



**Wilshire**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

**November 12, 2023**

*Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost*

# Preparing for worship

For this morning's prelude, the Wilshire Winds plays an excerpt from "The Promise of Living," a piece American composer Aaron Copland wrote for his opera, *The Tender Land*. The opera tells the story of a Midwest farm family in the 1930s during the spring harvest. The libretto by Horace Everett includes these lines:

*The promise of living with hope and thanksgiving  
Is born of our loving our friends and our labor.  
The promise of growing with faith and with knowing  
Is born of our sharing our love with our neighbor.  
The promise of loving, the promise of growing  
Is born of our singing in joy and thanksgiving.*

Everett's faith and religious leanings aren't readily known, but his words encompass ideals that any Christian should be comfortable with and find compatible with the life, ministry and message of Christ. Copland, meanwhile, was a Jew who often incorporated folk songs and Christian hymn melodies in his compositions. In this case, "The Promise of Living" includes strains of the melody from "Zion's Walls," a Southern folk hymn first published by John G. McCurry in 1855, which includes these lines:

*Come fathers and mothers,  
Come sisters and brothers,  
Come join us in singing the praises of Zion.*

Well known for compositions that evoke physical landscapes and the human condition, Copland once said, "The conviction grew inside me that the two things that seemed always to have been separate in America — music and the life about me — must be made to touch."

Taking a cue from Copland's fondness for borrowing and adapting existing musical and lyrical themes, I wonder if we can nudge his words a little to say of our faith journey, "The conviction has grown inside me that faith and the life about me must be made to touch."

As you listen to the music and hear the Scriptures and messages that are shared today, consider the places where your faith and life touch each other — or where they don't and maybe should. Consider the "promise of living ... growing ... loving" through Christ that convicts us to share our hope, thanksgiving, labor, faith, knowing, joy and love with our families, friends and neighbors.

—Jeff Hampton



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**November 12, 2023**  
11:00 a.m.  
Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

**Chiming of the Hour**

The people of Wilshire gather this morning to worship God. In order for this service to be focused upon that purpose, please silence all electronic devices.

**Welcome to Worshipers**

Heather Mustain

**Prelude**

*The Promise of Living*  
Wilshire Winds

Aaron Copland  
arr. James Curnow

**Opening Prayer**

Wendy Warden

We watch this morning  
for the light that the darkness has not overcome.  
We watch for the fire that was in the beginning  
and that burns still in the brilliance of the rising sun.  
We watch for the glow of life that gleams in the growing earth  
and glistens in sea and sky.  
We watch for your light, O God, in the eyes of every living creature  
and in the ever-living flame of our own souls.  
If the grace of seeing were ours this day  
we would glimpse you in all that lives.  
Grant us the grace of seeing this day.  
Grant us the grace of seeing.

— *Celtic Benediction*, J. Philip Newell

**Call to Worship**

*Yes, Jesus Loves Me*  
Shekinah  
Kamilya Akhmetova, accompanist

arr. Tim Osiek

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

As a child on my knees, Jesus was a friend to me.  
Does he still remember me?  
Yes! Jesus loves me, this I know. As he loved so long ago.  
Taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me."

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+All congregants who are able are invited to stand.  
Hearing devices are available in the Narthex and South Atrium.

But what about my doubts and fears?  
How I've changed throughout the years?  
When I cry out, does he hear?  
Yes! Jesus loves me, walking with me on my way.

Wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live,  
God's light and love!

**+Congregational Song**

*Come, Great God of All the Ages*  
No. 5  
Stanzas 1–3

ABBOT'S LEIGH

**Psalm Reading** — Psalm 78:1–7

Jessica Capps

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us. We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD and his might and the wonders that he has done. He established a decree in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments.

**Prayers of the People**

Greg Garrett

**Anthem**

*Littlemore Tractus*  
Nova  
Mike Capps, director  
Bill Jernberg, accompanist

Arvo Pärt

May he support us all the day long,  
Till the shades lengthen,  
And the evening comes,  
And the busy world is hushed,  
And the fever of life is over,  
And our work is done!

Then in his mercy may he give us a safe lodging,  
And holy rest,  
And peace at the last.

**Offertory**

*Nettleton*  
Wilshire Winds

arr. Johnnie Vinson

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life.”

