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May God's blessings in Christ be with you.

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This is the logic of love – love that has chosen to love us, sacrificed and waited for us, been patient with us – this passionate love of God, once received, does not, indeed cannot, leave us unchanged.

- Sinclair Ferguson

† Congregation standing

Worship

—January 16, 2022 —

The Second Sunday in Epiphany

Welcome

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Greeting

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the

Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

† The Call to Worship

God calls His people to worship

Pastor: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son

and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Give praise, O servants of the

LORD, in the courts of the house of our God!

People: Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good!

Pastor: Your name, O LORD, endures forever; your renown,

O LORD, throughout all generations and all ages!

People: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of his

wondrous works!

Adapted from Psalm 135

† Hymn of Praise

We praise our glorious King

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with fear his praise forthtell Come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed Without our aid he did us make We are his folk he doth us feed And for his sheep he doth us take

O enter then his gates with praise Approach with joy his courts unto Praise, laud, and bless his name always For it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good His mercy is forever sure His truth at all times firmly stood And shall from age to age endure.

† Doxology

We respond in praise
DUKE STREET

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! Pastor: Let us confess our sins together:

All: Evils have encompassed me beyond number; my iniquities have overtaken me, and I cannot see; they are more than the hairs of my head; my heart fails me. I am poor and needy, but I trust that you take thought for me. Forgive me, for are my help and deliverer.

Adapted from Psalm 40

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I John 1:9

All: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ: New Creation! The old has passed away, behold, the new has come!

Come, Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, Weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus, ready, stands to save you, Full of pity, joined with power. He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; True belief and true repentance, Every grace that brings you nigh. Without money, without money Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous;
Sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requires
Is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you,
"Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; Pleads the merit of His blood. Venture on Him; venture wholly, Let no other trust intrude. None but Jesus, none but Jesus Can do helpless sinners good.

Words: Joseph Hart; Music: Matthew Smith

Reception of New Members

Sandra Acevedo
Carol Fitzgerald
Jonathan Fitzgerald*
Amelia Fitzgerald*
Benjamin Fitzgerald*
Bryce Fitzgerald*
Madelyn Fitzgerald*
Daniel Foster
Gay Graham
Dorothy Patterson
Annie Smith
Comfort V razo

*Non-Communing

Sacrament of Covenant Baptism

Benjamin Fitzgerald

Parents: Jonathan & Carol Fitzgerald

Pastoral Prayer

Morning Offering & KIWI Release

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

Ephesians 1:3-14 Pew Bible –Page 976

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

AN INTRODUCTION TO EPHESIANS

Communion

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.

Pastor: It is good, right, and our delight that we should at all

times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven we praise and magnify your glorious name

evermore praising you and declaring:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the Highest. Blessed is He who comes in the

name of the Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

The Confession

Pastor: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

People: Hallelujah!

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. Hallelujah!

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 in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. Let

us now partake of the 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:

- 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*
- 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

Lead On, O King Eternal

Lead on, O King eternal,
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest,
Thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation,
Thy grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal, We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper,
The sweet amen of peace.
For not with swords¹ loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums;
With deeds of love and mercy,
The heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King, Lead on, O King! Lead on, O King, Lead on!

Lead on, O King eternal,
We follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning,
Where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted over us,
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

Words by Ernest Warburton Shurtleff; Music by Jeff Pardo ©2005 Cubs In The Series Music

The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

Pastor: Look carefully how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.

Ephesians 4:15

The Blessing

God blesses his people as they go

Pastor: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

2 Corinthians 13:14

All: Amen!

Announcements

Deacon of the Day

David Welch

Save the Date

• Jan 29 Super Saturday Winter Series begins

• Feb 10 Men's Fellowship @ Davis Barn

• Feb 27 Variety Show

• May 7 Garage Sale

• May 15 Church Picnic

• July 9-16 Summer Mission Trip to Juarez

• July 25-29 Vacation Bible School

Information & Events

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

<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>FWPC101 – February 6, 13, 20 & 27:</u> Learn about FWPC's vision, purpose, ministries, service opportunities, fellowship opportunities, membership, and more. This Class will be led by Pastor Brandon on Sundays, February 6, 13, 20 & 27, 9am-9:45pm in Room 201.

