

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



March 17, 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 purple, which signifies the season of Lent – the season when the Church intentionally remembers Christ's temptation in the wilderness and His sacrificial death on the cross.

"Working out our salvation is a life-long process of obedience in which we see the significance of what Christ has done for us in the ever-changing and developing context of our lives".

Sinclair Ferguson

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† Congregation standing

Order of the Worship of God

— March 17, 2024 —

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

† The Gospel Greeting

Rev. Brandon Eggar

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

People: Amen!

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one. Therefore, you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

People: For us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

Pastor: Therefore, do not live in fear, for the LORD your God is in your midst. Come, let us worship and adore Him.

† Hymn of Praise

BE THOU MY VISION

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that Thou art -
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;
be Thou my dignity, Thou my delight,
Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tow'r;
raise Thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

† Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 119:9-16

Pastor: How can a young man keep his way pure?

People: By guarding it according to Your Word.

Pastor: With my whole heart I seek You; let me not wander from Your commandments!

People: I have stored up Your Word in my heart, that I might not sin against You.

Pastor: Blessed are You, O LORD; teach me Your statutes!

People: With my lips I declare all the rules of Your mouth.

Pastor: In the way of Your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.

People: I will meditate on Your precepts and fix my eyes on Your ways.

Pastor: I will delight in Your statutes; I will not forget Your Word.

† Doxology

Tune: 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.

Confession of Sin

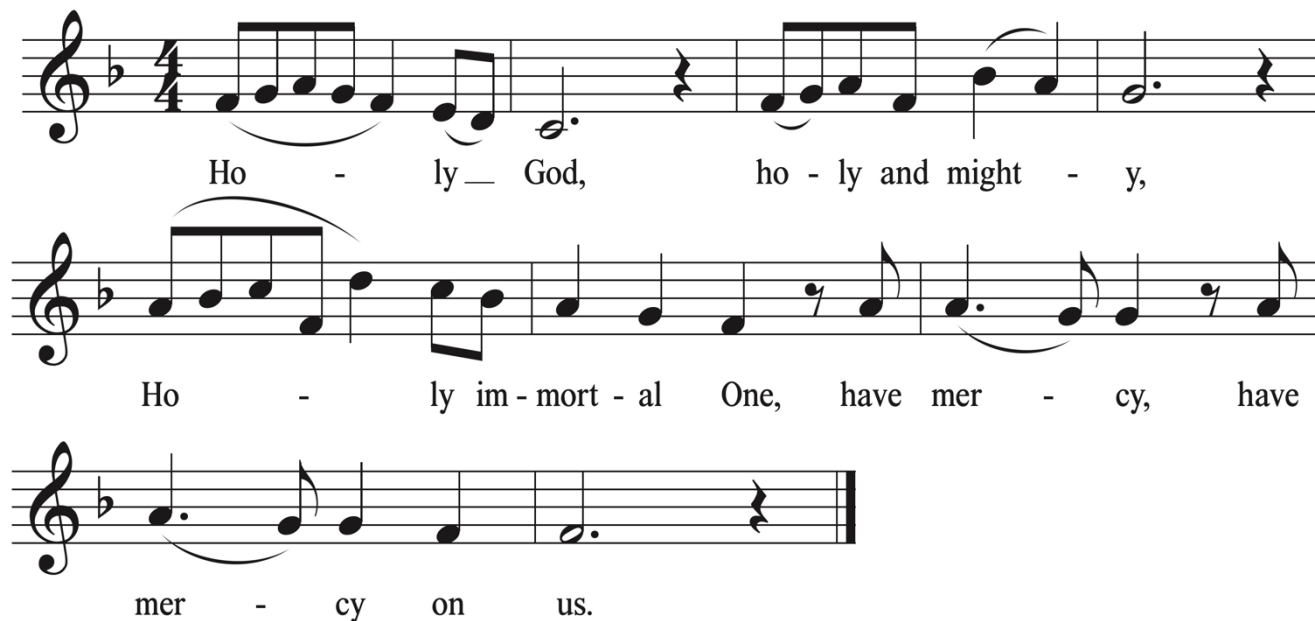
Pastor: In Jesus, we have put off the old humanity, which belonged to our former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires and we have put on the new humanity, which is created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

People: **Forgive us Lord for the ways we betray this and for the corrupting talk that comes out of our mouths; talk that tears down, rather than builds up and gives grace to those who hear.**

From Ephesians 4

Silent Confession

Song of Confession



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† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: In Jesus we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace.

