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*May God's blessings in Christ be with you.*

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Look to Christ. He deals gently with you. It's the only way he knows how to be. He is the high priest to end all high priests. As long as you fix your attention on your sin, you will fail to see how you can be safe. But as long as you look to this high priest, you will fail to see how you can be in danger. Looking inside ourselves, we can anticipate only harshness from heaven. Looking out to Christ, we can anticipate only gentleness.

- Dane Ortlund

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# Worship

—September 5, 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 33:1-5

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

Praise befits the upright.

**Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.**

For the word of the LORD is upright,  
and all his work is done in faithfulness.

**He loves righteousness and justice;  
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.**

## O Worship the King

O worship the king all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
Our shield and defender, the ancient of days,  
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, thy pow'r hath founded of old;  
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;  
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless might! ineffable love!  
While angels delight to hymn thee above,  
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration shall lisp to thy praise.

Words by Robert Grant



† Invocation

*We seek the Lord's presence among us*

† Doxology

*We respond in praise*

*MESSENGER*

Praise and glory to the Father,  
Praise and glory to the Son,  
Praise and glory to the Spirit,  
Ever three and ever one.

Welcome

Confession of Sin

God of mercy, we humbly confess our need of your pardoning grace. We have sheltered arrogance and pride in our hearts and have believed that our efforts are good enough to earn what only you can provide for us. We have become quick to judge, quick to discount, and quick to anger when our plans, pleasures, and preferences are threatened. We have been slow to offer mercy, both inwardly and outwardly, towards those people you have consciously place in our lives and called us to love. Forgive our self-righteousness, our self-absorption, and our self-focus. Fix our eyes on Christ and may we become enraptured with Him.

Silent Confession

## Assurance of Forgiveness

*We rest in the mercy of God*

### EPHESIANS 2

...you were dead in your trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air...but God being rich in mercy because of the great love with which he loved us, even while we were dead in our trespasses, has made us alive together with Christ...by grace you have been saved...and raised with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places with Christ Jesus...

## † Hymn of Response

*We rest in our Father's love*

### How Deep the Father's Love For Us

How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure,  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss –  
The Father turns His face away,  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders;  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life –  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer;  
But this I know with all my heart –  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

Written by Stuart Townend ©1995 Thankyou Music

## 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 13  
Pew Bible – Page 453*

**Reader: The Word of the Lord.**

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## ENTERING INTO “HOW LONG?”

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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.

## Jesus, with Thy Church Abide

Jesus, with Thy church abide;  
Be her savior, Lord, and Guide,  
While on earth her faith is tried:  
We beseech Thee, hear us,  
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure;  
Grant her patience to endure,  
Trusting in Thy promise sure:  
We beseech Thee, hear us,  
We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind,  
Seek the lost until she find  
And the brokenhearted bind:  
We beseech Thee, hear us,  
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Save her love from growing cold,  
Make her watchmen strong and bold,  
Fence her round, thy peaceful fold:  
We beseech Thee, hear us,  
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Words by Thomas Benson Pollock; Music by Christopher Miner



## Until He Comes

By Christ redeemed, in Christ restored,  
We keep the memory adored,  
And show the death of our dear Lord,  
Until He comes, Until He comes.

His Body, broken in our stead,  
Is here in this Memorial Bread;  
And so our feeble love is fed,  
Until He comes, Until He comes.

His fearful drops of agony,  
His lifeblood shed for us we see:  
The wine shall tell the mystery,  
Until He comes, Un-til He comes.

And thus that dark betrayal night  
With the last Advent we unite  
The shame, the glory by this rite,  
Until he comes, Until He comes.

Until the trump of God be heard,  
Until the ancient graves be stirred,  
And with the great commanding word,  
The Lord shall come, The Lord shall come.

*Words by George Rawson Music by Jacob Tilton*

## Only a Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven  
Who else could make every king bow down  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles  
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises  
What other splendour outshines the sun  
What other majesty rules with justice  
Only a Holy God

*Come and behold Him  
The One and the Only  
Cry out, sing holy  
Forever a Holy God  
Come and worship the Holy God*

What other glory consumes like fire  
What other power can raise the dead  
What other name remains undefeated  
Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing  
Who else would offer His only Son  
Who else invites me to call Him Father  
Only a Holy God  
Only my Holy God!

