Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



January 26, 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.

YHWH Himself is the banner around which His people must assemble in order to defeat their enemies.

T. Desmond 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

— January 26, 2025 — *Third Sunday of Epiphany*

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Rev. Brandon Eggar

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

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

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole

heart in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

People: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.

Pastor: He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful. He provides food for those who fear Him, He remembers His covenant forever.

People: He has shown His people the power of His works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

Psalm 111:1-6

† 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 62:1-2, 5-8

Pastor: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my

salvation.

People: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not

be greatly shaken.

Pastor: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from Him.

People: He only is my rock and my salvation; I shall not be greatly

shaken.

Pastor: On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge

is God. Trust Him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before

Him; God is a refuge for us.

People: Amen! Thanks be to God!

† Doxology *MESSENGER*



Praise and glo-ry to the Fa-ther, Praise and glo-ry to the Son,



Praise and glo-ry to the Spi-rit, ev-er Three and ev-er One.

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Confession of Sin

Pastor: In His deep love for us and for our good, the Father calls us to confess our sins, so let us do that now:

All: Lord, You are our guide, yet we often lead ourselves. You are our King, yet we want to rule over ourselves. You are our fullness, yet we look to ourselves and our idols to fill us up. We think Your truth too high, Your will too hard, Your power too remote, and Your love too free. But they are not! And so, we pray, heal our confused minds with Your word. Heal our divided wills with Your law; heal our troubled consciences with Your love, and heal our anxious hearts with Your presence, and all for the sake of Your Son, who loved us and gave Himself for us. Amen.

Silent Confession



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† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Arise, shine, for Your light has come, and the glory of the LORD

has risen upon you giving you His full forgiveness.

Adapted from Isaiah 60:1

All: You, O Lord, will keep us; You will guard us from this

generation forever.

From Psalm 12:7

† 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.



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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

+ Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Pastor: Christians, 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.

Prayer of Intercession

David Welch

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

^{*}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

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices together praying:

All:

God, You know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that for humanity's frailness we cannot always stand uprightly, so we pray: Grant us health of body and soul, that all those things which we suffer for sin, by Your help we may conquer though Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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 17:8-16

8 Then Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim. 9 So Moses said

to Joshua, "Choose for us men, and go out and fight with Amalek. Tomorrow

I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my

hand." 10 So Joshua did as Moses told him, and fought with Amalek, while

Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. 11 Whenever Moses held

up his hand, Israel prevailed, and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek

prevailed. 12 But Moses' hands grew weary, so they took a stone and put it

under him, and he sat on it, while Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on

one side, and the other on the other side. So his hands were steady until the

going down of the sun.13 And Joshua overwhelmed Amalek and his people

with the sword.

14 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Write this as a memorial in a book and recite

it in the ears of Joshua, that I will utterly blot out the memory of Amalek from

under heaven." 15 And Moses built an altar and called the name of it,

The Lord Is My Banner, 16 saying, "A hand upon the throne of

the Lord! The Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation."

Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

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The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Brandon

THE LORD IS MY BANNER

The Attack Israel Faced (v. 8)

Moses' Response (vv. 9-13)

The Memorial (vv. 14-16)

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does the attack of the Amalekites picture the Christian life?
- 2. What's the difference between the way God saved Israel at the sea and the way He saved them here? What does this teach us about God's salvation?
- 3. How is Christ your banner? In what ways do you live this truth out?

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.

Communion Song

HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

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: Our Father, we thank You for feeding us at Your Son's Table.

As we leave this gathering, may it continue to strengthen our

trust in You in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not His equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.

Dost ask who that may be?

Christ Jesus, it is He,

Lord Sabaoth His name,

from age to age the same,
and He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth.

Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill:

God's truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever

His kingdom is forever.

† 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

Chris Jordan – January 26

Randy Shannon – February 2

Daniel Sneed – February 9

Save the Date

Mon, Feb 3, 7 pm – Ladies Game Night

Wed, Feb 5 – The Fort Youth Group returns

Sun, Feb 9, 5 pm – Young Adults Watch Party at Robnetts

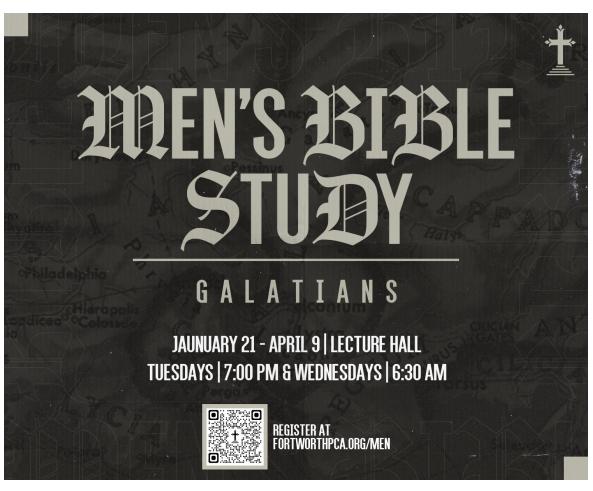
Monday, June 23-26 – VBS

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.

New Covenant Child: Congratulations to Mike and Betsey Foley on the birth of their son Reid William Foley. He came into the world on Friday, January 3, weighing 7 lbs, 10 oz. Praise be to God for this good and perfect gift!





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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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