All: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

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

IT WAS FINISHED UPON THAT CROSS

How I love the voice of Jesus
On the Cross of Calvary
He declares his work is finished
He has spoken this hope to me
Though the sun had ceased its shining
Though the war appeared as lost
Christ had triumphed over evil

It was finished upon that Cross
Now the curse it has been broken
Jesus paid the price for me
Full the pardon He has offered
Great the welcome that I receive
Boldly I approach my Father
Clothed in Jesus' righteousness
There is no more guilt to carry
It was finished upon that Cross

Death was once my great opponent
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed

Death was once my great opponent
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed
Yes He rose that we would be free indeed

Free from ev'ry plan of darkness
Free to live and free to love
Death is dead and Christ is risen
It was finished upon that Cross

Onward to eternal glory
To my Saviour and my God
I rejoice in Jesus' victory
It was finished upon that Cross
It was finished upon that Cross
It was finished upon that Cross

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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

† Confession of Faith

From Saint Patrick's Breastplate

Pastor: Let us now confess our faith:

All: I bind unto myself today the power of God to hold and lead;
His eye to watch, His might to stay, His ear to listen to my
need. The wisdom of my God to give me speech, His heavenly
host to be my guard.

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ beside me, Christ
to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me. Christ beneath
me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ
in the hearts of all who love me, Christ in the mouth of friend
and stranger.

I bind unto myself the strong Name of the Holy Trinity; the
Three in One, and One in Three, of whom all nature has
creation – Eternal Father, Word, and Spirit.

Praise the Lord of my salvation! Salvation is of Christ the Lord!

Prayer of Intercession

Matt Jones

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: O Father, in Your faithfulness, continue Your steadfast love to this congregation. Let not the foot of arrogance come upon us, nor the hand of the wicked drive us away. In Jesus name, we pray. 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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Offertory Song

CHRIST BE WITH ME (ST PATRICK'S PRAYER)

1. Christ be with me, Christ with in me,
 2. Christ be - neath me, Christ with a - bove me,
 3. Pow'r to guide me, Christ might to hold me,

Christ be - hind me, and be - fore me.
 Christ in hearts of me, all who know me.
 wis - dom teach me, watch - ing o'er me.

Christ be - side me, Christ to win me,
 Christ in mouth of me, friend and to strang - er,
 Ear to hear me, hand and to guard me,

1. Christ to com - fort and re - store.
 Christ in qui - et and in roar.
 love to con - quer ev - ery fear.

Love, bless - ed Trin - i - ty of Three bound in u - ni - ty who
 guides my jour - ney. I will a - rise with strength of
 heav'n, trust - ing in Your light to guide my jour - ney,
 shine be - fore me, lead me home.

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LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

The Reading of the Word

Philippians 2:12-18

12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing, 15 that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, 16 holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. 17 Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. 18 Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL OBEDIENCE

Introduction

Gospel Obedience Generally

Gospel Obedience Specifically

Discussion Questions:

1. What is the connection between Philippians 1:1-11 and 1:12-18? How would you explain this connection?
2. What's the difference in working 'for' and working 'out' our salvation?
3. In what ways is God at work in you to fulfill his good pleasure for your life?
4. What are some things that cause you to grumble and complain? How does this passage help you fight against this?
5. What's the role of sacrifice in the life of the believer?

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:

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 4:1-6*
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.

