



Fort Worth
Presbyterian
Church

Welcome to our visitors on Facebook Live. We're glad you've joined us to worship today. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to complete a visitor form or to submit a prayer request or praise.

May God's blessings in Christ be with you.

God's forgiving, redeeming, restoring touch reaches down into the darkest crevices of our souls, those places where we are most ashamed, most defeated. More than this: those crevices of sin are themselves the places where Christ loves us the most. His heart willingly goes there. His heart is most strongly drawn there. He knows us to the uttermost, and he saves us to the uttermost, because his heart is drawn out to us to the uttermost. We cannot sin our way out of his tender care.

- Dane Ortlund

Corporate worship is a regular gracious reminder that it's not about you. You've been born into a life that is a celebration of another.

- Paul Tripp

Worship

—November 1, 2020—

Preparation for Worship

The Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

† The Call to Worship

God calls His people to worship

PSALM 34:1-3

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually
be in my mouth.

**My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear
and be glad.**

Oh, magnify the LORD with me!

Let us exalt his name together!

Come Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you,
Full of pity, joined with power.
He is able, He is able;
He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous;
Sinners Jesus came to call.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended;
Pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good.

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† Praises of the People

We voice our praise

† Doxology

We respond in praise

DUKE STREET

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Welcome

Confession of Sin

We turn from our sin

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

- from the Book of Common Prayer

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

The promise of good news

EPHESIANS 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

† Hymn of Response

We look to Christ alone

Heal Us, Emmanuel

(Refrain)

*Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are. We long to feel Thy touch.
Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly; O, Savior hear our cry.*

Our faith is feeble we confess, We faintly trust Thy word;
But will you pity us the less? Be that far from you, Lord! (Refrain)

Remember him who once applied, with trembling for relief; "Lord,
I believe," with tears he cried; "O help my unbelief!"

(Refrain)

She, too, who touched you in the press, And healing virtue stole,
Was answered, "Daughter, go in peace;
thy faith has made thee whole!"

(Refrain)

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Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Phillip Maxwell (8:30)

Steve Fults, Ruling Elder (10:30)

International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

The Reading of the Word

Hosea 6:1-3; 7:8-16; 8:7-14

Hosea 6:1-3

[1] “Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. [2] After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. [3] Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.”

Hosea 7:8-16

[8] Ephraim mixes himself with the peoples; Ephraim is a cake not turned. [9] Strangers devour his strength, and he knows it not; gray hairs are sprinkled upon him, and he knows it not. [10] The pride of Israel testifies to his face; yet they do not return to the LORD their God, nor seek him, for all this.

[11] Ephraim is like a dove, silly and without sense, calling to Egypt, going to Assyria. [12] As they go, I will spread over them my net; I will bring them down like birds of the heavens; I will discipline them according to the report made to their congregation.

[13] Woe to them, for they have strayed from me! Destruction to them, for they have rebelled against me! I would redeem them, but they speak lies against me.

[14] They do not cry to me from the heart, but they wail upon their beds; for grain and wine they gash themselves; they rebel against me. [15] Although I trained and strengthened their arms, yet they devise evil against me. [16] They return, but not upward; they are like a treacherous bow; their princes shall fall by the sword because of the insolence of their tongue. This shall be their derision in the land of Egypt.

Hosea 8:7-14

[7] For they sow the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind. The standing grain has no heads; it shall yield no flour; if it were to yield, strangers would devour it. [8] Israel is swallowed up; already they are among the nations as a useless vessel. [9] For they have gone up to Assyria, a wild donkey wandering alone; Ephraim has hired lovers. [10] Though they hire allies among the nations, I will soon gather them up. And the king and princes shall soon writhe because of the tribute.

[11] Because Ephraim has multiplied altars for sinning, they have become to him altars for sinning. [12] Were I to write for him my laws by the ten thousands, they would be regarded as a strange thing. [13] As for my sacrificial offerings, they sacrifice meat and eat it, but the LORD does not accept them. Now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins; they shall return to Egypt. [14] For Israel has forgotten his Maker and built palaces, and Judah has multiplied fortified cities; so I will send a fire upon his cities, and it shall devour her strongholds.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

A LOVELESS PEOPLE:
4 IMAGES OF HUMAN SIN

1. Four Image of Human Sin
 - A. Loss of purpose and mission
 1. a cake “half-baked” (7:8)
 2. a “broken bow” (7:14-16)
 - B. Delusion and loss of self-awareness
 1. An aging man unaware of himself
 2. A “dove” (7:11-12)
 - C. Judgment as Sowing (8:7)

2. Two images of God’s redemption
 - A. God’s presence
 1. the “dawn” (6:3)
 - B. God’s love and care
 1. “spring rains” (6:3)

Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Encouragement

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

The Confession

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Pastor: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Understanding Holy Communion

“For Christ our passover has also been sacrificed for us, therefore, let us celebrate the feast.” 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Because we believe the Table belongs to the Lord, it is vital that you come this morning on His terms:

1. You must be in communion with Jesus Christ by faith and repentance, trusting Him alone for your salvation.
– *1 Corinthians 11:27-29*
2. You must be in communion with your brothers and sisters in Christ. – *Matthew 5:23-24; Ephesians 4:11-12*
3. You must be in communion with the church (any Bible-believing church) as a baptized member in good standing.
– *Matthew 18:15-18; Hebrews 13:17*
4. Because we seriously heed Scripture's admonition in 1 Corinthians 11:28-29, We invite children who are ready to make a public profession of saving faith to complete the Communicants Class materials available at the book table, arrange a meeting with the elders, and thus become regular “communicants” at the Lord’s Table.

