

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



November 26, 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 33 brings the "Book of Consolation" (Jeremiah 30-33) to a tremendous climax, as it focuses in on the work of God through His Davidic Messiah and the restoration He will bring to all things.

Walter Kaiser

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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

— November 26, 2023 —

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Rev. Brandon Eggar

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: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

People: Sing to the LORD, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day.

Pastor: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!

Psalm 96:1-3

† Hymn of Praise

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME!

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from His altar call;
extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown Him Lord of all;
extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown Him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,
hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;
hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all
go, spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball
to Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all;
to Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall;
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.

St. 1-5, Edward Perronet, 1779; alt./ Coronation C.M. rep.

St. 6, John Rippon, 1787 / Oliver Holden, 1793

† Invocation

† A Psalm Reading

Psalm 16:1-2, 5-6, 8, 9-11

Pastor: Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge.

People: I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from You.”

Pastor: The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; You hold my lot.

People: The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

Pastor: 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.

Pastor: 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 # 735

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Confession of Sin

Pastor: Let us confess our sins together:

All: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from Your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Renew us by Your Spirit and restore to us the joy of Your salvation. Amen.

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

PSALM 51

God, be mer-ci - ful to me; On Your love I rest my plea.

By Your vast a-bound-ing grace, My trans-gres-sions all e - raise.

From the stain of ev-'ry sin, Wash, and make me clean with - in.

CCLI Song # 323401 Augustus Montague Toplady | James Ward
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† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: The Lord, as He promised, will create in us a clean heart. He will renew a right spirit within us.

All: Thanks be to God!

From Psalm 51:10

† 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

10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

Chorus

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes (*Chorus*)

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (*Chorus*)

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore (*Chorus*)

Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name

Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman

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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Kingdom Moment

*Karen McCarty
Geneva Benefits Ministerial Relief*

Prayer of Intercession

*Steve Fults
(followed by a time of silent prayer)*

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in Your Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under His gracious rule. 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

Jeremiah 33:1-18

While Jeremiah was still confined in the courtyard of the guard, the word of the Lord came to him a second time:[2] “This is what the Lord says, he who made the earth, the Lord who formed it and established it—the Lord is his name:[3] ‘Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.’ [4] For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the houses in this city and the royal palaces of Judah that have been torn down to be used against the siege ramps and the sword [5] in the fight with the Babylonians: ‘They will be filled with the dead bodies of the people I will slay in my anger and wrath. I will hide my face from this city because of all its wickedness. [6] “Nevertheless, I will bring health and healing to it; I will heal my people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security. [7] I will bring Judah and Israel back from captivity and will rebuild them as they were before. [8] I will cleanse them from all the sin they have committed against me and will forgive all their sins of rebellion against me. [9] Then this city will bring me renown, joy, praise and honor before all nations on earth that hear of all the good things I do for it; and they will be in awe and will tremble at the abundant prosperity and peace I provide for it.’ [10] “This is what the Lord says: ‘You say about this place, “It is a desolate waste, without people or animals.” Yet in the towns of Judah and the streets of Jerusalem that are deserted, inhabited by neither people nor animals, there will be heard once more [11] the sounds of joy and gladness, the voices of bride and bridegroom, and the voices of those who bring thank offerings to the house of the Lord, saying, “Give thanks to the Lord Almighty, for the Lord is good; his love endures forever.” For I will restore the fortunes of the land as they were before,’ says the Lord. [12] “This is what the Lord Almighty says: ‘In this place, desolate and without people or animals—in all its towns there will again be pastures for shepherds to rest their flocks. [13] In the towns of the hill country, of the western foothills and of the Negev, in the territory of Benjamin, in the villages around Jerusalem and in the towns of Judah, flocks will again pass under the hand of the one who counts them,’ says the Lord. [14] “‘The days are coming,’ declares the Lord, ‘when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah. [15] “‘In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David’s line; he will do what is just and right in the land. [16] In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it will be called: ‘The Lord Our Righteous Savior.’ [17] For this is what the Lord says: ‘David will never fail to have a man to sit on the throne of Israel, [18] nor will the Levitical priests ever fail to have a man to stand before me continually to offer burnt offerings, to burn grain offerings and to present sacrifices.’”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Pastor Brandon

PREPARING FOR ADVENT WITH THE PROPHET

Introduction

God's Word of Promise Spoken

God's Word of Promise Fulfilled

Preparing for Advent

Discussion Questions:

1. Spend some time reflecting on this series in Jeremiah. What did you learn? How did it challenge you? How did it encourage you?
2. As we head into the season of Advent, how do you want to observe it in light of what you heard in the sermon?