For the Word of God in Scripture,  
For the Word of God among us,  
And for the Word of God within us,  
**Thanks be to God!**

**Message**

“Do(ing) the Right Thing”

Anthony Reddie

We pause in silence to reflect and to be attentive to the Spirit of God

**+Congregational Song**

*Let Truth and Mercy Find Here*  
No. 692

AURELIA

**Sharing of Decisions**

Heather Mustain

**Benediction**

Heather Mustain

**Postlude**

Improvisation on themes of the day

Jeff Brummel

Candy McComb, music director

# Meet today's worship leaders

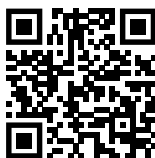
**Jessica Capps** joined Wilshire in 1998 with her husband, Mike, and served on the church staff from 2000 until last year, when she retired from her role as minister to senior adults. Jessica and Mike have two adult children, Taylor and Drew.

**Greg Garrett** is a professor of literature and culture at Baylor University, where he teaches classes on writing, film, literature and theology. His newest book, *The Gospel According to James Baldwin*, was published in September. Greg is no stranger to Wilshire; he preached here in 2020 and 2022, and in February led a workshop here on racial mythologies.

**Anthony Reddie** is our guest preacher today. He is a professor of Black theology at Regent's Park College at the University of Oxford in England. He also serves as director of Oxford's Centre for Religion & Culture. Read more about Professor Reddie on page 8.

**Dennis Smith** and his wife, Laura, joined Wilshire in 2001. Dennis, a former deacon chair, currently serves as vice chair of deacons, directs the Foundation of Faith Class and is chair of the Belong Team. He is president of AgileMesh, Inc.

**Wendy Warden** joined Wilshire in 1999 with her husband, Andrew. Their two sons are Nick, a senior at Lake Highlands High School, and Joe, a junior at Lake Highlands, where Wendy is a tutor for AVID, a college readiness program. Wendy and Andrew attend Avodah Class, and Wendy serves on the Committee on Committees.



**Connect with Wilshire.** Scan the QR code using your smartphone camera to make a financial contribution, fill out our online guest card or submit a prayer request. You may also use the response card or offering envelope found in the pew rack. These items can be placed in the offering plate or in one of the secure offering boxes located near the Sanctuary exits.

# Staff contacts

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- Charlie Fuller, Interim Minister of Music (3123)
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- Ralph Manuel, Handbell Coordinator (3161)
- Candy McComb, Children's Choir Coordinator (3124)

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- John Kelly, McIver Fellow (3156)
- George Mason, Director of Pathways to Ministry and Senior Pastor Emeritus (3133)

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- Debby Burton, Executive Assistant (3132)
- Geri McKenzie, Executive Director of Administration (3159)
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# Tapestry



News & Announcements  
November 12, 2023



## Oxford professor Anthony Reddie preaches today

### Lunch, Q&A after worship

Our guest preacher today is Anthony Reddie, professor of Black theology at Regent's Park College at the University of Oxford in England. He also serves as director of Oxford's Centre for Religion & Culture and is a professor of theological ethics at the University of South Africa. The author of 17 books, numerous journal articles and the editor of *Black Theology: An International Journal*, Reddie is renowned for his innovative and engaging teaching style.

■ After worship, join us in Community Hall for a **free lunch** and a time of Q&A with Professor Reddie. No reservation needed.



## Fireside Chats

### There's still room for you! Sign up to attend tonight.

Wilshire will host Fireside Chats at members' homes on Sunday evening, Nov. 12. This social event with fellowship and light refreshments will deepen connections and provide an intimate setting for us to express our collective gratitude. Sign up to attend at any of the host homes throughout



**SIGN UP**

the area. Some sites will start at 6:30 and end at 8, while others will run from 5 to 6:30. Sign up via the QR code or visit [wilshirebc.org/events/fireside-chats](https://wilshirebc.org/events/fireside-chats).



**Sundays:** Worship at 11 a.m. Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Our service livestreams at [youtube.com/wilshirebaptist](https://youtube.com/wilshirebaptist) and at [wilshirebc.org/worship/livestream](https://wilshirebc.org/worship/livestream). Keep up with Wilshire by subscribing to our YouTube channel and following us on Facebook and Instagram.



# Announcement from the Minister of Music Search and Personnel Committees

After listening to our congregation, praying, reading applications, studying responses to questions we posed to applicants and visiting with candidates, the Minister of Music Search Committee is excited to share that we have a unanimous recommendation for an individual to become our next Minister of Music.

