

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



September 17, 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.

Jeremiah's prophecies have a way of touching the conscience and exposing sins that usually go unnoticed. Do you not worship success, beauty, wealth, happiness, comfort, or control over others? Is it not true that you fail to put the Lord first in your life, that the glory of God is not your only motivation?

Phillip Graham Ryken

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Courtesy walker and wheelchair are available at the main entrance.

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

† Congregation standing

Order of the Worship of God

— September 17, 2023 —

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Pastor: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit!

People: Amen!

† 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! Amen!

Isaiah 12:4-5

† Hymn of Praise

COME, PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING



1. Come, peo - ple of the ri - sen King, who de - light to bring Him
2. Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing through the
3. Come, young and old from ev - ry land, men and wo - men of the



praise. Come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of
night. Come, those who tell of bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the
faith. Come, those with full or emp - ty hands; find the rich - es of His



grace. From the shift - ing sha - dows of the earth we will lift our eyes to
fight. For His per - fect love will nev - er change, and His mer - cies nev - er
grace. O - ver all the world His peo - ple sing; shore to shore we hear them



Him, where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to — gath - er child - ren
cease, but fol - low us through all our days with the cer - tain hope of
call the Truth that cries through ev - 'ry age: "Our — God is all in



in. Re - joice! Re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re -
peace.
all."



joice! One heart, one voice; oh, Church of Christ, re - joice!

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† Invocation

† A Psalm Reading

Psalm 13

Pastor: How long, O LORD, will You forget me forever?

People: How long will You hide your face from me?

Pastor: How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow all the day?

People: How long shall my enemy prevail over me?

Pastor: Consider and answer me, O LORD my God; light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death,

People: Lest my enemies say, “I have prevailed over him,” lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

Pastor: But I have trusted in Your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation.

People: I will sing to the LORD, because He has dealt bountifully with me.

† Doxology

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, a - - - men, a - -
men.

Music by Jacob Tilton

Confession of Sin

Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: **O Lord, we have sinned. Therefore, we will acknowledge our sin to You and we will not cover up our iniquity. We will confess our transgression trusting that You forgive the iniquity of our sin through Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Adapted from Psalm 32

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

Je - sus, Lord of life and glo - ry, bend from heav'n Thy
gra - cious ear; While our wait - ing souls a - dore Thee
Friend of help-less sin - ners, hear. By Thy mer - cy, O de -
liv - er us, good Lord, By Thy mer - cy, O de -
liv - er us, good Lord, good Lord.

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† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven; whose sin is covered.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Adapted from Psalm 38:21

† 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

MAGNIFICENT MARVELOUS



1. Mag - ni - fi - cent, mar - vel - ous, match - less love; too
 (2. Cre) - a - tion is brim - ming with thank - ful - ness, the

vast and a-stound-ing to tell. — For - ev - er ex - ist - ing in
 moun-tains, ex - ul - tant they stand; the sea-sons re-joice in Your

worlds a - bove, now of - fered and giv - en to all. — Oh,
 faith - ful - ness, all life is sus-tained by Your hand. — You

foun - tain of beau - ty e - ter - nal; the Fath-er, the Spir - it, the
 crown ev - 'ry mea-dow with col - or; You paint ev-'ry shade in the

Son. — Suf - fi - cient and end - less - ly ge - ne -
 sky. — Each day the dawn wakes as an en - core

rous; Mag - ni - fi-cent, mar - vel-ous, match - less
 of — mag - ni - fi-cent, mar - vel-ous, match - less

1. 2.
 love. 2. Cre

2.

love. How great, how sure; His

love en - dures for - ev - er -

more. Mag - ni - fi-cent, mar - vel-ous, match-less love.