Post-Communion Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray:

All: The eyes of all living things look to You, O God, and You give them their food in due season and for this we give You thanks. But most of all, we give You thanks for the Bread from Heaven, the Lord Jesus Christ, who alone satisfies our hearts and will renew our bodies in the resurrection. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

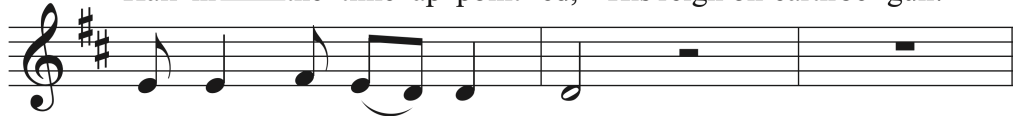
HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED



Hail to _____ the Lord's a-noint-ed, great Da - vid's great-er Son!



Hail in _____ the time ap-point-ed, His reign on earth be-gun!



His reign on earth be - gun!



1. He comes to break _____ op - pres - sion,
 2. He comes with com - fort speed - y
 3. To give them songs _____ for sigh - ing,
 4. He shall come down _____ like show - ers
 5. The tide of time _____ shall ne - ver



to set the cap - tive _____ free;
 to those who suf - fer _____ wrong;
 their dark - ness turn to _____ light,
 up - on the fruit - ful _____ earth;
 His cov - e - nant re - move;



To take a - way _____ trans - gres - sion
 to help the poor _____ and need - y,
 Whose souls, con - demned _____ and dy - ing,
 Love, joy, and hope, _____ like flow - ers,
 His name shall stand _____ for - ev - er,



and rule in eq - ui - ty. (to chorus)
 and bid the weak be strong. (to verse 3)
 were pre - cious in His sight. (to chorus)
 spring in His path to birth. (to verse 5)
 His name to us is Love. (to chorus)

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† The Sending

Pastor: As we go from this gathering:

All: May our eyes be fixed on Christ crucified.

Pastor: When we're anxious, doubting, and failing:

All: May we cast ourselves on the Risen Christ.

Pastor: In all we do and say:

All: May we honor the reigning and returning Christ, who is our good and gracious Lord.

† The Blessing

Pastor: May the God of all grace who has called you to His eternal glory in Christ, restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To Him be the dominion forever and ever.

All: Amen!

1 Peter 5:10-11

Deacon of the Day

Randy Shannon – March 17

Daniel Sneed – March 24

Dowell Stackpole – March 31

Save the Date

Sat, Apr 27, 8 am – Churchwide Garage Sale

Sun, Apr 28, 4 pm – Church Neighborhood Picnic

Fri-Sat, May 3-4 – Men's Retreat

Sat, June 1, 6:30 pm – Fults Appreciation Party at the Davis Barn

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: Through April 28, two adult classes will be offered at 9:00 a.m. *Exploring the Gospels* will continue in Room 201 with Bob Schwartzbeck, and Jeremy Lelek will teach a class on *Identity* in the Lecture Hall. (Christian Formation Classes will not be held on Easter Sunday.)

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



Sympathies: Frank Windegger, the father of Sherry Mitchell transitioned into glory on Friday, March 8, 2024. Visitation will take place on Monday 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. at Greenwood and funeral on Tuesday 19th, 2 p.m. at UCC.



Spring at

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, large group lesson, small group discussions

Saturday, March 23 - All-Youth Service Project

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

Sunday, May 5 - Senior Sunday

Wednesday, May 8 - Graduates Dinner

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



WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT

RECONCILED

APRIL 12-13, 2024

with TARA GIBBS AT THE DAVIS BARN
Friday evening | Saturday 9 am-3pm




HENRY HAAS RECITAL

FORT WORTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 7 PM

featuring Mr. Edward Newman on piano
Dr. Elisabeth Adkins on violin
and Ms. Emily Torkelson on cello.

Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2023-May 2024

June – February	This Year	Last Year
General Fund Giving YTD	1,110,145	969,765
General Fund Expenses YTD	1,089,424	979,881
How we're doing YTD	20,720	-10,115

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. We have taken in \$20,720 more than our expenses through the first nine months of our fiscal year. This is \$30,835 improvement over last year. As of February 29, we have \$276,480 cash on hand after liabilities.

Part of your faithful giving supports helping those with financial needs within our congregation.

- ❖ **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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