

# Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m.

## Gathering

### PRAISE SONGS

*You are invited to write your prayer requests using the cards in the pew racks.  
You may leave them at the Prayer Center in the back of the sanctuary  
or place them in the offering plate. Please prepare your heart for worship.*

### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST & WELCOME

### LIGHTING THE FOURTH CANDLE The Preheim Family

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

## God's Word to Us

*The Prophecy*.....Isaiah 9: 2-7  
Tyler Nickerson, Reader

Carol

*Gabriel Appears to Mary*..... Luke 1: 26-38  
Ben Hill, Reader

Carol

*The Birth of the Savior*..... Luke 2: 1-7  
Joan Hyde, Reader

Carol

*The Songs of the Angels*..... Luke 2: 8-14  
Rev. Judy Baskin

Carol

*The Adoration of the Shepherds*..... Luke 2: 15-20  
Dr. Lynn Barton, Reader

## Our Response & Going Forth

### OFFERING

\*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP & CLOSING SONG

\*RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

\*SENDING FORTH John 1: 1-14 Dr. Lynn Barton

\*GO NOW IN PEACE

## Westlake United Methodist Church

We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope that you can be with us often. Please ask the ushers and greeters for any help you need. We want you to feel at home. In the narthex, you will find information on our ministries, missions, programs and activities. For further information call 327-1335, or [www.westlake-umc.org](http://www.westlake-umc.org).

### Become a Part of Westlake UMC

You may join WUMC by giving this completed form to one of the pastors as you come forward to be introduced during the concluding hymn of any worship service. If you are a newly professing Christian, or if you or your children have never been baptized, please call the church office in advance to speak with one of the ministers.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Name(s)	Occupation/Place	Birth Date	Baptized? Yes or No
1) _____	_____	_____	_____
2) _____	_____	_____	_____

Child Name(s)	School and Grade	Birth Date	Baptized? Yes or No
1) _____	_____	_____	_____
2) _____	_____	_____	_____
3) _____	_____	_____	_____

I am/ We are transferring from: \_\_\_\_\_

I am/We are joining a church for the first time.

I am/We are new in the area, moving from \_\_\_\_\_

### STAFF

Dr. Rev. Lynn Barton, Pastor

Rev. James Austin, Associate Pastor

Dr. Diana Sanchez-Bushong, Worship and Music Director

J. D. Herrera, Director of Youth Ministries

Hilary Martin, Director of Children's Ministries

Frank Webster, Foundation Director

Susan Fimmigan, Director of Handbell Ministries

Sheryl Stack, Organist and Accompanist

Tonya Creamer, Program Director, The Point

Helen Marrow, Business Manager

Tanya Wyche, Bookkeeper

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## Westlake United Methodist Church



## Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 18, 2011

Following One, Serving All

This Week at Westlake United Methodist  
Welcome to our Guests!

# A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

## Gathering

<b>Sunday – December 18</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>	
9:00 am	Worship Service	
10:10 am	Sunday School Classes	
11:15 am	Worship Service	
4:30 pm	Disciples I Class	Library
5:30 pm	Point Dinner	Gym
6:30 pm	Point Praise	
<b>Monday – December 19</b>		
11:30 am	Qigong	M 133
11:30 am	Staff Christmas Lunch	Off site
12:00 pm	Bosom Buddies	Library
4:00 pm	ML&F Commissary	
6:00 pm	Disciple III	Library
7:00 pm	Stephen Ministries mtg.	M133
<b>Tuesday – December 20</b>		
8:00 am	Ladies Yoga	M 133
<b>Wednesday – December 21</b>		
7:30 am	Men's Bible Study	Rm. 407
6:00 pm	Weight Watchers	Rm. 401-402
<b>Thursday- December 22</b>		
4:00 pm	New Horizons Band	Var. areas
<b>Friday – December 23</b>		
9:30 am	Ladies Yoga	M 133
<b>Saturday – December 24</b>	<b>Christmas Eve</b>	
4:00 pm	Nativity Pageant and Worship	
5:30 pm	Nativity Pageant and Worship	
7:30 pm	Traditional Worship	
11:00 pm	Informal and Experiential Worship	
<b>Sunday – December 25</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>	
10:00 am	Worship Service and Breakfast	Gym

For a more detailed calendar please visit our website: [www.westlake-umc.org](http://www.westlake-umc.org)

### Assisting with Today's Worship

	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>11:15 am</b>
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Spencer Benton	Cole Miller, Bryce Walker
<b>Greeters:</b>	Carrie and Mark Lindsey	Dugie and David Graham
<b>Ushers:</b>	David Hardacker, Rich Egan Brian Peterman	Kirk and Justin Miller Steve Hursting
<b>Altar Flowers:</b>	Provided by Judy and Bud Baskin in celebration of their 45 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.	

