

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church Welcome to our visitors. We are glad you are here to worship with us today. Visitor forms are on the inside back page of the bulletin. Please complete, tear off and place in the offering plate, so that we may contact you. Also, use this form for prayer requests or for any activity signups.

The Lord's Supper will be served today.

Should you have any questions regarding the Lord's Supper, please see "Understanding Communion" in the bulletin.

May God's blessings in Christ be with you.

Christians have always marked Pentecost Sunday as the birthday of the church. The church is, by the power of the Holy Spirit, the continuation of the presence of Jesus in and to the world. The metaphor of "the body of Christ" that became common in the early church captures this incarnational dimension of the church. While Christ is seated at the right hand of the Father, he is also completely present in a mystical way to his body, the church.

- Robert Webber

[The Spirit] is called "the guarantee and seal" of our inheritance because from heaven he so gives life to us, on pilgrimage in the world and resembling dead men, as to assure us that our salvation is safe in God's unfailing care.

- John Calvin

# Worship

—Мау 30, 2021 —

# Trinity Sunday

# 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 92:1-4

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet your tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing? Come and worship, come and worship, Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress; Praise him, still the same forever, Slow to chide and swift to bless. Come and worship, come and worship, Glorious in his faithfulness.

God our Father tends and spares us,
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Come and worship, come and worship,
Widely as his mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish,
Blows the wind and it is gone;
But while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Come and worship, come and worship,
Praise the High Eternal One!

Angels, help us to adore him;
You behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space,
Come and worship, come and worship,
Praise with us the God of grace.
Come and worship, come and worship,
Praise with us the God of grace.
Words by Henry Lyte, 1843; music by Nathan Partain

† Invocation

We seek the Lord's presence among us

† Doxology

We respond in praise
OLD HUNDREDTH

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! *Amen* 

#### † Confession of Faith

We confess our faith together
The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who 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 into hell. \*

The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come 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.

#### Welcome

<sup>\*</sup>While Jesus didn't literally descend to hell, he did endure the torment of hell on the cross and remained under the power of death until his resurrection.

<sup>\*\*</sup>universal

Triune God, we praise you as the God of love and life. Though Jesus prayed that we would be one, we confess that at times we fail to live in unity with each other and with you. We fracture or even break our fellowship with you and others through hostile words and unkind actions. We long for your Spirit to heal us and to correct us. We long for you to help us experience communion with you and with each other as we gather around your Word and table. Even now, dependent on your grace, we commit ourselves to live more fully in the unity you desire, as creatures made in your image. Through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

#### Silent Confession

# Assurance of Forgiveness

The promise of good news

ROMANS 8:15-17

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ.

# I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)

Out of the depths I cry to You, in darkest places I will call. Incline Your ear to me anew, and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were You to count my sinful ways,
How could I come before Your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze, I stand redeemed by grace alone.

I will wait for You, I will wait for You, On Your word I will rely. I will wait for You, surely wait for You, Till my soul is satisfied.

So, put Your hope in God alone. Take courage in His power to save, Completely and forever won by Christ's emerging from the grave.

I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
On Your word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
Till my soul is satisfied.

Now He has come to make a way, and God Himself has paid the price, That all who trust in Him today, find healing in His sacrifice.

I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
On Your word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
Till my soul is satisfied.
I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
Through the storm and through the night.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
For Your love is my delight.

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# Children Pre- K through 2nd grade can now be dismissed for KIWI (Kids In Worship Instruction).

Teachers will meet the children in the foyer to take them to the Lecture Hall for class.

After the sermon, their teachers will return them to worship where they may come directly to you, or you may meet them at the back of the auditorium.

# Pastoral Prayer

Ben Dyess

# The Reading of the Word

Romans 5:1-8

[1] Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. [2] Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. [3] More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, [4] and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, [5] and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. [6] For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. [7] For one will scarcely die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die – [8] but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 8:28-39

[28] And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. [29] For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. [30] And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. [31] What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? [32] He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? [33] Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. [34] Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died – more than that, who was raised – who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. [35] Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? [36] As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." [37] No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. [38] For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, [39] nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (ESV)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.** 

#### QUESTION AND ANSWER AND REASON

1. Question (35-36)

2. Answer (37)

3. Reason (38-39)

#### 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.

(Clear cups are wine and purple cups are grape juice)

# **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 Biblebelieving 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.

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners!

Jesus! lover of my soul;
friends may fail me, foes assail me,
he, my Savior, makes me whole.

#### Refrain:

Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah, what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
he is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness!

Let me hide myself in him;
tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
he, my strength, my vict'ry wins. [Refrain]

Jesus! what a help in sorrow!

While the billows o'er me roll,
even when my heart is breaking,
he, my comfort, helps my soul. [Refrain]

Jesus! what a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high, storms about me, night o'ertakes me, he, my pilot, hears my cry. [Refrain]

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find; he hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine. [Refrain]

Words by J. Wilbur Chapman

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors, while everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast, each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?

"Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room, when thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in; else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come; send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

Words by Isaac Watts

#### Hark the Voice of Love and Mercy

Hark, the voice of love and mercy,
Sounds aloud from Calvary!
See, it rends the rocks asunder,
Shakes the earth and veils the sky!
"It is finished, It is finished." hear the dying Savior cry.
"It is finished, It is finished." hear the dying Savior cry.

