

The background of the entire image is a close-up of a stained glass window. It features a complex pattern of irregular, multi-colored glass pieces in shades of red, orange, yellow, and green, held together by dark, leaded lines. The light filtering through the glass creates a warm, textured effect. In the lower-middle section, there is a small, white icon of a cross inside a square frame, which is part of the church's branding.

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 touch of Jesus points to his compassion and the immediacy of the healing points to his power. It is always the combination Jesus' disciples need, not some sort of helpless sympathy nor sheer brute force but the perfect harmony of both.

— Dale Ralph Davis

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

† *Congregation standing*

Worship

— October 30, 2022 —

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

The Gospel Greeting

Pastor: For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not of your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

People: We are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:8-1

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

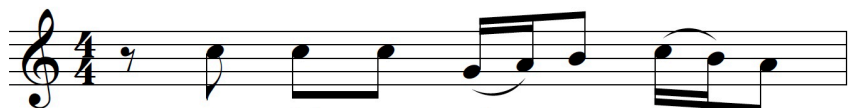
Pastor: To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

People: Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of the maidservant to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, for he has shown us mercy.

Pastor: Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us and turn our hearts more and more to your Son in the power of your Spirit.

Adapted from Psalm 123

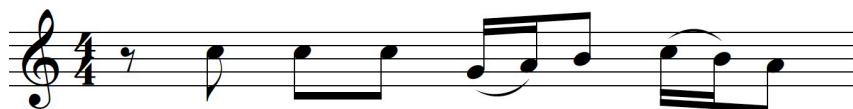
A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD



A might - y for - tress is — our
 Did we in our own strength con -
 And though this world, with dev - ils
 That Word a - bove all earth - ly



God, a bul - wark nev - er fail - ing;
 fide, our striv - ing would be los - ing;
 filled, should threat - en to un - do — us,
 pow'rs, no thanks to them, a - bid - eth;



our help - er he — a - mid the
 were not the right man on — our
 we will not fear, for God hath
 the Spir - it and the gifts are



flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For
 side, the man of God's own choos - ing. Dost
 willed his truth to tri - umph through us. The
 ours through him who with us sid - eth. Let



still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us woe; his
 ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is he, Lord
 prince of dark - ness grim, we trem - ble not for him; his
 goods and kin - dred go, this mor - tal life al - so; the



craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cru - el hate,
Sa - ba - oth his name, from age to age the same,
rage we can en - dure, for lo! his doom is sure;
bod - y they may kill; God's truth a - bid - eth still;



on earth is not his e - qual.
and he must win the bat - tle.
one lit - tle word shall fell him.
his king - dom is for - ev - er.

† 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 Father, receive again the thing which you have created.

O Son, receive the thing which you have governed.

O Holy Spirit, fetch the thing which you so bountifully have preserved.

Three persons and one very God, I entreat you: remember not my offenses.

For I cry, Lord God and Father: Mercy!

Lord God the Son: Mercy!

Lord God the Holy Spirit: Mercy! Amen.

Martin Luther

Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

Song of Confession

HEAL US EMMANUEL

Heal us, Em - man - uel, here we are.

We long to feel Thy touch.

Deep wound - ed souls to Thee we fly;

O, Sav - ior hear our — cry.

Our faith is fee - ble we con - fess,

We faint - ly trust Thy — word;

But will you pi - ty us the less?

Be that far from you, — Lord!

The musical score is written for a single voice on a treble clef staff. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody begins with a repeat sign. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words connected by hyphens to indicate syllables across measures. There are several measures of rest (indicated by a dash) at the beginning of each line of music. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:1

All: 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.

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

Pastor: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Kingdom Prayer *(followed by silent prayer)* *Jack Norris*

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices together praying:

All: Lord, we ask that you keep us, your family, in continual godliness; that through your protection, we may be free from all inward and outward adversities, so that we might more and more walk in the way of Christ Jesus our Lord in whose names we pray. 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 5:12-17
Pew Bible – Page 861*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

“JESUS ENCOUNTERS A LEPER”

A Man Full of Leprosy

The Leper's Courageous Approach (v. 12)

Jesus' Compassionate Response (vv. 13-16)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Imagine what it would have been like to be this man. What if you had to announce your deepest and darkest shame every time you went out the door? How does this give you compassion for unbelievers who are wrestling with what to do with their shame?
2. Do you believe Jesus has done an even greater miracle in your life by cleansing you of your sin and shame? How has his compassionate power gripped your heart and changed your life? Do you rest in the reality that in coming to Jesus you are cleansed of your shame?
3. According to this passage, what was the "secret of Jesus' " compassionate power? How does Jesus' practice in verses 15-16 guide us in our daily Christian walk? Is what he does in these verses practiced in your own life? 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 singing:

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!

