

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



January 12, 2025

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 minister's stole is currently green, which signifies that this is the season of Epiphany – the season when the Church has historically remembered that the one Lord Jesus was revealed to all the nations that we may know that our life, growth and hope is in Him.

God's goal is to bring His redeemed home.

Alec Motyer

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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

— January 12, 2025 —

First Sunday of Epiphany

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Rev. Brandon Eggar

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

People: Thanks be to God!

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD!

People: For He is the Maker of Heaven and earth!

Pastor: The Lord is good to all;

People: And His mercy is over all that He has made.

Pastor: Oh, give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples!

People: Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of His wondrous works!

Pastor: Glory in His holy name, let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

From Psalm 145:9 and Psalm 105:1-3

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear,
now to His temple draw near,
join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen
how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;

ponder anew
what the Almighty will do,
if with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.

How oft in grief
hath not He brought thee relief,
spreading His wings to o'ershade thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the amen
sound from His people again;
gladly fore'er we adore Him.

† Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 2

Pastor: Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?

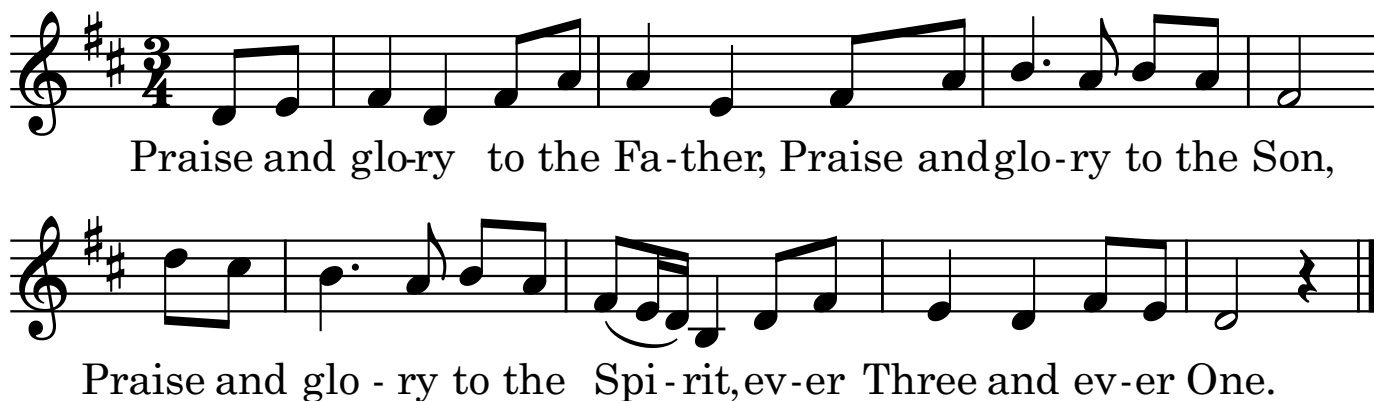
People: The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and His anointed, saying “Let us burst their binds apart and cast away their cords from us.”

Pastor: He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. Then He will speak to them in His wrath, and terrify them in His fury, saying, “As for Me, I have set My King on Zion, My holy hill.”

People: I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, “You are My Son; today I have begotten You. Ask of Me, and I will make the nations Your heritage, and the ends of the earth Your possession.

Pastor: You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

All: Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth. Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way, for His wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in Him.



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Confession of Sin

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing that when we were slaves to sin, we let sin reign in our mortal bodies, to make them obey their various passions.

All: But the fruit we were getting at that time was from things of which we are now ashamed.

Pastor: The end of those things is death. But now we have been set free from sin and become Your servants.

All: And the fruit we now get leads to sanctification and abundant life.

