

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Visitors: Please use the QR code on the back of the bulletin so that we may contact you.

The church appears to be God's pilot scheme for the reconciled universe of the future, the mystery of God's will for the fullness of times, when all things are brought together in Christ. Thus, Paul's ministry is indirectly God's instrument for the universal reconciliation of the future.

- F.F. Bruce

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† Congregation standing

Worship

— February 27, 2022 —

Eighth Sunday in Epiphany

Welcome

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Greeting

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

and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

† The Call to Worship God calls His people to worship

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make

known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his

name is exalted.

People: Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

Pastor: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great

in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 12:4-6

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see only thou art holy; there is none beside thee perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826 John B. Dykes, 1861

† 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. Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together.

All: O Lord, there is no health in my bones because of my sin. For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me. I am ready to fall, and my pain is ever before me. I confess my sin to you; I am sorry for the iniquity I have committed against you, O Father. Forgive me for your name's sake.

Adapted from Psalm 38

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

Hymn of Dependence

Be Unto Your Name



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Repeat Chorus last time

† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: You will not forsake us. You will not be far from us. You will come to our aid and help us, for you are good and gracious to those who belong to your Beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Adapted from Psalm 38

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

Satisfied

All my life long I had panted for a drink from some cool spring That I hoped would quench the burning of the thirst I felt within.

Feeding on the filth around me 'till my strength was almost gone.

Longed my soul for something better only still to hunger on.

Hallelujah! He has found me, The One my soul so long has craved! Jesus satisfies all my longings Through his blood I now am saved.

Poor I was and sought for riches something that would satisfy. But the dust I gathered 'round me only mocked my soul's sad cry.

(Refrain)

Well of water ever springing, Bread of Life so rich and free. Untold wealth that never faileth, my Redeemer is to me.

(Refrain twice)

Words by Clara T. Williams, 1875; Music by Karl Digerness, 1997 ©1997 Karl Digerness Music Pastor: Christian, in whom do we believe?

All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only- begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and Giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy *catholic and
apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism
for the remission of sins; and we look for the
resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world
to come. Amen.

^{*}universal

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 3:1-13 Pew Bible –Page 977

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Eggar

PAUL'S APOSTOLIC MINISTRY

The Essence of Paul's Ministry

The Task of Paul's Ministry

The Fruit of Paul's Ministry

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Based on this passage, think through and list the ways the grace of the gospel transformed Saul of Tarsus. How has and is God's grace transforming you personally?
- 2. Paul described himself as the 'lesser of the least of the saints.' Do you describe and see yourself in this way? How is this a healthy view of yourself?
- 3. How was Paul's suffering for his readers' glory? Based on this passage, how should we define glory?
- 4. In what ways is God displaying his multi-dimensional, multi-colored wisdom through our church fellowship and in your life? In what ways could God's wisdom be more on display through us? Do you pray that this will happen?

The Encouragement

The Lord be with you. Pastor: 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. It is right to give him thanks and praise. People:

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:

A11: 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: And now our Holy Master, that with boldness and

without condemnation, we dare to call upon you, the

Heavenly God, as our Father, and say:

All: Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those

who sin against us, and lead us not in temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the Kingdom

and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.

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:

(Clear cups are wine and purple cups are grape juice)

[&]quot;The body of Christ for you."

[&]quot;The blood of Christ for you."

[&]quot;You have new life in Christ."

[&]quot;You have full forgiveness in Christ."

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*
- 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

Our Great God

By Fernando Ortega and Mac Powell









† 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 Steed

Save the Date

• March 12 Men's Breakfast • April 1-3 Women's Retreat Men's Retreat • April 29-30 • May 7 Garage Sale • May 15 Church Picnic • June 13-18 RYM HS Colorado Summer Mission Trip to Juarez • July 9-16 • July 25-29 Vacation Bible School • August 2-6 RYM MS Texas

Information & Events

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

New Covenant Child: Congratulations to Ben and Anna Graber on the birth of Joseph Martyn on February 14. All are happy and healthy and Joseph was excitedly welcomed home by Peter, Lucas, Lilias and Owen. The Grabers serve long-term with Mission to the World's team in Munich, Germany, where they support both a church plant and Martin Bucer Seminary. To learn more about the Grabers and other missionaries we support, visit fortworthpca.org/missions.

