



FORT WORTH PRESBYTERIAN

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.



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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The Psalms are the anatomy of the soul...(for) there isn't an emotion of which anyone can be conscious that's not here represented as in a mirror...Here the Holy Spirit has pictured...all the griefs, sorrows, fears, doubts, hopes, cares and anxieties, in short all the disquieting emotions that agitate and overwhelm the heart of humanity.

- John Calvin

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† Congregation standing

Worship

— July 17, 2022 —
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Gospel Greeting

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

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

Psalm 124:5

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

Pastor: I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

**People: For the sake of your house and your name, O Lord,
I will seek to glorify you now and from this time
forevermore.**

Adapted from Psalm 122

O Worship the King

O worship the King all glorious above
O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love
Our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold
Almighty your pow'r has founded of old
Has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree
And round it has cast like a mantle the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
While angels delight to hymn you above
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays
With true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

*Based on Psalm 104
Robert Grant, 1833
Johann Michael Haydn, 1737-1806*

† 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, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath. Be gracious to me, for I am languishing; heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled. My soul is also greatly troubled because I forsake your ways to live only for myself. Turn, O LORD, and deliver my life; save me for the sake of your steadfast love.

From Psalm 6

(As you confess your sins, pray that the Lord would show how your particular sins keeps you from flourishing in the way of the Lord.)

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

Song of Confession

Trisagion (Holy God)

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

Words from Traditional Greek Orthodox liturgical text
Music by Fernando Ortega © 2011 Curb Songs/Cerdo Verde Music

† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: The LORD has heard my plea; the LORD accepts my prayer, for through his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, I am forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

From Psalm 6

† 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.*

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
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When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb
My perfect, spotless Righteousness
The great unchangeable I AM
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself, I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God

Words by Charitie Lees Bancroft; Music by Vicki Cook
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† Confession of Faith

We confess our faith together

Pastor: Christians, who is the Lord Jesus Christ?

People: He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation. For by him all things were created in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the first-born from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Colossians 1:15-20

Kingdom Prayer

Steve Fults

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices together praying:

All: Grant, Lord, we ask you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your congregation may joyfully serve you in all confidence and godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Colossians 3:16-17

Pew Bible –Page 984

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PSALMS

Introduction

What Are Our Objectives?

Why Study the Psalms?

How Can We Take the Psalms Seriously?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. How often do you turn to the psalms for comfort? What do you find most comforting about the language of the psalms?
2. Do you believe that the voice of Jesus is heard in every psalm? If so, how would you articulate your reason for believing this to someone else?
3. In Ephesians 2:10 Paul says we're God's poetry created in Christ Jesus. Seeing how the psalms are God's written poetry, how do they shape us to live as God's human poetry?
4. Pick a particular psalm and use it to guide your prayer life this week.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 Consecration

Words of Institution

The Confession

Pastor: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

People: Hallelujah!

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of the 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.

† Song of Sending

Our Great God

Eternal God, unchanging mysterious and unknown
Your boundless love, unfailing in grace and mercy shown.
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne,
They raise their voices day and night in praise to You alone.

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

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Lord, we are weak and frail, Helpless in the storm.
Surround us with Your angels, hold us in Your arms.
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm.
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our Sov'reign God!

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Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird,
Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth,
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe
Sing praises to the living God who rules them by His word.

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

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By Fernando Ortega and Mac Powell

† The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

Pastor: Seek first this day and always the Kingdom of God and his righteousness.

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

From Matthew 6:33

† The Blessing

God blesses his people as they go

Pastor: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

2 Corinthians 13:14

All: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Andy Warren

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 attendee emails.

VBS Craft Prep Night! Monday, July 18th, 7pm: Come and join us for a fun evening of prepping VBS craft materials! We will be cutting, sorting and preparing materials. Call/text with any questions! Sarah Diamantopoulos 713-818-2908, 6121 Kenwick Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76116

Sunday School Break (*June 12 – August 14*): This summer we're taking a 10-week break from Sunday school classes (for all ages), so that teachers can be refreshed. We will have a time of fellowship at 9:00 a.m. with donuts, bagels and coffee in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday school will resume on August 21!

FWPC 101: When Sunday School resumes on August 21, one of the adult classes offered will be FWPC 101. Join us to learn more about our vision, purpose, ministries, service & fellowship opportunities, and membership. Everyone is welcome, and for those considering membership, this is the first step!

Summer at

July Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 PM

Ultimate Frisbee Nights with Trinity Youth at FWPC

July Saturdays, 10:00-11:30 AM

Cereal & Scripture – HS & MS Youth, Room 203

Tuesday, July 19 7:00-10:00 PM

Summer Hangout at Main Event

Aug 2-6 – RYM MS Texas at Allaso Ranch in Hawkins, TX

Aug 12-13 – The Fort Lock-In

Details: fortworthpca.org/youth | Questions? thefort@fortworthpca.org | [@thefort_fwpc](https://www.instagram.com/thefort_fwpc)



Calling All Rising 5th Graders: We want to welcome you to GAP for 5th and 6th graders. Please sign up to be added to the GAP text thread for notification about future events.



FWPC MEN'S FALL STUDY

The Men's Ministry Team is making plans for our fall study. Please provide your input by following the QR code to a short survey .



SPACE PROBE **VBS**

AGE 4-6TH GRADE
3-YEAR OLD CLASS
AVAILABLE FOR FWPC MEMBERS

JULY 25-29

Registration and adult/youth volunteer forms are available on the Fellowship Hall table.

Questions? Contact Rebecca York at **214.681.2496** or rebecca@fortworthpca.org.

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