

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.

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What God has done and continues to do in the gift of Christ is the incentive to living the Christian life, since it reminds the church that it is a ransomed community, like old Israel, and summoned to reflect the holy character of the redeemer God.

- Ralph Martin

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

—May 15, 2022 —

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

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: Behold the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

People: Our souls wait for the LORD; he is our help and shield. Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

Pastor: Let your steadfast love, O LORD be upon us, even as we hope in you. Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed.

From Psalm 29 and Philippians 4

† Hymn of Praise

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

We praise our glorious King

Hymn 53

+ 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

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: O Lord, forgive us for the corrupting talk that comes out of our mouths, for you have called us to speak words that are good for building up and not tearing down, words that fit the occasion and that gives grace to those who hear.

From Ephesians 4:29

(Confess the ways you personally misuse your words to the dishonor of Christ and the hurt of others.)

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

† 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 1:7

All: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ: New Creation!

The old has passed away, behold the new has come!

From Psalm 36

† The Greeting of Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

At this time, please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.

COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

Come behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous mystery
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living, in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law; in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
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By Matt Boswell, Michael Bleecker, Matt Papa

† Confession of Faith

Pastor: Let us now confess this trustworthy saying:

All: If we have died with Christ, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession (Followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices together praying:

All: Almighty God, to know you is abundant life, therefore grant us to know you through knowing your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who is none other than the Way and the Truth and the Life. By your Spirit, help us to follow him has he leads us in his true way that is life with you. Amen.

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 5:1-14 Pew Bible –Page 978

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

The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Eggar

WALKING IN LOVE AND LIGHT

	Imitators	of	God	(v.	1)
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Walking in Love (vv. 2-7)

Walking in Light (vv. 8-14)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- 1. What is love? Who gets to define love and why? How do we practice it?
- 2. What's the motivation to love according to this passage?
- 3. Why is sexual immorality wrong? How does it contradict the love of God?
- 4. How do we expose the practices of the world? What is the hope of this exposing?

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!

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*
- 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

HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art, how great thou art!

And when I think that God his Son not sparing, Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation And heal this world, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art.

Words by Stuart K. Hine, 1949; alt.

† The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

Pastor:

Therefore, my dear family, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing

that your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58

People: With the Lord's help we will do this!

† The Blessing

God blesses his people as they go

Pastor:

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Christ is risen!

Hebrews 13:20-21

He is risen indeed! Alleluia! A11:

Pastor: Go forth in the power of Christ's resurrection!

Deacon of the Day

Andy Warren

Save the Date

• June 12 thru August 14 No Sunday School

June 13-18 RYM High School Colorado
 July 9-16 Summer Mission Trip to Juarez

July 25-29 Vacation Bible School
August 2-6 RYM Middle School TX

Information & Events

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

Find Refreshment in a Zoom Prayer Meeting: Thursday at 1:00 pm. 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 Sunday School: Our annual May Missions focus continues during the Sunday School hour next week. We will hear from Eduardo Ovalle from RUF at UTEP. On May 29, Pastor Brandon will review the report presented at the 2021 PCA General Assembly from the Ad Interim Committee on Human Sexuality. All will take place in the Lecture Hall.

Congregational Meeting on June 5 @ 9am in the sanctuary. This meeting will include a ministry report and presentation of the 2022-2023 budget.

Financial Report Fiscal year June 2021-May 2022

June - April	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	1,167,285	1,141,300
General Fund Expenses YTD	1,066,794	1,160,944
How we're doing YTD	100,491	-19,644

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. Through the eleven months of our fiscal year, we are ahead of our expenses by \$100,491. This is a \$120,135 improvement over last year. As of April 30, we have \$284,453 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports Cyril Chavis, RUF Campus Minister, Howard University.

- 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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WUMEN'S SUMMER STUDY

JUNE 2022

WEDNESDAYS, 10:00-11:30 AM

Debby Jones' 3912 Clayton Road East Fort Worth, TX 76116

WEDNESDAYS, 7:00-8:30 PM

Janet Welch's 6009 Carmona Trail Fort Worth, TX 76123

THURSDAYS, 10:00-11:30 AM

Fort Worth Presbyterian (childcare available) 6251 Oakmont Trail Fort Worth, TX 76132

THURSDAYS, 7:00-8:30 PM

Karen Domel's 4145 Hollow Creek Court Aledo, TX 76008



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