading: Acts 2:37-47  
Michelle Alexander  
This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
Thanks be to God.

Sermon  
The Infinite Circle  
Dr. Atkinson

\*Hymn 163  
"Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know"  
HENDON  
*You are invited to come forward during the closing hymn if you feel led to dedicate your life to Christ; if you are in need of prayer; or if you want to make First UMC your home church. Any and all are welcome.*

Benediction  
Dr. Atkinson

Postlude  
"Chorale Prelude on 'O Filii Et Filiae'"  
Willan Healey (1880-1968)

**\*Please stand as you are able.**

**Participants in the Service**  
Chancel Choir  
Handbell Choir  
Bradley Vogel, Organist and Interim Director of Traditional Music  
Dr. Eric Allen, Traditional Director of Choral Music

Flowers on the Altar are given in loving memory of our parents by Monta and Carol Wolfe.