

FORT WORTH PRESBYTERIAN

for by grace you have been saved through faith



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.

Don't be a fool remembering what God himself has forgotten, meaning your sins (Ps. 25:6-7; Ps. 103:12).

– Harry Ironside

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Hearing Assistive Devices (FM Receivers) are available at the back sound booth.

† *Congregation standing*

Worship

— March 20, 2022 —
Third Sunday in Lent

Welcome

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Greeting

Elder: Our help is in the name of the LORD.

People: For he is the Maker of Heaven and earth!

† The Call to Worship *God calls His people to worship*

Elder: Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

People: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing before you.”

Elder: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name!

From Psalm 66:1-4

† Hymn of Praise

We praise our glorious King

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou Fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.

Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
mount of God's redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
bought me with his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!

Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

Words by Robert Robinson

† 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

Elder: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have left undone those things we ought to have done, and we have done those things we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Adapted from The Book of Common Prayer

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Elder: Truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of our prayers. Blessed be God, because he has not rejected our prayers or removed his steadfast love from us!

Psalm 66:19-20

All: The Lord promises that he will sprinkle clean water on us, and we shall be clean. He promises to give us a new heart. This he has done for us in Christ. Thanks be to God!

† Psalm of Response

We rest in our Father's love

Psalm 139

My Lord, you have examined me,
you know me through and through;
you see my deeds, perceive my thoughts,
my speech, my motives too.
You wrap me round on every side;
on me you place your hand:
Such knowledge is too wonderful
for me to understand!

The presence of your Spirit
will be with me to the last;
wherever I decide to go
your love will hold me fast.
If I should try to run from you
I know without a doubt
no darkness could conceal my path—
your light would shine me out.

You made me in my mother's womb,
so intricate your ways,
and even then, before my birth,
you numbered all my days.
Before I sleep and as I wake
I know that you are there:
How could I ever sound the depths
of your unfailing care?

And yet I find my soul disturbed
by bitterness and grief,
For many choose to treat your word
with scornful unbelief.
So search me, Lord, and cleanse my heart
from all that you abhor,
Then teach me how to walk with you
today and evermore.

Tune: RESIGNATION

† Confession of Faith

Elder: Let us now confess our faith together:

All: We believe that in believing in Christ whom God raised from the dead that we have been counted righteous in God's sight. We are forgiven and accepted by him. We are God's beloved children whom he promises to protect now and forever. We are his and he is ours.

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

Psalm 25

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Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Nate Waddel

RUF Campus Minister UTA

OUR GOD GUIDES

1. God guides

2. The people God guides

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: 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:

“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

All Must Be Well

Through the love of God our Savior, All will be well
Free and changeless is His favor, All is well
Precious is the blood that healed us
Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation, All will be well
Ours is such a full salvation, All is well
Happy still in God confiding
Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow, All will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, All is well
On our Father's love relying
Jesus every need supplying
Yes in living or in dying
All must be well

Words: Mary Bowley Peters, Matthew S. Smith
Music: Matthew S. Smith

The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

Pastor: Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of the Lord.

2 Corinthians 7:1

The Blessing

God blesses his people as they go

Pastor: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you now and always!

Galatians 6:8

All: Amen!

Announcements

Deacon of the Day

David Welch

Save the Date

- April 1-3 Women's Retreat
- April 14 Maundy Thursday Service
- April 15 Good Friday Service
- April 29-30 Men's Retreat
- May 7 Garage Sale
- May 15 Church Picnic
- June 13-18 RYM HS Colorado
- July 9-16 Summer Mission Trip to Juarez
- July 25-29 Vacation Bible School
- August 2-6 RYM MS Texas

Information & Events

Visitors: Pick up visitor information at the visitor kiosk in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship.

School of Christian Formation: 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 @ 9am in the Lecture Hall.** It will be taught by senior pastor Brandon Eggar.

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 can be found in member/regular attender emails.

Adult Easter Choir: The adult choir will sing during the Good Friday service and on Easter Sunday. Rehearsals will be held in the sanctuary from 5:00-6:00 p.m. on March 6, March 27, and April 10. Music and instruction will be provided. Bring your black notebook, a pencil and anyone who wants to join us in joyful praise.

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 are available NOW for \$2 on the Book Table!



Spring at

Wednesdays, 7:30 pm, through May 18 - High School Large Group
friends, food, fellowship, short lesson on Judges

Sundays, 9:00 am, through May 29 - Sunday School
High School - Room 203 on Romans
Middle School - Room 204 on the Westminster Shorter Catechism

Sundays, 6:00 pm - March 6 & 27, April 10 & 24
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](https://www.instagram.com/thefort_fwpc)

APRIL 29-30, 2022

**MEN'S
RETREAT**



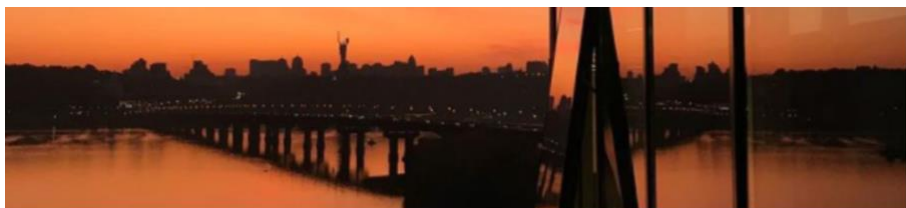
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SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE.

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APRIL 29-30, 2022

**THE CLIFFS RESORT ON
POSSUM KINGDOM LAKE**



CRISIS IN UKRAINE

As Ukraine faces the devastating reality of a Russian invasion, MTW missionaries and members of 15 partner churches of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Ukraine are on their knees seeking the Lord's mercy, protection, and wisdom. Our churches in the west are preparing to care for the displaced who have fled their homes in the east. We are working with the churches of Ukraine and its Eastern European neighbors to provide aid and resources. Please give to provide food, shelter, clothing, and other essentials to those in need. And please join us in prayer.

Regular updates: mtw.org/ukraine-crisis



Ukraine is in need of your donations.
Give online at mtw.org or scan the QR code.


Fort Worth Presbyterian Church

Holy Week

Palm Sunday Service
April 10, 10:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Service
April 14, 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday Service
April 15, 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday Service
April 17, 10:00 a.m.

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