Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



November 10, 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 strengthening of Pharaoh's heart is not about making him act contrary to his will. Rather, it is the reverse; it is about giving him the boldness and courage to do what he most desires.

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

— November 10, 2024 —

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Rev. Brandon Eggar

Pastor: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God

through our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: Holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to

come!

People: Worthy are You, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor

and power, for You created all things, and by Your will they

existed and were created!

Pastor: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and

wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

People: To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing

and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

Pastor: Amen! Come and let us worship our God and King!

From Revelation 4-5

† 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

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 99:1-5

Pastor: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon

the cherubim; let the earth quake!

People: The LORD is great in Zion; He is exalted over all peoples.

Pastor: Let them praise Your great and awesome name! Holy is He!

People: The King in His might loves justice. You have established

equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Pastor: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at His footstool! Holy is He!

† Doxology

Red Trinity Hymnal # 731 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: Let us now confess our sins together:

All: Almighty, Eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge that we have sinned against You. We have given into our temptation rather than resisting the devil and our sinful desires. We have been quick to disregard Your law and slow to obey it. O Father, we are sorry for our sins.

Have mercy on us through Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Increase the work of Your Holy Spirit in us – that we may recognize our sins and repent of them with godly sorrow that's ready to mortify them for Your Name's sake. Amen.

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

LORD I NEED YOU

Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: In Christ, we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness

of our trespasses.

All: Thanks be to God!

Ephesians 1:7

† 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

GRACE GREATER THAN OUR SIN



COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Sacrament of Baptism

Elizabeth Williams

Prayer for Covenant Children

Matt Jones

November/December

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 9:13-34

¹³ Then the Lord said to Moses, "Rise up early in the morning and present yourself before Pharaoh and say to him, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, "Let my people go, that they may serve me. ¹⁴ For this time I will send all my plagues on you yourself, and on your servants and your people, so that you may know that there is none like me in all the earth. ¹⁵ For by now I could have put out my hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, and you would have been cut off from the earth. ¹⁶ But for this purpose I have raised you up, to show you my power, so that my name may be proclaimed in all the earth. ¹⁷ You are still exalting yourself against my people and will not let them go. 18 Behold, about this time tomorrow I will cause very heavy hail to fall, such as never has been in Egypt from the day it was founded until now. 19 Now therefore send, get your livestock and all that you have in the field into safe shelter, for every man and beast that is in the field and is not brought home will die when the hail falls on them."" 20 Then whoever feared the word of the Lord among the servants of Pharaoh hurried his slaves and his livestock into the houses, 21 but whoever did not pay attention to the word of the Lord left his slaves and his livestock in the field.

²²Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, so that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, on man and beast and every plant of the field, in the land of Egypt." ²³Then Moses stretched out his staff toward heaven, and the Lord sent thunder and hail, and fire ran down to the earth. And the Lord rained hail upon the land of Egypt. ²⁴There was hail and fire flashing continually in the midst of the hail, very heavy hail, such as had never been in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. ²⁵The hail struck down everything that was in the field in all the land of Egypt, both man and beast.

And the hail struck down every plant of the field and broke every tree of the field.²⁶ Only in the land of Goshen, where the people of Israel were, was there no hail.

²⁷Then Pharaoh sent and called Moses and Aaron and said to them, "This time I have sinned; the Lord is in the right, and I and my people are in the wrong. ²⁸ Plead with the Lord, for there has been enough of God's thunder and hail. I will let you go, and you shall stay no longer." ²⁹ Moses said to him, "As soon as I have gone out of the city, I will stretch out my hands to the Lord. The thunder will cease, and there will be no more hail, so that you may know that the earth is the Lord's. ³⁰ But as for you and your servants, I know that you do not yet fear the Lord God." ³¹ (The flax and the barley were struck down, for the barley was in the ear and the flax was in bud. ³² But the wheat and the emmer were not struck down, for they are late in coming up.) ³³ So Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh and stretched out his hands to the Lord, and the thunder and the hail ceased, and the rain no longer poured upon the earth. ³⁴ But when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunder had ceased, he sinned yet again and hardened his heart, he and his servants.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

| Anatomy of a hard Heart | | | |
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| The Terms | | | |
| The Sequence | | | |
| The Meaning | | | |
| The Functioning | | | |

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What were some new things you learned from this sermon?
- 2. How are both Pharaoh and YHWH engaged in the hardening Pharaoh's heart?
- 3. How do we hold together that the Bible affirms both God's sovereignty and our responsibility?
- 4. In what ways and areas might your heart be hard toward God and His word?

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

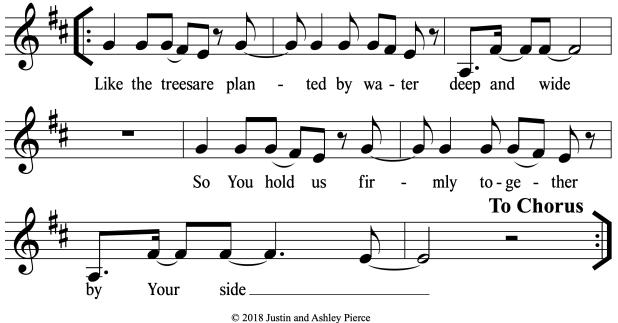
For those searching for truth: Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who You are. Give me the ability to follow You no matter what it might cost me. Give me an understanding for You that is coherent, 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.