Pastor: Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

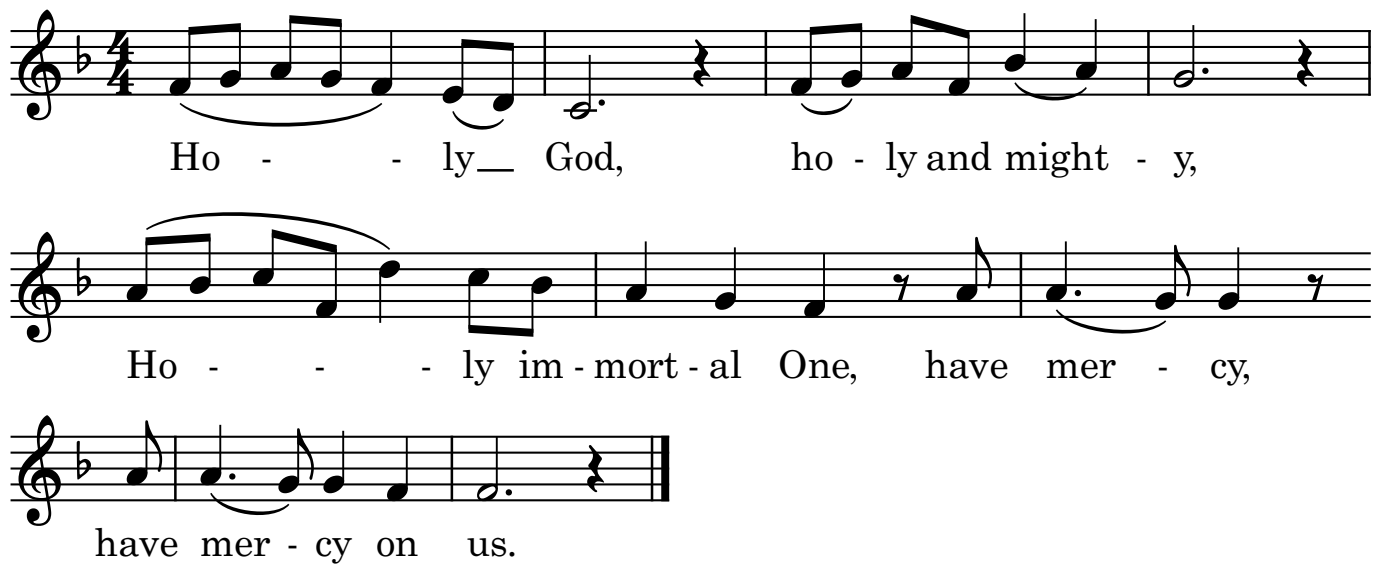
All: Sin is no longer our master, since we are not under the law but under grace.

From Romans 6:12-23

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

Trisagion



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† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his Beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 1:13-14

All: **Therefore, if anyone is in Christ: New Creation! The old has passed away, behold, the new has come!**

† 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

10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning

It's time to sing Your song again

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing when the evening comes (*Chorus*)

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger

Your name is great and Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (*Chorus*)

And on that day when my strength is failing

The end draws near and my time has come

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending

Ten thousand years and then forevermore (*Chorus*)

I'll worship Your holy name

Lord I'll worship Your holy name

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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Kingdom Moment

Rebecca Tanner

Prayer for Covenant Children

January/February

Scott Wade

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 15:1-21

15 Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the Lord, saying, “I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea. 2 The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. 3 The Lord is a man of war; the Lord is his name. 4 “Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea, and his chosen officers

were sunk in the Red Sea.⁵ The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. ⁶ Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power, your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy.⁷ In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries; you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble. ⁸ At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up; the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea. ⁹ The enemy said, ‘I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.’ ¹⁰ You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters. ¹¹ “Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders? ¹² You stretched out your right hand; the earth swallowed them. ¹³ “You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode. ¹⁴ The peoples have heard; they tremble; pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia. ¹⁵ Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed; trembling seizes the leaders of Moab; all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away. ¹⁶ Terror and dread fall upon them; because of the greatness of your arm, they are still as a stone, till your people, O Lord, pass by, till the people pass by whom you have purchased. ¹⁷ You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O Lord, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established. ¹⁸ The Lord will reign forever and ever.” ¹⁹ For when the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his horsemen went into the sea, the Lord brought back the waters of the sea upon them, but the people of Israel walked on dry ground in the midst of the sea. ²⁰ Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a tambourine in her hand, and all the women went out after her with tambourines and dancing. ²¹ And Miriam sang to them: “Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SONG AT THE SEA

First Stanza: God's Saving Greatness

Second Stanza: God's Loving Guidance

Third Stanza: God's Grand Goal

Discussion Questions:

1. In your own words, describe the worship service that took place on the eastern shores of the Red Sea? How does our worship compare to this? In particular, how does your personal worship compare to this?
2. In what ways are you singing this song in the way you live? Hint: Who is the primary focus of this song?
3. How does knowing we're God's redeemed people in Christ assure us that God will bring us home?