As we shared with the Personnel Committee, our recommendation is based on our strong feeling that God led us to someone whose incredible gifts and talents match the needs and desires of our congregation. Our candidate believes music is a tool for ministry and that music focuses us on the worship of God. Our candidate appreciates hymns and is also very interested in creativity in worship that touches the hearts of those who are worshiping. This individual desires to be a minister to all — not just those involved in the music ministry. Working with youth is a special interest of our candidate, and this person has experience in the situations we are facing in building up some programs that have declined in attendance since the pandemic.

We are impressed with this person's talent, experience, credentials and love for the Lord. We believe we have found someone who will appreciate, honor and build on our past while helping us move forward with the creativity we are currently enjoying in worship.

Please mark these dates on your calendar:

**1. Sunday, Dec. 3:** A profile of our candidate will be made available. We currently need to maintain confidentiality since this individual is serving at a church and preparing for Advent.

**2. Dec. 15–17:** We will welcome our candidate to Wilshire for a call weekend. Please join us for one of the Meet and Greet events which will be held in Community Hall. The first opportunity will be on Friday, Dec. 15, from 10:15 to 11:30 a.m. The second will be on Saturday,

## Minister of Music Candidate Meet & Greets

### Friday, Dec. 15

10:15–11:30 a.m. | Community Hall

### Saturday, Dec. 16

8:30–9:45 a.m. | Community Hall

*Focus on families with preschoolers, children and youth. Childcare available.*

### Saturday, Dec. 16

11:45 a.m.–1 p.m. | Community Hall

Dec. 16, from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m. with a special focus on families with preschoolers, children and youth. Childcare will be available during this session. The third Meet and Greet will be held on Saturday, Dec. 16, from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**3. Sunday, Dec. 17:** Our candidate will participate in worship, and voting on the recommendation will occur in a special called business meeting immediately following the worship service. Ballots will be available for pick-up between 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. in James Gallery.

More details will be provided in the next few weeks. We appreciate your patience and your continued prayers during this special time in the life of our church.

*Kevin Cabaniss, Lynette DeBose, David Duncan, Anne Foster, LeAnn Hampton, Mary Morgan, Timothy Peoples, Kristi Reavis, James Sobolik-Williams, Laura Summers, Melinda Thompson*

# Thanksgiving FOOD DRIVES

## Boxes for Wilkinson Center due by Nov. 20

Wilshire has committed to provide 100 boxes for families in our community through the Wilkinson Center. A box costs \$50 to \$75 to assemble and is a great service opportunity for Sunday School classes, other groups or individuals. **Boxes are due by Nov. 20.** Scan QR code or visit [wilshirebc.org/events/food-drives](http://wilshirebc.org/events/food-drives) to sign up and see full instructions.



## White Rock Center of Hope bags due today



Today's the day to place food bags on the chancel steps for White Rock Center of Hope. You can still participate by shopping their Amazon wishlist.

Scan the code or find the link at [wilshirebc.org/events/food-drives](http://wilshirebc.org/events/food-drives).

■ For more information, contact Abbey Adcox at [aadcox@wilshirebc.org](mailto:aadcox@wilshirebc.org).

## New around here?

**Time with Tim**, an informal chance for guests and new members to meet and visit with Senior Pastor Timothy Peoples, will be held **Dec. 10** at 9:45 a.m. in Timothy's office. Contact: Carolyn Murray ([cmurray@wilshirebc.org](mailto:cmurray@wilshirebc.org)).

## Lunch & Learn is Nov. 15



McIver Fellow John Kelly will lead a time of Bible study at the Nov. 15 Lunch & Learn. Lunch & Learn is held the first and third Wednesdays each month at 11:30 a.m. in Community Hall.

Open to all. Lunch costs \$10 per person. No reservation needed. Contact: Barbara Clayton ([bclayton@wilshirebc.org](mailto:bclayton@wilshirebc.org)).

## John Kelly leading November Sunday School series



McIver Fellow John Kelly is leading a special Sunday School series in Community Hall through Nov. 26. In *Loved by a Still-Faced God*, John is exploring the relationship between our stories, our attachment styles and our

feelings of connection — or disconnection — with God. The class, which starts at 9:45 a.m., is a good option for anyone not connected to a class or new to Sunday School.

## Subscribe to sermon podcast

Sermons from Timothy Peoples and other Wilshire preachers are available as a weekly audio podcast on all major podcast platforms. To find the podcast, search "Wilshire Baptist Church" on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Amazon Music, Google Podcasts or iHeartRadio.

