Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



June 25, 2023

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 front of the bulletin and the color of the minister's stole is currently green as this is the time in the Christian Year known as ordinary time or the Sundays after Pentecost. Green represents life and growth in Christ.

The theme of the Lord's return is also relevant to us, for we still await His coming. Since we do not know exactly when it will be, we must remain watchful and faithful. In fact, this is especially the case as more time passes, since the passing of the years might make one complacent about the prospect of the Lord's coming.

Darrell Bock.

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Order of the Worship of God

— June 25, 2023 —

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

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

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name, make known His

deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted.

People: Sing praises to the LORD, for He has done gloriously; let this

be made known in all the earth.

Pastor: Shout and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in Your midst

is the Holy One of Israel.

From Isaiah 12:4-6

† Hymn of Praise

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise. Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend. Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore. His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

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† Invocation

† A Psalm Reading

Psalm 16

Pastor: Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge. I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from You.

People: The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; You hold my lot. The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

Pastor: I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I have set the LORD always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

People: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your holy one see corruption.

All: You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

† Doxology

Red Trinity Hymnal #731
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

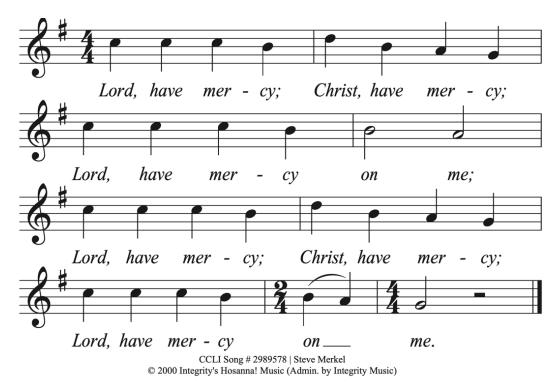
Confession of Sin

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: O Lord, we are sinners. Therefore, we acknowledge honestly and humbly our manifold sins to You. Forgive us for our pride, for trusting in ourselves and seeking to make a name for ourselves. Forgive us for our indifference to others, especially others who are different from us. Forgive us for our lack of sacrificial love, O God of infinite love – Your love that in Christ, died and conquered that we might be forgiven.

Silent Confession

Song of Confession



†Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: In Your grace, restore to us the joy of Your salvation, and uphold us

with a willing spirit.

All: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 50:12

† 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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Recognition of New Members

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**Zane Bailey

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Michael and Betsey Foley

*Ford Foley

Trey and Morgan Davis

*Jenny Davis

DavidAnn Johnson

*Christian Hubbard

Robert Matteson

Diane Miller

Kipp and Donna Ogden

*Ruby, Gus, Samuel Ogden

Grill Taylor

**Hattie Welch

*Children

**Profession of faith

The Sacrament of Baptism

Pastor Brandon

Elizabeth Bailey Zane Bailey

Prayer of Intercession.

Pastor Brandon

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Pastor: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: Father, thank you for Your love for us in Christ. Thank You that in this love we are eternally secure, for nothing can or will separate us from Your good and gracious love. Amen.

Morning Offering & KIWI Release

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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LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

The Reading of the Word

Luke 12:35-40

[35] "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, [36] and be like men

who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that

they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks.[37] Blessed

are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to

you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will

come and serve them. [38] If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and

finds them awake, blessed are those servants! [39] But know this, that if the master

of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have

left his house to be broken into. [40] You also must be ready, for the Son of Man

is coming at an hour you do not expect."

Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

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The Sermon Pastor Brandon

THE PARABLE OF THE WATCHFUL SERVANTS - PART I

Introduction

The Call (v. 35)

The Parable (vv. 36-39)

The Point (v. 40)

Remain Awake

Be Active

Live in Anticipation

Discussion Questions:

Read and reflect on this passage slowly.

- 1. What is its main theme and why is this theme so important?
- 2. How are you remaining alert for the Lord's return? In what ways/areas are you not remaining alert? Why is this? Confess this to Jesus and pray for his help to change.
- 3. What is the motivation for constant alertness? Hint: see verses 37 and 38. Pay attention to the word "blessing," and then spend some marveling over this blessing.