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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: Let us pray:

All: The eyes of all living things look to You, O Father, and You give them their food in due season. For this we give You thanks. But most of all, we thank You for Bread from heaven, the Lord Jesus Christ whose blood forgives us, whose life satisfies us, and whose power will resurrect us at His return. Thank You for this meal which always points us to Jesus in the power of the Spirit. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending HE IS MAKING ALL THINGS RIGHT 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 our thirst Bread for all our hun - ger wa - ter for__ He who bore the cross bring His peo - ple peace to 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 ingthings HemakallrightisHe is mak-ing all things right InHis good - ness, His time He is mak-ing all things right 3. Hail the coming Savior Finally and forever Hope of every heart Set the captive free Healer of the nations Finally and forever Bright and morning star Set the captive free He will win the battle Chorus Set the world at peace

† 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: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the

fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

David Steed – November 10 Johnny Tassin – November 17 Andy Warren – November 24

Save the Date

Tues, Nov 19, 6:30 pm – Men's Beer & Brat Night Fri, Dec 6, 6:30 pm – GAP Christmas Party at the Thoms Sat, Dec 7, 10 am – Women's Christmas Brunch Sun, Dec 15, 6 pm – Lessons & Carols Jan 10-11 – FWPC 101 for New Members

Information & Events

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

FWPC Choir: Thursday rehearsals for Lessons & Carols will take place at 7 pm on Nov 14 & 21 and Dec 5 & 12. We welcome both adults and teens in the FWPC Choir and elementary age kids in the FWPC Children's Choir. Nursery is available for preschoolers. Email justin@fortworthpca.org with choir questions or nursery@fortworthpca.org with kid questions.

Pregnancy Lifeline Benefit Concert: 2024 American Idol contestant Cate Gartner will perform at the Babies & Boots Benefit Concert on Friday, November 15, 6:30 p.m. at Doxology Church (4805 Arborlawn). Enjoy music, hors d'oeuvres, desserts, door prizes and support a great cause. For details on tickets and sponsorships or to make donations, visit pregnancylifeline.net/babies-boots.

New Covenant Child: Congratulations to AJ and Brooke Stevenson on the birth of Kessler Hus Stevenson on Tuesday, November 5, at 1:42 p.m. Welcome, Kessler! Praise be to God for this good and perfect gift!

Holiday Market: FWPC will host a Holiday Market on Saturday, November 23, 10:00-2:00, to support crafters and small businesses in our church/community and create an opportunity to invite our neighbors to upcoming Christmas events. If you'd like to be a vendor (\$25/table), please register via the QR code or 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

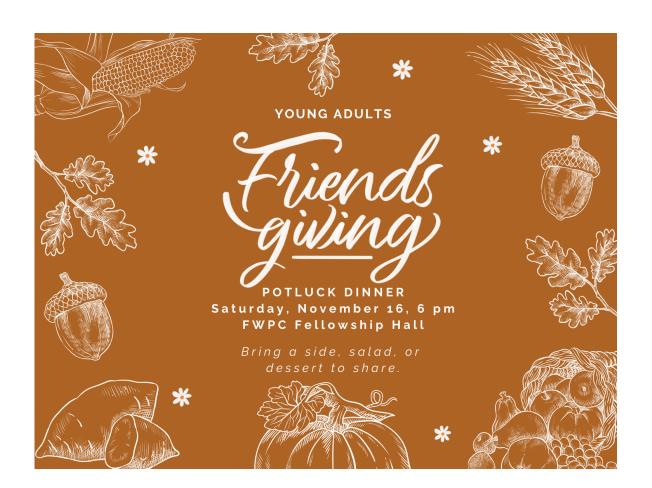
| June-October | This Year | Last Year |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Income YTD | 504,498 | 480,262 |
| Expenses YTD | 608,845 | 599,322 |
| How we're doing YTD | -104,347 | -119,060 |

Our Fiscal Year began June 1. We have spent \$104,347 more than our giving in the first five months of our fiscal year. As of October 31, we have \$78,405 cash on hand after liabilities.

As always, we are thankful for the ways that you generously answer our Lord's call to give to His work

- ❖ 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 THE FORT

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 13* – 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

*Wednesday, October 30, 6:30-9:00 pm – Youth Halloween Party Thom Home – 4201 Shannon Drive, Ft. Worth 76116

Wednesday, November 20, 7:00 pm – Friendsgiving Potluck FWPC Fellowship Hall

Friday, December 6 - Youth Christmas Party

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





SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 11:30-1:00 P.M.

Pre-K to 4th Grade can stay after church for lunch, games, prizes, dessert, and hands-on experiments to ponder the beauty and glory of Jesus.





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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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