Join us for Wilshire Game Night



# GAME Night



**FRIDAY** COME AND GO  
**NOVEMBER** 6:00 - 8:00 PM  
**17** COMMUNITY HALL

*Enjoy* BOARD GAMES - CARD GAMES - MAHJONG  
BRING YOUR FAVORITE GAME.



**BRING YOUR OWN DINNER.  
WE'LL SUPPLY THE POPCORN.**



## *Hope for a weary world / Advent 2023*

The world's weariness abounds. It seems to be everywhere and in everything. Unattended, this weariness settles deep into our bodies, creating exhaustion, resentment, apathy and possibly even despair. Advent is a season when God fully embraces all that we are — our weariness included. We hope you'll join us this season in reflecting on how the incarnational presence of Jesus offers hope for a weary world.

### **Celebration of the Green**

**Sunday, Dec. 3 | 6:30 p.m. | Sanctuary** | Kick off the season with Christmas music from Wilshire's choirs and ensembles: Sanctuary Choir, Nova, Youth Choir, Shekinah, New Song, Carillon Ringers, Wilshire Winds and Children's Choirs.

## Parents Night Out

**Friday, Dec. 8**

■ **Children's Christmas Tree Decorating Party** | First through sixth graders are invited to the home of Timothy Peoples and Valerie Lott for decorating and festive fun, 7 to 9 p.m.  
 ■ **Preschool Parents Night Out** | Free child-care at Wilshire for infants through kindergarten from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

## Christmas Pageant

**Wednesday, Dec. 13 | 6 p.m. | Sanctuary** | Kindergarten, Pre-K and 3-Year-Old choirs will be in costume as they sing and act out the nativity. Also featuring Children's Choirs and the new Wilshire Bells handbell group.

## Beer & Carols

**Saturday evening, Dec. 16 | Time TBD | Oak Highlands Brewery** | Carol singalong with a live band led by Associate Pastor Darren DeMent.

## Dec. 17 choral music

Morning worship on Sunday, Dec. 17, will feature Sanctuary Choir and chamber orchestra in a presentation of *Magnificat* by the American composer Mark Hayes.

## Adventurers theater outing

**Sunday, Dec. 17 | 2 p.m.** | Wilshire Adventurers will head to the theater on Sunday, Dec. 17 for a matinee presentation of the musical *White Christmas* at Richardson's Courtyard Theater. \$31.50 per person. Adventurers is a fellowship group for those 60 and above. Registration required by Dec. 13. Visit [wilshirebc.org/events/adventurers-theater](http://wilshirebc.org/events/adventurers-theater).

## Blue Christmas service

**Sunday, Dec. 17 | 4 p.m. | McIver Chapel** | A contemplative service for those carrying pain or loss during this season of celebration.

## Christmas Eve

**Sunday, Dec. 24**

■ No Sunday School or morning worship.  
 ■ 4 p.m. Christmas Eve family service.  
 ■ 11 p.m. Christmas Eve liturgical service with Lord's Supper. Youth Choir and alumni singing.

## New Year's Eve

**Sunday, Dec. 31** | Worship at 11 a.m. No Sunday School.

## Poinsettia orders due Nov. 26



Help decorate the Sanctuary for Advent by ordering a poinsettia in honor or in memory of a loved one. Dedications will be listed in the Dec. 3 worship folder. Each plant costs \$12, and donors may take them

home after Christmas Eve services. Order by Nov. 26 using a form in the office or at [wilshirebc.org/poinsettias](http://wilshirebc.org/poinsettias).

## Sign up kids to build nativity

Children in kindergarten through grade 6 can help build the Sanctuary nativity scene by carrying an element to the chancel during worship. We will begin the first Sunday of Advent, Dec. 3, and build the scene week by week until it is complete at the 4 p.m. Christmas Eve service. See the sign-up link at [wilshirebc.org/nativity](http://wilshirebc.org/nativity).

## Giving Tree coming soon

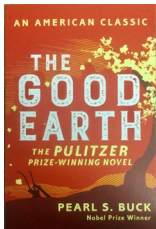
Wilshire's Giving Tree will be up and running in James Gallery by Sunday, Nov. 19. Select a tag from the tree and fulfill a Christmas wish for a child or adult served by one of our local mission partners.