“But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup.”

– 1 Corinthians 11:28-29

Prayers for Those Not Communing

For those searching for truth: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me the ability to follow you no matter what it might cost me. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

For those who desire to profess faith in Christ: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead and are now representing me at the Father's right hand in heaven, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

A prayer for those struggling against sin: Lord Jesus, give me the ability to see in you the fulfillment of all my needs and desires, and help me to turn from every false source of satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

A prayer for covenant children who have not yet made a profession of faith: Lord Jesus, thank you for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow you as one of your disciples. Amen.

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord,
She is His new creation
By water and the Word.
From heaven He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation,
Yet one over all the earth;
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping;
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish,
Her dear Lord to defend
To guide, sustain and cherish,
Is with her to the end
Though there be those that hate her,
And false sons in her pale
Against a foe or traitor,
She ever shall prevail.

Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore;
'Til, with the vision glorious,
Her longing eyes are blessed,
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.

Words by Samuel Stone; Music by Brian Moss

The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

They who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31

People: Thanks be to God!

The Blessing

God blesses his people as they go

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.
May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all.

2 Thessalonians 3:5; 1 Thessalonians 3:12

Announcements

Deacon of the Day

Daniel Sneed

Save the Date

December 13 Lessons & Carols, 5pm & 6:30pm

Information & Events

Offering: To make a contribution [CLICK HERE](#).

New Member/Inquirers Class TODAY: Learn about FWPC's vision, purpose, ministries, service opportunities, fellowship opportunities, membership and more. This is a four-week class starting Sundays, October 25th *thru* November 15th, immediately following the 8:30am worship service. *Teacher: Steve Fults in the Lecture Hall.* Signup at the Fellowship Hall table.

The Final Fall Social Event for 5th and 6th Graders: This social event is where we will give prizes to those who have memorized any of the catechisms up to that point.

NOVEMBER 15th, 6-7:30 S'MORE ROAST @ the Welch house.

Any questions, contact Ryan or Ada Moore

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Zoom Prayer meetings: Mondays @ 7:30am; Thursdays @ Noon-12:30pm. Join the church in prayer each week for the issues facing our nation. The links were emailed this past Friday.

Information & Events

Women's Bible Study

Join us to study Kathleen Nielson's *Psalms: Songs Along the Way* this spring (**Jan. 12-Apr. 14**) and observe the ways of God, words, and prayer. We will have small groups and lectures on Wednesday mornings and a small group in the evening at church. Zoom discussion groups will be available on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday evening. If none of these groups work for you, we encourage you to create your own small group and join in Nielson's study of Psalms with us. Fall registration is available now at **FortWorthPCA.org**.

40 Days for Life Closing Rally TODAY: We bring the fall campaign to a close at 2pm-3pm today on the sidewalk at Planned Parenthood. The hour begins as a group with 30 minutes of silent prayer together and ends with a recap of this year's campaign and opening up the next chapter in our efforts to bring an end to abortion in our community and to build up the culture of life!

Meeting November 12, 7-8 pm: The Session invites you to attend an overview of the Denominations 2018 paper on Racial Reconciliation including practical advice for ministry going forward.

Unity Fund Offering Sunday, November 15:

There are 4,882 Teaching Elders in the PCA. Of that number, only a small percentage of TE's are made up of minorities.

1%	0.8%	10%
African American	Latino	Korean/Korean American

These facts galvanized the PCA to create the PCA Unity Fund in 2016 motivated for our denomination to resemble the Church in her glorified state, as described in Revelation 7:9.

Information & Events

The “Compassion Team” is made up of people serving and showing compassion to the family and friends that are grieving the loss of a loved one and have chosen Fort Worth PCA for the funeral or memorial service. Previously called the “Funeral Committee,” the new name “Compassion Team” speaks better of our heart and intentions. The members of the team at this point include Daniel Sneed, Pete Cansick, Margaret Kunkel, Jennifer Cauble, Carol Whylen, Susie Tassin and Nancy Eggar.

We are asking you, the congregation, to consider volunteering to be available to assist the team in the event of a funeral at the church. Your name would be in a pool of names that could then be drawn on as needed. Areas of service include: set up, greeters, provide food, food prep and serving and clean up. You would be given the option of choosing one of these areas, or you could choose to be available wherever needed. Obviously, this is something we hope is seldom if ever needed. But in the event of a funeral, we want to do it well and with compassion.

Please prayerfully consider this as an area in which you can serve. If you agree to be a volunteer, please contact Daniel Sneed by text or phone call at (817) 343-1589 or, preferably, by email at dandsneed@icloud.com. You can also contact any of the above listed team members, if you have any questions.

Please complete, tear off this page & place in the offering plate

Date: _____

Name: *Mr./Mrs./Ms.*: _____
first *last*

Spouse's Name: (if applicable) _____

Address: _____
street *apt. #*

city *state* *zip*

Email address: _____

Phone: _____

Check all that apply:

- First time guest*
- Repeat guest*
- Address change
- Name Tag needed
- I have a mercy need*
- I would like a visit from an elder
- Email change

Prayer requests/praises or activity signup:

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer
and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests
be made known to God.*

Philippians 4:6

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“Nurturing a joy for loving God and loving people
by proclaiming, believing and living out the gospel of Jesus Christ”

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