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:



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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 4:1-6
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

HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold;
He must hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost;
His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died,
Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast
‘Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last!

Words: vv. 1-2 Ada Habershon (1861-1918) New words (v.3), and music: Matthew Merker

† Post-Communion Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray:

All: Heavenly Father, we thank You for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Your Son and our Savior Jesus Christ and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of His Body and heirs of His Kingdom. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

Mine are days that God has numbered

I was made to walk with Him

Yet I look for worldly treasure

And forsake the King of kings

But mine is hope in my Redeemer

Though I fall His love is sure

For Christ has paid for every failing

I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow

Darkness not yet understood

Through the valley I must travel

Where I see no earthly good

But mine is peace that flows from heaven

And the strength in times of need

I know my pain will not be wasted

Christ completes His work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger

Pilgrim on a narrow way

One with Christ I will encounter

Harm and hatred for His name

But mine is armor for this battle

Strong enough to last the war

And He has said He will deliver

Safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore

Come rejoice now O my soul
For His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure
Christ is mine forevermore (repeat)

And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore
Christ is mine forevermore
Christ is mine forevermore

Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson
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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

Randy Shannon– November 26

Daniel Sneed– December 3

Dowell Stackpole– December 10

Save the Date

Mon, Dec 4, 7 pm – Ladies Game Night

Sun, Dec 10 – Young Professionals Lunch at Kincaid's

Sun, Jan 7, 11:30 – Saltillo Mexico Mission Trip(20-27 July
2024) Info Meeting

Fri-Sat, Jan 26-27 – FWPC 101 New Members Class

Information & Events

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

Coat Drive: Oakmont Elementary is collecting new winter coats for ages Pre-K through 5th Grade (sizes 3 to adult small). Please bring your donation to the FWPC Fellowship Hall by Sunday, November 26. We will deliver these coats to the elementary school for distribution to the kids who most need them.

Officer Candidates: The congregation nominated Officers this past May who have undergone Elder/Deacon training and been examined by the Session. The Session is now recommending Matt Jones and Tim Watt for your prayerful consideration for the office of Elder at Fort Worth Presbyterian. For more information on their backgrounds and service in Christ's church, pick up the Elder Candidates brochure on the fellowship hall table. We will hold the election for these men Sunday, December 10, at a congregational meeting directly following worship.

Lessons & Carols: Sunday, December 17, at 6:00 p.m., the story of Jesus will be told through scripture and song. Volunteers are needed to bring Christmas cookies and to help with setup and cleanup for the reception that follows the service. If you are willing to serve our church family in this way, please sign up online using the QR code or see the signup sheet on the fellowship hall table.





Sun, Dec 3 – First Day of Advent, Angel Tree

Kids Advent Party, 11:30 a.m.

Sat, Dec 9 – Women's Christmas Brunch, 10:00 a.m.

Sun, Dec 10 – Geneva Benefits Fund Offering

Fri, Dec 15 – Youth Christmas Party at Boohers, 6-9 p.m.

GAP Christmas Party at Thoms, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sun, Dec 17 – Benevolence Fund Offering

Lessons & Carols, 6:00 p.m.

Sun, Dec 24 – Lord's Day Worship, 10:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve Service, 5:00 p.m.

A poster for a Kids Advent Party. The background is a red knitted texture. The text "KIDS ADVENT PARTY" is in large, colorful, knitted letters (white, green, and yellow). There are snowflake and star icons. On the right, there are two QR codes. The top one is labeled "VOLUNTEER" and the bottom one is labeled "REGISTER". At the bottom, there is a green banner with white text.

**KIDS
ADVENT
PARTY**

VOLUNTEER

REGISTER

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 11:30-1:00
pre-K to 4th grade, stay after church for lunch, games,
prizes, dessert and hands-on experiments to ponder the
beauty and glory of Jesus.



Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2022-May 2023

June – October	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	480,107	471,040
General Fund Expenses YTD	593,958	545,417
How we're doing YTD	-113,850	-74,376

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. Through the first two months of our fiscal year, we spent \$113,958 more than our income. This is \$48,541 increase over last year. As of October 31, we have \$147,642 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports Doug & Masha Shepherd, Church planting in L'viv, Ukraine.

- ❖ If you would like to give online, you can sign up for ACH/Credit/Debit giving from our home page fortworthpca.org.

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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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