

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



October 20, 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.

... if a person has grasped the meaning of God's grace in his heart, he will do justice. Justice follows justification.

Tim Keller

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Courtesy walker and wheelchair are available at the main entrance.

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† Congregation standing

Order of the Worship of God

— October 20, 2024 —

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Rev. Bob Schwartzbeck

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen!

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: I will extol You, my God and King,

People: And bless Your name forever and ever.

Pastor: Every day I will bless You,

People: And praise Your name forever and ever.

Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

People: And His greatness is unsearchable.

Psalm 145:1-3

† Hymn of Praise

COME, PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING



1. Come, peo - ple of the ri - sen King, who de -
2. Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those
3. Come, young and old from ev - ry land, men and



- light to bring Him praise. Come all, and tune your
weep - ing through the night. Come, those who tell of
wo - men of the faith. Come, those with full or



hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the
bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight. For His
emp - ty hands; find the rich - es of His grace. O - ver



shift - ing sha - dows of the earth we will lift our eyes to
per - fect love will nev - er change, and His mer - cies nev - er
all the world His peo - ple sing; shore to shore we hear them



Him, where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to—
cease, but fol - low us through all our days with the
call the Truth that cries through ev - 'ry age: "Our—



gath - er child - ren in. Re-joyce! Re - joyce! Let ev - 'ry tongue re-
cer - tain hope of peace.
God is all in all."



- joyce! One heart, one voice; oh, Church of Christ, re - joyce!

† Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 135:5-6, 13-21

Pastor: I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.

People: Whatever the LORD pleases, He does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps.

Pastor: Your name, O LORD, endures forever, Your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages.

People: For the LORD will vindicate His people and have compassion on His servants.

Pastor: The idols of the nations are silver and gold, the work of human hands.

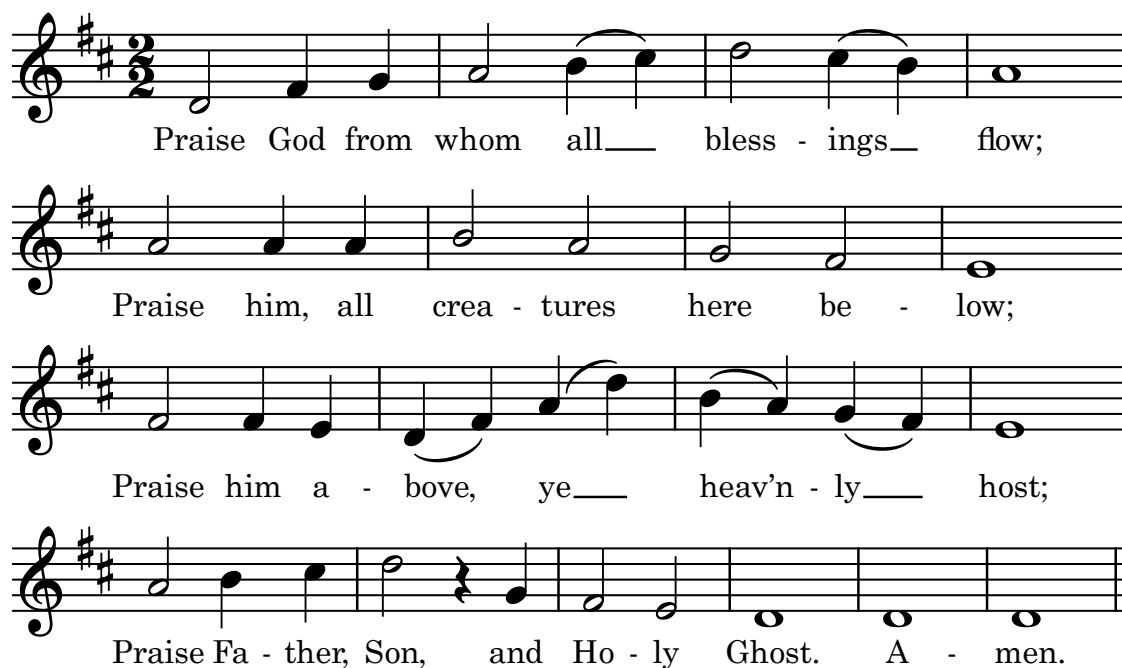
People: They have mouths, but do not speak; they have eyes, but do not see;

Pastor: They have ears, but do not hear, nor is there any breath in their mouths.

