

# BEARING GOD'S NAME



**A Call to the Garden**

1.5.25  
11 a.m. Traditional Worship

## WORSHIP ORDER

\*\*Please stand as you are able

**Prelude**

**Dr. Young Kwon Whiting**

**Welcome**

**Rev. Steve Brooks**

### Jesus Creed & Time of Meditation

“Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God, the LORD is one;  
You shall  
Love the LORD your God  
With all your heart,  
And with all your soul,  
And with all your mind,  
And with all your strength.”

The second is this:

“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

There is no commandment greater than these.

**Choral Call to Worship**

*God is So Good*

**Chancel Choir**

**Hymn of Praise**

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

**Congregation**

*Hymnal 23*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

*The Apostles' Creed*

**Rev. Melissa Shuler**

*Hymnal 691*

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

*\*The word “catholic” used in the Apostles’ Creed refers to the essential unity or wholeness of the Christian church throughout all places and time. The earliest historical evidence for this early statement of faith, used widely by many Christian denominations, is 390AD.*

**\*Gloria Patri**

*Hymnal 33*

**Registration of Attendance**

**Rev. Melissa Shuler**



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ATTENDANCE  
REGISTRATION  
FOR MEMBERS &  
FREQUENT VISITORS

INTERESTED  
IN BECOMING  
A FOLLOWER  
OF JESUS OR  
JOINING OUR  
CHURCH?

REGISTRATION FOR  
**FIRST TIME  
GUESTS**



PRAYER REQUEST



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## Announcements

Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal 700

Offering/Offertory

*God is Our Refuge and Strength*

Chancel Choir

*arr. by Pote*

\*Doxology

Hymnal 682

Hymn of Preparation

*Blessed Assurance*

Congregation

*Hymnal 570*

Scripture Reading

[Exodus 19:1-6](#)

Rev. Melissa Shuler

Sermon

*Sermon Title: A Call to the Garden*

Rev. Steve Brooks

Holy Communion

Rev. Melissa Shuler

\*Mantra and Benediction

Rev. Steve Brooks

Postlude

Dr. Young Kwon Whiting

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers are given with wishes for a healthy and happy New Year!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# CONFIRMATION 2025

January 9<sup>th</sup> - March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:30

Click To  
Register

In the Basement

## Open Flower Dates

Do you have a special date you would like to honor, memorialize or celebrate someone with Sanctuary flowers?

**You can!**

Contact **Jann Bash** at  
[jbash@vcbash.com](mailto:jbash@vcbash.com) or text **432-559-5811**

# BURNET VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Opportunities for the **24-25** school year to significantly impact the students, parents and staff at **Burnet Elementary**



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Questions? Contact **Pastor Melissa** at [melissashuler@firstmethodistmidland.com](mailto:melissashuler@firstmethodistmidland.com)

## KIDS' CHOIRS AND CLASS GUITAR

- 4-4:50 pm Angel Choir (Room 227)
- 4-4:50 pm Kids Choir (Choir Room)
- 4-4:50 pm 6th-12th grade guitar (Ensemble Room)
- 5-5:50 pm 4th+5th grade guitar (Ensemble Room)
- 5-5:50 pm Celebration Singers Youth Choir (Choir Room)

For more information email [bethgarza@firstmethodistmidland.com](mailto:bethgarza@firstmethodistmidland.com)

## A New BEGINNING

A Study On The Book Of Revelation

Men's Breakfast Bible Study will resume on January 7<sup>th</sup>

## GENESIS

Wednesday night Bible study will resume on January 8<sup>th</sup>

# COVENANT GROUPS

Resume on January 8<sup>th</sup>

**Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.**

**Sundays at 5:00 p.m.**



SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

“WATCHING OVER ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE” ~JOHN WESLEY



## Foundation

### Kids and Youth Volunteers Needed!

Are you interested in helping serve in one of our **kids** or **youth** programs?

Click to see how you can help!

**DOWNTOWN**  
**PICKLEBALL**  
**LEAGUE**

5:00 p.m. Sunday Open Play

## Senior Fitness

**Mondays and Fridays 10-11 AM In Room 204**

Register on the church website, by calling the church office, or contact Julie Cole at (432) 352-2359



CelebrateRecovery®

**Tuesday Evenings  
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Worship Center**

A Christian based 12-step program where God heals those with hurts, habits, and hang-ups. For more information, contact Wade Cobb at [wadecobb@firstmethodistmidland.com](mailto:wadecobb@firstmethodistmidland.com).

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