

**2019 Christmas Offering**

The 2019 Christmas Offering benefits Our Daily Bread, a soup kitchen serving free nutritious lunches at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in Denton. Our Daily Bread also provides counseling and other critical services to the hungry and homeless in Denton County. Please use the Christmas Offering envelopes or note your gift as Christmas Offering.

Connect with us at [fumc-denton.com](http://fumc-denton.com).



12.15.19 attendance: Sunday school - 345 Worship - 766

**Today Nativity Diorama, East Wing second floor**

A lovingly handcrafted Nativity scene which brings the Christmas story to life for children of all ages.

**Christmas Concert with Open and Mosaic, Monroe Bldg., 7:00 pm**

Please join the Mosaic and Open faith families tonight for a special service with music from both Open and Mosaic Worship bands, modern, artful liturgy and prayer, and a word from Rev. Jonathan Perry. Food donations for the Shiloh Pantry will be accepted at the door.

**Dec 22 - Jan 1**

The **church Library is closed** for the holidays with the exception of Sunday, Dec. 29, when it will be open in the morning.

**Dec 24 Christmas Eve worship services, Sanctuary, 3:00, 7:00 & 11:00 pm**

**Family service, Sanctuary, 5:00 pm**

You, your family and friends are invited to worship with us for traditional candlelight and communion services. The 11:00 pm service will be televised live on channels 191 (Spectrum/Charter Cable) and 39 (Frontier) and by livestream at [fumc-denton.com](http://fumc-denton.com).

**\*On Christmas Eve the Wells Fargo parking lot will be free for FUMC attendees to use from 4:00 pm onward.**

**Dec 24-27 All church offices closed. Merry Christmas!**

For pastoral care emergencies during this time, call 940.536.3353.

**December Mission Corner**

Our collection this month benefits the Linda McNatt Animal Care and Adoption Center in Denton who are in need of: new/used towels, small blankets (non-electric), tennis balls, Kong or other sturdy washable dog toys, wand-type cat toys and washable plastic ball cat toys, plain clay kitty litter, natural dog and cat treats, and quality canned and dry, cat and dog foods. Thank you church!

A Stephen Ministry training class begins on January 19. For information about Stephen Ministry, contact Vicki Grider at [vlgrider@juno.com](mailto:vlgrider@juno.com).

**SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Traditional	3:00 pm	Sanctuary
Family Service	5:00 pm	Sanctuary
Traditional	7:00 pm	Sanctuary
Traditional	11:00 pm	Sanctuary

All services will feature Communion and candle lighting.

[www.fumc-denton.com/Christmas-Services](http://www.fumc-denton.com/Christmas-Services)

Ministers  
Lead Pastor  
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All Congregation Members  
Rev. Don Lee  
Rev. Jonathan Perry  
Rev. Mauricio Orozco  
Rev. David Finley  
Rachel Um



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**Dec 22**  
Fourth Sunday  
Of Advent

**The Advent Quest:  
What Will This  
Child Become?**

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**WORSHIP**

First Meal	7:30 am	Monroe Building
Traditional Worship	8:30 am	Sanctuary
Mosaic Worship	9:45 am	Monroe Building
*Celebration Worship	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Open Worship	11:00 am	Flinn Hall
Jesus Fuente de Vida	12:30 pm	Flinn Hall

\*The 11:00 am Celebration service is Livestreamed each Sunday at [fumc-denton.com](http://fumc-denton.com) and televised live on Charter/Spectrum 191 and Frontier FIOS 39.

December 22, 2019

11:00 am

Thank you for silencing your electronic devices and disposing of all food and drink.  
To use the Sanctuary's assisted hearing system, please speak with an usher.  
Please, no flash photography during worship.

**WE GATHER**

\*Congregation Standing

**Greeting**

Rev. Mauricio Orozco

If you have prayers of joy or concern to share, please use a prayer card  
found in the pew back. These will be picked up during the first hymn.

**Prelude***A Christmas Carol Sequence*

JERRY VAN DER POL

Rachel Um, Organ

**\*Call to Worship**

The Blake family

One: We light this candle as a symbol of Hope. As the family of Zechariah and Elizabeth gather for John's naming ceremony in hope of what the child's future will bring, so we have hope in the God who is at work in all our lives as we anticipate Christ's coming both in His Nativity and in the fullness of time. May our lives bring the hope of Christ to the world.

**All: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.****\*Hymn 203***Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

The children are invited to come forward for their special time  
following the procession of the choir.

**WE PROCLAIM****A Time for Our Children**

Dalton Gregory

Layperson

**Anthem***This Endris Night*

STEPHEN PAULUS

Chancel Choir

Dr. Charles Rives, Interim Director

Clayton Williams, Oboe

**Call to Prayer****Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Don Lee

**Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Offering***Mary, Did You Know?*

ARR. SCHRADER

We ask each person attending today to register on the pad  
in your pew and pass it down the row for others to sign.

**\*Doxology**

**True God of true God, Light from Light Eternal,  
The Spirit shuns not the Virgin's womb;  
Son of the father, begotten, not created;  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.**

UMH 234 v 2 (adapted)

**Message**

Rev. Don Lee

Advent Quest: What Will This Child Become?

Luke 1:57-66

**WE RESPOND****\*Response to the Word**

Rev. David Finley

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Apostle's Creed

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship****\*Hymn 240***Hark! the Herald Angels Sing***\*Blessing****Postlude***Christmas Songs Medley*

ARR. DIANE BISH

We are glad to have you here today in worship and welcome you  
to join this family of faith in making disciples of Jesus Christ.  
Please speak with a pastor about membership.

Today's acolyte: Abby Turner

Children are always welcome in worship. If preferred, childcare  
is offered for newborns through Pre-K on the East Wing 1st floor.

A Stephen Minister is available to help you through a difficult time.  
Please call to speak with a pastor.

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