## Let's play mahjong!

Join other Women of Wilshire for mahjong on the first Friday of each month at 10 a.m. or the second Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. All skill levels welcome. Please sign up; SignUpGenius link at [wilshirebc.org/events/mahjong](http://wilshirebc.org/events/mahjong).

## Women of Wilshire book clubs



■ **Tuesday Evening Book Club** meets monthly at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor. On **Nov. 14**, the group will discuss Pearl Buck's *The Good Earth*. Contact: Debby Burton ([dburton@wilshirebc.org](mailto:dburton@wilshirebc.org)).



■ **Brown Bag Book Club** meets one Thursday a month at noon in Room 1205-L. On **Dec. 7**, the group will discuss *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult. Contact: Carolyn Murray ([cmurray@wilshirebc.org](mailto:cmurray@wilshirebc.org)).

## Register for WOW retreat

Registration is open for the Women of Wilshire 2024 retreat, to be held Feb. 9 – 11 at the Prothro Retreat Center on Lake Texoma. Jillian Mason Shannon will serve as retreat pastor. See full details and register at [wilshirebc.org/events/wow-retreat-2024](http://wilshirebc.org/events/wow-retreat-2024).

## Ever thought about becoming a Stephen Minister?

Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a life difficulty such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness or relocation. Stephen Minister training is a Christ-centered experience that equips participants with essential caring and relating skills. Trainees learn how to listen to, care for and walk with those going through difficult times. Stephen Ministers meet with care receivers weekly to listen, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support. Training for new Stephen Ministers will take place starting in January 2024. Interested? Talk with one of Wilshire's Stephen Leaders: Gail Brookshire, Linda Garner, Micki Lacker, Debbie Meripolski and Tim Morgan. You can find a Stephen Minister application at [wilshirebc.org/stephen-ministry](http://wilshirebc.org/stephen-ministry).



# WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

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Midweek fellowship & faith formation for all ages



## Koinonia Café

**5 – 6 p.m.** | **Community Hall** | Buffet-style dinner for the whole family. Cash/check/credit accepted. Pricing at [wilshirebc.org/events/koinonia-cafe](http://wilshirebc.org/events/koinonia-cafe). Kid-friendly and to-go meals available. **Nov. 15:** Roasted turkey breast with brown gravy, sweet potato casserole, green beans with onions and bacon stuffing, butternut squash soup, salad, rolls, pumpkin pie, pecan pie, cookies, jello. **Kids:** Turkey, sweet potato casserole.

## Music, Missions & More

**6 – 7 p.m.** | **Age 3 – Pre-K** | Preschool choir, plus fun activities focused on God's love.

## KidConnect

**6 – 7 p.m.** | **K – Grade 6** | This rotation of art, music and more will help kids learn how to love God and others with every part of themselves.

## Bible Study: Chosen Family and Faithful Community

**6 – 7 p.m.** | **Community Hall** | Jesus came preaching the kingdom of God, and new communities of believers sprang up with a distinctive character that trumped traditional ideas of kin and clan. Come explore what faithful Christian community can look like through the modern lens of chosen family, and how Wilshire can provide chosen family to those who need it most. **Associate Pastor Heather Mustain** will wrap up the series on Nov. 15.



## Watershed

**6:30 – 7:30 p.m.** | **Grades 7-12** | Bible study and music in the Youth Center.

## Sanctuary Choir

**7 p.m.** | **Choral Hall** | No audition.

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**Schedule note:** There will be no Wednesday night activities at Wilshire on Nov. 22, the day before Thanksgiving.

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*Childcare for infants to 2-year-olds whose parents are involved in church activities is offered 6 – 7:15 p.m.*



# The Stewardship of Memory

WILSHIRE BAPTIST CHURCH

I remember Wilshire's support of missions. When I was appointed to go to India for two years as a missionary nurse, I was commissioned here. Wilshire also gave me a portable PA system, which we used when we had services in the villages every week.

**LINDA GARNER**

Preparing for Cooking Camp and all the planning that comes with that. Then seeing all that prep and planning pay off and watching the kids learn and have fun.

**HALEY ROBINSON**

Mission trips to the Valley or Delta from the ages of 8 - 14! They were a fun way to help our friends in need!

