Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



February 11, 2024

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, 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 that we may know that our life, growth and hope is in Him.

Paul sees love as the growing point of the Christian life.

Alec Motyer

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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

— February 11, 2024 —

Sixth Sunday of Epiphany

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: 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 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.

† Invocation

† A Psalm Reading

Psalm 50:1-2, 22-23

Pastor: The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

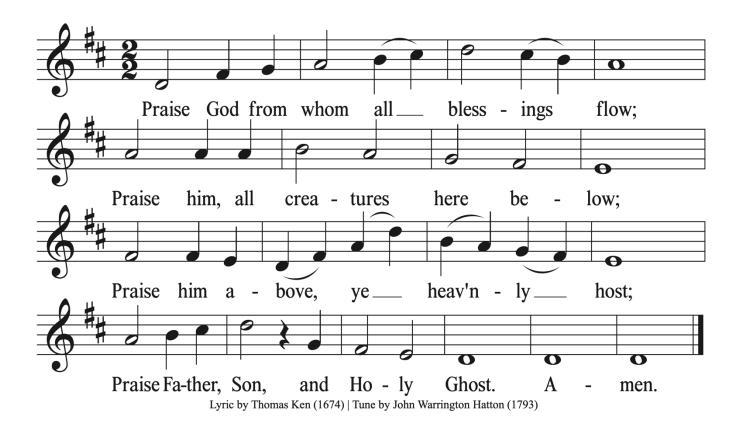
People: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

Pastor: Our God comes; He does not keep silence; before Him is a devouring fire, around Him a mighty tempest.

People: Mark this, then, you who forget God, lest I tear you apart, and there be none to deliver.

Pastor: The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies Me; to the one who orders his way rightly I will show the salvation of God!

† Doxology



Confession of Sin

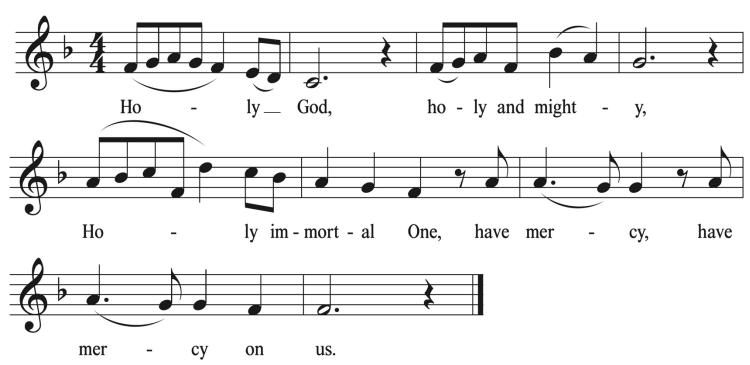
Pastor: Let us confess our sins together:

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

Silent Confession

Song of Confession



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† Assurance of Pardon

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

REJOICE





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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Kingdom Moment

Recognition of Kid's Hope Mentors and Super Wednesday Volunteers

Prayer of Intercession

Tim Watt

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices 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

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

Philippians 1:3-11

[3] I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, [4] always in every prayer

of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, [5] because of your partnership

in the gospel from the first day until now. [6] And I am sure of this, that he

who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus

Christ. [7] It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in

my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment

and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. [8] For God is my

witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. [9] And it is

my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all

discernment, [10] so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure

and blameless for the day of Christ, [11] filled with the fruit of righteousness

that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL PRAYER

Paul Prayed (vv.3-4)

The Reason Paul Prayed – Partnership (vv. 5-8)

- Spiritual
- Missional
- Tangible
- Relational
- Eternal

What Paul Prayed (vv. 9-11)

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Do you pray for your brothers and sisters in this church family? If not, why not? How might you begin this practice?
- 2. Why did Paul pray for the church at Philippi? How might this motivate you to pray for other Christians?
- 3. Love is the path to holiness. How would you explain this comment based on Phil. 1:9-11?
- 4. How does verse 6 give you assurance in the Christian 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 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.

