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Church

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

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“Worship isn't just something we do; it is where God does something to us. Worship is the heart of discipleship because it is the gymnasium in which God retrains our hearts.”

-James K.A. Smith

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# Worship

—October 17, 2021—

Welcome

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Greeting

**Leader:** Christ is in our midst.

**People:** He is and ever shall be.

† The Call to Worship

*God calls His people to worship*

ADAPTED FROM PSALM 29

**PASTOR:** Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit!

**PEOPLE:** Amen!

**PASTOR:** Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

**PEOPLE:** The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

**ALL:** May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing  
alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise him, O praise him,  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise him, alleluia!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
ye lights of evening, find a voice,  
O praise him, O praise him,  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,  
forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye, alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
praise God and on him cast your care,  
O praise him, O praise him,  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship him in humbleness,  
O praise him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, three in one,  
O praise him, O praise him,  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Words by Francis of Assisi

† Prayer of 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.

Confession of Sin

*We turn from our sin*

PASTOR: Let us now confess our sins together:

ALL: O Lord, we confess that transgression speaks deep  
in our hearts, so that we do not reverence you as  
our good Father and, in turn, we cease to act  
wisely and do good. Cleanse us of our foolishness  
and set us once again on your way that is good  
and right and beautiful. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon & Comfort

*We rest in the mercy of God*

PASTOR: For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do  
we see light.

ALL: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, new creation!  
The old has passed away, behold, the new has  
come!

To Thee I Come

To Thee I come, a sinner poor  
And wait for mercy at thy door  
Indeed, I've nowhere else to flee  
O God, be merciful to me.

To Thee I come, a sinner weak,  
And scarce know how to pray or speak.  
From fear and weakness set me free,  
O God, be merciful to me.

To Thee I come, a sinner vile  
Upon me, Lord, vouchsafe to smile;  
Mercy through blood, I make my plea  
O God, be merciful to me.

To Thee I come, a sinner great  
And well Thou knowest all my state.  
Yet full forgiveness is with Thee.  
O God, be merciful to me.

To Thee I come, a sinner lost  
Nor have I aught wherein to trust.  
But where Thou art, Lord, I would be,  
O God, be merciful to me.

To glory bring me home at last  
And there, when all my fears are past  
With all Thy saints, I'll then agree  
O God, was merciful to me. (x3)

Words by Samuel Medley ©2011 Red Mountain Music

PASTOR: Christian, in whom do we believe?

ALL: 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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## Prayer of Intercession

### 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

*Romans 12:1-2*

*Pew Bible – Page 947*

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**



## FORMATIVE WORSHIP

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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.

## Closing Hymn

### Our God, Our Help In Ages Past

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of your throne, your saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come:  
O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Words by Isaac Watts

## The Sending

*The people of God are sent into the world*

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,  
teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom,  
singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with  
thankfulness in your hearts to God.

*Colossians 3:16*

**People: With the Lord's help we will do this!**

## The Blessing

*God blesses his people as they go*

Now to him who is able to keep you from  
stumbling and to present you blameless before the  
presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God,  
our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory,  
majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and  
now and forever.

*Jude 24-25*

**People: Amen!**

## Announcements

## Deacon of the Day

Dowell Stackpole

## Information & Events

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

**Adult Choir forming TODAY for Lessons and Carols:** Join the Choir. Sunday evenings 5-6 pm. Nursery is available upon request. Questions? Contact Jack Norris [jwnorris8@gmail.com](mailto:jwnorris8@gmail.com), 817-821-0918, or Jason Cox [coxjasonw@gmail.com](mailto:coxjasonw@gmail.com), 817-676-5515.

**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 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 Fall Study:** FWPC men are reading *Gentle and Lowly* by Dane Ortlund this fall, and it's not too late to join us for a closer look at the heart of Christ for sinners and sufferers. Small groups meet on Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 a.m. or Thursdays 7:00-8:00 p.m. through October 28. Both groups meet in the Lecture Hall, and books are provided. If neither time works for you, we hope you'll pick up a free book at the book table and read along with us during your personal devotions.

## Information & Events

**Book Table:** The FWPC book table in the Fellowship Hall now offers you a self-serve option to purchase books. Simply use your phone to scan the QR code, choose the price of your book, and complete your purchase with a credit card.

**Men's Beer & Brat Night:** Join us for a casual time of fellowship and the opportunity to visit with new senior pastor Brandon Eggar on **Thursday, November 4, 6:30-9:00 p.m.** Beer, brats, sides, and fire pit will be provided at Chris Jordan's – 9128 Benview Court, Fort Worth, TX 76126. Feel free to BYOB and cigars.

**Brunch with Neecia:** FWPC ladies are invited to help us welcome Neecia Eggar to our church family on **Saturday, November 13, 10:00-11:30 a.m.** Join us for brunch at Terri Weiser's - 16 Trinity Oaks Road, Westworth Village, TX 76114. Parking is limited, and carpooling is encouraged. RSVP by November 7 via the Women's Ministry Events page at [fortworthpca.org](http://fortworthpca.org).

**Women's Christmas Brunch:** Fort Worth Presbyterian will host a Women's Christmas Brunch on **Saturday, December 4, at 10:00 a.m.** This beautiful event is a wonderful opportunity to introduce your friends or neighbors to FWPC and celebrate the season together. Registration is \$10 per person and is open now through Sunday, November 28. To assist with food for this special event, please contact Kyla Cox or Lucy Breedlove. To decorate a table, contact Karen Domel.

**Kids Advent Party:** Mark your calendars for **Sunday, December 5, 11:30-1:00!** Pre-K to 6th Grade kids are invited to stay after church for lunch, games, prizes, dessert and two hands-on experiments to prepare your hearts for Jesus and ponder His beauty and glory.



# 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

## **Beginning TODAY - October 17**

The School of Christian Theology: Pastor Brandon will begin a series on systematic theology. All are welcome to attend this foundational class. This class is required for future officers.

*Taught by Pastor Brandon*


*Lecture Hall*

## 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 on "God Is" by Mark Jones  
Middle School Large Group - Room 204 on Judges

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



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