What grace, that You entered our brokenness,
 You came in the fullness of time
 How far we had fallen from righteousness
 but not from the mercies of Christ

Your cross is our door to redemption,
 Your death is our fullness of life
 That day, how forgiveness flowed as a flood
 Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love

Chorus

*How great, how sure, His love endures forevermore
 Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love*

United in Your resurrection,
 You lift us to infinite heights
 Could anything sever or take us from
 Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love *Chorus*

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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Kingdom Moment

Chris Zurbach

Geneva Benefits, PCA Ministerial Relief

Prayer of Intercession

David Welch

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: O God, because without You we are not able to please You; mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and rule our hearts in all things, for Jesus' sake. 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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LORD FROM SORROWS DEEP I CALL

Lord from sorrows deep I call
When my hope is shaken
Torn and ruined from the fall
Hear my desperation
For so long I've pled and prayed
God come to my rescue
Even so the thorn remains
Still my heart will praise You

Storms within my troubled soul
Questions without answers
On my faith these billows roll
God be now my shelter
Why are you cast down my soul
Hope in Him who saves you
When the fires have all grown cold
Cause this heart to praise You

Should my life be torn from me
Every worldly pleasure
When all I possess is grief
God be then my treasure
Be my vision in the night
Be my hope and refuge
'Til my faith is turned to sight
Lord my heart will praise You

Oh my soul put your hope in God
My help my rock I will praise Him
Sing oh sing through the raging storm
You're still my God my salvation

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LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

The Reading of the Word

Jeremiah 4:19-34

My anguish, my anguish! I writhe in pain! Oh the walls of my heart! My heart is beating wildly; I cannot keep silent, for I hear the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war. [20] Crash follows hard on crash; the whole land is laid waste. Suddenly my tents are laid waste, my curtains in a moment. [21] How long must I see the standard and hear the sound of the trumpet? [22] “For my people are foolish; they know me not; they are stupid children; they have no understanding. They are ‘wise’—in doing evil! But how to do good they know not.” [23] I looked on the earth, and behold, it was without form and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. [24] I looked on the mountains, and behold, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. [25] I looked, and behold, there was no man, and all the birds of the air had fled. [26] I looked, and behold, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. [27] For thus says the Lord, “The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. [28] “For this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above be dark; for I have spoken; I have purposed; I have not relented, nor will I turn back.” [29] At the noise of horseman and archer every city takes to flight; they enter thickets; they climb among rocks; all the cities are forsaken, and no man dwells in them. [30] And you, O desolate one, what do you mean that you dress in scarlet, that you adorn yourself with ornaments of gold, that you enlarge your eyes with paint? In vain you beautify yourself. Your lovers despise you; they seek your life. [31] For I heard a cry as of a woman in labor, anguish as of one giving birth to her first child, the cry of the daughter of Zion gasping for breath, stretching out her hands, “Woe is me! I am fainting before murderers.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

JEREMIAH'S ANGUISH

Introduction

Jeremiah's Anguish

Why

Explanation

Hope

Application

Discussion Questions:

1. Think of a time when you experienced anguish. How did the Lord meet you during this time? What did He teach you?
2. Why is Jeremiah in anguish? How should his anguish shape our anguish over sin?
3. How does Jesus fulfill this passage?
4. What convicted you most about this sermon and how might you apply it to your life?

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

O THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of Thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward,
to Thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread His praise from shore to shore;
how He loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, nevermore;
how He watches o'er His loved ones,
died to call them all His own;
how for them He intercedeth,
watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to Thee.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

I AM NOT MY OWN

1. The One Who made the heav - ens made my heart and soul; be -
 2. My bod - y is a tem - ple of the Liv - ing God. I'll
 3. And if He has re - deemed me, I am not my own. The
 4. I am not my own and now my heart is free. Oh

fore I drew a breath, I was loved and known.
 wor - ship in this house that His blood has bought.
 mea - sure of my worth is His love a - lone.
 Mak - er, come and make what You will of me.

I am His cre - a - tion, the Mak - er's mas - ter - piece, and
 As I bear His im - age, oh may I not pro - fane the
 He de - clares my stand - ing, and He de - clares my state. So,
 There is noth - ing bro - ken that You can - not re - pair, so

1. all that He de - signs will be done in me. I be -
 ho - li - ness I hold in this earth - ly frame.
 I will know my - self by the name he gave.
 Lord, I leave my life in Your lov - ing care.

long to the Lord, oh I am not my own. I be - long to the Lord; I am

not my own. I will hon - or Him, for this I know, I be -

long to the Lord; I am not my own.

