

Smithfield Happenings Newsletter

November 30, 2022

Advent

Special Dates

- Second Sunday of Advent, *December 4, 2022*
- Third Sunday of Advent, *December 11, 2022*
- Fourth Sunday of Advent, *December 18, 2022*
- First day of winter, *December 21, 2022*
- Christmas Eve, *December 24, 2022*
- Christmas Day, *December 25, 2022*
- New Year's Eve/Watch Night, *December 31, 2022*

Morada Schedule

Morada is open for Sunday afternoon Worship. Listed below is the schedule.

If you have any questions or would like to bring the message on Sunday to the residents of Morada, please feel free to contact the church office at [817-281-0314](tel:817-281-0314).

Date	Speakers	Musicians
12/04	Pastor Eric	Diane Hutchinson
12/11	Elevate Youth	Gene Rollins
12/18	George Underhill	Diane Hutchinson
12/25	Open	Gene Rollins

TGIW Cooking Schedule

There is no charge for the meal but donations are greatly appreciated. The group cooking decides which ministry the funds will go towards. This is a good way to build your ministry.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact Marilyn in the church office at [817-281-0314](tel:817-281-0314).

12/07 - Elevate Youth
12/14 - Band of Brothers
12/21 - **Christmas, NO TGIW**
12/28 - **Christmas, NO TGIW**

THANK GOD IT'S
Wednesday!

November 30th

Eat at 5:30 p.m.

Menu: Goulash, Corn Bread, Salad and Dessert

Hosted by: The Ladies of Davis

Children's Ministry



Farmer's Market



Farmer's Market Free to All

Saturday, December 3rd

10 am - 'til it's gone

Smithfield United Methodist Church

6701 Smithfield Road North Richland Hills, Texas



Music Ministry



“Take Me Back to Bethlehem”

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Smithfield UMC at 8:30 a.m.

St. Paul UMC at 10:30 a.m.

Located at 852 Bedford-Eules Rd.

Smithfield Women’s Ministry



Guess what happens one week from today? That's right the Smithfield Women's Ministry Christmas Party where you will unveil who your secret sister is and celebrate with one another.

Every lady is invited so we hope all will join in the fun. Everyone is bringing their favorite appetizer or dessert. Yum! And either a wrapped gift for their secret sister or if you do not have one, just bring a wrapped gift for our gift exchange.

Can't wait to see you next Tuesday, December!

Women’s Life Group

The Struggle is Real study has ended. We have started a Women's Life Group. They have small discussions weekly. The women meet during STEAM.

Wednesday's 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the Young Adults classroom (FLC).

After the 7th of December they will meet off campus until January.

Bible Study (Walking Through the Bible)

If you have struggled studying the Bible and would like to join us, you only need a Bible and something to write on. There is no homework, you can read as much or as little as you choose to.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact igallaghergough@gmail.com or the church office at 817-281-0314.

Tuesday's mornings @ 9:00 a.m. or Wednesday's @ 6:15 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Everyone is Welcome

Letters to the Church Bible Study

Letters to the Church Bible Study @ 6:00 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Building on each of the nine chapters of his latest book, *Letters to the Church*, Francis Chan urges Christ-followers to

- ask honest questions about the structure and values of our churches;
- study God's commands for the body of Christ;
- pray in expectation of the Spirit's power; and
- get excited about doing whatever it takes to be the Church God desires.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please reach out to Pastor Eric at pastoreric@smithfieldumc.org or contact the church office at 817-281-0314.

Food to Flourish



Contact Heather Doyle to get involved
haprild@hotmail.com

Band of Brothers Spring Yard Sale

The Band of Brothers (BOB) will have a yard sale in the Spring so hang on to your treasures. We're not holding a yard sale this Fall to allow the Treasure Supply Chain to replenish.

Feeding the Homeless



Please consider joining us on the second Thursday of each month to feed the homeless in Fort Worth delivering food and clothing, bibles and other personal items.

We are in need of deliverers willing to drive their vehicle as well as deliverers who wish to ride along. We are also looking for people willing to coordinate trips, and people ready to prepare blessing bags and hygiene bags in advance of delivery.

There is a great need for blankets, coats, hats and gloves for the cold weather. Donations can be placed in our bin on the table in the Narthex.

You may also make a donation to our cause. We rely entirely on individual donations.

If you would like to volunteer or want more information, please contact:

Diane Hutchinson – grammydiane@outlook.com

Paul Dillon – drfooser@protonmail.com

Christian Symbol



Advent Colors

One of the season's symbolic colors is blue, representing hope. During Advent, we wait in hope to celebrate God's coming in human form again, and we look forward in hope to Christ's coming in glory at the end of the age. Purple symbolizes the royalty of Jesus, the coming Prince of Peace, and the penitence with which we receive him. Some congregations also use pink or white candles in Advent wreaths, with pink symbolizing joy and white symbolizing the Christ child.



Online Worship Service

If you are unable or do not feel comfortable attending in-person worship, you can still follow us online by following the links below to access the service:

1. Go to www.facebook.com/sumcnrh
2. Go to www.smithfieldumc.org and click on watch services online during regular hours.

If you are having trouble logging in to the live service, you can always find the recorded service at www.smithfieldumc.org usually about one hour after the service is completed.

Online Giving

On our webpage, www.Smithfieldumc.org, you can find a link to online giving. You may also mail or drop off your tithes at the church office. We know these are difficult times for many of you financially.

We deeply appreciate your continued support of the church and its ministries.