

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.

Hence that dread and wonder with which Scripture commonly represents the saints as stricken and overcome whenever they felt the presence of God. Thus it comes about that we see men who in his absence normally remained firm and constant, but who, when he manifests his glory, are so shaken and struck dumb as to be laid low by the dread of death- are in fact overwhelmed by it and almost annihilated. As a consequence, we must infer that man is never sufficiently touched and affected by the awareness of his lowly state until he has compared himself with God's majesty.

- John Calvin

Worship

—July 18, 2021 —

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

JEREMIAH 31:10, 12-13

"Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, 'He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd keeps his flock.'

They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD.

Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry.

I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.

† Hymn of Praise

We praise our glorious King

Almighty God

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, Search and know our thoughts and anxious fears. Wash us in the fountain of your mercy; Come with your light, we cannot hide from you.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, With gratitude we raise our song to you, Come and fill the praises of your people; In grace and truth, you make us new again.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open,
We long for more than what this world provides.
No shallow spring will ever satisfy us;
Your river deep floods over everything.

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† 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*

Welcome

Confession of Sin

Holy, merciful and majestic Father We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep We have followed too much the desires of our own hearts And offended against your Holy, righteous, and good laws

We have worshiped other gods before you Not statues and paintings, but with our technology Our wealth, our knowledge and our medical prowess All blessings from you that we have attributed to ourselves

We have honored you with our song and words And our prayers But our hearts, devotion, dependence, are all too often Far from true worship of your majesty.

As you spoke in rebuke to Job, so let us heed as well; "Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth"

Restore unto us the joy and desire to abide in Jesus For apart from you, triune LORD, we can do nothing.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

We rest in the mercy of God

I JOHN 4:10

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more! Stronger than darkness, new every morn Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us His blood was the payment, his life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

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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

Steve Fults

The Reading of the Word

Psalm 8

O Lord, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

- [2] Out of the mouth of babies and infants,
- you have established strength because of your foes,

to still the enemy and the avenger.

- [3] When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
- [4] what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?
- [5] Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.
- [6] You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet,
- [7] all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field.

- [8] the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- [9] O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Keith Berger

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CRAZY CREATIVITY

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 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.

Christ Is Mine Forevermore

Mine are days that God has numbered
I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer
Though I fall, his love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing
I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow
Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes his work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger
Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for his name
But mine is armor for this battle
Strong enough to last the war
And he has said he will deliver
Safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore

By Jonny Robinson and Rich Thompson

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

Dowell Stackpole

Information & Events

<u>Offering:</u> To make a contribution <u>CLICK HERE</u> or you may text to give to 817-934-6447.

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.

<u>Congregational Meeting TODAY:</u> following worship, to conduct all matters necessary in the call and election of our next Senior Pastor, per the Book of Church Order 20-2 through 20-8.

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.



AGE 4-6TH GRADE 3-YEAR OLD CLASS AVAILABLE FOR FWPC MEMBERS









Thurs, July 22, 7 PM - High School Youth Ultimate Frisbee with Trinity

Sat, July 24, 10:30 AM - Cereal & Scripture at FWPC
Middle School - Room 204, Miracles of Mark led by Collin Ryan
High School - Room 203, 2 Peter led by Micah Jones

Mon-Fri, July 26-30 - Olympion VBS Volunteering

Thurs, July 29, 7 PM - High School Youth Ultimate Frisbee with Trinity

Sat, July 31, 10:30 AM - Cereal & Scripture at FWPC
Middle School - Room 204, Miracles of Mark led by Collin Ryan
High School - Room 203, 2 Peter led by Micah Jones

Details: fortworthpca.org/youth | Questions? thefort@fortworthpca.org | @ @thefort_fwpc

<u>The Fort Youth Ministry Volunteers:</u> Opportunities for parents/adults to serve our youth include hosting or coordinating events, providing transportation to and from events, chaperoning events/camps, leading small groups, etc. We would love to have you be a part of the team! Email <u>TheFort@fortworthpca.org</u> or talk to Collin Ryan.

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
- ❖ 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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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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