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When Jesus expels demons and heals the sick, he is driving out of creation the powers of destruction, and is healing and restoring created beings who are hurt and sick. The lordship of God to which the healings witness, restores creation to health. Jesus' healings are not supernatural miracles in a natural world. They are the only truly "natural" thing in a world that is unnatural, demonized and wounded.

- Jürgen Moltmann

# Worship —August 22, 2021 —

Welcome

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Greeting

Leader: The Lord our God is with us.

People: He is with us indeed.

† The Call to Worship

God calls His people to worship

PSALM 95:1-5

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

### O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad,
The honors of thy Name.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of reigning sin, He sets the pris'ner free; His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

He speaks and, listening to his voice, New life the dead receive; The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, Your loosened tongues employ; Ye blind, behold your Savior come; And leap, ye lame, for joy.

Words by Charles Wesley

# † 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 Sin

We turn from our sin

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We confess that it is still all too easy for us

To sacrifice our convictions for convenience,

Your standards for status, your principles for promotion,

Your absolutes for our ambition,

Our souls for shallow and unsatisfying success.

How easily we are seduced by power, prestige, pleasure, or

possessions- Seduced into violating our integrity or

harming our fellowship with you. From earth's fullest bliss

we turn to you again, unfulfilled. We confess our halfhearted devotion and our double-minded spirit. In the

name of him who refused to save himself we pray.

Silent Confession

#### **ROMANS 6:23**

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## † Hymn of Response

We trust in Christ alone

Jesus, I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of my sickness into Thy health,
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,

Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.

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# Profession of Faith New Communing Members Standing

Alliana Escamilla Abrielle Escamilla Arabella Hoffman Lily Ryun Skye Ryun Lydia Thom Benjamin Welch

Sacrament of Baptism

Lily Ryun Skye Ryun Lydia Thom

# 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.

The Reading of the Word

1 Peter 1:3-7 Pew Bible – page 1014

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word	Keith Berger
SECURE IN TRIALS	

#### 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.

<sup>&</sup>quot;(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.

#### His Love Can Never Fail

I do not ask to see the way my feet will have to tread; But only that my soul may feed upon the living Bread. 'Tis better far that I should walk by faith close to His side; I may not know the way I go, but oh, I know my Guide.

His love can never fail, His love can never fail, My soul is satisfied to know His love can never fail. My soul is satisfied to know His love can never fail.

And if my feet would go astray, they cannot, for I know
That Jesus guides my falt'ring steps, as joyfully I go.
And tho' I may not see His face, my faith is strong and clear,
That in each hour of sore distress my Savior will be near.

I will not fear, tho' darkness come abroad o'er all the land, If I may only feel the touch of His own loving hand. And tho' I tremble when I think how weak I am, and frail, My soul is satisfied to know his love can never fail.

Words by E.S. Hall; Music by Christopher Miner ©2004 Christopher Miner Music

## 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

Johnny Tassin

Save the Date

Small Groups resume

September 12

#### Information & Events

**Offering:** To make a contribution **CLICK HERE** or you may text to give to 817-934-6447.

Welcome Eggars: FWPC is excited to welcome Rev. Brandon Eggar as our next senior pastor. Brandon, wife Neecia, and sons Will, Owen, and Corbitt will arrive in Fort Worth this October. (Daughter Addisyn attends The King's College in New York.) Brandon will preach on Sunday mornings beginning October 17 and be installed on November 7. Mark your calendar for a welcome celebration on Monday, October 25.

**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.

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 for complete details and registration.

**New Nursery Coordinator:** We are thankful to have Elizabeth Saadeh as our new Nursery Coordinator and Mary Bryan staying on as our Assistant Nursery Coordinator. We look forward to opening the nursery up more widely to volunteers again soon and together serving the sweet little ones of our church.

#### Information & Events

<u>Kids Hope USA</u> is a national mentoring program that has partnered our church with Oakmont Elementary since 2006. A FWPC member is matched with an impressionable Oakmont elementary student. Mentors spend one hour per week at school building a relationship with a child while reading and playing games. Prayer partners are matched with a particular mentor and child to lift them up in prayer each week. Contact Jill Davis to make a huge difference in the life of a child: <u>kidshope@fortworthpca.org</u> or 817.896.7113.

<u>Called to Counsel Conference:</u> 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 <u>calledtocounsel.com</u> for conference details and use promo code **PARTNER2021** to receive 20% off your registration.

Small Groups: Vital for relationships in the church, Small Groups spend time in fellowship, God's Word, service, and prayer balanced between our needs and expectant kingdom prayer. Beginning September 12, Small Groups will meet twice monthly during the school year - many meet bi-monthly at church on Sunday evenings and some in homes. On Sunday evenings at FWPC, there is something for every age including children's choir instruction for 1st - 4th grade. Youth Group and GAP (5th and 6th grade) will have their own meetings as well. Visit fortworthpca.org/smallgroups to indicate interest in joining a group.

#### Christian Education

Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

#### **Sunday School:**

Room 203 - High School Youth, Romans

Room 204 - Middle School Youth

Room 209 - 5th-6th Graders

Room 208 - 3rd-4th Graders

Room 210 - 1st-2nd Graders

Room 211 – Pre-K & Kindergarten

Room 111- 3's & 4's

#### **Adult Christian Education:**

Westminster Shorter Catechism Class will continue. "What is God like? Why did the eternal Son have to become a human? To find answers to these and other questions, FWPC is offering a class in the fundamentals of our Christian faith. This class 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. Study materials are provided.

Taught by Bob Schwartzbeck

Lecture Hall

#### **Sharing Your Faith:**

What is the gospel? How do I share my faith? How do I share the gospel? For those who desire encouragement in sharing the good news with others come join this class. This will be a hands-on discussion and application-oriented class.

Led by Steve Fults

Room 205



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

Sun, Aug 29, 9 AM - Sunday School High School - Room 203 | Middle School - Room 204

Wed, Sept 1, 7:30 PM - High School Large Group

Sun, Sept 5, 9 AM - Sunday School High School - Room 203 | Middle School - Room 204

Wed, Sept 8, 7:30 PM - High School Large Group

Sun, Sept 12 - HS Room 203 | MS Room 204 9 AM - Sunday School 6 PM - HS Small Groups, MS Large Group

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

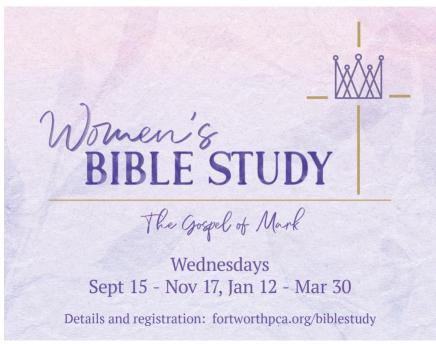


A new year for Women's Covenant Groups begins in September, and all women who are members of FWPC are invited to participate.

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.



# MEN'S FALL STUDY Gentle and Lowly by Dane Ortlund August 18-October 28 Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 AM Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 PM FWPC Lecture Hall Register at fortworthpca.org/men

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