<u>Update on Ukraine TODAY:</u> Join us at 2pm CST on a ZOOM meeting with our missionaries. Register at forms.gle/wRhC27vyNFCj8n1YA.

Next Session Meeting is scheduled for March 1 @ 7pm.

School of Christian Formation: We will begin our School of Christian Formation classes next Sunday at 9am in the Lecture Hall. These classes will focus on our understanding of the church as the place where Christians are formed into the image of Christ. We will take a brief look at the history of the church, then focus on the origin and structure of the church and then the worship and life of the church. All are invited to attend. It will be taught by senior pastor Brandon Eggar with occasional guest appearances by FWPC Elders.

<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 can be found in member/regular attender emails.

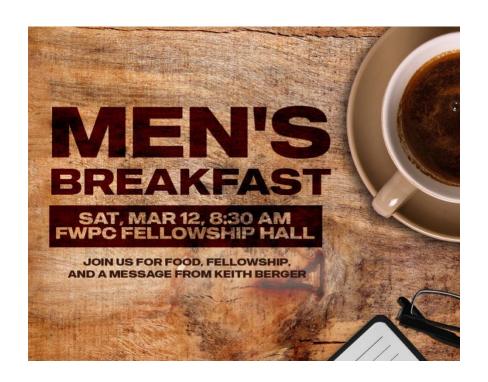
<u>Mission Trips</u>: There is still time to join one of the teams: Juarez, Mexico (July 9-16) and West Africa (late October). Join us in making Christ known among the nations. See Steve Fults for information.

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Ephesians Printouts: 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.

The Compassion Team shows compassion to family and friends grieving the loss of a loved one when a funeral or memorial service takes place at FWPC. Current members include Daniel Sneed, Pete Cansick, Margaret Kunkel, Bill & Nancy Eggar, Susie Tassin, and Carol Whaylen. Would you consider being available to assist the team by serving in one of these areas: setup, greeters, provide food, food prep/serving, or cleanup? Contact Daniel Sneed at dandlsneed@icloud.com, or talk to any team member if you have questions.





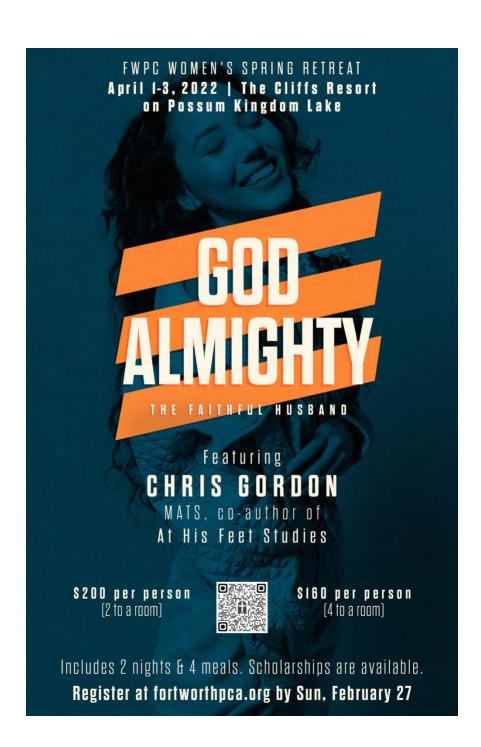
This Month at THE FORT

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 - March 6 & 27 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 | @ @thefort_fwpc



Financial Information Fiscal year June 2021-May 2022

June - January	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	872,034	848,943
General Fund Expenses YTD	784,963	849,864
How we're doing YTD	92,268	2,130

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. Through the first 8 months of our fiscal year, we are ahead of our expenses by \$92,268. This is a \$90,137 improvement over last year. As of January 31, we have \$275,955 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports Doug & Masha Shepherd, Missionary Church Planting in L'viv, Ukraine

- 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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