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† The Sending

Pastor: As we now go into the world:

All: May our eyes be fixed on Christ.

Pastor: When we struggle, fear, or fail:

All: May we cast ourselves on the cross of Christ.

Pastor: As we encounter neighbors and co-workers:

All: May we speak and show Christ, for His name's sake.

† The Blessing

Pastor: May the LORD bless you and keep you; may the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; may the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

People: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Herb Haertner– September 17

Chris Jordan– September 24

Daniel Sneed– October 1

Save the Date

Friday, September 22, 5:30 pm – TCU RUF 25th Anniversary Party at 'Tim and Emily Bates'. Scan QR code for details and registration.



Saturday, Nov 18, 6 pm – Skye Peterson in Concert. Scan QR code for tickets

Information & Events

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

Jeremiah Scripture Journals are available on the fellowship hall table for highlighting and note taking during this sermon series for \$4. Use the QR code to purchase with credit card or cash is accepted.

Financial Peace University: If you are among the 40% of Americans who say their financial situation has caused them to lose sleep in the past month, it's time to make a change. Take the first step and take control of your finances by signing up for the Financial Peace University classes hosted by Don Judd here at FWPC. Registration is \$80 and covers both spouses attending, if married. Class (and better sleep) starts on Tuesday, October 3, 6-8 p.m. and runs for nine weeks in the Lecture Hall.



Super Fridays: Calling all youth (12 and older) and adults! If you have a heart for sharing the Gospel with children, please come have lunch at a discovery meeting in the Lecture Hall following worship today. Please pray and consider if our One True God is calling YOU to this important ministry to Oakmont Elementary School. Super Fridays include Good News Club for students followed by a family dinner from 3:00-6:00 p.m., October 6-November 10. Volunteer training is Friday, September 26, 3:30 p.m.

Christian Formation Classes

Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Galatians: What's the look on "God's face" when he thinks of you? How do grace and the law relate? Are you experiencing joy in your life as a Christian? These are just some of the issues the book of Galatians addresses, led by John Weiser in the Lecture Hall.

FWPC 201: Living Out the Christian Life- This class will explore what it means to grow in the Christian life through the ministries of FWPC, Scripture reading, prayer, and theological yet practical truths such as the Trinity and uniting with Christ. Discussions will be led by Pastor Brandon, elders, and ministry leaders in Room 201.



MEN'S
FALL
STUDY

SEPT 12-OCT 25
FWPC Lecture Hall

Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesdays, 6:30 a.m.

Register at
fortworthpca.org/men

A book titled 'DEEPER' by DANE C. ORTLUND. The cover features a landscape with mountains and a body of water. A small 'Union' logo is in the top left corner of the book cover. The tagline 'Real Change for Real Sinners' is visible above the title.

Fall at

Sundays, 9:00 am, Aug 20-Dec 17 – Christian Formation Classes
High School - Room 204 | Middle School - Room 203

Wednesday, August 30, 7:00 pm – Youth Game Night
Booher Home – 4912 Riverbend Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76109

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, Sept 6-Nov 16 – The Fort Youth Group
food, fun, large group lesson, small group discussion

Fri-Sat, October 20-21 – Roctober VIII at Camp Copass in Denton
North Texas Presbytery's All-Youth Fall Retreat

Saturday, October 28 – Youth Halloween Party

Friday, December 15 – Youth Christmas Party

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

ROCTOBER VIII

CAMP COPASS - DENTON, TX | OCTOBER 20-21

- What?** North Texas Presbytery's Annual All-Youth Fall Retreat (7-12 grades)
- Who?** Speaker Tree Triolo from Westminster Presbyterian in Bryan, TX
- How much?** \$95 includes one night's lodging, three meals Saturday, and a t-shirt
- When?** Register by Wednesday, October 4. Scholarships are available. See Travis.



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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