

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



March 23, 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 front of the bulletin and the color of the minister's stole is currently purple, which signifies the season of Lent – the season when the Church intentionally remembers Christ's temptation in the wilderness and His sacrificial death on the cross.

The community of the church exists because God has called its members out of the world by His own action and given them to Jesus.

Leslie Newbigin

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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 23, 2025 —

Third Sunday in Lent

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Rev. Brandon Eggar

Pastor: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the holy Spirit

People: Amen!

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: O God, You are our God; earnestly we will seek You; our souls thirst for You; our flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

People: Because Your steadfast love is better than life, our lips will praise You!

All: We will bless You as long as we live; in Your name we will lift up our hands. Our souls cling to You; Your right hand upholds us. Therefore, we will praise You as long as we live!

From Psalm 63

† Hymn of Praise

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honors of Thy name.
Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin,
He sets the pris'ner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list'ning to His voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
the humble poor believe.
Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
your loosen'd tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Savior come;
and leap, ye lame, for joy.

† Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 19:7-14

Pastor: The Law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;

People: The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;

Pastor: The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.

People: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

Pastor: Moreover, by them is Your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

People: Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.

Pastor: Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then shall I be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

All: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

† Doxology

ALL CREATURES

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow;

Praise him all crea - tures here be - low; Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;

Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Confession of Sin

Pastor: Let us confess our sins together:

All: O God, You have not called us into darkness, but You have brought us into the light of Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. By Your grace we are children of light, children of the day. You have called us to be awake and sober-minded, having put on the breastplate of faith and love as well as the helmet of the hope of our salvation. In light of this, we ask that You would forgive us for living contrary to who we are in Christ and for betraying Him in our words and actions. Restore us that we

may seek to do good and honor You, our loving and merciful Father.

Adapted from 1 Thessalonians 5

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

Lord,___ have mer - cy. Lord,___ have mer - cy.

Lord,___ have mer - cy, have mer - cy, Lord.

Christ,___ have mer - cy. Christ,___ have mer - cy.

Christ,___ have mer - cy, have mer - cy, Lord.

Lord,___ have mer - cy. Lord,___ have mer - cy.

Lord,___ have mer - cy, have mer - cy, Lord.

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† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus!

Romans 8:1

All: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalm 51:10

† 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.

1. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem - er,
 2. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem - er,
 3. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem - er,

great-est trea - sure of my long-ing soul,
 Strong De - fend - er of my wea - ry heart,
 grac-ious Sav - ior of my ru - ined life

my God, like You there is no oth - er.
 my sword to fight the cruel de - ceiv - er
 my guilt and cross laid on Your should - ers,

True de - light is found in You a - lone.
 and my shield a - gainst his hate - ful darts
 in my place You suf - fered, bled and died.

Your grace, a well too deep to fath - om,
 My song when en - e - mies sur-round me,
 You rose, the grave and death are con - quered.

Your love ex - ceeds the heav - ens' reach.
 My hope when tides of sor - row rise
 You broke my bonds of sin and shame.

1.2.
 Your truth, a fount of per - fect wis - dom, my high-est
 my joy when tri - als are a - bound - ing, Your faith-ful -
 You rose, the grave and death are con-quered. You

good and my un-end - ing need.
 -ness, my re - fuge in the night.
 broke my bonds of sin and shame.

3.

You rose, the grave and death are conquered.

You broke my bonds of sin and shame.

O Lord, my Rock and my Re-deem - er may all my

days bring glo - ry to Your name. may all my

days bring glo - ry to Your name.

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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Kingdom Moment

Prayer of Intercession

Scott Zink

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: O God, whose glory it is to show mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways. Grant them the gift of repentance. Revive this congregation that we may hold fast to Jesus who holds fast to us. In His name, we pray. 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

John 17:6-19

⁶“I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

JESUS PRAYS FOR HIS DISCIPLES

Introduction

Jesus' Reasons for Praying

Jesus' Requests in Praying

Discussion Questions:

1. How should knowing you're the Father's possession shape your life? Is it shaping your life?
2. You're a gift from the Father to His Son. How does this encourage you, especially in seasons of suffering?
3. Describe the Christian's relationship to the world. How is this description on display in your life?
4. How is Jesus' consecration the basis of your sanctification?

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

I AM NOT MY OWN

1. The One Who made the heav - ens made my heart and soul; be -
 2. My bod - y is a tem - ple of the Liv - ing God. I'll
 3. And if He has re - deemed me, I am not my own. The
 4. I am not my own and now my heart is free. Oh

fore I drew a breath, I was loved and known.
 wor - ship in this house that His blood has bought.
 mea - sure of my worth is His love a - lone.
 Mak - er, come and make what You will of me.

