



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.



We can have a genuine Christian confession and yet have much progress to make in knowing what kind of Christ we believe in and are following. Therefore, we must always let Jesus define himself. We must quit casting Jesus into our own image of what we want him to be.

- Dale Ralph Davis

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 19, 2023 —

Seventh 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

COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING

We praise our glorious King

Red Trinity Hymnal #302

† 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.

Lyric by Thomas Ken (1674) | Tune by John Warrington Hatton (1793)

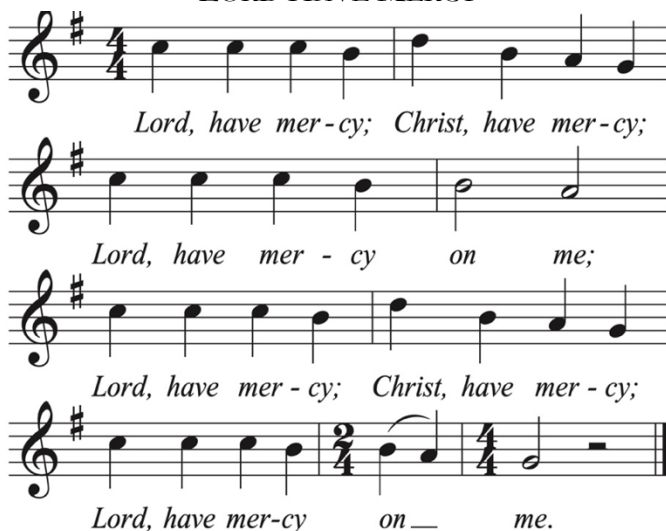
Confession of Sin

We turn from our sin

Pastor: Let us confess our sins together:

All: Merciful God, we confess that we sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your name. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY



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.

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*

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Silent Confession

We acknowledge our sin

† Assurance of Pardon

We rest in the mercy of God

Pastor: Jesus Himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that
 we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His
 wounds have we been healed.

From 1 Peter 2:24

All: Glory be to Christ our Savior and King!

† 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.*

DEATH WAS ARRESTED

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin
Lost without hope with no place to begin
Your love made a way to let mercy come in
When death was arrested and my life began
Ash was redeemed only beauty remains
My orphan heart was given a name
My mourning grew quiet my feet rose to dance
When death was arrested and my life began

Chorus

Oh Your grace so free washes over me
You have made me new now life begins with You
It's Your endless love pouring down on us
You have made us new now life begins with You
Released from my chains I'm a pris'ner no more
My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore
He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend
When death was arrested and my life began

Chorus

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross
Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost
But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand
That's when death was arrested and my life began

Chorus

Oh we're free free forever we're free
Come join the song of all the redeemed
Yes we're free free forever amen
When death was arrested and my life began

(Repeat)

When death was arrested and my life began
When death was arrested and my life began

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Pastor: Christians, in whom do we believe:

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord, who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.*
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*While Jesus didn't literally descend to hell, he did endure the torment of hell on the cross and remained under the power of death until his resurrection.

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Prayer of Intercession

Scott Hames

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: Lord, we ask You to keep Your church and household abiding in the truth of the gospel; may they who rest only upon the hope of your heavenly grace, be evermore defended by Your mighty power, 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.



QR Code for online giving

The Reading of the Word

Luke 9:28-36

Pew Bible –Page 867

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

JESUS' TRANSFIGURATION

Introduction (v. 28)

The Transfiguration (vv. 29-33)

The Implication of the Transfiguration (vv. 34-36)

Discussion Questions:

1. How is prayer shown to be vital in this passage? How does this motivate you to pray? How might it shape your personal prayer life?
2. What's the connection between the transfiguration and the previous passage? How was the transfiguration a comfort to the disciples?
3. What is the exodus Jesus was about to accomplish (v. 31)? How does this help grasp God's salvation of us in Christ?
4. Why was it inappropriate for Peter to want to prolong this mountain top experience? Are there areas of your past experience in the Christian life that you wish you could have prolonged? Why did God prolong them and what has this taught you?
5. According to verse 35 what is central to following Jesus? How are you seeking to follow the Father's command to listen to his Son?