(Clear cups are wine and purple cups are grape juice)

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.”

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. Contact Rebecca York rebecca@fortworthpca.org.

"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.

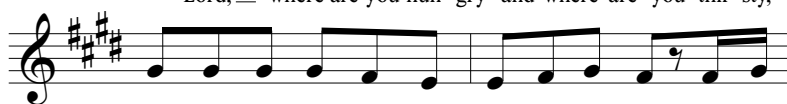
A prayer for covenant children who have not yet made a profession of faith: Lord Jesus, thank you for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the 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

STREETS OF THE CITY



Lord, we stand in the sha-llows of all you have gi-ven,
Lord, — where are you hun-gry and where are you thir-sty,



Grate-ful for mer-cy yet hun-gry for more, For the
na-ked, im-pris-oned, with no one to care? To —



po-wei of grace to go out from this place To the ends of the
give of our best to the poor and opp-ressed is to give back to



earth.
You. We have praised you with pa-sion and
So — cause us to see with the



wor-shipped in won-der, Thrilled by Your Spi-rit and
eyes of the Sav-iour, Give us a heart that will



fed by Your Word. Now to fu-lly de-light in the
love as you love; Cou-ra-geous com-pass-ion in



ri-ches of Christ we must go to the
words and in act-ion brings hope to the

world. 1,2.For you live in the streets of the ci-ty, You
world. 3.That you live in the streets of the ci-ty, You

stand with the weak and the nee-dy, You walk with the
stand with the weak and the nee-dy, You walk with th

home-less and hun-gry and poor. And your
home-less and hun-gry and poor. And your

hands are the hands I am lift-ing, Your voice is the
hands are the hands I am lift-ing, Your voice is the

life I am liv-ing; Your love longs to
life I am liv-ing; With - out us there's

meet them, but how will they know, Un-
no oth - er way they will know, So

less I am will-ing to go?
send me, I'm rea - dy to go.

† The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

Pastor: Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks for all circumstances; for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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

Dowell Stackpole

Save the Date

Sun, Nov 6, 11:30 am – GAP Parent Prayer Time

Sat, Dec 10, 7-9 pm - GAP Christmas Party

Sun, Dec 11, 11:30 am - Kids Advent Party

Sun, Dec 18, 6 pm - Lessons & Carols

Sat, Dec 24, 5 pm - Christmas Eve Service

Sun, Dec 25, 11 am - Christmas Service

Information & Events

Offering: To make a contribution [CLICK HERE](#) or you may text to give to 817-934-6447.

Christian Formation Classes, Sundays @ 9am: The Intimate Mystery, a class on marriage, led by Brandon Eggar, Jack Norris, Scott Wade and David Welch in Room 207. Journey in Prayer is a hands-on prayer training. Join us as we call on our Father in kingdom prayer in Room 205 with Steve Fults. Exploring the Gospels with Bob Schwartzbeck is in the Lecture Hall and College and Career Community is in Room 201.

Coat Drive: Oakmont Elementary is collecting new winter coats for ages Pre-K through 5th Grade. Please bring your donation to the FWPC Fellowship Hall by Sunday, November 20. We will deliver these coats to the elementary school for distribution to the kids who most need them.

Join Our Greeter Team Today: Contact Anne Santana, the Greeter Team Coordinator. Call 817-874-4001, or email asimple1@gmail.com.

Lessons & Carols Choir Rehearsals: Weekly rehearsals will be held on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. from October 20-December 15, excluding Thanksgiving Day. One additional rehearsal will take place on Sunday, December 11 at 3:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining the choir, please let justin@fortworthpca.org know.

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.

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 at Giddings Home

food, pumpkin carving, costume contest, and murder

mystery game (8624 Thistle Ridge Terrace)

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)

THURS. 11.3.22

6:30P



MEN'S BEER & BRAT NIGHT

MEN, JOIN US FOR BEER, BRATS, GAMES, AND FELLOWSHIP AT
THE DAVIS BARN - 6796 SILVER SADDLE ROAD, FORT WORTH, TX 76126

Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2022-May 2023

June - September	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	354,673	347,392
General Fund Expenses YTD	431,817	385,861
How we're doing YTD	-74,006	-37,090

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. Through the first quarter of our fiscal year, we spent \$74,006 more than our income. This is \$36,917 more than last year. As of September 30, we have \$194,689 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports Hannah Humphreys, RUF Intern SMU.

- ❖ 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, just 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.

*Trust in the Lord, and do good;
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.
Delight yourself in the Lord,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Psalm 37:3-4*



WOMEN'S *Christmas* BRUNCH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 10:00 A.M.
AT FORT WORTH PRESBYTERIAN

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