I am His cre - a - tion, the Mak - er's mas - ter - piece, and
 As I bear His im - age, oh may I not pro - fane the
 He de - clares my stand - ing, and He de - clares my state. So,
 There is noth - ing bro - ken that You can - not re - pair, so

all that He de - signs will be done in me. I be -
 ho - li - ness I hold in this earth - ly frame.
 I will know my - self by the name he gave.
 Lord, I leave my life in Your lov - ing care.

long to the Lord, oh I am not my own. I be - long to the Lord; I am
 not my own. I will hon - or Him, for this I know, I be -
 long to the Lord; I am not my own.

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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

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 go from this gathering:

All: May our eyes be fixed on Christ crucified.

Pastor: When we're anxious, doubting, and failing:

All: May we cast ourselves on the Risen Christ.

Pastor: In in all we do and say:

All: May we honor the reigning and returning Christ, who is our good and gracious Lord.

† The Blessing

Pastor: May the God of all grace who has called you to His eternal glory in Christ, restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To Him be the dominion forever and ever.

1 Peter 5:10-11

People: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Chris Jordan – March 23

Daniel Sneed – March 30

David Steed – April 6

Save the Date

Mon, Apr 6, 7 pm – Ladies Game Night

Sun, Apr 13 – Young Adults Lunch at Torchy's

April 25-26 – Men's Retreat

June 8-14 – HS RYM at YMCA of the Rockies

Mon-Thurs, June 23-26 – VBS

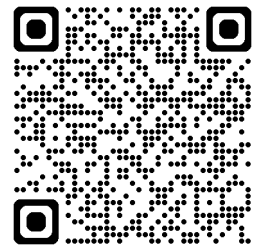
August 2-6 – MS RYM at Allaso Ranch

Information & Events

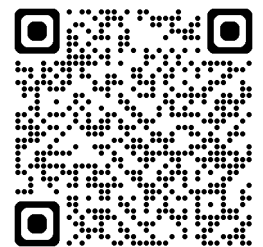
Visitors: Pick up visitor information at the visitor kiosk in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship.

Choir Rehearsals for Holy Week Services are Thursday nights at 7 p.m. on March 27, April 3 & 10 followed by a potluck lunch/rehearsal after church on Sunday, April 13. 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. Contact Justin Pierce with questions.

Buy/Sell/Trade Facebook Group: We have launched a private Facebook group for FWPC members and regulars to post any items you're looking to buy, trade, or give to someone else. We hope this will be helpful to connect our church community in a way that is tangible and beneficial. Matt Jones will approve requests to join (use the QR code), so please allow for a bit of time to be given access.



Family Lenten Project: We have an opportunity to give thanks for the resources we have by sharing them with others. Ben and Anna Graber, members of FWPC and missionaries in Germany, would love to be able to use the same resources we do to teach children the gospel. Please consider contributing during the Lenten season to this effort to translate The Biggest Story Curriculum into German. The QR code will direct you to a FWPC-specific donation drive.



Congratulations to Pride and Kerry MacEtchu on the birth of their daughter Amari-Iris Eretti McEtchu on Thursday, February 20. She came early so please pray for growth, development, and strength. Praise be to God for this good and perfect gift!



EVENSONG SERVICE

AN EVENING OF REFLECTION & SONG

SUNDAY, MARCH 30 | 6:00 PM



APRIL 4-5, 2025

WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT

A GOD FOR THE EXHAUSTED

WITH ABBY HUTTO AT THE DAVIS BARN

Friday evening includes happy hour, dinner, first session

Saturday includes light breakfast, two sessions, and lunch
(9am - 5pm)





SPRING AT THE FORT

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



ym registration



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

Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2024-February 2025

June-October	This Year	Last Year
Income YTD	\$1,143,537	\$1,094,482
Expenses YTD	\$1,076,521	\$1,040,379
How we're doing YTD	\$67,016	\$54,103

Ministry done with these funds:

- \$4,100 in Alms funds distributed
- \$23,650 in Benevolence giving for members in need
- \$8,635 paid for counseling
- \$15,370 to Geneva Ministerial Relief
- \$8,153 providing for congregational needs
 - Rent/bills support
 - Support during job loss
 - Car repairs
- \$4,628 to partner agencies that help people get out of poverty
- \$6,930 to Oakmont ministries
 - Super Wednesday
 - Kids Hope
 - Student of the Month
- \$26,730 for RUF ministries
- \$60,650 in world missions

As always, we are thankful for the ways that you generously answer our Lord's call to give to His work. Your giving is a beautiful picture of God's gracious way of providing for His children through His church and bringing the light of the Gospel to the world.

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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