



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.

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The demand for cross-carrying applies not simply to the extraordinary person, but to "all." Here is the essential pattern for Christian identity. The imitation of Christ is more than a momentary decision. Instead, it is the continuing to take up our cross every day."
- Luke Timothy Johnson

The front of the bulletin and the color of the minister's stole is currently green, which signifies that this is the season of Epiphany - the season when the Church has historically remembered that the one Lord Jesus was revealed to all the nations for salvation.

*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.*

*Free Wi-Fi is available. Simply **choose the FWPCA** network on your device
by going to settings and selecting this network.*

† *Congregation standing*

Worship

— February 12, 2023 —
Sixth Sunday of Epiphany

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!

† The Call to Worship

God calls His people to worship

Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship
the LORD in the splendor of holiness!

**People: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the
LORD sits enthroned forever.**

Pastor: May the LORD give strength to His people! May the
LORD bless His people with peace!

Adapted from Psalm 29

† Hymn of Praise
O WORSHIP THE KING

We praise our glorious King
Red Trinity Hymnal #2

† Invocation

We seek the Lord's presence among us

† Doxology

We respond in praise
DUKE STREET

Praise God from whom all — bless - ings flow;

Praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;

Praise him a - bove, ye — heav'n - ly — host;

Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

A - men.

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Confession of Sin

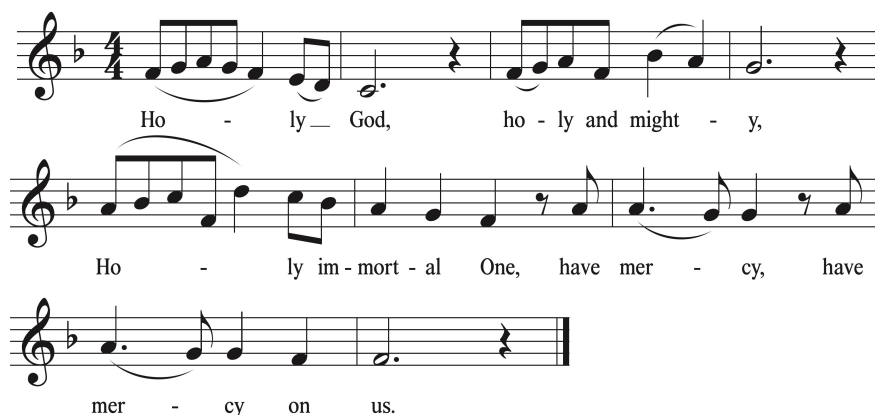
We turn from our sin

Pastor: Let us confess our sins together:

All: O Lord, we confess that transgression speaks deep in our hearts, so that we do not reverence You as our good Father, and in turn we cease to act wisely and do good. Cleanse us of our foolishness and set up once again in our hearts Your way that is good and right and beautiful. Amen.

From Psalm 36:1-4

TRISAGION (HOLY GOD)



Ho - ly — God, ho - ly and might - y,

Ho - ly im - mort - al One, have mer - cy, have

mer - cy on us.

Words from Traditional Greek Orthodox Liturgical Text
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Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light do we see light.

All: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 36:9

† The Greeting of Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

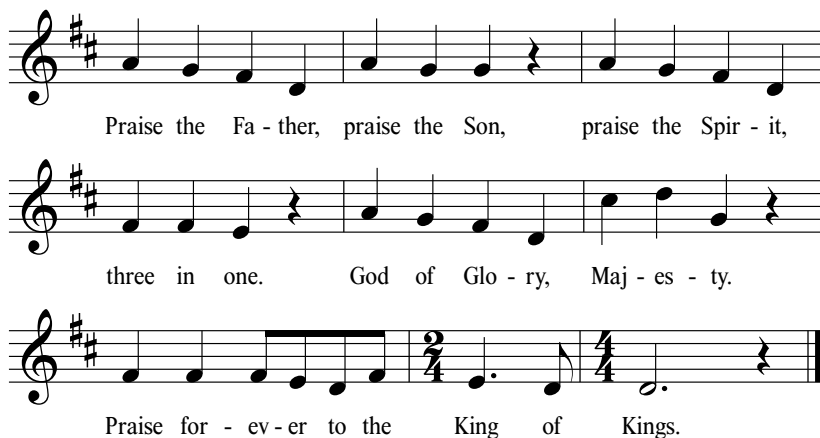
*At this time, please greet those around you
with the peace of Christ.*

