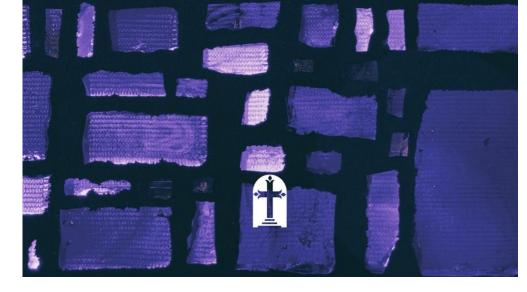


for by grace you have been saved through faith



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.

Use the QR code below as a paperless option to register as a visitor, send prayer requests, mercy needs, update your contact information, request a name tag or elder visit.



Unity does not lack variety. Rather it is unity within a rich diversity of believers whose gifts and graces complement each other. We share in one body, says Paul - but each one of us functions in a different way. We trust in the same Christ, we are indwelt by the same Spirit, we each have the same Heavenly Father - yet each of us receives grace - which in this context suggests a special grace-gift - from Christ, so that we can serve him and one another in a variety of different ways.

- Sinclair Ferguson

Please turn off or silence all communication devices. Courtesy walker and wheelchair are available at the main entrance.

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

† Congregation standing

# Worship

# -April 3, 2022 -

Fifth 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: This one God is in our midst. Let us worship and bow down before him. Amen.

From Deuteronomy 6 and 1 Corinthians 8

† Hymn of Praise Come, Thou Almighty King

We praise our glorious King Hymn #101

† Invocation

We seek the Lord's presence among us

† Doxology

We respond in praise
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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

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power, and idle talk. But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to your servant. Yes, O Lord and King, grant me see my own transgressions, and not to judge my brother or sister, for blessed are you, unto ages of ages. Amen.

A Lenten Prayer of Saint Ephrem

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

## † Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: Our Father, in his grace, has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his Beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of our trespasses.

From Colossians 1:13-14

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

Psalm 51:10

† Hymn of Response

We rest in our Father's love

The Power of the Cross

Oh, to see the dawn
Of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men,
Torn and beaten, then
Nailed to a cross of wood.

This, the power of the cross:

Christ became sin for us;

Took the blame, bore the wrath —

We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain
Written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Every bitter thought,
Every evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

This, the power of the cross:

Christ became sin for us;

Took the blame, bore the wrath —

We stand forgiven at the cross.

Now the daylight flees;
Now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two,
Dead are raised to life;
"Finished!" the victory cry.

This, the power of the cross:

Christ became sin for us;

Took the blame, bore the wrath —

We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see my name
Written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death;
Life is mine to live,
Won through Your selfless love.

This, the power of the cross:
Son of God, slain for us.
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.

Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend The Power of The Cross lyrics © Thank You Music Ltd.

## † Confession of Faith

Pastor: Let us now confess our faith:

All: I bind unto myself this day the power of God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his might to stay, his ear to hear my needs. Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me. Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in the hearts of all that love me, Christ in the mouth of friend and stranger. Salvation is of Christ the Lord.

Adapted from Saint Patrick's Breastplate

## 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 4:7-16 Pew Bible –Page 977-78

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

# The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Eggar

#### DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH

The	Reality	of Divers	ity (	vv.	7-11	)
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The Reason for Various Gifts (v. 12)

The Result (vv. 13-16)

#### Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does this passage help us think about the uses of Spiritual gifts in the church?
- 2. Do you know the Spiritual gift or grace you have been given? Are you using this gift in accordance with its purpose as outlined in this passage? If not, why not?
- 3. How does the ministry of the Word transform your life personally and our life together as the Body of Christ?
- 4. When you think of truth and love, which do you think you express more? How can truth and love be held together in your life?
- 5. According to this passage, what is God's goal for his church? Is this your goal? Why or why not?

# 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 into

temptation, but deliver us from evil; for yours 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.

#### Hark the Voice of Love and Mercy

Hark, the voice of love and mercy,
Sounds aloud from Calvary!
See, it rends the rocks asunder,
Shakes the earth and veils the sky!
"It is finished, It is finished." hear the dying Savior cry.
"It is finished, It is finished." hear the dying Savior cry.

"It is finished," O what pleasure,
Do these charming words afford.
Heav'nly blessings, without measure,
Flow to us from Christ the Lord.
"It is finished, it is finished," saints the dying words record.
"It is finished, it is finished," saints the dying words record.

Finished all the types and shadows
Of the ceremonial law;
Finished all that God had promised;
Death and hell no more shall awe.
"It is finished, it is finished,"
Saints from hence your comfort draw.
"It is finished, it is finished,"
Saints from hence your comfort draw.

Tune your harps anew, ye seraphs;
Join to sing the pleasing theme;
Saints on earth and all in heaven,
Join to praise Immanuel's name.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Glory to the bleeding Lamb!
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Jonathan Evans, 1784

#### Thy Mercy, My God

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song, The joy of my heart. and the boast of my tongue; Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last, Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here; Sin would reduce me to utter despair; But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive, And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart; Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground, And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own, And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son; All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

Words: John Stocker; Music: Sandra McCracken

#### Come to the Feast

Go to the highways and hedges.
Go to the farthest of fields.
Go and compel the sick and the well
For our Father's house will be filled.

Go to the streets of the city.

Bring in the crippled and blind.

All who would taste this banquet of grace

Must come and waste no more time.

Come to the feast, come to the table;
The great and the least, the rich and the poor.
Come to the feast, come to the table;
Come and hunger no more.

In the robe of the Lamb you'll be covered,
Dressed in His pure righteousness.
For all of your guilt His blood it was spilt.
So come by your Father be blessed.

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† Closing Hymn

Our God Our Help In Ages Past

Hymn #30 Verses 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7

# † 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 6:18

All: Amen!

#### **Announcements**

# Deacon of the Day

Dowell Stackpole

#### Save the Date

• April 14 Maundy Thursday Service

• April 15 Good Friday Service

April 17 No Sunday School – Easter Sunday

• 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.

Next Session Meeting is scheduled for April 5 @ 7pm.

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 April 10. Music and instruction will be provided. Bring your black notebook, a pencil and anyone who wants to join us in joyful praise.

Garage Sale Items: Beginning today, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, items can begin being stored in the Choir Room #207. The garage sale will be Saturday, May 7th, 8a-1p. Proceeds from the sale go toward our 2022 mission trips. *Thank you for not placing any items in the stairwells.* 





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 | @] athefort\_fwpc





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