

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



We become like what we worship and we are shaped by what we worship.

- Peter Leithart

Worship

—Ocotber 31, 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

From Psalm 100

PASTOR: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the

Son and of the Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE: Amen!

PASTOR: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his

presence with singing!

PEOPLE: Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who

made us; we are his; we are his people and the

sheep of his pasture.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God,
A Bulwark never failing;
Our Helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing;
For still our ancient Foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great,
And armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing;
Were not the right Man on our side,
The Man of God's own choosing;
Dost ask who that may be:
Christ Jesus it is He;
The Lord of Hosts His name,
From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed,
His truth to triumph through us
The Prince of Darkness grim,
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure,
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'r,
No thanks to them abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through Him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever!

Words by Martin Luther

† Invocation

We seek the Lord's presence among us

† 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

From Psalm 38

PASTOR: Let us now confess our sins together:

ALL: O Lord, we confess that we are ready to fall, and

our pain is ever before us. We confess our iniquity; we are sorry for our sin. Make haste to

help us, O Lord, our salvation.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

PASTOR: The Lord will not forsake those who call upon

him! He will not be far from us.

ALL: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ: New Creation!

The old has passed away, behold, the new has

come.

† Hymn of Response

We rest in our Father's love

Hast Thou Heard Him, Seen Him, Known Him

Hast thou heard Him, seen Him, known Him?
Is not thine a captured heart?
Chief among ten thousand own Him,
Joyful choose the better part.

Captivated by His beauty, worthy tribute haste to bring. Let his peerless worth constrain thee, Crown Him now unrivaled King. What can strip the seeming beauty,
From the idols of the earth?
Not a sense of right or duty,
But the sight of peerless worth.

'Tis that look that melted Peter,
'Tis that face that Stephen saw,
'Tis that heart that wept with Mary,
Can alone from idols draw.

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The Sacrament of Baptism

Elaine June Ryan Covenant child of Collin & Haddon Ryan

Pastoral 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

2 Chronicles 20:1-23 Pew Bible – Page 372-373

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word	Pastor Eggar	
THE WARFARE OF WORSHIP		

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 holy gifts of God for the holy people of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for

you and feed on him by faith and with

thanksgiving. Let us now partake of this feast!

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 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.

Closing Hymn

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

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, ²⁵ 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

Announcements

Deacon of the Day

David Steed

Save the Date

- Sunday, December 12, 6:00 p.m. Lessons & Carols
- *Friday, December 24, 5:00 p.m.* Christmas Eve Service

Information & Events

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

Welcome, Covenant Child: Congratulations to Chris and Brittany Hammons on the birth of Philip Eugene Hammons on Monday, October 25. Philip arrived at 5:06 p.m weighing 8 lbs. 8 oz. and has been warmly welcomed by his siblings Alexander, Heidi and Caroline.

Adult Choir for Lessons and Carols: Join the Choir. Sunday evenings 5-6 pm. Questions? Contact Jack Norris jwnorris8@gmail.com, 817-821-0918, or Jason Cox cox;jasonw@gmail.com, 817-676-5515.

<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.

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

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.

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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.

<u>FWPC101</u>, <u>November 19 & 20</u>: Learn about FWPC's vision, purpose, ministries, service opportunities, fellowship opportunities, membership, and more. This Class will be led by Pastor Brandon on November 19th, 6:30pm-8:30pm in the Lecture Hall (dinner will be provided) and November 20th, 8:30am-12pm (continental breakfast will be served). Nursery is available UPON REQUEST. Sign up at fortworthpca.org/adult

<u>Women's Christmas Brunch</u>: 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.

<u>Kids Advent Party</u>: 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 ponder the beauty and glory of Jesus.

<u>Pick Up Your Copy:</u> Located on the Book Table in the Fellowship Hall, you'll find your FREE copy of the PCA denomination's *byFaith* magazine.



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

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