

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



September 8, 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.

About FWPC



Visitor Registration



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 Exodus story is a multifaceted diamond that witnesses to God's compassion, faithfulness, glory, holiness, justice, majesty, mercy and power. The theme of knowing God permeates the book in a rich variety of complementary ways. And in so doing it underlines that knowing God isn't confined merely to intellectual knowledge. No, in Exodus YHWH moves from being a distant deity to becoming a close neighbor.

T.D. Alexander

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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 8, 2024 —

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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: 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 known in all the earth! Amen!

Isaiah 12:4-5

† Hymn of Praise

ONLY A HOLY GOD

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven
Who else could make every king bow down
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises
What other splendour outshines the sun
What other majesty rules with justice
Only a Holy God

Chorus
Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire
What other power can raise the dead
What other name remains undefeated
Only a Holy God (*Chorus*)

Who else could rescue me from my failing
Who else would offer His only Son
Who else invites me to call Him Father
Only a Holy God
Only my Holy God (*Chorus*)

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† Invocation

† 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

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

Confession of Sin

Pastor: Let us 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

PSALM 51 (ROCK OF AGES/NEW CITY)

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 - rase.

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

The image shows three staves of musical notation in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff contains the melody for the third line of lyrics, ending with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the corresponding staves.

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

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

Adapted from Psalm 38:21

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

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,
And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

E'en down to old age all My people shall prove
My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they shall still in My bosom be borne.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Kingdom Moment

Necia Eggar and Rebecca York

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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LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

The Reading of the Word

Exodus 6:2-8

2 God spoke to Moses and said to him, "I am the Lord. 3 I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name the Lord I did not make myself known to them. 4 I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they lived as sojourners. 5 Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. 6 Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. 7 I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. 8 I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the Lord.'"

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

AN INTRODUCTION TO EXODUS

Why Study Exodus

What Is Exodus

How Should We Study Exodus

Discussion Questions:

1. What excites you about a study in Exodus?
2. What do you hope to get out of this study?
3. What does Exodus reveal about God? How does it help us understand Jesus and His deliverance? How does it teach us to live in a relationship with the redeeming God?

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,____
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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)*

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.

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

Chorus

*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 (*Chorus*)

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 (*Chorus*)

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 Jesus Christ; and for assuring our communion with Him. And now, Father, send us out to do the work You have given us to do, to love and serve as faithful witnesses of Jesus Christ. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

ACROSS THE LANDS



1. You're the Word of God the Fa-ther From be-fore the world be-
2. Yet You left the gaze of an-gels, Came to seek and save the
3. With a shout You rose vic-tor-ious, Wresting vict'-ry from the



gan. Ev'-ry star and ev' - ry pla - net Has been
lost, And ex-changed the joy of hea - ven For the
grave, And as - cend - ed in - to heav - en, Lead - ing



fa - shioned by Your hand. All cre - a - tion holds to -
an - guish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the
cap - tives in Your way. Now You stand be - fore the



geth - er By the pow - er of Your voice. Let the
hun - gry; With a word You calmed the sea; Yet how
Fa - ther, In - ter - ced - ing for Your own; From each



skies de - clare Your glo - ry; Let the land and seas re -
si - lent - ly You suf-fered That the guilt - y may go
tribe and tongue and na - tion, You are lead - ing sin - ners



joy! You're the Au-thor of cre - a - tion; You're the Lord of ev'-ry
free!

home!



man; And Your cry of love rings out ac-ross the lands.

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Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

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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

Daniel Sneed – September 8

Dowell Stackpole – September 15

Johnny Tassin – September 22

Save the Date

Sun, Sept 8 – Young Adults Lunch at Kincaid's

Mon, Sept 9 – Ladies Game Night

Sat, Sept 14, 9:30 a.m. – Kids Hope Volunteer Training

Thurs, Sept 26, 3:00 p.m. – Super Thursdays Training

Information & Events

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

Christian Formation Classes are offered Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for all ages – children, youth, and adults. There are three adult options this semester: 1 Peter in the Lecture Hall (led by FWPC elders), Exploring the Gospels with Bob Schwartzbeck in Room 201, and Theology Class with Pastor Brandon in Room 205.

