



First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

Serving, Giving, Welcoming, Growing in the likeness of Christ

October 15, 2023

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Opening Hymn"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above "*

Vs. 1,2,4

#126

***Opening Prayer**

Liturgist

Holy God, we come before you this day with praise on our lips and songs of joy in our hearts. When we abide in your kingdom and live according to your ways, good triumphs over evil, love is stronger than hate, and truth wins the day. Focus our hearts and minds on things that are worthy of praise, and bless us with a peace that passes all understanding. Amen.

Anthem*"Offertory"*

Choir

Scripture Reading

Exodus 32: 1 -11; 14; Matthew 22: 1—10

Message

Pastor Rick Casebolt

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer**Response**

(8:00)

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Vs. 1,4

#396

(9:30)

"I Surrender All"

Praise Band

Offering**Offertory**

(8:00)

"Near to the Heart of God"

(9:30)

"What Sin?"

Praise Band

Doxology"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"*

#95

***Offering Prayer**

Liturgist

God of steadfast love, your bounty knows no bounds. For the abundant gifts in our lives, we thank you. For the peace that passes all understanding, we praise you. For keeping our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, we honor you. Receive the gifts we bring you this day, and help us stay focused on things that are excellent and admirable, holy and just, righteous and pure. Amen.

***Closing Music**

(8:00)

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Vs. 1,2,4

#384

(9:30)

"House of the Lord"

Praise Band

***Blessing
Postlude***"Lord of All Hopefulness"*

Thank you for joining our services today!

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at connection@gilbertumc.org

CLERGY: Pastor Rick Casebolt and Pastor Adriana Hernandez
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Randy Van Der Pol ORGANIST: Marilyn Harter
TODAY'S LITURGISTS: Evelyn Plummer & Charlotte Hazelrigg

Join us for
Chili and Caroling
Sunday, December 10
6pm to 8pm

Chili Potluck
Please bring a dish to share, based on the first letter of your last name:

- A-G: Chili or Soup
- H-R: Cornbread or Mac-n-Cheese
- S-Z: Desserts

- Hay Rides & Caroling
- Pictures with Santa
- S'Mores

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WHAT WE NEED

Gift cards will be for \$60, any amount is gratefully accepted.

Please contact Elice Province
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Hanging of the Greens

Saturday DEC. 2 • 11:00 am • Sanctuary
Join your church family as we prepare for Advent!



Christmas Eve Services

Everyone is Welcome!

4:00 pm - Family Service
Pick-up Pageant; Carols; Live Nativity; Petting Zoo

6:00 pm - Candlelight Service*
Lessons and Carols

10:00 pm - Candlelight Service*
Holy Communion and Handbell Choir

*Livestream available at 10:00PM SERV
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Childcare available in the Nursery 6-7pm

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Blue Christmas Service

Thursday, December 21 • 6:30pm

Not everyone enjoys the holiday season.
Many of us grieve the loss of loved ones, find ourselves alone, or just don't feel as joyful as others seem to be.
If you identify with these feelings of loss and sadness during the holidays, please join us for our Blue Christmas Service.



Christmas Cantata

Join us Sunday December 17 for a special service featuring the Chancel choir and guest musicians!

Services at 8:00 and 9:30 am



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