



United Methodist Church

WELCOME

- Thank you for worshipping with us
- *Visitor Guides* are available in the Foyer
- Our nursery is available in Room 116, and parents will receive a pager

WORSHIP SERVICE

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 29, 2012

8:30 a.m. and 10:55 a.m.

They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."

Mark 1:27

To be televised February 5, 2012
10:00 a.m., Channel 14 (Cable 13)

† Please stand as you are able.

Please silence all cell phones and pagers.

PRELUDE

(8:30)

“Pastorale”

Alfred Hollins

(10:55)

“Rhapsody on ‘Lasst uns erfreuen’”

arr. Gilles M. Leclerc

WELCOME, REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(8:30) Rev. Kevin Deckard

(10:55) Rev. Dixie Robertson

The ushers are distributing Attendance Registers. Please record the information indicated and pass the Register down the pew.

† **TIME OF GREETING**

† **WESTMINSTER CHIMES**

† **HYMN OF PRAISE**

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” (vv. 1-6)

No. 57

During the last stanza, children are invited to come forward for Children’s Time.

CHILDREN’S TIME

Ken Knight

Director of Children’s Ministries

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

(10:55) **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Alexander Scott Plummer

Son of Zac and Chelsi Plummer

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**With God’s help we will proclaim the good news
and live according to the example of Christ.
We will surround Alexander,
with a community of love and forgiveness
that he may grow in his service to others.
We will pray for him,
that he may be a true disciple
who walks in the way that leads to life.**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

No. 605

“Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters”

Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleansing waters flow. Number them among your people; bless as Christ blessed long ago. Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light. Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.

PRAYER CONCERNS

(8:30) Rev. Deckard
(10:55) Rev. Robertson

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

CHORAL RESPONSE

“Lord Make Us Holy and Pure”

David Lantz

INVITATION FOR OFFERING

Dr. Burt Palmer

OFFERTORY

“In Heaven Above”

Carl Schalk

Sanctuary Choir

Beverly de la Bretonne, flute soloist

In heaven above, in heaven above, where God our father dwells; How boundless there the blessedness! No tongue its greatness tells. There face to face, and full and free, the ever living God we see, our God the Lord of hosts. In heaven above, in heaven above, what glories deep and bright! The splendor of the noonday sun grows pale before its light. The mighty sun that goes not down, before whose face clouds never frown, is God the Lord of hosts! In heaven above, in heaven above, no tears of pain are shed, for nothing there can fade or die, life's fullness there is spread, and like an ocean joy o'er flows, with immortal mercy glows, our God the Lord of hosts. In heaven above, in heaven above, God has a joy prepared, which ear has never heard, nor mortal vision shared, which never entered mortal thought, in mortal dreams was never sought, O God the Lord of hosts.

†DOXOLOGY

No. 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit! Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

†HYMN

“Wonderful Words of Life”

No. 600

†SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:21-28

N.T. 33

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

“Choose Your Words Carefully”

Dr. Palmer

†INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

†HYMN OF INVITATION AND DEDICATION

“God of Grace and God of Glory” No. 577

†RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's holy church, and bid you welcome to Polk Street United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

†BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

†CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION "How Great Thou Art" No. 77

*Then sings my soul my savior God to thee; How great thou art, How great thou art
Then sings my soul my savior God to thee; How great thou art, How great thou art!*

†POSTLUDE

(8:30) "Recessional on 'Sent Forth by God's Blessing'" (The Ash Grove) arr. Mark Sedio
(10:55) "How Firm a Foundation" arr. James Pethel

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Franklin Jeffers,
by Rena Jeffers and Family.

The **Mission** of The United Methodist Church is to make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our **Vision** at Polk Street United Methodist Church is *Connecting Hearts to Christ.*

Our Core Values



CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Burt Palmer, Sr. Pastor
Rev. Kevin Deckard, Assoc. Pastor
Rev. Dixie Robertson, Assoc. Pastor, Dir. of Young Adult Ministries
Mike Ware, Dir. of Music Ministries
Dr. Noel-Paul Laur, Organist
Ken Knight, Dir. of Children's Ministries
Bradley Gruhlkey, Dir. of Youth Ministries
Michael Jones, Business Administrator

In Our Prayers

All those serving in the military and their families.

UMC Missionaries in
Chile: Shana Harrison
Virginia: Diane Hassell



Sermon Notes

Christ and Culture, by H. Richard Niebuhr

Christ against Culture

Christ of Culture

Christ above Culture

Christ and Culture in Paradox

Christ Transforming Culture



Food Bank workday Saturday, February 4, 2012, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. High Plains Food Bank is located at 815 Ross St.

POLK STREET UMC CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

MOVIE NIGHT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 6:00-8:00 PM



JOIN US FOR A GREAT MOVIE, FRESH POPCORN,
AND A GREAT LESSON ABOUT UNCONDITIONAL LOVE.

FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT THIS EVENT AND A LINK
TO A REVIEW OF THIS MOVIE, VISIT
WWW.PSUMC.COM/CHILDREN



YOUTH SUNDAY is February 12 at both worship services! Please join us on this Sunday as the youth of our church lead us in worship, prayer, and celebration!