† Song of Renewal

We rest in our Father's love

KING OF KINGS

1. In the dark - ness, we were wait - ing with - out hope,
 — with - out light. 'Till from heav -
 - en you — came run — ning there was mer -
 - cy in — your eyes. To ful - fill
 — the law — and pro - phets to a vir -
 - gin came — the Word. From a throne
 — of end - less glo - ry, to a cra -
 - dle in — the dirt. —



2.To reveal the kingdom coming
 And to reconcile the lost
 To redeem the whole creation
 You did not despise the cross
 For even in Your suffering
 You saw to the other side
 Knowing this was our salvation
 Jesus for our sake You died *Chorus*

3.And the morning that You rose
 All of heaven held its breath
 Till that stone was moved for good
 For the Lamb had conquered death
 And the dead rose from their tombs
 And the angels stood in awe
 For the souls of all who'd come
 To the Father are restored

4.And the Church of Christ was born
 Then the Spirit lit the flame
 Now this Gospel truth of old
 Shall not kneel shall not faint
 By His blood and in His Name
 In His freedom I am free
 For the love of Jesus Christ
 Who has resurrected me *Chorus*

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† Confession of Faith

Pastor: Let us now confess this trustworthy saying:

All: Jesus was manifested in the flesh. He was vindicated by the Spirit. He was seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, and taken up in glory.

From 1 Timothy 3:16

Prayer of Intercession

Scott Hames

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices together praying:

All: O Lord, You have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing; send Your Holy Spirit and pour afresh into our hearts your love, which is the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before You. Grant this for the sake Your dear Son, Jesus. 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.*



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I WILL WAIT FOR YOU (PSALM 130)

Out of the depths I cry to You,
in darkest places I will call.
Incline Your ear to me anew,
and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were You to count my sinful ways,
How could I come before Your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze,
I stand redeemed by grace alone.

Chorus

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
On Your word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
Till my w is satisfied.*

So, put Your hope in God alone.
Take courage in His power to save,
Completely and forever won
by Christ's emerging from the grave. *Chorus*

Now He has come to make a way,
And God Himself has paid the price,
That all who trust in Him today,
find healing in His sacrifice.

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
On Your word I will rely.*

*I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
Till my soul is satisfied.*

*I will wait for You, I will wait for You,
Through the storm and through the night.*

*I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
For Your love is my delight.*

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The Reading of the Word

Luke 9:18-27
Pew Bible –Page 867

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

A CROSS FOR ME, A CROSS FOR YOU

The Confession of Peter (vv. 18-21)

The Clarification of Jesus (v. 22)

The Call to Follow Jesus (vv. 23-28)

Discussion Questions:

1. How does Jesus' clarification (v. 22) help us to speak to others who have all sorts of opinions concerning who Jesus is?
2. Imagine you're trying to explain the "Divine Must" (v. 22) to an unbeliever. What would you say to them? Begin praying that God would give you such an opportunity.
3. Ponder this quote from C.S. Lewis, "The natural self is something that wants to be petted and admired. (It wants)...to take advantage of other lives and to exploit the whole universe. And especially, it wants to be left to itself: to keep well away from anything better or stronger or higher than it, anything that might make the self feel small." How is this true in your life?
4. What are some particular areas in your life where you're refusing to take up your cross daily? How does the little phrase, "for my sake" give us the motivation to live a cruciform life in all areas?

The Celebration of Communion

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:

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final double bar line at the end of the seventh staff.

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.

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,
Gluten/ Dairy free wafers are individually wrapped)*

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 at 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

HIS MERCY IS MORE

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

Chorus

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more *Chorus*

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more *Chorus*

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† 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!

All: Thanks be to God!