**VIRGINIA DEMENT**

My favorite memories of Wilshire so far ... our boys vs. girls hunt for books of the Bible. One group would hide the names of the books, and the other group would find them, and then they would have to put them in order. Then they switch places. It's fun to see. My other favorite memory is after my youngest accepted Jesus as his savior and we spoke with Pastor Tim about him being baptized. We had a great time getting to know him.

**JENNIFER LOVEJOY**

My first memory of Wilshire was of its thoughtful care of its people during the pandemic. Watching on TV on livestream, it was a blessing to see a church take these matters so serious-

ly valuing life. This spirit and attitude eventually led us to visit and then become members here in 4/2022. Thank you!

**KAY MOORE**

The way so many have cared for our kids and us. From the meals to being a shoulder to cry on, to words of encouragement, to the treats. Wilshire has loved our family deeply.

**HEATHER MUSTAIN**

I have been attending Wilshire for 18 years. It is a very special place where I met my husband and found many Compass Class friends along the way.

**CINDY TIBBALS**

So many memories — hard to narrow it down to one. I'll pick one: Cynthia Clawson, Sanctuary Choir, me, Mark McKenzie. The presentation of "Home," featuring my music. A very real example of how Wilshire has been so supportive of me and my music through the years.

**GEORGE GAGLIARDI**

We started attending Wilshire about 30 years ago, when our three kids were in preschool Sunday School. They went to VBS and camp and choir and every time I brought them to WBC it was knowing they were with friends. Now these "kids" are all adults. And their childhood friends are now our adult friends too. What a blessing.

**JEANNE SPREIER**



I joined Wilshire 53 years ago. Favorite memories are: Waiting on the chancel to marry the man I had met in Wilshire's Single Adult S.S. Class; the births, baptisms, pastoral and music residencies of our children Anne and Brad; sitting in the doorway of our classroom each Promotion Sunday to welcome Wilshire's new first graders; standing in Wilshire's parking lot, waiting to meet the truck that would deliver the shipment of Wilshire's history book, *Blest Be the Tie*. Ever grateful.

### JANICE JERNBERG

Easter Sundays when the shutters are thrown open; when George touched the salt to my lips when we joined — was not expecting it!; Timothy's openness in his "It's Dark" sermon; the election to call Timothy — such unity of hearts and minds!; when the organ is turned on Easter to be able to see Jeff's amazing talent in the final voluntary.

### ANONYMOUS

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## About the Unified Budget

At Wilshire, we use a one-fund approach to giving called the Unified Budget. Your gifts support the basic mission and ministry of the church, including worship, age-graded programs, operations and local and global missions. Once the Unified Budget is fulfilled, gifts overflow into visionary aspects of our mission. These include our Building Reserve Fund, which covers unexpected property-related expenses, and Missions Plus, which provides grants to innovative mission partners.

## Realm makes giving easy

Realm is our online platform for giving and more. You can make a one-time financial contribution, set up a recurring gift and see or print reports of past giving. Learn more at [wilshirebc.org/resources/realm](http://wilshirebc.org/resources/realm). For help setting up your account, contact Carolyn Murray ([cmurray@wilshirebc.org](mailto:cmurray@wilshirebc.org)). For help with giving, contact Lori Gooden ([lgooden@wilshirebc.org](mailto:lgooden@wilshirebc.org)).

## How to Give

*Your gifts are changing lives inside and outside our walls. Below are several methods you can use to contribute financially. Thanks for your generosity.*

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**AUTOMATIC BANK PAY.** Visit your bank's website and set up Wilshire as a payee. The bank will send the church a check.

**MAIL.** Send to Finance Director Lori Gooden's attention at Wilshire.

**TEXT.** Text WILSHIRE and a dollar amount (ex: WILSHIRE 50) to 73256.

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# Someone to talk with.

If you are facing a life challenge and would like to have a spiritual friend to walk alongside you for a season of healing, perhaps you would benefit from a Stephen Minister.

Stephen Ministry pairs trained lay people with individuals in need of Christian companionship during times of life crisis. Wilshire has trained Stephen Ministers available. To learn more about receiving care from a Stephen Minister, reach out using our dedicated email address, [stephenministry@wilshirebc.org](mailto:stephenministry@wilshirebc.org), or call 214-452-3176.