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

The Celebration of Communion

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 singing:



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!

(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 4:1-6*
- 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

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah
Pilgrim through this barren land
I am weak but thou art mighty
Hold me with thy powerful hand
Bread of heaven
Feed me now and evermore
Bread of heaven
Feed me now and evermore

Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing waters flow
Let the fiery cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through
Strong deliverer
Be thou still my strength and shield
Strong deliverer
Be thou still my strength and shield

When I tread the verge of Jordan
Bid my anxious fears subside
Death of death and hell's destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side
Songs of praises
I will ever give to thee
Songs of praises
I will ever give to thee

Bid my anxious fears
Bid my anxious fears
Bid my anxious fears
Land me safe on Canaan's side
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GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

CHRIST IS RISEN

Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame
But fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to Him who showed great love
And bled for us
Freely You've bled for us

Chorus

Christ is risen from the dead
Trampling over death by death
Come awake come awake
Come and rise up from the grave
Christ is risen from the dead
We are one with Him again
Come awake come awake
Come and rise up from the grave

Beneath the weight of all our sin
You bowed to none but heaven's will
No scheme of hell no scoffer's crown
No burden great can hold You down
In strength You reign
Forever let Your church proclaim *Chorus*

O death where is your sting
O hell where is your victory
O church come stand in the light
The glory of God has defeated the night
Singing O death where is your sting
O hell where is your victory
O church come stand in the light
Our God is not dead He's alive He's alive Chorus

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† The Sending

Pastor: All our problems, struggles, fears, and anxieties:

All: We send them to the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All the devil's works:

All: We cast them on the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All our hopes:

All: We set them on the risen Christ.

Pastor: The call we have received to follow Christ:

All: We rest in the reigning Christ and the power of His Holy Spirit

who dwells in us.

† The Blessing

Pastor: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the

fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Christ is in our midst!

People: He is and ever shall be. Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Dowell Stackpole – June 25 Johnny Tassin– July 2

Andy Warren – July 9

Save the Date

New Member's Class begins- August 20, 9 a.m.

Information & Events

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

Christian Formation Classes, Sundays at 9:00 a.m., will break for the summer for all ages from June 11 through August 13. Kids In Worship Instruction will continue for age 4 through 2nd grade during worship. The first day of VBS, June 26, elementary students will promote to the next grade level for church activities including KIWI.

VBS Volunteer Training: Adult and Youth Volunteers, please join us in the Lecture Hall for a training session immediately following worship on either June 11 or 18.

Summer Prayer Guides are available on the Fellowship Hall table to help families focus on praying together this summer. **Please grab one for each person in your family!**

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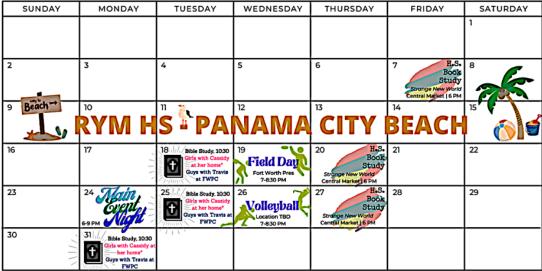


JUNE 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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11	12	13	Volleyball With Trinity at TCU 7-8:30 PM	15	16	17 poet in the Eggars' 105 The Lakes Drive, Aledo
18	19	Bible Study & Pancakes at FWPC 10:30 Girls with Cassidy Guys with Travis	Field Day Fort Worth Pres 7-8:30 PM	Pisson Book Study Strange New World Central Market 6 PM		24
25	SUMMER	SEAQUEST Bible Study at Whole Foods, 12:30 Girls with Cassidy Guys with Travis	Volleyball Location TBD 7-8:30 PM	VBS H.S. Book Study Strange New World Central Market 16 PM	VBS After-Party for Volunteers at Rockwood	

Contact Travis or Cassidy if you want to join the High School Book Study. Books will be provided.

JULY 2023



*Contact Cassidy for directions

AUGUST 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 RYM MS	TEXAS	5
6 returning from RYM MS for worship	7	8	9	10	THE FORT LOCK	th
					begins 8 PM	ends 8 AM

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