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)*

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

MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN

My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

Chorus

*I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest treasure Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him no other
My soul is satisfied in Him alone*

As summer flowers we fade and die
Fame youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us at the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross *Chorus*

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed my ransom paid at the cross *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 and our Savior Jesus Christ and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of His Body and heirs of His Kingdom. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

REJOICE



1. Re - joice in the Lord now and al - ways.
2. Re - joice and be anx - ious for noth - ing,
3. Re - joice in the Lord now and al - ways;



Sing it a - gain, we re - joice._
pray - ing for all_ that you need._
tell of the good He has done._



De - light in the love He has shown us;
Come with a song_ of thanks - giv - ing;
Wor-ship the Lord to re - mem - ber



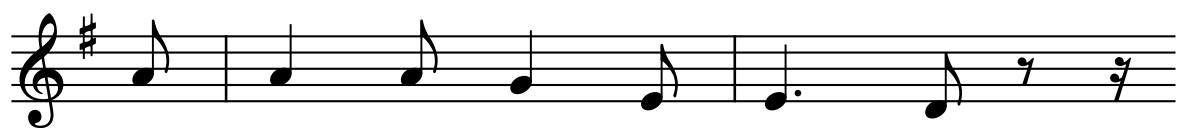
grate - ful - ly lift_ up your voice.
lay your re - quests at His feet.
all of the joy_ yet to come.



His gen - tle - ness a - mong us
His peace will fall up - on us
The hope that burns with - in us



will join our hearts with praise.
to guard our hearts and minds
the dark can - not de - stroy.



We gath - er in His good - ness,
in Christ Who reigns e - ter - nal,
With praise that's nev - er end - ing,



a fam - i - ly of grace. With each breath He's
the Shep-herd of our lives.
we say a - gain, "re - joice!"



giv - en, — praise the Lord. In these times we



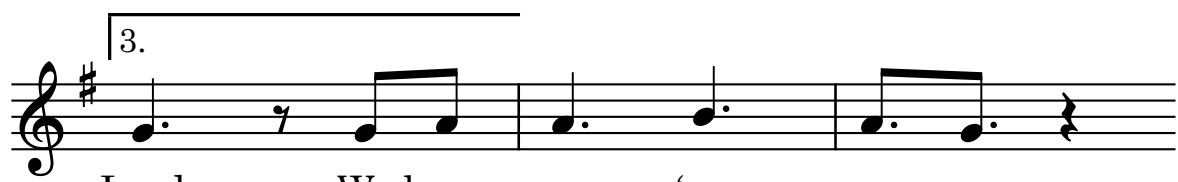
live in, we will praise — the Lord. Through-out



ev - 'ry sea - son, I — am sure we have



ev - 'ry rea-son to praise the Lord.



Lord. We have ev - 'ry rea - son



to praise — the Lord.

† 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, the Light of the world.