Kids Hope USA: Our local elementary school (Oakmont) needs people willing to build positive, caring, one-on-one relationships with students, to walk alongside them as friends and cheerleaders. Kids Hope mentors (supported by behind-the-scenes prayer partners) spend one hour per week talking, reading, playing, and listening to a child at school. Will you be that someone who shows up once a week or who prays for a mentor and child? Contact Jill Davis at 817-896-7113 or jill@fortworthpca.org.

40 Days for Life invites you to join them in 40 days of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion and save lives from September 25-November 3. Learn more at 40daysforlife.com. To volunteer here in Southwest Fort Worth, see Lynn Sneed at the table in the fellowship hall. For details on the Fall Campaign Kickoff on Sat, Sept 21 in Bedford featuring a free movie (Unplanned, based on a true story) and food, visit ProLifeDFW.com.

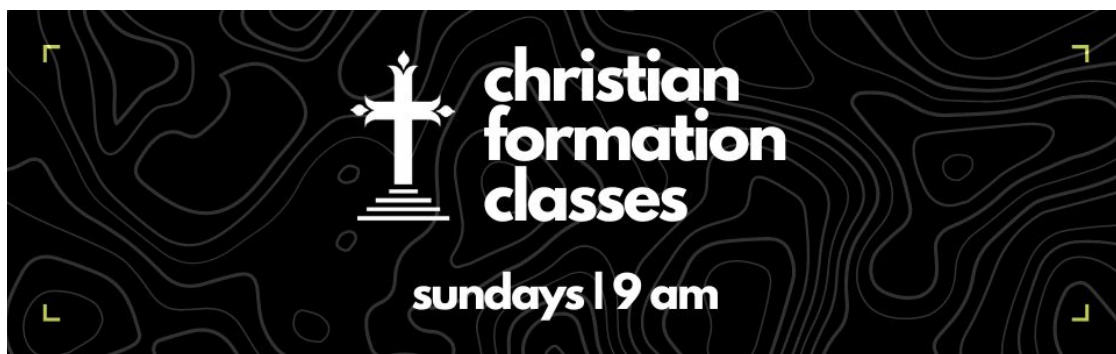
Scripture Journals: Exodus scripture journals are available on the fellowship hall for \$5 to aid you in following along, highlighting, and note taking during the fall/winter sermon series.

Ministry Fair: Today, ministry areas and service opportunities will be presented in the fellowship hall. Stop by to learn more about existing ministry opportunities and how your gifts could be a blessing to others.

Super Thursdays will be held at FWPC, 3:00-6:00 p.m., beginning October 3 for six weeks. The program includes Good News Club for Oakmont Elementary students followed by small Discipleship Groups, then a family dinner. Adults and youth (6th grade and older), do you have a heart for sharing the Gospel with children? To volunteer and join us in showing Jesus to our community, contact Candace Hilton at 407-637-6764 or cmhilton6816@gmail.com. Training takes place on September 26 at 3:00 p.m.

The Grove: Interested in gardening and serving the community? Join us on September 15 after church for a potluck lunch in the Lecture Hall to discuss plans for reaching our community through The Grove, our church garden. For details, contact Anne Santana at 817-874-4001 or asimple1@gmail.com.

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.



ADULTS

1 Peter: Peter points us to the living hope that we have through the resurrection of Jesus Christ and an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading. Come see that He has brought us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Taught by elders in the Lecture Hall.

Exploring the Gospels: See how each of the Gospels spotlights Jesus' life and ministry using distinctive vocabularies, writing styles, and emphases. We'll learn to read in context and observe, interpret, and apply biblical texts. Led by Bob Schwartzbeck in Room 201.

Theology Class: All are invited to attend this class taught by Pastor Brandon on Reformed Theology, and it will be required for future officers. Classes are held in Room 205. The format will be discussional and based on John Frame's book Concise Systematic Theology.

THE FORT YOUTH

High School – Room 204: *Eschatology* with Travis Robnett
Middle School – Room 203: *Westminster Shorter Catechism*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

5th-6th Graders (GAP) – Room 209

Jeff & Amy Thom use the New City Catechism to provide a broad framework for students' faith as they learn how to study their Bibles for themselves.

