



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR 26 DECEMBER 2010

10:30 AM SERVICE — SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

*We encourage you to join us in our worship as a people who love the Lord. Please ask an usher about the hearing devices.
Children's Sunday school is available ages 4 and up at both services. Our nursery is open to children up to age 4.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Souvenir

D. HEGARTY, *COMPOSER*

† OPENING PRAYER

† HYMN NO. 245

The First Noel

CHILDREN'S MOMENT -

PUPPET PEOPLE

*** CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED TO ROOM 211 ***

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

PASTOR: Let us join together in this prayer:

ALL: **Dear and glorious Lord, since ancient times, seekers after wisdom have sought you -- and found you. By a marvelous star you led the mysterious kings of the East to your side, where they learned to love and know you. Help us know you deeply and personally, that we may finally quench the thirst to be loved that is deeper than life.**

In common with all people, we long for a love richer and more lasting than it is within our power to give. Forgive us when we look to other loves for the fulfillment and understanding we need, unfairly demanding of them what only you can supply. By the light of your Word, lead us through the peaks and valleys of our lives, until at last we stand in the light of your presence. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Bethlehem Morning

CHRISTY EICHELBERGER, *SOLOIST*

JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

What Is Child This

JANICE MOORE, *SOLOIST*

OFFERTORY

He Cares For Me

L. ELLIS, *COMPOSER*

† DOXOLOGY

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. 254

We Three Kings

SCRIPTURE READING

MATTHEW 2: 13 - 23 RYAN ODOM

LITURGIST: This is the word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Back To Our Routine

PASTOR DAVID BURGESON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God — the source of all light and life. I believe that God sent Jesus Christ, as the Word Incarnate, into this world so that all might be bathed in his light and know the true source of life. On the witness of the disciples, I believe that Jesus was crucified, died and was buried — then brought back to life that we might also have new life in him. I believe the Word of God still speaks today to those who have ears and hearts to listen. I believe, with the power of the Holy Spirit, that my life can be a witness to God's living presence and grace. Amen.

† HYMN NO. 246

Joy To The World

† BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

† POSTLUDE

Toccata

G. FRESCOBALDI, *COMPOSER*

Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9 AM to 1 PM (subject to change)
Pastor is out of the office on Mondays.

What's Happening at UMC of AG

Children's Sunday School

During the **8:30 AM** and **10:30 AM** services upstairs in **room 211**

Sunday meeting for the Junior High & High School

During the **10:30 AM** services upstairs in **room 215 – The Youth Lounge**

Sunday School/Bible Study

Immediately following the **8:30 AM** worship service (MMR)

Women of Prayer

Mondays at 7 PM (S) – open to all denominations of women for prayer.

Men's Bible Study

Mondays at 7 PM (room 215)

Christian Counseling

Tuesday & Wednesday from **1 - 7 PM (L)** - contact Carol Gandy at 234-4715

The Sew 'n' Sews—Quilting Group

Tuesdays at 9 AM (MMR) – open to all! We will teach you!

Senior Exercise Group

Tuesday-Thursday at 8:30 AM (CH)

Grande Ringers – Handbell Choir

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 5 PM (room 115) - directed by Leonard Lutz.

Chancel Choir

Wednesdays at 7 PM (S) - directed by Julie Walters.

UM Youth Group—Jr. & Sr. High

Wednesday evenings, at 7 PM (room 215) – led by Mike & Linda Herber

Intercessory Prayer Group

Thursdays at 10 (L) - Join us!

Morning Bible Study

Fridays at 8:30 AM (L) – all are welcome!

The Lord's Crew – Praise Team

Every other Saturday at 6:30 PM (S) - directed by Susan Coho.

A Touch of Beauty – Time for Women

Join us the **third Friday at 7 PM (MMR)** – bring a friend!

United Methodist Women & United Methodist Men

Various groups meet **monthly** – just ask us!

...call about the other support & anonymous groups!

Abbreviation Legend

MMR	McMillen Room
CH	Criswell Hall
K	Kitchen
S	Sanctuary
N	Narthex
P/S	Pastor's Study
L	Library