

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.

This is a prayer that Christians might discover the heart of what it means to be a Christian. It means knowing God as the all-loving, all-powerful Father; it means putting down roots into that love - or, changing the picture, having that love as the rock-solid foundation for every aspect of one's life. It means having that love turn into a well-directed and effective energy in one's personal life as well that we might love as we have been loved. -

- Tom Wright

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

Worship

— March 6, 2022 —

First Sunday in Lent

Welcome

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Greeting

Pastor: 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

Pastor: Hear O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Therefore, you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

People: For us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist and one Lord, Jesus, the Messiah, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

Pastor: Therefore, do not live in fear, for the LORD your God is in your midst and he is a great and awesome God! So, come let us worship and adore him!

From Deuteronomy 6:4-5 and 1 Corinthians 8:6

† Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

We praise our glorious King

Hymn #92

† Invocation

We seek the Lord's presence among us

† Doxology

We respond in praise

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia!

Confession of Sin

We turn from our sin

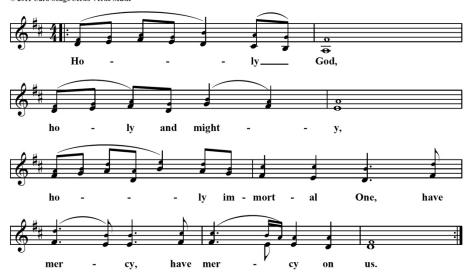
Pastor: In Christ, we have put off the old humanity, which belonged to our former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires and we have put on the new humanity, which is created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

All: Therefore, forgive us our God for not putting away falsehood, for letting corrupting talk continue to come out of our mouths, and for not putting away all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander. Forgive us for not being kind to one another, and tenderhearted. Forgive us for not forgiving others, as you have forgiven us in Christ.

From Ephesians 4

Song of Confession

Trisagion (Holy God) Words from Traditional Greek Orthodox liturgical text Music by Fernando Ortega © 2011 Curb Songs/Cerdo Verde Music



Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy immortal One, Have mercy, Have mercy, Have mercy... Have mercy, Have mercy on us.

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† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: In Christ, we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.

Ephesians 1:6

All: Create in us a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

† Hymn of Response

We rest in our Father's love

Heal Us Emmanuel

Heal us Emmanuel here we are. We long to feel Thy touch. Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly; O Savior hear our cry.

Our faith is feeble we confess, We faintly trust Thy word But will you pity us the less? Be that far from you, Lord! Heal us Emmanuel here we are. We long to feel Thy touch. Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly; O Savior hear our cry.

Remember him who once applied, With trembling for relief; Lord, I believe, with tears he cried; O help my unbelief! Heal us Emmanuel here we are. We long to feel Thy touch. Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly; O Savior hear our cry.

She too who touched you in the press, And healing virtue stole, Was answered, Daughter, go in peace; thy faith has made thee whole! Heal us Emmanuel here we are. We long to feel Thy touch.

Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly; O Savior hear our cry.

Like her with hopes and fears we come to touch you if we may; O send us not despairing home; Send none unhealed away.

Heal us Emmanuel here we are. We long to feel Thy touch.

Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly; O Savior hear our cry.

Words: William Cowper; Music: Kevin Twit & Lucas Morton

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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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 3:14-21 Pew Bible –Page 977

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, 16 that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

20 Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Eggar

PAUL'S BIG PRAYER

Why	Did	Paul	Pray?

To Whom Did Paul Pray?

For What Did Paul Pray?

What Was the Result of Paul's Prayer?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- 1. Do you struggle to pray? If so, list some reasons why. Is it really the case that when we lose sight of God's grace our prayer life suffers? Work out why this is.
- 2. What strikes you most about Paul's prayer? How can his prayer shape your prayer life?
- 3. Paul prays that we'd know the unknowable love of Christ. How are we to make sense of this seeming paradox? How do you think your life would change, if you were growing in the knowledge of Jesus' love?
- 4. Spend this week praying this prayer for yourself, our church and for others. And as you pray, ask yourself, "Do I really believe my God is able to do beyond whatever I ask or think?"

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!

(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.

I Shall Not Want

From the love of my own comfort
From the fear of having nothing
From a life of worldly passions
Deliver me O God

From the need to be understood And from a need to be accepted From the fear of being lonely Deliver me O God Deliver me O God

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want

From the fear of serving others
Oh, and from the fear of death or trial
And from the fear of humility
Deliver me O God

Yes, deliver me O God And I shall not want, no, I shall not want When I taste Your goodness I shall not want No, I shall not want, no, I shall not want

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Audrey Assad

Come, Ye Souls By Sin Afflicted

Come ye souls by, sin afflicted,
Bowed with fruitless, sorrow down;
By the broken, law convicted,
Through the cross, behold the crown;
Look to Jesus; Look to Jesus;
Mercy flows through Him alone.