3rd-4th Graders – Room 208

Candace Hilton uses FWPC curriculum to take students through the Redemptive History of the Bible and help them love God wholeheartedly in what they think and do.

1st-2nd Graders – Room 210

Laura & Kristina Keffer use FWPC curriculum with familiar and unfamiliar Bible stories to help kids enjoy God as they learn to trust Him more and more as a promise keeper.

Preschool and Kindergarten – Room 111

Show Me Jesus with Judy Judd emphasizes the foundational truths of God as Creator and Promise Keeper, Jesus as God and Savior, and our joy in living in God's Family as we serve our Savior.


Fall at

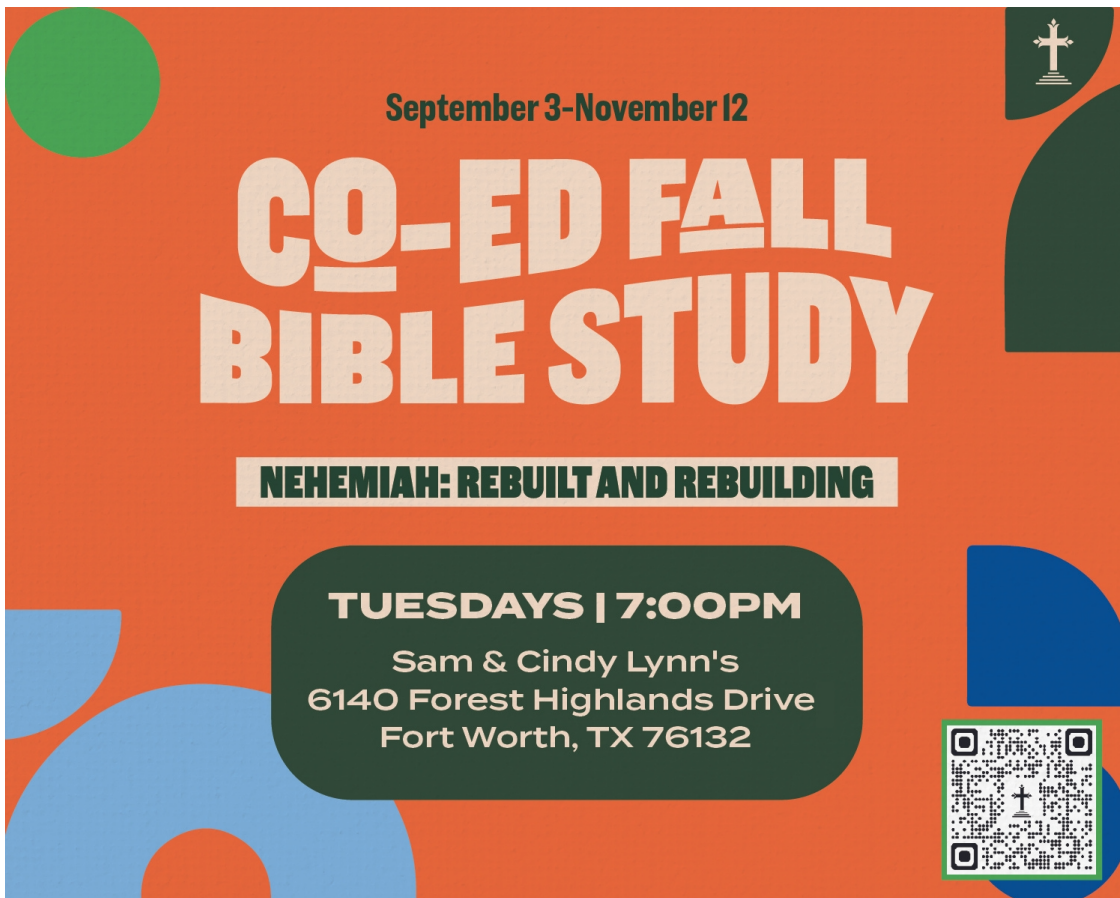
Sundays, 9:00 am, Aug 18-Dec 15 – Christian Formation Classes
High School - Room 204 | Middle School - Room 203