† Post-Communion Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray:

All: Our Father, we thank You for feeding us at Your Son's Table. As we leave this gathering, may it continue to strengthen our trust in You in the power of the Holy Spirit. 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 armour 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

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† The Sending

Pastor: As we now go into the world:

All: May we entrust ourselves to 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 serve them in the name of Christ.

† 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.

All: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Johnny Tassin – February 11

Andy Warren – February 18

Pete Cansick – February 25

Save the Date

Wed, Feb 14, 12 pm – Ash Wednesday Service

Sat, Mar 2, 8:30 am – Men's Breakfast

Sun, Mar 3, 6 pm – Evensong Service

Fri-Sat, Apr 12-13 – Women's Retreat

Sun, Apr 28 – Church Picnic

Fri-Sat, May 3-4 – Men's Retreat

June 24-27 – VBS

Information & Events

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

Christian Formation Classes at 9 AM: Two adult classes are offered. *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands* meets in the Lecture Hall to help us discover where change is needed in our own lives and how we can lovingly speak truth into the lives of others. *Exploring the Gospels* with Bob Schwartzbeck meets in Room 201.

Join our Easter Choir Rehearsals starting February 15, Thursdays at 7 p.m.! The FWPCA Choir is open to Adults and Teens (ages 13+) and Children's Choir is open to K-6th graders. Nursery available for preschoolers. Questions or planning to join? Contact Justin Pierce at justin@fortworthpca.org. Excited to see you!

40 Days for Life began in Bryan, Texas, and is now an international organization with over 1 million volunteers. You are invited to join them in 40 days of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion from **February 14-March 24**. For more information or to volunteer, see Lynn Sneed at the table in the fellowship hall, or visit: 40daysforlife.com/fortworthsouthwest.

The Compassion Team shows compassion to family and friends grieving the loss of a loved one when a funeral or memorial service takes place at FWPC. Would you consider being available to assist the team by serving in one of these areas: setup, greeters, provide food, food prep/serving, or cleanup? Contact Daniel Sneed at dandlsneed@icloud.com if you have questions.

Join our AV team: Behind every great worship service is a dedicated Audio/Visual team on live sound and running the livestream. Join our AV team, where you can help ensure that our worship services and events run

smoothly and are accessible to those near and far. We provide training for all team members, so you can gain the skills needed to excel in this ministry. Join us in serving on a rotation basis. Contact Justin Pierce at justin@fortworthpca.org or fill out the following form using the QR code









Sundays, 9:00 am - Christian Formation Classes HS - Room 204 on Symbolic Bible Reading MS - Room 203 on Westminster Shorter Catechism

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, Jan 31-Apr 24 - Youth Group friends, food, fellowship, large group lesson, small group discussions

Friday, March 8 - Deposit deadline for RYM Summer Conference Friday, April 19 - Full Payment deadline for RYM Summer Conference



registration



Details: fortworthpca.org/youth | Questions? thefort@fortworthpca.org | @ @thefort_fwpc



Financial Report Fiscal year June 2023-May 2024

| June – January | This Year | Last Year |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| General Fund Giving YTD | 1,003,705 | 885,650 |
| General Fund Expenses YTD | 957,968 | 871,806 |
| How we're doing YTD | 45,737 | 13,844 |

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. We have taken in \$45,737 more than our expenses through the first eight months of our fiscal year. This is \$31,893 improvement over last year. As of January 31, we have \$301,497 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports our neighborhood outreach with Kid's Hope and Super Wednesdays.

- ❖ NEW! Mobile Giving: Text the amount you want to give to 817-934-6447. The first time will take you through the setup. After that, text the amount you would like to give.
- ❖ If you would like to give online, you can sign up for ACH/Credit/Debit giving from our home page fortworthpca.org.
- ❖ If you would like to contribute stocks or securities from a brokerage account, you can contact Matt Jones 817-731-3300 and he can give you the instructions for these types of gifts.
- ❖ If you would like to include FWPC in your estate planning, you can contact Matt Jones with any questions you may have.

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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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