Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



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 are 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 pressing of that huge, heavenly crown on that small, young head is a symbol of the situation of *humanity* itself: humanity called by God to be His *vice-regent*... on earth, yet feeling so inadequate. As if [God] said, "In my inexorable love I shall lay upon the dust that you are glories and dangers and responsibilities beyond your understanding."

CS Lewis on the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II

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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

— July 28, 2024 —

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

† The Gospel Greeting

Rev. Bob Schwartzbeck

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

Spirit.

People: Amen!

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;

I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for

me.

People: But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child

with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me.

Pastor: O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.

Psalm 131

† Hymn of Praise

COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wand'ring from the fold of God:
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee. Prone to wander – Lord, I feel it – prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

† Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 103:1-5

Pastor: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy

name!

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits,

Pastor: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

People: who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with

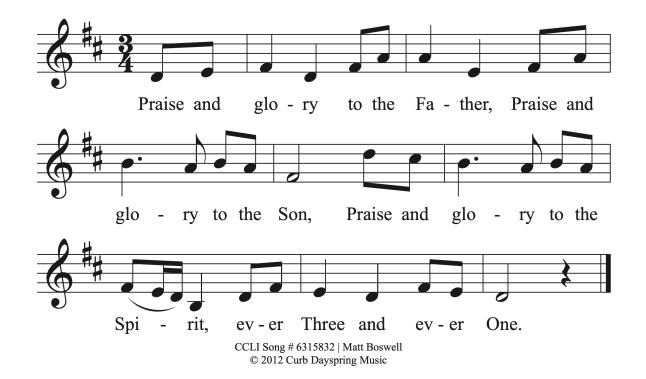
steadfast love and mercy,

All: who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like

the eagle's. Bless the LORD, O my soul!

† Doxology

MESSENGER



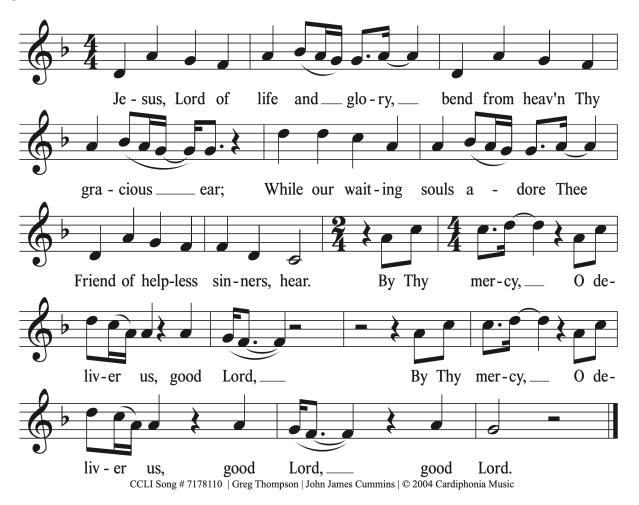
Leader: Let us confess our sins together:

People: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, in word, and in deed, by what we have done and left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. For the sake of Your dear Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we might delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your name. Amen.

Silent Confession



BY THY MERCY



† Assurance of Pardon

Leader: As far as the east is from the west, so far does our God remove our

transgressions from us.

Psalm 103:12

All: Thanks be to God!

† The Greeting of Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you!

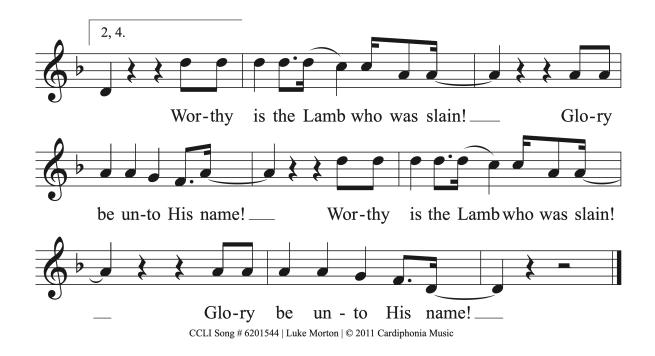
People: And also with you!

At this time, please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.

† Song of Renewal

THE LAMB HAS OVERCOME





COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

† Confession of Faith

Pastor: Let us now confess our common faith:

All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He

shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets;

And we believe in one holy *catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*universal

Prayer of Intercession*

Scott Wade

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: Grant us, O Lord, to trust in You with all our hearts; for as You always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so You never forsake those who make their boast in Your mercy. Amen.

^{*}If you have a prayer request you wish to be included in the Prayer of Intercession, please contact your shepherding elder or email prayer@fortworthpca.org.

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

Hebrews 1:14-2:9

[14] Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

2 Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. [2] For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, [3] how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, [4] while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

[5] For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. [6] It has been testified somewhere,

"What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him?