Women's Bible Study: Our study in the Gospel of Mark continues on Wednesdays through March 30, and we hope you will join us! Both the morning session (9:30-11:15 at FWPC) and the evening group (7:00-8:30 p.m. at Kim Watt's) are using a study guide published by Redeemer Presbyterian Church and Jesus the King by Tim Keller. For complete details and registration, visit fortworthpca.org/biblestudy.

Mission trip: Juarez, Mexico - July 9-16 and West Africa - Late October: Immediately following morning worship on Sunday, January 23rd, there will be a meeting for the mission trips planned for 2022 in the Lecture Hall. We will discuss the trips and give you details on the cost and what to expect. Come join the team. See Steve Fults for information.

Information & Events

<u>Volunteer for Super Saturday</u>: Our program consists of Oakmont Elementary school children coming to church for Good News Club and Bible study, crafts, recreation and prayer ending with a sit-down lunch. Super Saturdays runs six weeks beginning January 29, 10a-12:30pm. This is an outreach for the whole family. Childcare is available for volunteers. Join us sharing Jesus with the children in our community. New volunteer training is Thursday January 20 at 4:00pm. Contact Steve Fults steve@fortworthpca.org.

Kids Hope 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 to spend one hour per week at school building a relationship while reading and playing games. Prayer partners are matched with a particular mentor and child to lift them up in prayer each week. Do you have one hour per week to impact a child's life? Contact Jill Davis to make a huge difference in the life of a child: jill@gallidavis.com or 817-896-7113.

Ephesians Printouts & Journals: If you are reading through Ephesians during this sermon series and would like a free copy of the text with wide margins and double spacing for highlighting and note taking, please visit the Fellowship Hall table. Ephesians Scripture Journals will also be available for \$2 on the Book Table.

This Month at

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

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 - Jan 9 & 23 High School Small Groups - Room 203 on "God Is" by Mark Jones Middle School Large Group - Room 204 on Judges

Details: fortworthpca.org/youth | Questions? thefort@fortworthpca.org | @ athefort_fwpc





YOU ARE INVITED TO A TIME OF BREAKFAST, FELLOWSHIP, AND PRAYER IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.
EVEN IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND, PLEASE CONTRIBUTE A PRAYER OR SCRIPTURE TO EACH BABY'S
ALBUM. NOTE CARDS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL DURING JANUARY AND MAY BE
RETURNED TO THE BASKET OR BROUGHT TO THE EVENT.

BENJAMIN BRYAN FITZGERALD CAEDMON XANDER GRIMES PHILIP EUGENE HAMMONS CHARLES DANIEL JAMES ELAINE JUNE RYAN SAMUEL MARCUS SCHULTZ





Financial Report Fiscal year June 2021-May 2022

June - December	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	785,389	741,680
General Fund Expenses YTD	693,084	742,212
How we're doing YTD	96,759	2,127

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. Through the first 7 months of our fiscal year, we are ahead of our expenses by \$96,759. This is a \$94,632 improvement over last year. As of December 31, we have \$280,371 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports Laura Sharrett, an intern with Reformed University Fellowship at Emory University in Atlanta, GA

- NEW! Mobile Giving: Text the amount you want to give to 817-934-6447. The first time will take you through the setup after that text the amount you would like to give.
- If you would like to give online you can sign up for ACH/Credit/Debit giving from our home page fortworthpca.org
- ❖ If you would like to contribute stocks or securities from a brokerage account you can contact Steve Fults 817-731-3300 and he can give you the instructions for these types of gifts.
- ❖ If you would like to include FWPC in your estate planning you can contact Steve Fults with any questions you may have.

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