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:



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,
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.

Communion Song

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go
Red Trinity Hymnal #708

† Song of Sending

ACROSS THE LANDS



1. You're the Word of God the Fa-ther From be-fore the world be-

2. Yet You left the gaze of an-gels, Came to seek and save the

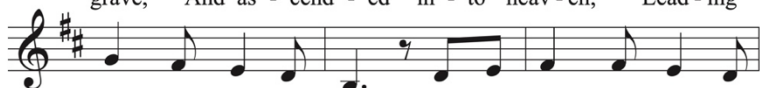
3. With a shout You rose vic-tor-ious, Wresting vict'-ry from the



gan. Ev'-ry star and ev'-ry pla-net Has been

lost, And ex-changed the joy of hea-ven For the

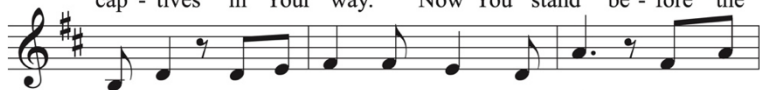
grave, And as-cend-ed in-to heav-en, Lead-ing



fa-shioned by Your hand. All cre-a-tion holds to-

an-guish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the

cap-tives in Your way. Now You stand be-fore the



geth-er By the pow-er of Your voice. Let the

hun-gry; With a word You calmed the sea; Yet how

Fa-ther, In-ter-ced-ing for Your own; From each



skies de-clare Your glo-ry; Let the land and seas re-

si-lent-ly You suf-fered That the guilt-y may go

tribe and tongue and na-tion, You are lead-ing sin-ners



joice! You're the Au-thor of cre-a-tion; You're the Lord of ev'-ry
free!

home!



man; And Your cry of love rings out ac-ross the lands.

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Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

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† The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world

Pastor: O household of the Lord Jesus Christ, let us
continue to walk in his light as he now sends us
out bear witness to him.

All: Amen!

Adapted from Isaiah 2:5

† 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

Randy Shannon – TODAY

Daniel Sneed – February 26

Dowell Stackpole – March 5

Save the Date

February 22, 12:00 pm – Journey to the Resurrection Service

April 6, 6:30 pm – Maundy Thursday Service

April 7, 6:30 pm – Good Friday Service

April 9, 10:00 am – Easter Service (no 9am classes)

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).

3rd/4th Grade Social: 3rd and 4th Graders are invited to the Breedlove Home (6709 Fortune Road) on Saturday, February 25, from 5-7 pm for pizza, s'mores and glow-in-the-dark Capture the Flag!

Theological Vision: A printed copy of the new Theological Vision of Fort Worth Presbyterian is available on the Fellowship Hall table. Members may also reference the past week's email for a digital copy. The Theological Vision was approved by the Session in December and is currently being discussed at the staff and ministry levels for implementation and creation of ministry-specific mission statements.

Information & Events

Lent Resources: Lenten Guides are available on the Fellowship Hall table to guide your family devotion time. You will also find a list of recommended playlists, albums, devotionals and books at fortworthpca.org/lent.

Day of Fasting & Prayer: We have designated this Wednesday, February 22, as a day of Fasting & Prayer for FWPC. You may sign up for text alerts with prayer prompts throughout the day using the QR code below.



Journey to the Resurrection Half-Hour Service: We will also mark the beginning of Lent with a Journey to the Resurrection service at noon on Wednesday, February 22. This will be a half-hour service including liturgy, prayer, songs and a short meditation. Please plan to join us if you are able.

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. RSVP at fortworthpca.org/adult.

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

BRISKET DINNER - 5:00-6:00

SILENT AUCTION - 5:00-6:30

VARIETY SHOW - 6:30-7:30

BENEFITS MEXICO AND AFRICA MISSION TRIPS



DINNER TICKETS
\$10 (\$5 KIDS)



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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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