



FORT WORTH PRESBYTERIAN

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.



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.



The Spirit is with Jesus from eternity past, and he remains with him from womb to tomb to throne and on into eternity future.

- Basil of Caesarea

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

— September 25, 2022 —

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Gospel Greeting

Pastor: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace
with God through our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to God!

Romans 5:1

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

Pastor: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of Hosts!

**People: My soul longs for, yes, faints for the courts of the
LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living
God.**

Psalms 84:1-2

† Hymn of Praise

We praise our glorious King

O Worship the King

Red Trinity Hymnal #2

† Invocation

We seek the Lord's presence among us

† Doxology

We respond in praise

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Confession of Sin

We turn from our sin

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: Almighty, merciful God, we acknowledge for ourselves and we confess before you that which is truth; namely, that if you decided to consider our merits and worthiness, we should not be worthy to lift our eyes to Heaven. For our consciences accuse us and our sins testify against us. But, O Lord, since you commanded us to call upon you in every affliction, and promised in your unspeakable mercy to hear our prayers, not for the sake of our merits – of which there are none – but for the sake of Christ alone, we confess our inward and outward rebellion to you, knowing that you are good and gracious to cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Amen.

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

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

Song of Confession

LORD HAVE MERCY

Je-sus, I've for-got - ten the words___ that you have spo - ken.
Prom-is-es that burned with-in___ my heart have now grown dim; With a
doubt - ing heart I fol - low the paths___ of earth-ly wis - dom;
for-give me for my un-be-lief, re-new_____ the fire a - gain.
Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy on me;
Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy on ___ me.

The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp). The first four staves contain the main melody with lyrics. The fifth and sixth staves provide a harmonic accompaniment. The key signature is G major. The time signature is 4/4, with a 2/4 section in the fourth staff. The lyrics are: 'Je-sus, I've for-got - ten the words___ that you have spo - ken. Prom-is-es that burned with-in___ my heart have now grown dim; With a doubt - ing heart I fol - low the paths___ of earth-ly wis - dom; for-give me for my un-be-lief, re-new_____ the fire a - gain. Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy on me; Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy on ___ me.'

2. I have built an altar where I worship things of man
I have taken journeys that have drawn me far from You
Now I am returning to Your mercies ever flowing
Pardon my transgressions, Help me love You again *Chorus*

3. I have longed to know You and Your tender mercies
Like a river of forgiveness ever flowing without end
I bow my heart before You in the goodness of Your presence
Your grace forever shining like a beacon in the night *Chorus*

Steve Merkel

† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried away our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

All: Amen! Thanks be to God!

† 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.*

† Song of Renewal

We rest in our Father's love

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse

1. Won - der - ful, mer - ci - ful Sav - ior, pre - cious Re -
 2. Coun - se - lor, Com - fort - er, Keep - er, Spir - it we
 3. Al - might - y, in - fi - nite Fa - ther, faith - ful - ly

5
 deem - er and Friend; _____ Who would have thought that a Lamb
 long to em - brace; _____ You of - fer hope when our hearts
 lov - ing Your own; _____ Here in our weak - ness You find

11
 could res - cue the souls of men? Oh, _____ You res - cue the
 have hope - less - ly lost the way, Oh, _____ we hope - less - ly
 us fall - ing be - fore Your throne, Oh, _____ we're fall - ing be -

17
 souls of men. _____ You are the One that we praise, _____
 lost the way.
 fore Your throne.

24
 You are the One we a - dore. _____ You give the heal - ing and

30
 grace our hearts al - ways hun - ger for, Oh, _____ our

36
 hearts al - ways hun - ger for.