**PLEASE respect our worship time and space:** Turn off all cell phones, beepers and electronic devices; leave all drinks outside the Sanctuary.

### CENTERING MUSIC

•CAROL **O Come All Ye Faithful**

•CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (unison)  
**Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, O Promised One.**  
**Give us the patience to seek the meaning of these busy days.**  
**Give us the courage to wait in time of pain and trouble.**  
**Give us the compassion to wait for one another.**  
**Give us the hope to wait for the Savior even when we cannot hear the angels singing. This we pray in the name of Emmanuel—God with us.**  
**Amen.**

### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST & WELCOME

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH The Sanderson Family  
Response: *The Lord is my light, my light and salvation.*  
*In God I trust, in God I trust.*

WITNESS Barbara Beeson

## Prayers

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Judy Baskin

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

## Proclamation

*The Prophecy* ..... Isaiah 9: 2-7  
Will Bundrant, Reader

Anthem **Behold a Virgin Will Conceive/** Handel  
**O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings**  
Laura Mercado Wright, Mezzo Soprano

*Gabriel Appears to Mary* ..... Luke 1: 26-38  
Harrison Berrier, Reader

Anthem **And the Glory of the Lord** Handel

*The Birth of the Savior* ..... Luke 2: 1-7  
Barbara Beeson, Reader

Anthem **For Unto Us a Child Is Born** Handel

*The Song of the Angels* ..... Luke 2: 8-14  
David Graham, Reader

Anthem **There Were Shepherds.../Glory to God** Handel  
Jenny Deen and Lydia Hewett, Sopranos

*The Adoration of the Shepherds* ..... Luke 2: 15-20  
Rev. Judy Baskin, Reader

Anthem **Shepherd's Pipe Carol** Rutter

*The Wise Men Follow the Star* ..... Matthew 2: 1-11  
Rev. Lynn Barton, Reader

Anthem **Midnight Clear** Russell Schulz

## Response & Going Forth

OFFERING OUR GIFTS  
**Ding Dong Merrily on High** arr. Wilberg

•PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*  
*Praise God, all creatures here below;*  
*Praise God, above ye heavenly host;*  
*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

### •INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

•CAROL **The First Nowell**

### •RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

•BENEDICTION ..... John 1: 1-14  
Dr. Lynn Barton

•CAROL **Hallelujah Chorus** G. F. Handel  
*(all who would like to sing in this concluding carol please come up and join the choir at this time)*

### Ensemble

Bruce Williams, Richard Kilmer, Violin; Martha Carapetyan, Viola,  
Barbara George, Violoncello; David Dawson, Contrabass  
DeJean Melton, Flute; Jared Broussard, Trumpet;  
Kari Klier, Percussion;  
Sheryl Stack, Organ/Harpsichord; Marti Dudgeon, Organ

# Announcements

And Upcoming Events

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### Church Website

Check out our website. The most current Westlake UMC newsletter is available on our website [www.westlake-umc.org](http://www.westlake-umc.org); find the link to the newsletter.

### THE TENT

Join us in from 9:45 a.m. to 10:10 a.m. in the **Gym** (between the end of the first service and the beginning of Sunday School and after the second service. Guests and members, young and old – all are welcome to eat healthy snacks and drink fair trade coffee or juice. This is a great way to meet people and make new friends.

## Christmas Eve Services

*Candlelight Communion Services*

4:00pm and 5:30pm **Nativity Pageant and Worship**

7:30pm **Traditonal Worship** with the Chancel choir and organist leading congregational singing and other special music.

11:00pm **Informal and Experiential.** "Shepherd's Journey," this will be something new. It will include communion but will be more informal and experiential.

*Childcare provided for children 6mos.to 4 years at all services except 11:00 pm.*

**December 25th-** One worship service at 10:00 am in the gym with continental breakfast. Bring the kids in pjs—it's "Come as you are!" No Sunday School, no childcare.

**January 1st-** One worship service with communion at 10:00 am. No Sunday School.



**Special Offering Staff Love Offering** The Staff Parish Relations Committee reminds the members of our congregation that we have the opportunity to contribute towards a Christmas love offering for our staff as a token of our appreciation for their efforts on our behalf. There will be a basket for the love offering in the Narthex on Sunday mornings. Contributions can be made in cash or by check made payable to WUMC and designated "staff love offering," or you can put a check in the offering plate and designate it for this purpose. All funds raised will be distributed to the various staff members at WUMC. We encourage anyone who desires to do so to participate in the offering. Thank you for your support of our staff!



