



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.*

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When we put our foot upon the threshold of glory, and pass through the gate of pearl to the golden pavement of the heavenly city, the last step will be as much taken through the grace of God, as was the first step when we turned unto our great Father in our rags and misery. Left by the grace of God for a single moment, we would perish. We are dependent as much upon grace for spiritual life as we are upon the air we breathe for this natural life.

- Charles Spurgeon

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# Worship

—August 1, 2021—

Welcome

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*

REVELATION 15:3; 1 TIMOTHY 1:17

Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen!

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish - but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
‘Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Words by Walter Chalmers Smith

† Invocation and Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we  
forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver  
us from the evil one. For thine is the kingdom, the power and  
the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

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 Sin

LORD, you have delivered us from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of your beloved Son. You have promised to give us the Kingdom. You have promised to never leave us or forsake us. You have promised that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. You have promised us life eternal in the Glory of your presence and many more blessed promises. And yet Lord, we confess that we are a fearful and anxious people. We are truly anxious about everything; our safety, our health, our future, our finances, our appearance; What are we NOT anxious about! We have sinned against your very character and we repent of our lack of faith and trust in your word. Hear now our specific, silent, confessions of the lack of trust in your promises.

Silent Confession

ROMANS 8:38-39

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 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.

† Hymn of Response

*We trust in Christ alone*

Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul  
Dear refuge of my weary soul,  
On Thee, when sorrows rise;  
On Thee, when waves of trouble roll,  
My fainting hope relies;  
To Thee I tell each rising grief,  
For Thou alone canst heal;  
Thy Word can bring a sweet relief,  
For every pain I feel.

But oh! When gloomy doubts prevail,  
I fear to call Thee mine;  
The springs of comfort seem to fail,  
And all my hopes decline.  
Yet gracious God, where shall I flee?  
Thou art my only trust;  
And still my soul would cleave to Thee  
Though prostrate in the dust.

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face,  
And shall I seek in vain?  
And can the ear of sovereign grace,  
Be deaf when I complain?  
No, still the ear of sovereign grace,  
Attends the mourner's prayer;  
Oh may I ever find access,  
To breathe my sorrows there.

Thy mercy seat is open still,  
Here let my soul retreat.  
With humble hope attend Thy will,  
And wait beneath Thy feet;  
Thy mercy seat is open still,  
Here let my soul retreat.  
With humble hope attend Thy will,  
And wait beneath Thy feet.

Words by Anne Steele; Music by Kevin Twit

## Offertory Prayer

## Morning Offering

*We offer our gifts*

*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 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

*Jack Norris*

## The Reading of the Word

Psalm 27:1-3

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

[2] When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,

my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

[3] Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

# The Preaching of the Word

*Tom Nachtergaele*

CONFIDENCE IN THE LORD, MY HELPER AND MY HELP

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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.

Statements for Communion:

“The body of Christ for you.”

“The blood of Christ for you.”

“You have new life in Christ.”

“You have full forgiveness in Christ.”

*(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 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.

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,  
And cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan's fair and happy land,  
Where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains,  
Shines one eternal day;  
There God the Son forever reigns,  
And scatters night away.

*I am bound (I am bound)*  
*I am bound (I am bound)*  
*I am bound for promised land,*  
*I am bound (I am bound)*  
*I am bound (I am bound)*  
*I am bound for promised land.*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath  
Can reach that healthful shore;  
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death,  
Are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place,  
And be forever blessed?  
When shall I see my Father's face,  
And in His bosom rest?

Words by Samuel Stennett; Music by Christopher Miner  
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## The Sending

*The people of God are sent into the world*

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed,  
for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will  
help you, I will uphold you with my righteous  
right hand.

*Isaiah 41:10*

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## The Blessing

*God blesses his people as they go*

Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to  
you, and therefore he exalts himself to show  
mercy to you. For the LORD is a God of  
justice; blessed are all those who wait for him.

*Isaiah 30:18*

## Announcements

### Deacon of the Day

Randy Shannon

### Save the Date

Christian Education returns Sundays @ 9am	August 15
Small Groups resume	September 12

## Information & Events

**Visitors:** Pick up visitor information at the visitors kiosk in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship.