- [7] You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor,
- [8] putting everything in subjection under his feet."

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. [9] But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Preaching of the Word

Travis Robnett

REIGNING WITH CHRIST IN THE WORLD TO COME

Human Destiny: To Rule the World to Come

Human Failure: Subjection to Created Things

Jesus Christ: The Ultimate Human

Discussion Questions:

- 1) How does learning that we will be exalted above the angels in the world to come change or expand your view of salvation?
- 2) What was lost in the fall of man in Adam, and what was given to us in Christ's fulfillment of Psalm 8?
- 3) In what ways has humanity's promised reign already begun, and which aspects of the reign are still to come?
- 4) Read Hebrews 2:10-18 and discuss how they expand upon 1:14-2:9.

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 has been 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.

Come Lord and tarry not
Bring the long looked for day
O why these years of waiting here
These ages of decay

Come for Thy saints still wait
Daily ascends their sigh
The Spirit and the Bride say come
Does Thou not hear the cry

Chorus

O come and make all things new
Come and make all things new
O come and make all things new
Build up this ruined earth
Come and make all things new

Come for creation groans
Impatient of Thy stay
Worn out with these long years of ill
These ages of delay

Come for love waxes cold

Its steps are faint and slow
Faith now is lost in unbelief

Hope's lamp burns dim and low (Chorus)

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: Let us pray:

All: Our Gracious God, thank You for us feeding at the table of Your dear Son. By Your Spirit, use this meal to grow us in gratitude for Your glory's sake. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED



† 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 God of all grace, who has called you to His eternal glory in

Christ, restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you

People: To Him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Deacon of the Day

Johnny Tassin – July 28 Andy Warren – August 4 Pete Cansick – August 11

Save the Date

Mon, Aug 5, 7:00 pm – Ladies Game Night Sun, Aug 11 – Young Adults Lunch at Torchy's

Information & Events

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

Christian Formation Classes: From June 2 to August 11, children's and youth classes, along with nursery, will be on summer break. One adult class will be offered in the Lecture Hall: Exploring the Gospels, led by Bob Schwartzbeck.

Children's, Youth, and additional Adult classes will return at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 18.

FWPC 101: The next new members class is August 16-17. Learn about FWPC's vision, purpose, ministries, service and fellowship opportunities, membership, and more. This class is required for membership but does not commit you to be ready to join. It will be led by Pastor Brandon in the Lecture Hall on Friday, August 16, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (dinner provided) and Saturday, August 17, 8:30 a.m.-noon (continental breakfast served). Use the QR code to sign up. Nursery is available upon request.

Softball Game vs. Trinity: FWPC will take on Trinity Pres in a softball game on Sunday, September 29, at Gateway Park (751 Beach Street, Fort Worth, TX 76111). If you are interested in playing on the FWPC softball team (16 and older), contact David Blacklock at 281-605-0595 or davidb4150@yahoo.com. Families, plan to join us! A Kids Kickball game will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Field 3 followed by the softball game at 4:00.

New Covenant Child: Congratulations to Josh and Lauren Williams on the birth of their daughter Elizabeth Ann. She came into the world on June 27, weighing 6 lbs, 11 oz. Praise be to God for this good and perfect gift!





Summer at FORT

Tuesdays, June 11, 18 - Bible Study at FWPC, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays, June 5, 19 - Field Day at FWPC, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 13, 9am-Noon - Dash Service Project with Trinity

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 27 - H.S. Book Club & Dinner at Robnetts, 6:30 p.m.

June 24-27, 9-Noon-VBS | June 28, 11am-Pool Party for Volunteers at Birbaris

July 7-13 - RYM H.S. Florida

Tuesdays, July 16, 23, 30 - Bible Study at FWPC, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 17 - Volleyball with Trinity at TCU Sand Courts
Wednesday, July 24 - Main Event Night, 6-9 p.m.

Thursdays, July 18, 25 - H.S. Book Club & Dinner at Robnetts, 6:30 p.m.

July 31-Aug 4 – RYM M.S. Texas

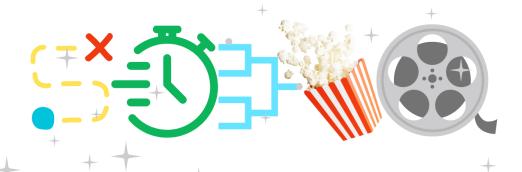
Wednesdays, August 7, 14 - H.S. Book Club & Dinner at Robnetts, 6:30 p.m.

Fri, Aug 9, 8 p.m.-Sat, Aug 10, 8 a.m. - The Fort Lock-In

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YOUTH LOCK-IN



Friday, Aug 9, 8 pm-Saturday, Aug 10, 8 am Games, Tournaments, Snacks, Movie

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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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