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, Sept 4-Nov 20 – The Fort Youth Group
food, fun, large group lesson, small group discussion

Fri-Sat, October 18-19 – Roctober IX at Camp Copass in Denton
North Texas Presbytery's All-Youth Fall Retreat

Friday, December 13 – Youth Christmas Party

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




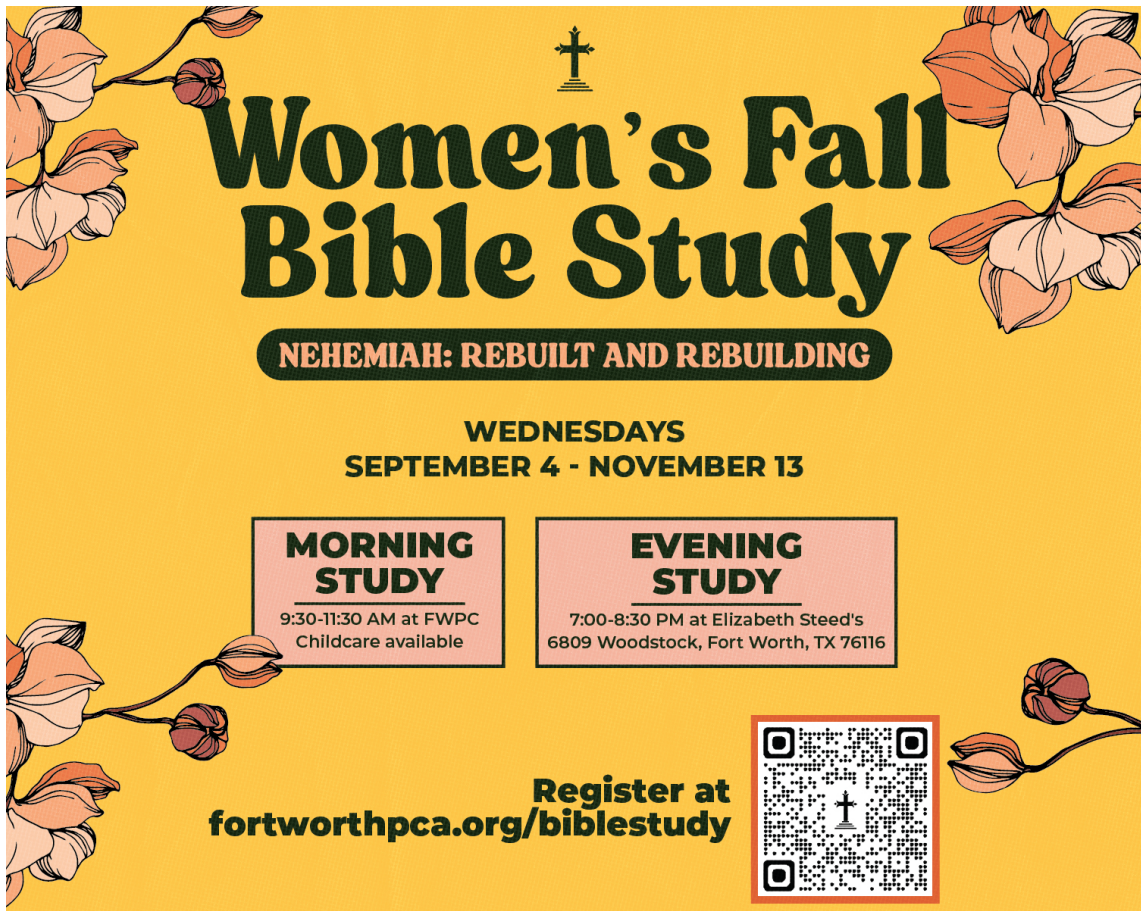
September 3-November 12


CO-ED FALL BIBLE STUDY

NEHEMIAH: REBUILT AND REBUILDING

TUESDAYS | 7:00PM
Sam & Cindy Lynn's
6140 Forest Highlands Drive
Fort Worth, TX 76132