† 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

Johnny Tassin – January 12

Pete Cansick – January 19

Chris Jordan – January 26

Save the Date

Sun, Jan 12 – Young Adults Lunch at Torchy's

Wed, Feb 5 – The Fort Youth Group returns

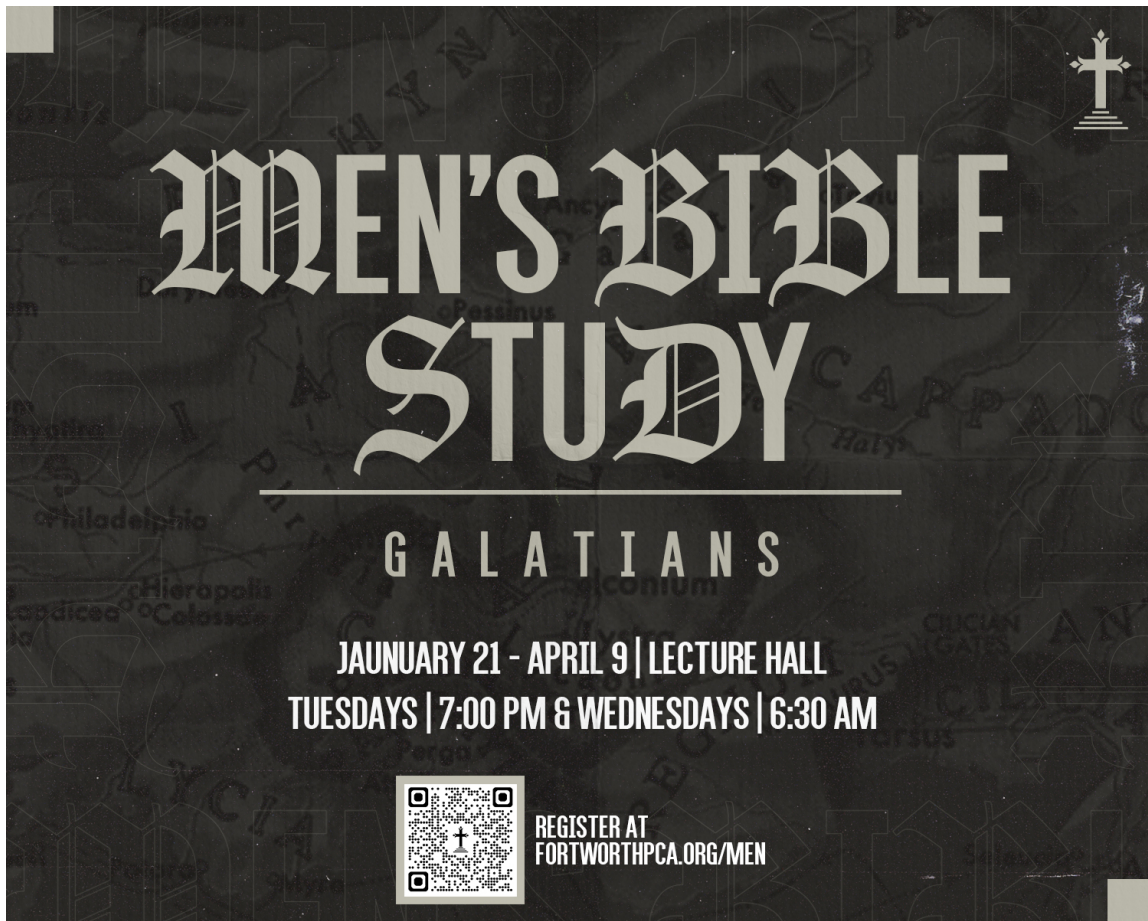
Information & Events


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

Volunteers Needed: Do you have a passion for working with kids? Or do you want your 6th through 12th grade kids to learn to serve God working with kids? Are you interested in connecting with our neighborhood and the kids at Oakmont Elementary? We need leaders and helpers to show God's love to the school kids that come on Super Wednesdays. Starting on January 29th and running for 6 weeks, Super Wednesdays are packed with fun and meaningful activities for the kids from 3:00-6:00 PM each week. (Your school kids who are helpers can miss the beginning and start as late as 4:00). The program begins with Good News Club led by a team already trained by Rebecca Tanner. Our leaders and helpers then use already-prepared materials in small groups to help the kids learn about God and his Good News. Afterward we all come together for a family dinner. Interested? Call or text Candace Hilton at 407-637-6764, or Rebecca Tanner at 817-298-9236.

Men: We will kick off the new year with a **Breakfast at the Barn** on **Saturday, January 18** at 8:30 a.m. Be challenged by thoughtful teaching from SMU RUF campus minister Conrad Quiros, connect and build friendships, and break bread together at The Davis Barn – 6796 Silver Saddle Road, Fort Worth, TX 76126. Clay/target shooting will be available afterwards, weather permitting. If interested, pack accordingly

Missions Meeting Today: There will be a short informational meeting in the Lecture Hall immediately following worship **today** for anyone considering participation in our summer mission trips: a mid-June trip to North Carolina to assist Mission to North America Disaster Relief with Hurricane Helene recovery efforts and a mid-July trip to Durango, Mexico, to serve alongside Mission to the World missionaries with work ranging from light construction to community outreach and VBS. Come learn more.






MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

GALATIANS

JAUNUARY 21 - APRIL 9 | LECTURE HALL
TUESDAYS | 7:00 PM & WEDNESDAYS | 6:30 AM



REGISTER AT
[FORTWORTHPCA.ORG/MEN](https://fortworthpca.org/men)



2025
Prayer Albums

Show the church's newest babies with prayer and scripture. Pick up cards on the Fellowship Hall table and submit before worship on Sunday, January 19.



January 14 - April 1

CO-ED SPRING BIBLE STUDY

HAGGAI, ZECHARIAH, MALACHI: POINTING TO THE PROMISED KING

TUESDAYS, 7:00 PM

Sam & Cindy Lynn's
6140 Forest Highlands Drive
Fort Worth, TX 76132



Wednesdays, January 15 - April 2

Women's Spring Bible Study

Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi:
Pointing to the Promised King

MORNING STUDY

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

EVENING STUDY

7:00-8:30 PM at Sarah Sexton's
6909 Spring Valley Way
Fort Worth, TX 76132



Register at
fortworthpca.org/biblestudy

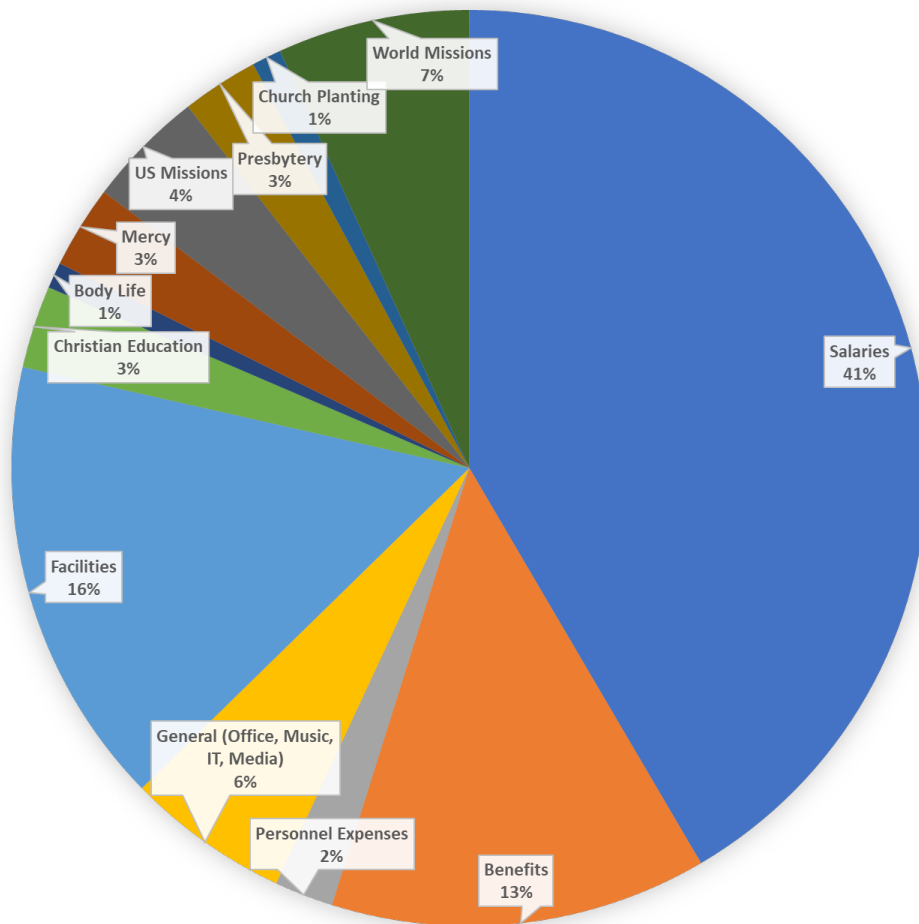


End of Calendar Year Financial Update

Highlights

• Internal Benevolence giving (30% more than last year)	\$21,191
• Geneva Ministerial Relief giving	\$15,370
• General Fund giving for December	\$280,299
• Cash after liabilities	\$272,693
• Increase in giving from 2023	2.4%
• Average attendance for 2024	359
• Average month giving (excluding Dec)	\$102,460
• Average month giving (including Dec)	\$117,280
• Average month expenses	\$122,074

Expenses Breakdown



Coming Needs (not currently funded)

- Assistant Pastor
- Sanctuary HVAC replacement
- 21% increase in health care premiums
- 75% increase in Super Wednesday bus cost

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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