*By Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, Rich Thompson*

## Across the Lands

You're the Word of God the Father  
From before the world began.  
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet  
Has been fashioned by Your hand.  
All creation holds together  
By the power of Your voice.  
Let the skies declare Your glory;  
Let the land and seas rejoice!

*You're the Author of creation;  
You're the Lord of ev'ry man;  
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.*

Yet You left the gaze of angels,  
Came to seek and save the lost,  
And exchanged the joy of heaven  
For the anguish of a cross.  
With a prayer You fed the hungry;  
With a word You calmed the sea;  
Yet how silently You suffered  
That the guilty may go free!

With a shout You rose victorious,  
Wresting vict'ry from the grave,  
And ascended into heaven,  
Leading captives in Your way.  
Now You stand before the Father,  
Interceding for Your own;  
From each tribe and tongue and nation,  
You are leading sinners home!

*Words and Music by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty*

## 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

Andy Warren

### 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 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](http://fortworthpca.org/biblestudy) for complete details and registration.

**Men's Barn Night:** Join us Saturday, September 18 from 7:00-9:30 p.m. at The Davis Barn - 6796 Silver Saddle Road. We'll have a casual evening of fellowship, live music from The Dischords (including Jack Norris), and games including pool, foosball, spike ball, can jam, and cornhole. Snacks will be provided, and the gas grills will be fired up. BYOB and meat to grill.

**Missions BBQ with Roy Sneed:** - September 11<sup>th</sup> at Al & Annie Olsen's home (716 Stuckert Drive, Burleson, TX 76028). Please call to RSVP 469-236-9190.

# Information & Events

## Ways to be involved with Afghan refugees

- PRAY...PRAY...PRAY for the Lord to open doors so that His love would be seen alive and working through us His servants. Pray for healing for those traumatized in their leaving Afghanistan. Pray for the Afghan believers left behind.
- Donate furniture for setting up an apartment for an incoming family. Contact Al Olsen to arrange pick up.
- Help at an ESL class for them. There will ESL classes at Southcliff Church on Thursday evenings beginning in September.
- Volunteer to be part of a Good Neighbor team to assist a refugee family. Complete an application to volunteer with World Relief North Texas at [www.worldrelief.org/north-texas](http://www.worldrelief.org/north-texas). Be patient: approval may take several weeks. This is required to participate in any World Relief North Texas volunteer opportunities.
- Being available to help set up an apartment or to pick up donated furniture. Either of these things could happen on relatively short notice.

For information contact: Al Olsen (469) 236-9190  
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**Household Kits for Refugees:** Thank you to everyone who signed up to purchase the household kits last week. You may place those in the Fellowship Hall at the long table.

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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](http://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](mailto: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

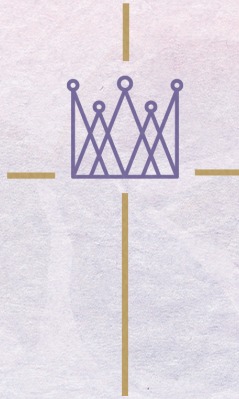
October 15-16 - All Youth Fall Retreat at Camp Copass

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



Are you interested in volunteering to love our covenant children and serve their parents as a nursery worker on a regular basis? Opportunities are available for infant through 4-year old childcare during Sunday School and Worship, and there is a special opportunity to join a list of saints willing to fill in when there is a last-minute cancellation of a nursery worker. Use the QR code below or pick up a paper form on the fellowship hall table to let us know how you are willing to serve.





# Women's BIBLE STUDY

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*The Gospel of Mark*

Wednesdays

Sept 15 - Nov 17, Jan 12 - Mar 30

Small Groups/Lecture at FWPC - 9:30-11:15 AM

Evening Small Group at Kim Watt's Home  
6141 Whitman Avenue - 7:00-8:30 PM

Register today at [FortWorthPCA.org](http://FortWorthPCA.org).  
Cost is \$27, and scholarships are available.

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

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