People: Those who make them become like them, so do all who trust in them.

Pastor: O house of Israel, bless the LORD! O house of Aaron, bless the LORD! O house of Levi, bless the LORD!

People: Blessed be the LORD from Zion, He who dwells in Jerusalem! Praise the LORD!



Praise God from whom all__ bless - ings__ flow;

Praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;

Praise him a - bove, ye__ heav'n - ly__ host;

Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Confession of Sin

Pastor: Let us now humbly confess our sins:

People: O LORD, evils have encompassed us beyond number; our iniquities have overtaken us, and we cannot see; they are more than the hairs of my head; my heart fails me.

Pastor: Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver us!

People: O LORD, make haste to help us!

All: For You are our helper and our deliverer; do not delay, O my God!

From Psalm 40:12-13, 17

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

The musical score is written on eight staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The time signature is common time (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: "Heal us, Em-man-uel, here we are. We long to feel Thy touch. Deep wound-ed souls to Thee we fly; O, Sav-ior hear our cry. Our faith is fee-ble we con-fess, We faint-ly trust Thy word; But will you pi-ty us the less? Be that far from you, Lord!"

Heal us, Em-man-uel, here we are.

We long to feel Thy touch.

Deep wound-ed souls to Thee we fly;

O, Sav-ior hear our cry.

Our faith is fee-ble we con-fess,

We faint-ly trust Thy word;

But will you pi-ty us the less?

Be that far from you, Lord!

† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: The LORD has not restrained His mercy from you; His steadfast love and faithfulness will preserve you.

**All: I am poor and needy, but the LORD takes thought for me.
Amen!**

From Psalm 40:11, 17

† 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

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.

COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

† Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Pastor: Christian, in whom do we believe?

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell. *
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father Almighty.
From there He will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**While Jesus didn't literally descend to hell, He did endure the torment of hell on the cross and remained under the power of death until His resurrection.*

***universal*

Prayer of Intercession

David Welch

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: Our Father, may our love abound more and more, with knowledge and discernment, so that we may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the Day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of You, our God.

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

Micah 6

Hear what the Lord says: Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice.

2 Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the Lord has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel.

3 “O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me!

4 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

5 O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the righteous acts of the Lord.”

6 “With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

8 He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

9 The voice of the Lord cries to the city—and it is sound wisdom to fear your name: “Hear of the rod and of him who appointed it!

10 Can I forget any longer the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is accursed?

11 Shall I acquit the man with wicked scales and with a bag of deceitful weights?

12 Your rich men are full of violence; your inhabitants speak lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth.

13 Therefore I strike you with a grievous blow, making you desolate because of your sins.

14 You shall eat, but not be satisfied, and there shall be hunger within you; you shall put away, but not preserve, and what you preserve I will give to the sword.

15 You shall sow, but not reap; you shall tread olives, but not anoint yourselves with oil; you shall tread grapes, but not drink wine.

16 For you have kept the statutes of Omri, and all the works of the house of Ahab; and you have walked in their counsels, that I may make you a desolation, and your inhabitants a hissing; so you shall bear the scorn of my people.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOD'S LAWSUIT AGAINST HIS PEOPLE

Background of the passage

God's Indictment 6:1-6

God's Requirements 6:6-9

God's Sentence 6:9-16

The Good News

Applications

Discussion Questions:

1. In what ways do we, individually and/or personally, fail to keep God's requirements today?
2. What are some practical ways that we can "do justice"?
3. What are some practical ways we can "love mercy"?
4. What are some practical ways we can "walk humbly with 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,____
____ 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)*

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

JESUS, I COME



1.Out of my bon - dage, sor - row and night,
2.Out of my shame - ful fail - ure and loss,
3.Out of un - rest and ar - ro - gant pride,
4.Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,



Je - sus I come; Je - sus, I come ____
Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come. ____
Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come. ____
Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come. ____