"It is finished," O what pleasure,
Do these charming words afford.
Heav'nly blessings, without measure,
Flow to us from Christ the Lord.

"It is finished, it is finished," saints the dying words record.

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Finished all the types and shadows
Of the ceremonial law;
Finished all that God had promised;
Death and hell no more shall awe.
"It is finished, it is finished,"
Saints from hence your comfort draw.
"It is finished, it is finished,"
Saints from hence your comfort draw.

Tune your harps anew, ye seraphs;
Join to sing the pleasing theme;
Saints on earth and all in heaven,
Join to praise Immanuel's name.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Glory to the bleeding Lamb!
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Jonathan Evans, 1784

#### Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee. Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shalt be. Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known Yet how rich is my condition, God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my savior too.

Human hearts and looks deceive me, Thou art not like them untrue.

Oh while thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love and might, foes may hate and friends disown me, show thy face and all is bright.

Soul then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station,
Something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
Think what Father's smiles are thine.
Think that Jesus died to win thee,
Child of heaven, canst thou repine.

Haste thee on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer. Heav'n's eternal day's before thee, God's own hand shall guide thee there. Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days. Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight and prayer to praise.

Words by Henry Lyte; music by Bill Moore ©2001 Bill Moore Music

# The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

Romans 12:9-10, 12

People: Thanks be to God!

#### The Blessing

God blesses his people as they go

May God make you worthy of his calling and may he fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

#### **Announcements**

# Deacon of the Day

Chris Jordan

#### Save the Date

June 13th

Women's Social at FWPC, 5:00pm

June 22<sup>nd -</sup> July 14<sup>th</sup>

Women's Summer Study

July 26th-30th

Vacation Bible School

#### Information & Events

<u>Offering:</u> Baskets are in the rear of the sanctuary to make a contribution, or giving online is available at <u>fortworthpca.org</u>, or you may text to give to 817-934-6447.

**Find Refreshment in a Zoom Prayer meeting**: Monday at 7:30am, Thursday at 1:00pm. Join the church for 30 minutes of prayer Monday or Thursday as we pray for issues facing our church and nation. The link was emailed this past week.

<u>June 6 Congregational Meeting:</u> Sunday, June 6, there is a Congregational Meeting after worship.

Purpose: Release Pastor Ryan from his call as Associate Pastor of Fort Worth Presbyterian Church.

Per the Book of Church Order (BOCO) 23.1, it is required that we hold a meeting to release Senior and Associate Pastors from their call. The congregation does this through a written ballot.

**GAP Meets June 6<sup>th</sup>:** 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will meet at the Birbari's house directly after worship (12:30-2pm) for lunch and swimming and discuss questions 24-26.

Westminster Shorter Catechism Class: Join us for a study on the fundamentals of our faith Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Room 201. The only Sunday School class offered this summer, these sessions will give a deeper understanding of what Christians believe and will bring us to worship and praise our God and Father. Bring your questions to class, led by Bob Schwartzbeck. Study materials will be provided. The class begins June 6 and will continue in the fall. (Childcare is not available during the Sunday School hour this summer.)

#### Information & Events

<u>Women's Summer Social:</u> Ladies, make plans to join us on the Fort Worth Presbyterian lawn for fellowship and frozen treats on Sunday, June 13, at 5:00 p.m.

<u>Reception for Moore's & Maxwell's:</u> We will celebrate Ryan & Ada and Phillip & Christina with a farewell reception following worship on Sunday, June 20. Mark your calendars!

**Women's Summer Study:** Join us to read and discuss Jen Wilkin's *None Like Him*, June 22-July 14. We'll focus on the ways God is different from us - and why that's a good thing! Choose from four small groups - Tuesday mornings at Anna Nave's, Tuesday evenings at Tricia Welch's, Wednesday mornings at Fort Worth Presbyterian (childcare available), or Wednesday evenings at Lori Birbari's. You are welcome whether you can attend just one week or all four. We know summers are busy! *None Like Him* calls us to embrace our limits as a means of glorifying God's limitless power and invites us to find freedom in letting God be God. We hope you'll join us, and even bring a friend! The \$10 registration fee covers the cost of the book and a small journal for note keeping, and scholarships are available. Register at fortworthpca.org.





# Financial Report

#### Fiscal year June 2020-May 2021

June – April	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	1,136,957	1,179,686
General Fund Expenses YTD	1,160,944	1,197,142
How we're doing YTD	-19,790	-11,059

We have continued to use the Covid-19 Relief funds for needs with a balance remaining of \$8,852. As of April 30, we have \$175,098 cash on hand after liabilities. Thank you for your faithful giving in these difficult times.

Part of your faithful giving supports Ian & Heather Jones, West Africa Missions

- ❖ NEW! Mobile Giving: Just Text the amount you want to give to 817-934-6447. The first time will take you through the setup after that just text the amount you would like to give.
- If you would like to give online you can sign up for ACH/Credit/Debit giving from our home page fortworthpca.org
- ❖ If you would like to contribute stocks or securities from a brokerage account you can contact Steve Fults 817-731-3300 and he can give you the instructions for these types of gifts.
- ❖ If you would like to include FWPC in your estate planning you can contact Steve Fults with any questions you may have.

Trust in the Lord, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37.3-4

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Check all that apply:  O First time guest O I have a mercy need O Repeat guest O I would like a visit from an elder O Address change O Email change O Name Tag needed  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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