Save the date for the S.T.A.R.S. Luncheon Sunday, February 12, following the 10:55 a.m. worship. The Luncheon will take place at Central Church of Christ. Bob Crass, Chaplain at The Craig Methodist Retirement Center, will speak. Please RSVP for the meal before Friday, February 10 by calling 374.2891.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL "Bach's" LUNCH SERIES

The "Bach's" lunch series is Bach by popular demand! Bring a "Bach's" lunch and some friends with you. The Bach's Lunches are a wonderful time for Lenten reflection and good music among friends. Held at various churches every Friday during Lent, each program will begin promptly at 12:05 p.m. with a twenty-five minute organ recital. Following the recital, the host church will provide tea, coffee and a place to eat. You'll have plenty of time to get Bach to work by 1:00 p.m. This event has been very well received for sixteen years, so plan to attend the Seventeenth Annual Bach's Lunch Series!

Friday, February 24, 2012

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Jim Gardner, Organist

Friday, March 2, 2012

First Baptist Church Original Chapel, Various AGO Organist

Friday, March 9, 2012

First Christian Church; Neal Nossaman, Organist

Friday, March 16, 2012

First Presbyterian Church, Norman Goad, Organist

Friday, March 23, 2012

Trinity Lutheran Church, Michael Johnson, Organist

Friday, March 30, 2012

St. Andrew Episcopal Church, Margaret Lacy organist

The "Bach's" Lunch series is sponsored by the Amarillo Chapter of the American Guild of Organist

J. S. Bach's 327th birthday will fall on Wednesday, March 21, 2012

The United Methodist Women's Evening Circle

Meets the first Sunday of the month in the church parlor at 5:30 p.m.

UMW Evening Circle upcoming programs:

February 5th:

"A New Look at Love", presented by Diana Martindale

March 4th:

Bring dinner for the Ronald McDonald House Meeting at Ronald McDonald House in Medical Center

April 1st:

UMW Global Studies program "Haiti", presented by Shawn Palmer

All women of the church are invited.

This week at a glance.

Sunday, January 29

8:30 a.m. Worship Service*
9:35 a.m. Communion in the Sanctuary*
9:30 a.m. CDC Open House until 12:30
9:40 a.m. Sunday School*
10:55 a.m. Worship Service*
3:45 p.m. Wesley Ringers
5:00 p.m. Chapel Choir
5:00 p.m. LTQ Study Group
5:45 p.m. UMY

Monday, January 30

9:30 a.m. ESL
9:30 a.m. Clergy Meeting
5:30 p.m. ESL
6:00 p.m. CDC Advisory Board Mtg.

Tuesday, January 31

9:00 a.m. Library Workers
10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
11:45 a.m. UMM Lunch Group
1:00 p.m. UMW Quilting Circle
1:30 p.m. Church Staff Mtg.
5:30 p.m. Building Committee

Wednesday, February 1

10:00 a.m. Program Staff
11:45 a.m. Care Card Ministry
12:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study
5:15 p.m. Tower Chimers
5:30 p.m. Children's Snack Supper
5:30 p.m. UMW Quilting Circle
6:00 p.m. Middle School Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Jubilate Ringers
6:00 p.m. KidsClub and Children's Choirs
7:00 p.m. High School Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, February 2

9:30 a.m. ESL
9:30 a.m. Singing Stars to Texan Retirement
4:00 p.m. Koffee Klatch Support Group
5:30 p.m. ESL

Friday, February 3

6:45 a.m. UMM Breakfast Group
1:00 p.m. UMW Quilting Circle

Saturday, February 4

9:00 a.m. High Plains Food Bank Day

Sunday, February 5

8:30 a.m. Worship Service*
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10:55 a.m. Worship Service*
3:45 p.m. Wesley Ringers
5:00 p.m. Chapel Choir
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**Nursery Available*

A Vision for Discipling United Methodist Men for the next 10 years

Presented by James Bell - Men's Ministry Specialist

Tuesday, February 28, 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Polk Street United Methodist Church Parlor

Enter from Polk Street at bell tower. Box lunch provided by Polk Street United Methodist Men at no charge to you.

Please RSVP by Noon, Monday, February 27, to Becki Bean, beckibean@psumc.com, 374-2891

Please tell Becki your choice of sandwich – Beef, Ham or Turkey.

Door Prize: Autographed football by the 4 nominees for the 2011 Lombardi Award Finalists.

During lunch you will be shown how to build an all-inclusive ministry to every man in your church with the No Man Left Behind model.

You will hear about Wesleyan Building Brothers, Letters from Dad, Amachi and other resources for discipling all the men in your church.

We will also discuss the process for rebuilding the NWTX conference UMM.

For more information contact:

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Kevin Deckard kevindeckard@psumc.com or 223-5660

Blankets for Children

The Mobley Sunday School Class is collecting new blankets for homeless children. Last year through the tremendous response of Polk Street Sunday School Classes, we were able to take 125 blankets to the Amarillo Independent School District Office of Families in Transition. AISD is anticipating over 1000 homeless children this year. Once again we are asking every adult Sunday School Class to donate 5 blankets. Your donations may be brought to room 304 or by contacting any Mobley Sunday School Class member. Thank you for your generous support last year. Please be in prayer for this endeavor and help us continue this mission project.

Thanks,

Cynthia Ham, 376-7370

The Mobley Sunday School Class

One of the blessings that the Child Development Center gave the church was sharing their furniture and supplies with our church nursery rooms. With the relocation of the CDC classes, the church nursery is in need of the following types of supplies and equipment:

- Toys, books, and games for all age groups (from 6 week olds through 5 year olds)
- Infant swings, pack & play bassinets, bumbo seats, "bouncer" seats, etc...
- Stereos and music for the nursery rooms

If you have any of these items or anything that you feel might be useful in the nursery, please contact Ken Knight in the church office at 374-2891 or kenknight@psumc.com. Receipts are available from the business office for any items that are donated.