In - to Thy free - dom, glad - ness, and light
In - to the glo - rious gain of Thy cross,
In - to Thy bless - ed will to a - bide,
In - to the joy and light of Thy home,



Je - sus, I come to ____ Thee, ____
Je - sus, I come to ____ Thee. ____
Je - sus, I come to ____ Thee. ____
Je - sus, I come to ____ Thee. ____



Out of my sick - ness ____ in - to Thy health,
Out of earth's sor - rows ____ in - to Thy balm,
Out of my - self ____ to dwell in Thy love,
Out of the depths ____ of ru - in un - told,



Out of my want - ing and in - to Thy wealth,
Out of life's storms ____ and in - to Thy calm,
Out of de - spair in - to rap - tures a - bove,
In - to the peace of Thy shel - ter - ing fold,



Out of my sin _____ and in - to Thy - self,
Out of dis - tress in - to _____ jub - i - lant psalm,
Up - ward for - ev - er on _____ on wings like dove,
Ev - er Thy glo - rious face to be - hold,



Je - sus, I come to _____ Thee _____
Je - sus, I come to _____ Thee. _____
Je - sus, I come to _____ Thee. _____
Je - sus, I come to _____ Thee. _____

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

HE IS MAKING ALL THINGS RIGHT



1. Hail the right-ful rul - er Christ who came to save
2. Hail the hum - ble shep - herd bend - ing low to serve



King of truth and jus - tice Lord of love and grace
Bread for all_ our hun - ger wa - ter for_ our thirst



He who bore the cross to bring His peo - ple peace
He who helps his neigh - bor loves the least of these



Broke the chains of sin and set the cap - tive free
Wel - comes in_ the stran - ger sets the cap - tive free



He is mak - ing all things right



He is mak-ing all things right In His good - ness,



in His time He is mak-ing all things right

3. Hail the coming Savior
Hope of every heart
Healer of the nations
Bright and morning star
He will win the battle
Set the world at peace

Finally and forever
Set the captive free
Finally and forever
Set the captive free
Chorus

† 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

Chris Jordan – October 20

Randy Shannon – October 27

Daniel Sneed – November 3

Save the Date

Sun, Nov 3, noon – Choirs Kickoff Lunch & Rehearsal

Sat, Nov 16, 6 pm – Young Adults Friendsgiving Dinner

Fri, Dec 6, 6:30 pm – GAP Christmas Party at the Thoms

Sat, Dec 7, 10 am – Women's Christmas Brunch

Sun, Dec 8, 11:30 am – Kids Advent Party

Sun, Dec 15, 6 pm – Lessons & Carols

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 PreK through 5th Grade (youth large to adult small especially needed). Please bring your donation to the FWPC Fellowship Hall by Sunday, November 3. We will deliver these coats to the elementary school for distribution to the kids who most need them.

MNA Disaster Relief: Mission to North America's Disaster Relief efforts are on the ground in Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, and North Carolina helping PCA churches recover from severe flooding in order to serve the people in their communities impacted by Hurricane Helene. You can help by donating at pcamna.org/hurricane-helene. Look for the Hurricane Milton link in the top right of the page for an update on how to help these recovery efforts.

Holiday Market: FWPC will host a Holiday Market on **Saturday, November 23**, 10:00-2:00. Our goal is to support crafters and small businesses in our church and community, as well as create an opportunity to invite our neighbors to upcoming Christmas events. If you'd like to be a vendor (\$25/table), please use the QR code to sign up. If you prefer to pay with check or cash, please visit the church office during regular business hours, Monday-Friday. Questions? Contact Marilyn at marilynschwartzbeck@gmail.com or 832-618-7894.



Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2024-May 2025

June-September	This Year	Last Year
Income YTD	423,701	376,535
Expenses YTD	449,060	488,591
How we're doing YTD	-25,358	-106,914

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. We have spent \$25,358 more than our giving in the first four months of our fiscal year. As of September 30, we have \$157,894 cash on hand after liabilities.

Thank you for generously giving \$3,875.96 to our recent Alms offering. This will be a blessing to many. And please continue in faithfully supporting the work of the Lord through your giving to the church.

- ❖ 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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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 6 – Youth Christmas Party

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

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church

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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