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

**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 class will continue in the fall.

**Counseling Resources:** Fort Worth Presbyterian has developed partnerships with Metroplex Counseling and Restoration Counseling and other counselors through referring members to them. We will continue to do this as a way of walking with members and want to make you aware of this resource, particularly during the transition. If you are interested in a referral to the counselors with whom we have relationships and/or assistance with the cost of counseling, please contact Steve Fults at [steve@fortworthpca.org](mailto:steve@fortworthpca.org).

**Women's Salad Social:** Come to the Davis Barn (6796 Silver Saddle Road) for fellowship this Thursday, August 5, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Bring a salad to share. Drinks and dessert will be provided. We'll also hear a bit about FWPC's Women's Ministry for the coming year. Ask questions. Be inspired. Get involved!

## Information & Events

**Men's Fall Kickoff Breakfast:** Join us for breakfast tacos and more on Saturday, August 14, at 8:30 a.m. in the FWPC Fellowship Hall. We will hear from Dr. Mike Higgins, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology at Covenant Seminary and Seminary Chaplain, on how the gospel calls us to unity and friendship.

**Women's Bible Study:** Join us on Wednesdays beginning September 15 to study The Gospel of Mark. Morning and evening groups will utilize a study guide published by Redeemer Presbyterian Church and *Jesus the King* by Tim Keller. Fall semester runs thru November 17, and spring meets January 12 thru March 30. Visit [fortworthpca.org/biblestudy](http://fortworthpca.org/biblestudy) for complete details and registration.

**Called to Counsel Conference:** The *Association of Biblical Counselors* is offering FWPC members a preferred rate to attend the 2021 national conference at Doxology Bible Church from September 16-18. *Called to Counsel* is designed for anyone committed to sound counsel from the Word in their own lives and as they minister to others. Specialized track sessions include topics covering marriage, depression, addictions, anxiety, PTSD, domestic abuse and holistic Biblical care. Visit [calledtocounsel.com](http://calledtocounsel.com) for conference details and use promo code PARTNER2021 to receive 20% off your registration.

# This Month at



Aug 3-7 - Middle School RYM at Allaso Ranch

Thurs, Aug 5, 7 PM - High School Youth Ultimate Frisbee with Trinity

Sat, Aug 7, 10:30 AM - Cereal & Scripture at FWPC

High School - Room 203, 2 Peter led by Micah Jones

Sat, Aug 14, - All Youth Party at the Birbaris' (Details coming soon!)

Sun, Aug 15, 9 AM - Sunday School Returns (with donuts!)

High School - Room 203

Middle School - Room 204

Wed, Aug 25, 7:30 PM - First High School Large Group

Details: [fortworthpca.org/youth](http://fortworthpca.org/youth) | Questions? [thefort@fortworthpca.org](mailto:thefort@fortworthpca.org) | @ [@thefort\\_fwpc](https://www.instagram.com/thefort_fwpc)



A new year for Women's Covenant Groups begins in September, and all women who are members of FWPC are invited to participate.

Moms Groups meet monthly during the school year for fellowship, prayer, and book discussion focusing on how to biblically live out the calling of motherhood. Moms are grouped by the age of their oldest child.

Women to Women Groups of mixed ages and stages meet monthly year-round for prayer, study, and mutual encouragement designed to deepen their knowledge of and relationship with God.

Complete a registration form in the fellowship hall or online (use the QR code) by **Sunday, August 29**, to be placed in a group.





# *ladies* GAME NIGHT

**Mon, Aug 2, 7-9 PM**  
**FWPC Lecture Hall**

Get ready for a night of fun!  
Friends and snacks to share are welcome.  
Decaf coffee and water are provided.



## **MEN'S FALL STUDY**

Gentle and Lowly by Dane Ortlund

**August 18–October 21**

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 AM

Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 PM

**FWPC Lecture Hall**

**Register at [fortworthpca.org/men](http://fortworthpca.org/men)**

# Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2020-May 2021

June	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	67,982	71,673
General Fund Expenses YTD	101,012	102,111
How we're doing YTD	-33,030	-30,438

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. Through the first month of our fiscal year, we spent \$30,030 more than our income. This is \$2,592 larger deficit last year. As of June 30, we have \$153,052 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports Keith Berger, Reformed University Fellowship, Chief Organizational Development Officer.

- ❖ 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](http://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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**Prayer requests/praises or activity signup:**

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*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*

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church  
"Nurturing a joy for loving God and loving people  
by proclaiming, believing and living out the gospel of Jesus Christ"

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