

First Methodist Church
Temple, Texas
SERVICE OF WORSHIP

January 21, 2024

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Welcome, Announcements & Congregational Greeting

Dr. Tom Robbins

Prelude

Dr. Carl Bradley, Organist

Chorale: O Fairest Jesu

J.S. Bach

† Call to Worship

Dr. Leslie Tomlinson

Psalm 135:1-3

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD;

People: Give praise, O servants of the LORD,

Leader: You who stand in the house of the LORD,

People: In the courts of the house of our God.

Leader: Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;

People: Sing to his name, for he is gracious.

† Opening Hymn No. 133 *Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

† Affirmation of Faith No. 691

Dr. Carl Bradley, Lay Servant (8:30)

Mrs. Jane DeBord, Lay Servant (11:00)

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord:

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

And born of the Virgin Mary,

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended to the dead

On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living 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.

† **Gloria Patri No. 33** MEINEKE
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy
Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Special Music FMC Choir

Offertory
John Ness Beck

*With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings?
Shall I come before Him with yearling calves?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousand rivers of oil?
Shall I give Him my first born for my transgressions,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
He has shown you, O man; He has shown you what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?*

Joys and Concerns Dr. Buzz Rahm, Lay Leader

Pastoral Prayer

The 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.** (Matthew 6:9-13)

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Dr. Bradley, Organist
O Day of Peace
Arr. Charles Callahan

† **Offertory Response No. 682** OLD 100th
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all Creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

† **Hymn No. 320** *Holy Spirit, Light Divine*

Children's Time

Children Pre-K (4 years old) – 3rd grade are invited to attend Children's Church (11:00 service only), immediately after children's time, in the children's area of the first floor of the sanctuary building. After the postlude, children will be in Room 5 of the children's area.

† **Scripture Lesson** Dr. Carl Bradley, Lay Servant (8:30)
Mrs. Jane DeBord, Lay Servant (11:00)

Matthew 5:1-12
Leader: This is the word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Dr. Robbins

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

† **Hymn of Response No. 627** *The Unclouded Day*

† **Benediction** *Isaiah 40: 28 – 31* Dr. Robbins

Postlude Dr. Bradley, Organist
Rigaudon
Andre Campra

† *Denotes when to stand, as able.*

Our Special Member of the Week: Nancy Ruth, 1809 Linwood Rd. Temple 76502. Please let Nancy know she is a special part of our church family. Nancy recently lost her husband, Don.