1 Corinthians 15:58

† The Blessing *God blesses his people as they go*

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

People: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Chris Jordan – TODAY

Randy Shannon – February 19

Daniel Sneed – February 26

Save the Date

Sat, Feb 18, 2-4 pm - GAP Winter Warmup

Wed, Mar 1, 7:00 pm - School of Christian Formation begins

April 28-29 - Men's Retreat

May 6, 8:30 am - Garage Sale

May 7, 4:00 pm - Church Picnic

June 26-30 - Vacation Bible School

July 10-15 - HS RYM Summer Conference

July 22-29 - Mission Trip to Juarez

Aug 2-6 - MS RYM Summer Conference

Information & Events

Visitors: Pick up visitor information at the visitor kiosk in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship.

Christian Formation Classes on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. including two new adult classes. **FWPC 101** is in Room 205 walking through our vision, purpose, ministries, service & fellowship opportunities, and membership. All are welcome, and it is required for new members. A notebook is provided, so please RSVP at fortworthpca.org/adult. **Vocation in the Kingdom** is considering how our calling from God helps us navigate work, leisure, family, and citizenship with joy and confidence. It is led by Ben Graber in Room 207. **Exploring the Gospels** with Bob Schwartzbeck will continue in the Lecture Hall, and **Young Adults** will continue in Room 201.

Join the choir as we prepare for Easter services at FWPCA! Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. from February 16-March 30, excluding Spring Break, March 16. (If you are interested in joining the choir, send an email to justin@fortworthpca.org.)

Information & Events

The School of Christian Formation will be taught by Brandon Eggar on Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in Room 205, March 1-May 17 (no class Spring Break or Holy Week). It will focus our understanding of the church as the place where Christians are formed into the image of Christ. We will take a brief look at the history of the church, then the origin and structure of the church, followed by the worship and life of the church. All are invited to attend this 10-session series, and it is a requirement for future officers.

Winter Crates for Ukraine: FWPC has partnered with Trinity Presbyterian to help them fill basic care crates to send to MTW's team in Lviv, Ukraine. The Lviv team is distributing aid to those in need across Ukraine. You can donate a monetary gift, purchase supplies and place in the fellowship hall box, or order on Amazon to be shipped directly to Trinity's crate coordinator. Visit fortworthpca.org/crates for complete details and links.

VARIETY SHOW

& Silent Auction

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

AUCTION - 5:00 | DINNER - 5:00 | SHOW - 6:30

BENEFITS MEXICO & AFRICA MISSION TRIPS



DINNER TICKETS
\$10 (\$5 KIDS)



AUCTION DONATION
BY FEB 19



SHOW SIGNUP



MEN'S BREAKFAST SERIES

**SATURDAYS
8-30 A.M.**

JANUARY 14 | FEBRUARY 18 | MARCH 18

Be challenged by thoughtful teaching,
connect and build friendships, break bread together at FWPC.

Spring at

Sundays, 9:00 am - Christian Formation Classes

Confronting Christianity in the Modern World

HS - Room 203 with Travis | MS - Room 203 with JD

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, Feb 1-Apr 26 - Youth Group

friends, food, fellowship, large group lesson, small group discussions

Sunday, February 12, 5:15 pm - Super Bowl Watch Party

barbecue, drinks, snacks at the Giddings Home (8624 Thistle Ridge Terrace)

Friday, February 24 - Deposit deadline for RYM Summer Conference

Friday, March 24 - Full Payment deadline for RYM Summer Conference



HS FL2

tym
registration



MS TX

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



Women's Spring Retreat

DFW Hilton Lakes, Grapevine | March 24-26

with Chris Gordon on

Jesus' Fierce and Tender Love for Women



A roller rink with colorful lights and a large 'GAP' logo. The text 'Winter Warmup Rollerland West' and 'Sat, Feb 18, 2:00-4:00' is overlaid on the image.

GAP

**Winter Warmup
Rollerland West**

Sat, Feb 18, 2:00-4:00

7325 Calmont Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76116
Bring \$9 for skates or \$4 for rollerblades.
Questions or financial assistance? Contact Jeff or Amy Thom.

A close-up of a marshmallow on a stick, with a blurred background of people. The text '3rd/4th Grade' is overlaid on the image.

3rd/4th Grade

Pizza, S'mores & Glow Games
Saturday, February 25, 5:00-7:00 PM
Breedlove Home - 6790 Fortune Road

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church
By God's grace and all for his glory, Fort Worth Presbyterian Church exists to **gather for biblically saturated worship, grow together in the life of the gospel, and go out to bear witness to the reign of Christ in all things.**

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