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Professions of Faith

*Elizabeth “Ellie” Bryan
Fred Bryan
Covenant Children of Josiah & Mary Bryan*

*Ellie Anne Diamantopoulos
Lucy Elizabeth Diamantopoulos
Covenant Children of JD & Sarah Diamantopoulos*

*Madelyn “Maddy” Eva Fitzgerald
Covenant Child of Jonathan & Carol Fitzgerald*

Kingdom Prayer

John Weiser

Common Prayer

O Father, help us to rest in the finished work of Christ that by your Spirit we may be more and more renewed in his image.
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

*Luke 3:21-38
Pew Bible – 859*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Eggar

JESUS, THE BELOVED SON

Introduction

Jesus' Family Tree

Jesus' Baptism

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Why does Luke trace Jesus' family tree back to Adam? What is he saying about Jesus' person and why he was born?
2. Why does it matter that Jesus was fully human? How does this truth bring you comfort?
3. From Jesus' baptism, how would you describe the inner life of the Trinity?
4. According to Jesus' baptism, Jesus the King is the Servant. How should this increase your view of his glory? In light of who Jesus is and what he's done, how much time do you spend on knowing him, depending on him, and worshiping him?

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 singing:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow - er, God of might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. —
— Ho - san - na in the high - est, —
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. —
— Ho - san - na in the high - est, —
— ho - san - na in the high - est.

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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 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

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone – who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save;
Till on that cross of Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied-
for every sin on Him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain:
then bursting forth in glorious Day
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stand in victory sin's
curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am His and He is mine –
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand;
till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Words: Stuart Townend Music: Keith Getty

† The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

Pastor: As you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

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

From Luke 6:31

† The Blessing

God blesses his people as they go

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his
face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord
lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

All: Amen!

Numbers 6:24-26

Deacon of the Day

David Welch

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.

40 Days for Life: Even though the Supreme Court ruled to overturn Roe v. Wade, the battle for life is far from over. Planned Parenthood still refers to states that still do abortions. We still need prayer warriors who will stand up for moms and their unborn children. God has used 40 Days for Life, the world's largest grassroots movement to end abortion, to save lives and close abortion facilities in over 1000 cities in 64 countries through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach. You are invited to join in 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion from **September 28-November 6**. You can sign up for a 1-hour prayer slot each week at the table in the Fellowship Hall. You may also volunteer to stand for life as a peaceful public witness outside the Planned Parenthood at 6464 John Ryan Drive in Fort Worth at 40daysforlife.com/en/fortworthsouthwest.

Luke Scripture Journals: A great resource for highlighting and note taking during this sermon series, ESV scripture journals are available for The Gospel of Luke on the Fellowship Hall table for only \$3.

Pickup Your Free Copy of the *ByFaith Magazine* on the Fellowship Hall table.

Fall at

Sundays, 9:00 am - Christian Formation Classes

High School - Room 204: What is Reformed Theology?

Middle School - Room 203: What is Reformed Theology?

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm - All-Youth Large Group

food, fun, lesson on Romans, small group discussion

Saturday, October 29 - Halloween Party

Saturday, November 12 - Service Project

Saturday, December 10 - Christmas Party

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

ROCTOBER VII

CAMP COPASS - DENTON, TX | OCTOBER 21-22

What? North Texas Presbytery's Annual All-Youth
Fall Retreat (7-12 grades)

Who? Speaker Donny Friederichsen
Sr. Pastor at Lakeside Presbyterian

How much? \$80 includes one night's lodging, three
meals on Saturday, and a t-shirt

When? Register by Friday, October 7. Pay by
Friday, October 21. Scholarships available.

REGISTER



PAY





Who: 5th & 6th grade parents

What: prayer time for GAP students

When: immediately following worship on
Sept 25, Nov 6, Jan 22, Mar 5

Where: Room 209 (activities for younger
kids available in Room 111 and
games for older kids in Room 113)

MEN'S FALL STUDY

COUNTERFEIT GODS

WEDNESDAYS, 6:30 AM



FWPC LECTURE HALL

Come connect with other men as we consider money, love, and power from a Biblical perspective using Tim Keller's *Counterfeit Gods* as our discussion guide. Study continues through October 26.

Register at fortworthpca.org/men.

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

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