# Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



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.

There is a God right here in the thick of our day-to-day lives who may not be writing messages about deity in the stars, but who in one way or another is trying to get messages through our blindness as we move around down here knee-deep in the fragrant muck and misery and marvel of the world.

Frederick Buechner

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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

— March 2, 2025 —

Eighth 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 34:4-7

Pastor: I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all

my fears.

People: Those who look to Him are radiant, and their faces shall never

be ashamed.

Pastor: This poor man cried, and the LORD heard Him and saved him out

of all his troubles.

All: The Angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him,

and delivers them.

† Doxology

Red Trinity Hymnal #735 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.

Amen, amen.

#### 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 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

### † 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.

Let us love and sing and wonder
Let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
He has washed us with His blood
He has washed us with His blood
He has washed us with His blood
He has brought us nigh to God

Pitied us when enemies
Called us by His grace and taught us
Gave us ears and gave us eyes
He has washed us with His blood
He has washed us with His blood
He has washed us with His blood
He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation
Threatens hard to bear us down
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
Holds in view the conqueror's crown
He, Who washed us with His blood,
He, Who washed us with His blood,
He, Who washed us with His blood,
Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more
He Who washed us with His blood
He Who washed us with His blood
He Who washed us with His blood
Has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high
Here they trusted Him before us
Now their praises fill the sky
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood
Thou art worthy Lamb of God

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#### COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

### Professions of Faith And Baptisms

Miles Ryun

Willa Ryun

### Prayer of Intercession

Scott Wade

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

### Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices together praying:

All:

O God, who before the passion of Your only-begotten Son revealed His glory upon the holy mountain: Grant that we, beholding by faith the light of His countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into His likeness from glory to glory. 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 33:1-6, 15-23

The Lord said to Moses, "Depart; go up from here, you and the people whom you have brought up out of the land of Egypt, to the land of which I swore to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, 'To your offspring I will give it.' I will send an angel before you, and I will drive out the Canaanites, the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. Go up to a land flowing with milk and honey; but I will not go up among you, lest I consume you on the way, for you are a stiffnecked people." When the people heard this disastrous word, they mourned, and no one put on his ornaments. For the Lord had said to Moses, "Say to the people of Israel, You are a stiffnecked people; if for a single moment I should go up among you, I would consume you. So now take off your ornaments, that I may know what to do with you." Therefore the people of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments, from Mount Horeb onward.

<sup>15</sup> And he said to him, "If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. <sup>16</sup> For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?" <sup>17</sup> And the Lord said to Moses, "This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." <sup>18</sup> Moses said, "Please show me your glory." <sup>19</sup> And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name "The Lord.' And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. <sup>20</sup> But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live." <sup>21</sup> And the Lord said, "Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, <sup>22</sup> and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. <sup>23</sup> Then I

will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen."

Exodus 34:5-8, 29-35

<sup>5</sup>The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord. <sup>6</sup>The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup>keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." <sup>8</sup>And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped.

<sup>29</sup> When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup> Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup> But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. <sup>32</sup> Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the Lord had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. 33 And when Moses had finished <sup>34</sup> Whenever speaking with them, he put a veil over his face. Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, 35 the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Brandon

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Perceiving God's Presence

Pursuing God's Presence

#### Discussion Questions:

- 1. Why should the offer to gain it all yet without God repel the Christian? Do you live as if seeing and being in God's glorious presence is what you were made for?
- 2. What does it mean for us to see God's glory in the present? How will this compare to seeing his glory when all things are made new?
- 3. What does it mean to see the glory of God's face in Jesus Christ? How does Jesus' life, death, and resurrection define God's glory and how does this compare with the proclamation of God's name in Exodus 34:6-7?

#### 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 Songs

#### 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

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me (Chorus)

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay (Chorus)

My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

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#### THIS IS ALL MY JOY (PSALM 16)



#### THY MERCY

Thy mercy my God is the theme of my song
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue
Thy free grace alone from the first to the last
Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here
Sin would reduce me to utter despair
But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive
And He that first made me still keeps me alive

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground And weep for the praise of the mercy I found

Great Father of mercies Thy goodness I own And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine

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# Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: Let us pray:

All: Heavenly Father, we thank You for feeding us with spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of Your Son, and heirs of Your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work You have given us to do, and to love and serve You as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

### † Song of Sending

OH THE LORD OUR STRENGTH AND SONG (SONG OF MOSES)



### † 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

Andy Warren – March 2 Pete Cansick – March 9 David Steed – March 16

#### Save the Date

Mon, Mar 3, 7 pm – Ladies Game Night
Wed, Mar 5, 12 pm – Ash Wednesday Service
Thurs, Mar 6, 7 pm – Choir Rehearsals begin
Sun, Mar 9 – Young Adults Lunch at Kincaid's
Sat, Mar 15, 9 am – Grove Workday
Sun, Mar 30, 6 pm – Evensong Service
April 13-20 – Holy Week Services
Apr 25-26 – Men's Retreat at The Davis Barn
June 8-14 – HS RYM at YMCA of the Rockies
Mon-Thurs, June 23-26 – VBS
August 2-6 – MS RYM at Allaso Ranch

#### Information & Events

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

40 Days for Life: You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization from March 5-April 13! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers, saved 25,000 babies, and closed 150 abortion centers. Visit prolifedfw.com for more info & to sign up to pray. Questions? Contact Lynn Sneed at 817-925-5871 or Rebecca Tanner at 817-298-9236.

Jazz at St. John: You are invited to an unforgettable night of live jazz featuring the Justin Pierce Jazz Group on Sunday, March 2, at 5:00 p.m. An opening set will be performed by the Kennedale High School Jazz Band. St. John Cumberland Presbyterian is located at 6007 W. Pleasant Ridge Rd in Arlington. Reserve your free tickets today. Seating is limited, and donations are appreciated.



Missions Fundraiser: Thanks to all who came, performed, bid, and bought. There are tickets remaining to a few events on the Fellowship Hall table: Dance Lessons on March 29, French Wine Tasting on May 2, Cigars, Bourbon & Fellowship on May 8, and a Chili Cookoff at the Stackpoles.

Spring Break: Regular Christian Formation classes, including nursery, will be on spring break Sunday, March 16. However, the missions committee will host a report from the mission field in the Lecture Hall at 9:00 a.m. Doug Shepherd, who leads the MTW team in Lviv, will be with us to provide an update from Ukraine.

Congratulations to Brenden and Kara Helton on the birth of their son John Hayes Helton on Sunday, February 16. He came early so please pray for growth, development, and strength. Praise be to God for this good and perfect gift!



Sundays, 9:00 am, Jan 5-May 18 – Christian Formation Classes HS - Room 204 on Worship MS - Room 203 on Westminster Shorter Catechism

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, Feb 5-Apr 30 – Youth Group

friends, food, fellowship, large group lesson, small group discussions

Sunday, March 30 – Deposit deadline for RYM Summer Conference Sunday, April 13 – Full Payment deadline for RYM Summer Conference







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