



Fort Worth Presbyterian

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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With the indwelling of the Spirit each Christian has all of the Spirit, but the command to be filled with the Spirit enables the Spirit to have all of the believer. The wise walk is the one characterized by the Spirit's control.

— Harold W. Hoener

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† Congregation standing

Worship

— May 22, 2022 —
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Greeting

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

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

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times, his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD, let the humble hear and be glad.

Pastor: O, magnify the LORD with me!

People: And let us exalt his name together! Amen!

† Hymn of Praise

We praise our glorious King

Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise

Red Trinity Hymnal #38

† Invocation

We seek the Lord's presence among us

† Doxology

We respond in praise

DUKE STREET

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!

Confession of Sin

We turn from our sin

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is every before me.

From Psalm 51:1-3

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

(Spend time confessing those sins that you know are ever before you.)

Hymn of Confession

Nothing but the Blood

Red Trinity Hymnal #307

† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: O Lord, by your grace, you will create in us a clean heart,
and you will renew a right spirit within us.

From Psalm 51:20

**All: Our Father has delivered us from darkness and
transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of
sins. Thanks be to God!**

From Colossians 1:13-14

† 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.*

† Hymn of Response

We rest in our Father's love

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)

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Reception of Members

Jeff Carlton
Jennifer Carlton
Jack Carlton
Reese Carlton
Jacob Theisen
*Peter Wade**

*Profession of Faith

Pastoral Prayer *(Followed by a time of silent prayer)*

Common Prayer

Pastor: Let us now join our voices together praying:

**All: O God, you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as surpasses understanding:
Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that
we, loving you in and above all things, may rest in
your promises, which exceed all that we can or ever
will desire. 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 5:15-21
Pew Bible –Page 978

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Introduction

Walking in Wisdom (V. 15)

The Marks of Walking Wisely (vv. 16-21)

- Making the best use of the time (v. 16)
- Understanding the Lord's will (v. 17)
- Being filled with the Spirit (vv. 18-21)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. According to this passage, what are the marks of walking in wisdom and why are these marks important?
2. How do you personally go about understanding the Lord's will for your life? How is understanding the Lord's will less about having a certain feeling and more about understanding and applying God's word to your life and circumstances? How is the Christian community vital to understanding the Lord's will?
3. Knowing the days are evil, do you have methods by which you try to escape them? (Alcohol may be one, but there are other forms of escape that keep us from walking in wisdom, what might they be?).
4. According to this passage, what are the results of being filled with the Spirit? How do each of these results grow us in wisdom?

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:

“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

Lead On, O King Eternal

Lead on, O King eternal,
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest,
Thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation,
Thy grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal, We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper,
The sweet amen of peace.
For not with swords¹ loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums;
With deeds of love and mercy,
The heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King, Lead on, O King!
Lead on, O King, Lead on!

Lead on, O King eternal,
We follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning,
Where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted over us,
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

† 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

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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

Deacon of the Day

David Welch

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: On May 29 in the Lecture Hall, Pastor Brandon will review the report presented at the 2021 PCA General Assembly from the Ad Interim Committee on Human Sexuality. On June 5 in the sanctuary, there will be an informational meeting including 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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CRISIS IN UKRAINE

As Ukraine struggles for their very existence against Russia...

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 minister on an international church planting team in L'viv, seeking to plant churches in the western region of Ukraine. They have three children: Chas, Nika, and Sophia. An excerpt from a recent email from Doug follows:

"We find ourselves in the midst of incredible horror and hardship, but we are not alone. God has faithfully sustained us, and your prayers and support have been a source of encouragement. Though our team is now divided between Krakow, Poland and Lviv, Ukraine we are united in seeking to get help to the Ukrainian church and communities... I pass along the thanks that comes from our pastors across Ukraine for your prayers and support."



WOMEN'S SUMMER STUDY

JUNE 2022

WEDNESDAYS, 10:00-11:30 AM

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

THURSDAYS, 10:00-11:30 AM

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

WEDNESDAYS, 7:00-8:30 PM

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

THURSDAYS, 7:00-8:30 PM

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



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by proclaiming, believing and living out the gospel of Jesus Christ”

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