

# Calendar

## Monday through Saturday

10:00 a.m. Where Have You Seen God?  
10@10 devotional, Facebook

## Monday – Friday

7:00 a.m. Child Enrichment Program

## Monday – Thursday

8:00 a.m. High Rise Day Habilitation

## Sunday, November 7

9:00 a.m. Sunday School class, online  
9:45 a.m. Children's Moment, Facebook  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
4:00 p.m. Hymn Sing, Historic, Facebook

## Monday, November 8

7:00 p.m. GriefShare, Main Sanctuary  
classroom

## Tuesday, November 9

7:00 p.m. Staff Parish Relations  
Committee, office

## Wednesday, November 10

5:00 p.m. Youth Group, gym  
7:00 p.m. Choir, Main Sanctuary  
7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, online

## Thursday, November 11

7:00 p.m. Acts of the Apostles Bible  
Study, online

## Friday, November 12

## Saturday, November 13

7:30 a.m. 2nd Sat. Breakfast &  
Devotional, Wesley Hall  
8:30 a.m. Weekly Church Yard Work  
**10:00 –2:00 Children's Christmas Store,  
gym**

**Sunday, November 14 - Collection Day for  
Operation Christmas Child Boxes**

# Praise & Prayer

## **Praise God for:**

- the legacy of faith of those who have gone before us
- all who attended and helped make our dinner honoring First Responders successful
- new member, Susan Rickner
- a new home for Pat Williams and family

## **Pray for:**

- peace, comfort for all who have lost loved ones
- an office administrator for Bonnie Harris' Animal Hospital
- safety for George Shultz as he travels
- family of Steve Tucker (cousin of John Harris) - peace, comfort with his passing
- John Harris - relief from pain after injection
- Shelly Witzgall (former long-time employee of Dave Dickerson) - peace, comfort with loss of both parents in last 3 weeks to Covid (had health issues, too)
- Bonnie Harris and family - peace, comfort with loss of her uncle, Wayne Schoonover
- Jessie Cox & his 3 sons - single parent trying to raise 3 young sons
- Larry & Mary Wright - Larry, continued health; Mary, healing and upcoming tests on Nov. 8
- SIL Board Meeting
- Brylee Gilpin (friend of David & Nancy Evans) - ongoing health issues
- Jeff Morgan (stepson of Jim Howard) - cancer
- Sherri Graham (sister of Curt Nielson) - cure for rare disease
- Stuart Nielson (father of Curt Nielson) - peace, comfort with loss of brother
- Bill & Lily Mackey's Family Memorial in LA - may the message reach the non-Christians
- 17 missionaries in Haiti - safe return



# First United Methodist Church of Cedar Hill, Texas

Making disciples ... since 1854



## **Remembering Those Who Have Gone Before**

**Hebrews 11:1-12:3**

**Dr. Keva Green**

**November 7, 2021**

# Order of Worship

\*Please stand as you are able.

**Prelude** Grace Anderson

**Welcome & Announcements** Dr. Keva Green

**\*Opening Chorus** *We Gather Together* #131

**\*Call to Worship** Dr. Oceana Wright

Leader: This day revives in us memories of loved ones who are no more. What happiness we shared when they walked among us. What joy, when, loving and being loved, we lived our lives together.

**People: Their memory is a blessing forever.**

Leader: Months or years may have passed, and still we feel near to them. Our hearts yearn for them. Though the bitter grief has softened, a duller pain abides; for the place where once they stood is empty now. The links of life are broken, but the links of love and longing cannot break.

**People: Their souls are bound up in ours forever.**

Leader: We see them now with the eye of memory, their faults forgiven, their virtues grown larger. So does goodness live, and weakness fade from sight. We remember them with gratitude and bless their names.

**People: Their memory is a blessing forever.**

Leader: And we remember, as well, the members who but yesterday were part of our congregation and community. To all who cared for us and labored for all people, we pay tribute. May we prove worthy of carrying on the tradition of our faith, for now the task is ours.

**People: Their souls are bound up in ours forever.**

Leader: We give you thanks that they now live and reign with you. As a great crowd of witnesses, they surround us with their blessings and offer you hymns of praise and thanksgiving.

**All: They are alive forevermore.**

**Opening Prayer** Dr. Oceana Wright

**\*Hymn of Praise** *For All the Saints* #711

**\*Affirmation of Faith** UMH #881

**\*Gloria Patri** UMH #70  
(Children may leave for Children's Church)

**Worship through Giving**

*Scars in Heaven* Santhia Collins

**Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 11:1, 6; 12:1-3 Dr. Oceana Wright

**Message** Remembering Those Who

Have Gone Before Dr. Keva Green

**Time of Remembrance**

**Naming of the Saints**

**Personal Remembrances**

**A Service of Holy Communion**

**\*Hymn of Response**

*Shall We Gather at the River* UMH #723

**Benediction** Dr. Keva Green

**\*Benediction Chorus**

*When We All Get to Heaven*, refrain #701

**Postlude** Grace Anderson

# Holy Communion

## INVITATION AND CONFESSION

**We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own goodness, but in your unfailing mercies. We are not worthy that you should receive us, but give your word and we shall be healed through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

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**Christ has died. Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

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**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,  
in the power of the Holy Spirit we worship  
you in songs of everlasting praise. Blessing  
and honor and glory and power be yours  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Our Vision

**To make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world**

# Ministry

## Children's Ministry

Mark your calendars for NEXT SATURDAY, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, 10am-2pm. We will have the Children's Christmas Store in the gym, where children can shop for gifts for the family and 1 item for themselves. Each child will receive \$20 Brandi Bucks (named after Brandi Stark) to shop with. Items will be priced between \$1 to \$5. There will be adult leaders to help them shop and wrap their gifts.

Be sure to bring your filled Operation Christmas Child boxes to the office this week or to worship next Sunday as that is our collection date: Sunday, November 14.



## Youth Ministry

The Youth Group is growing and now meets each Wednesday from 5 pm to 8 pm for Open Gym, Dinner, and Group Chat LIVE. Thank you for continuing to share information about the Youth Ministry.

We are looking for volunteers from the congregation to help with the Youth Dinner each Wednesday night. If you are interested in volunteering with the youth, please contact Colleen (909) 499-1553, Vincent (817) 995-8693, or email [laracalvarenga@gmail.com](mailto:laracalvarenga@gmail.com)