### SAVE THE DATE for the next F.I.S.H. event:

**Sunday, January 8, 2012** from 12:30-3:00 p.m. ALL 5th Graders and 5th Grade Friends are WELCOME! Bring \$5.00 for lunch and meet us in Wyatt Hall 203. See you soon!!



### Epiphany **Epiphany Feast and Emerging Worship Service**

The Day of Epiphany is also known as the 12th day of Christmas. At 6:00pm on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> we will have an Epiphany Feast and an Emerging Worship Service. The cost will be \$7.00 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12. The menu will be Bar-B-Q baked potatoes, salad, bread and dessert. You can go on line at [www.westlake-umc.org](http://www.westlake-umc.org) to sign up or on the clipboard in the narthex.



### TREASURES OF THE TRANSFORMED LIFE

On Sunday, January 8, we will begin a churchwide study and worship emphasis called *Treasures of the Transformed Life*. Over a period of 6 weeks, we will look at satisfying our soul's thirst for more than just material things. We will talk about belonging to God and to community, praying, giving, serving, and making a difference in the world. Beginning December 18, individual study books may be obtained in the narthex for a suggested gift of \$9.00.



### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS **Holiday Hours**

The church office will close at noon December 27 through December 30 and will be closed all day on December 26 and January 2. If you have an emergency you can call Rev. Judy Baskin at 573-1312 or Rev. Jim Austin at 538-5019.



### Flowers **WUMC Flower Ministry**

We have dates open on the flower calendar for 2012 which is located across from the office. Consider signing up to place flowers on the Sunday altar "In Honor" or "In Memory" of someone or for a special event. The entire congregation enjoys them during the service and our homebound or special needs folks love having the flowers and the visit. This ministry is a real blessing for all.



### SAVE THE DATE for **CREATED BY GOD**

Save the date - **Friday, Feb. 3 and Saturday, Feb. 4** for **Created by God**. Our senior pastor, Lynn Barton, will lead this seminar (for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents) on the gift of human sexuality. For more information contact [HMartin@westlake-umc.org](mailto:HMartin@westlake-umc.org) or call at 327-1335 ext. 24. There will be a \$25 per child charge for the meals and materials. Register early as this class fills fast!



### **NEW LIFE INSTITUTE**

Bob Breihan, a licensed and experienced therapist, is available to see counseling clients, by appointment, in Building M. Scheduled appointments will be held primarily on Thursdays, between 10 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The preferred number to contact Bob is his home office: 402-0405. Messages can be left at this number. For emergencies or to cancel appointments, call 971-9447. For more information about NEW LIFE INSTITUTE go to [www.newlifetexas.org](http://www.newlifetexas.org)



### Given By:

Kay Trostle and Joe Thrash

The Slinkard Family

The Deen Family

Betty Woods

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Blum

Valerie Shaw

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Flood

Mr. and Mrs. David Snyder

Mr. and Mrs. Don Davis

Lori and James Dunn

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davis

The Bushong Family

Margaret Briley

Connec and Kent Sullivan

Jenn Anderson

Debbie Herold

Bobbie and Tom Cornelius

David and Dugie Graham

### In Memory of

L. W. Thrash  
Dale and Jeanette Trostle

J. C. Thomas

Loved Ones

Paul Woods, Vera Cayce  
Dr. and Mrs. Paul M. Woods  
Mr. and Mrs. Victor Harper

Ervin L. Blum

Ed Shaw and Joyce Nelson

Beverly Flood  
Julie Deptula

Our Parents

Our Parents

Colin Williams

Bernice and Herbert Davis  
Virginia and David Saunders

Hortensia and Leonardo Sanchez

Clyde Briley  
Beatrice Noble

Our parents Marjorie, Cles and Ralph

Joe Billy Cole, Sr.

Mildred and Richard Engel

Wilma and Glen Bangs  
Andy Cornelius

Jim Graham  
M. W. and Audrey Biggers



**Given By:**                      **In Honor of:**

Dugie and David Graham	Eileen Graham
The Haneman Family	Loved Ones
Connee and Kent Sullivan	Nancy and Dave Snyder Jean Berckart
Tim and Linda Smith	Our Parents
Susan and Brent Hardaway	Will and Shelby
JoAnne Nelson	Ruth and Lee Roy Haak
Maggie Coleman	Jeanette Cecil
Pam and Frank Cho	The Celebration of Christmas
The Slinkard Family	Beverly Thomas
Robert Powell	Min Yeob Kim and Gene Herren