Women's Fall Bible Study

NEHEMIAH: REBUILT AND REBUILDING

**WEDNESDAYS
SEPTEMBER 4 - NOVEMBER 13**


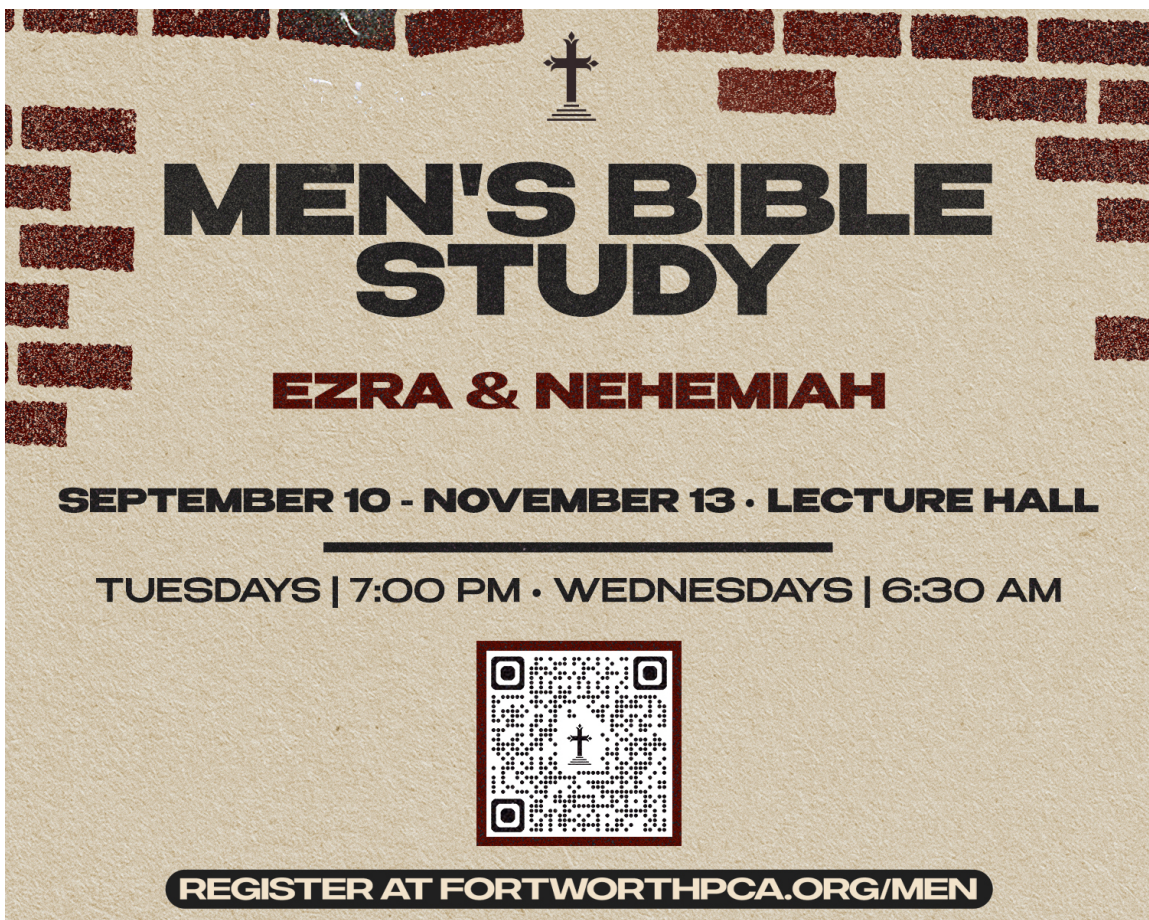
MORNING STUDY


9:30-11:30 AM at FWPC
Childcare available

EVENING STUDY

7:00-8:30 PM at Elizabeth Steed's
6809 Woodstock, Fort Worth, TX 76116

**Register at
fortworthpca.org/biblestudy**




MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

EZRA & NEHEMIAH

SEPTEMBER 10 - NOVEMBER 13 • LECTURE HALL

TUESDAYS | 7:00 PM • WEDNESDAYS | 6:30 AM



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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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