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# *This Week*

## **Sunday, Nov. 12**

- Thanksgiving Collection for WRCOH
- Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
- Wilshire Welcome, 1100-B, 9:45 a.m.
- Worship, Sanctuary, 11 a.m.
- Lunch and Q&A with Anthony Reddie, Community Hall, noon
- Children's Choir Snack Lunch, 2221, noon
- Youth Choir Snack Lunch, Youth Center, noon
- Faith in 3D rehearsal, 1205-G, 12:15 p.m.
- Children's Choirs, 12:30 p.m.
- Youth Choir, Choral Hall, 12:30 p.m.
- Wilshire Bells, Handbell Room, 12:30 p.m.
- Shekinah, Choral Hall, 1:30 p.m.
- Carillon Ringers, Handbell Room, 2:15 p.m.
- Fireside Chats, various locations, 5 & 6:30 p.m.

## **Monday, Nov. 13**

- Exercise Class, 3101 & 3103, 10:30 a.m.
- Wilshire Winds, Choral Hall, 7 p.m.

## **Tuesday, Nov. 14**

- Tuesday Evening Book Club, Parlor, 6:30 p.m.
- Faith in 3D Choir, Choral Hall, 7 p.m.
- Chronic & Undiagnosed Illness Support Group, Zoom, 7:30 p.m.

## **Wednesday, Nov. 15**

- New Song, Choral Hall, 9:30 a.m.
- Ukulele Rehearsal, Choral Hall, 11 a.m.
- Lunch & Learn, Community Hall, 11:30 a.m.
- Adventurers Committee, 1205-L, 1 p.m.
- Koinonia Café, Community Hall, 5 p.m.
- Fall Bible Study, Community Hall, 6 p.m.
- Committee on Committees, 1205-G, 6 p.m.
- Preschool Music, Missions & More, 6 p.m.
- KidConnect, 2224, 6 p.m.
- WSM Watershed, Youth Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Sanctuary Choir, Choral Hall, 7 p.m.

## **Thursday, Nov. 16**

- Knit Unto Others, Parlor, 1:30 p.m.
- WOW! Knitting Group, Sara Tinsley Home, 6:30 p.m.

## **Friday, Nov. 17**

- MOPS, James Gallery, 9 a.m.
- Wilshire Game Night, Community Hall, 6 p.m.

## **Saturday, Nov. 18**

- WSM Fall Retreat bus loading, 7:30 a.m.
- WOW! Book Club Saturday Edition, Lake Highlands Café, 10:30 a.m.

# Juliana Moore

**Hometown:** Humble, Texas

**Present City:** Dallas

**Education:** BA in psychology and BM in music therapy from SMU. MS in counseling psychology from UT Southwestern.

**Profession:** Retired U.S. probation officer, now a federal sentencing consultant.

## Tell us about your family.

I grew up in Humble and moved to Dallas to attend SMU. My father was a veterinarian and my mother was a librarian. I love animals and books. Church and music were very important pastimes in our family life. I began playing piano at a very young age and continued playing until rheumatoid arthritis decided my fingers didn't want to do that any longer. I started playing French horn in middle school and continue playing even now. I have a younger brother who is a professional oboist in San Francisco. I married Alex Rivera when I was 41. He's a trumpet player. We have a dog and a cat.

## How about your work or volunteer life?

When I was in graduate school my last internship was in the psychology department of the Juvenile Detention Center. I loved it. I got a job working as a juvenile probation officer while I finished writing my master's thesis, and I just stayed there. I eventually left the juvenile department to become a U.S. probation officer (more money, better benefits, etc.). I stayed with the feds for 18 years until I took medical retirement. I loved working with defendants, but



the system was and is very broken. I now consult with federal criminal defense attorneys and assist them and their clients as they prepare for sentencing.

## What brought you to Wilshire and when?

I came to Wilshire in 1991.

## Where are you engaged in Wilshire?

I worked with the Wilshire youth from 1994 to 2012 or so. I taught 7th grade Sunday School for most of those years and went to pretty much every retreat, Disciple Now, multiple choir tours — whatever the youth were doing. I think we figured out I went to Youth Camp for 18 consecutive summers. I look at a lot of Wilshire's young leaders now and see a large swath of people I still consider "kids" I taught as 7th graders. I could not be more proud. Over the years I've been involved in Sanctuary Choir, Wilshire Winds and Carillon Ringers, but I'm currently playing handbells and serving as a deacon. I attend the Journey Sunday School Class.

## What are your strengths, or what are some adjectives that best describe you?

I'm a 2 on the Enneagram, and my Strengths-Finder strengths are Harmony, Input, Connectedness, Empathy and Achiever.



# Ways to Serve in November

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