



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.

Whatever God is, he is infinitely so....Conceive of him as excellent, without any imperfection; a Spirit without parts; great without quantity; perfect without quality; everywhere without place; powerful without members; understanding without ignorance; wise without reasoning; light without darkness; infinitely more excelling the beauty of all creatures....And when you have risen to the highest, conceive him yet infinitely above all you can conceive of spirit, and acknowledge the infirmity of your own minds. And whatsoever conception comes into your minds, say, "This is not God; God is more than this."

- Stephen Charnock

Worship

—August 29, 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 5:11-12

Let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exult in you.

**For you bless the righteous, O LORD;
You cover him with favor as with a shield.**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near,
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
How thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew
What the Almighty will do,
If with his love he befriend thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the Amen
Sound from his people again;
Gladly fore'er we adore him.

Words by Joachim Neander, 1680 based on Psalm 103

† 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.**

*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.

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Confession of Sin

We turn from our sin

O God, you have shown us the way of life through your Son, Jesus Christ. We confess with shame our slowness to learn of him, our failure to follow him, and our reluctance to bear the cross. We confess the poverty of our worship, our neglect of fellowship and of the means of grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, our evasion of responsibilities in our service and our imperfect stewardship of your gifts. We confess our sloth and indifference and ask you to give us a heart of genuine repentance.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

We rest in the mercy of God

TITUS 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

God, Be Merciful to Me (Psalm 51)

God, be merciful to me; On Thy grace I rest my plea.
Plenteous in compassion Thou, Blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within;
Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess; Grief and guilt my soul oppress.
I have sinned against Thy grace,
And provoked Thee to Thy face.
I confess Thy judgement just; Speechless, I Thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin; Thou desirest truth within.
Thou alone my Savior art, Teach Thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, Thy grace bestow,
Wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust By Thy wrath and judgment just,
Let my contrite heart rejoice, And in gladness hear Thy voice;
From my sins O hide Thy face, Blot them out in boundless grace.

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Prayer for Covenant Children

August Birthdays

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

Scott Hames

The Reading of the Word

1 Cor. 15:20-26

Pew Bible – page 961

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Keith Berger

LIFE HAS THE LAST WORD

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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.

Arise, O God, and Shine

Arise, O God, and shine in all Thy saving might,
And prosper each design to spread Thy glorious light;
Let healing streams of mercy flow
that all the earth Thy truth may know.

Bring distant nations near to sing Thy glorious praise;
Let every people hear and learn Thy holy ways.
Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause,
and govern by Thy righteous laws.

Put forth Thy glorious pow'r, that everyone may see
And earth present her store, in converts born to Thee.
God, our own God, His Church will bless,
And fill the world with righteousness.

To God, the only Wise, the one immortal King,
Let hallelujahs rise, from every living thing;
Let all that breathe, on every coast,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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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

David Steed

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.

Afghan Refugee Assistance Meeting immediately following morning worship in the Lecture Hall. Join us to find out how you can help.

Welcome Eggars: FWPC is excited to welcome Rev. Brandon Eggar as our next senior pastor. Brandon, wife Neechia, 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.

Ladies Game Night: Tomorrow, August 30, is the next Ladies Game Night! Join us for a night of fun in the Lecture Hall from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Friends and snacks to share are welcome. Decaf coffee and water are provided. Ladies Game Night occurs monthly on the first Monday of the month with this exception to avoid coinciding with Labor Day.

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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.

Kids Hope USA 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: kidshope@fortworthpca.org or 817.896.7113.

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

This Fall at

Wednesdays, 7:30 PM - High School Large Group
friends, food, fellowship, short lesson on Acts

Sundays, 9:00 AM - Sunday School
High School - Room 203 on Romans
Middle School - Room 204 on the Westminster Shorter Catechism

Sundays, 6:00 PM - Sept 12 & 26, Oct 10 & 24, Nov 7 & 21, Dec 5
High School Small Groups - Room 203
Middle School Large Group - Room 204

October 15-16 - All Youth Fall Retreat

Details: fortworthpca.org/youth | Questions? 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.





Women's BIBLE STUDY

The Gospel of Mark

Wednesdays
Sept 15 - Nov 17, Jan 12 - Mar 30

Details and registration: fortworthpca.org/biblestudy

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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by proclaiming, believing and living out the gospel of Jesus Christ"

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