Take His easy, yoke and wear it; Love will make your, obedience sweet; Christ will give you, strength to bear it, While His grace, shall guide your feet Safe to glory, Safe to glory, Where His ransomed captives meet.

Blessèd are the, eyes that see Him,
Blest the ears that, hear His voice;
Blessèd are the, souls that trust Him,
And in Him, alone rejoice;
His commandments, His commandments
Then become their happy choice.

Sweet as home to, pilgrims weary,
Light to newly, opened eyes,
Like full springs in, deserts dreary,
Is the rest, the cross supplies;
All who taste it, All who taste it, All who taste it
Shall to rest immortal rise.
Look to Jesus; Look to Jesus; Look to Jesus;
Mercy flows through Him alone.
Words: Joseph Swain; Music: Kevin Twit

Jesus, with Thy Church Abide

Jesus, with Thy church abide; Be her savior, Lord, and Guide, While on earth her faith is tried: We beseech Thee, hear us, We beseech Thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure; Grant her patience to endure, Trusting in Thy promise sure: We beseech Thee, hear us, We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind, Seek the lost until she find And the brokenhearted bind: We beseech Thee, hear us, We beseech Thee, hear us.

Save her love from growing cold,
Make her watchmen strong and bold,
Fence her round, thy peaceful fold:
We beseech Thee, hear us,
We beseech Thee, hear us.

Words by Thomas Benson Pollock; Music by Christopher Miner

† Closing Hymn

Arise, O God, and Shine

Arise, O God, and shine in all Thy saving might,
And prosper each design to spread Thy glorious light;
Let healing streams of mercy flow
that all the earth Thy truth may know.

Bring distant nations near to sing Thy glorious praise; Let every people hear and learn Thy holy ways. Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause, and govern by Thy righteous laws.

Put forth Thy glorious power, that everyone may see And earth present her store, in converts born to Thee. God, our own God, His Church will bless, And fill the world with righteousness.

To God, the only Wise, the one immortal King, Let hallelujahs rise, from every living thing; Let all that breathe, on every coast praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Words: William Hurn; Music: Chris Miner

† 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 your spirit,

my dear family.

Galatians 6:18

All: Amen!

Announcements

Deacon of the Day

David Steed

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

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

School of Christian Formation Begins TODAY: 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 with occasional guest appearances by FWPC Elders.

Prayer Time for Ukraine: Following worship today, there will be a dedicated time of prayer for the people of Ukraine. You are invited to gather with us in the sanctuary shortly after the service concludes. Extended childcare will be available for newborn to 4-year olds.

<u>Small Groups meet TODAY 6-7:30 p.m.</u> with pizza and programs for kids of all ages including: children's choir instruction for 1st-4th grade, GAP for 5th-6th graders and youth group for middle and high school. If you are not involved in a small group, see Steve Fults to get plugged into one. It's a great way to get to know others in our church family.

THANK YOU for your support in making our Annual Variety Show & Silent Auction a success. Over \$9,000 was raised for our upcoming mission trips!

<u>Silent Auction Last Chance Items</u>: There are a couple of events still available for purchase at the Fellowship Hall table after church.

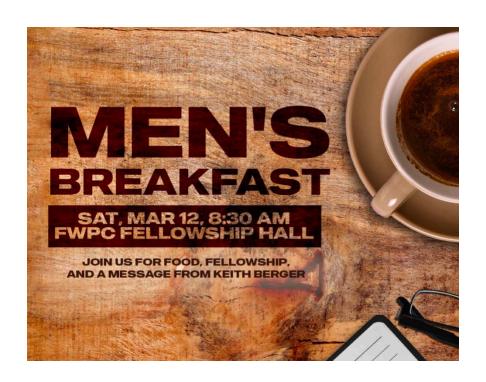
Information & Events

Ladies Game Night is tomorrow, March 7! Join us for a night of fund in the Lecture Hall from 7-9:00 p.m. Friends and snacks to share are welcome. Decaf coffee and water are provide. Ladies Game Night occurs monthly on the first Monday.

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!



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



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 to provide aid and resources to the believers and the surrounding community. Please give to provide food, shelter, clothing, and other essentials to those in need. And please join us in prayer.

We will be posting regular updates on mtw.org/ukraine-crisis

Ukraine is in need of your donations.

Give online at mtw.org or scan the QR code.







Doug & Masha Shepherd

The Shepherds minister on an international church planting team, seeking to plant church-planting churches in L'viv and the western region of Ukraine. They have three children: Chaz, Nika, and Sophia.

Please pray for the MTW team in L'viv as they house, feed, and aid refugees who are fleeing to the western border. Pray specifically for families who are separated, mothers who are caring for those in need and their families, and children whose lives have been turned upside down with little capacity to process the trauma.

Find additional prayer requests and ways to help at **mtw.org/ukraine-crisis**.

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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