

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church Welcome to our visitors on Facebook Live. We're glad you've joined us to worship today. Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to complete a visitor form or to submit a prayer request or praise.

May God's blessings in Christ be with you.

If our knowledge of God is superficial our worship will be superficial.

- R.C. Sproul

Worship

—August 8, 2021 —

Welcome

Preparation 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 111:1-3

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder
Let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
He has washed us with His blood (3X)
He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us
Pitied us when enemies
Called us by His grace and taught us
Gave us ears and gave us eyes
He has washed us with His blood (3X)
He presents our souls to God

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more
He Who washed us with His blood (3X)
Has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high
Here they trusted Him before us
Now their praises fill the sky
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (3X)
Thou art worthy Lamb of God

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† Doxology

We respond in praise FORT WORTH PCA

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, amen, amen!*

Confession of Sin

Lord God, we have given more weight to our successes and our happiness than to your will.

We have eaten without a thought for the hungry.

We have spoken without an effort to understand others.

We have kept silence instead of telling the truth.

We have judged others, forgetful that you alone are the Judge.

We have acted rather in accordance with our opinions than according to your commands.

Within your church we have been slow to practice love of our neighbors.

And in the world we have not been your faithful servants.

We repent of these transgressions and ask for your Spirit to help us live as disciples of Jesus, your Son and our Savior.

Silent Confession

1 PETER 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

† Hymn of Response

We trust in Christ alone

Come Light Our Hearts

For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait. For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait. Truly our hope is in you, truly our hope is in you.

O Lord of life, our only hope, your radiance shines on all who look to you in the dark, Emmanuel come, come light our hearts.

For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait.

For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait.

Truly our hope is in you, truly our hope is in you.

O joy above all other loves, in you we find more than enough, We come as we are, O heal and restore, come light our hearts.

(repeat)

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Words and music by Sandra McCracken

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

Scott Wade

The Reading of the Word

Colossians 1:3-14

[3] We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, [4] since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, [5] because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, [6] which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, [7] just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf [8] and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

[9] And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, [10] so as to walk in a

manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; [11] being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; 12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. [13] He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, [14] in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

JOYFUL THANKSGIVING

1. For a glorious inheritance

2. For an amazing rescue

3. For a wonderful kingdom

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.

[&]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
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- 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.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious
Day Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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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

Daniel Sneed

Save the Date

Christian Education returns Sundays @ 9am August 15 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.

<u>Find Refreshment in a Zoom Prayer meeting</u>: 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.

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.

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.

Information & Events

<u>Women's Bible Study:</u> 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 <u>fortworthpca.org/biblestudy</u> for complete details and registration.

<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.

Adult Christian Education: A full Sunday School hour returns at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 15. The Westminster Shorter Catechism Class will continue to be taught by Bob Schwartzbeck in the Lecture Hall. New for fall, Steve Fults will teach a class on Sharing Your Faith in Room 205 for those who desire encouragement in sharing the good news with others, whether evangelism rookies or pros. Childcare is available for infant through 3-year olds.

Information & Events

Sunday School:

All classes resume on Sunday, August 15, at 9:00 a.m.

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

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, 6:00-7:30 p.m. 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.



Sat, Aug 14, 5-8 PM - All Youth Summer Finale at the Birbaris' Join us for a pool party, pulled pork tacos, and Melt ice cream! RSVP for tacos and ice cream - thefort@fortworthpca.org.

Sun, Aug 15, 9 AM - Sunday School Returns (with donuts!) High School - Room 203 | Middle School - Room 204

Sun, Aug 22, 9 AM - Sunday School High School - Room 203 | Middle School - Room 204

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

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.

Please complete, tear off this page & place in the offering plate

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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

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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