Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



March 9, 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.

Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!

Psalm 24:10

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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 9, 2025 —

First 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: Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is

near; let the wicked forsake his way; and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that He may have compassion

on him, and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

People: Let us press on to know the LORD; His going out is sure as

the dawn; He will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains

that water the earth.

Pastor: For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice; the knowledge of God

rather than burnt offerings.

From Isaiah 55 & Hosea 6

† Hymn of Praise

COME YE SINNERS POOR AND NEEDY

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, Weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, Full of pity, love and pow'r.

Refrain:

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms; In the arms of my dear Savior, Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; True belief and true repentance, Every grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden, Lost and ruined by the fall; If you tarry till you're better, You will never come at all. Refrain

View Him prostrate in the garden; On the ground your Maker lies; On the bloody tree behold Him; Sinner, will this not suffice?

Lo! th' incarnate God ascended,
Pleads the merit of His blood:
Venture on Him, venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude. Refrain
WORDS: Joseph Hart, 1712-1768; Refrain, Anonymous
MUSIC: Walker's Southern Harmony, 1835

† Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 25:1-10

Pastor: To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

People: O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.

Pastor: Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

People: Make me to know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths.

Pastor: Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.

People: Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Pastor: Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of Your goodness, O LORD!

People: Good and upright is the LORD; therefore He instructs sinners in the way.

Pastor: He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble His way.

All: All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.

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

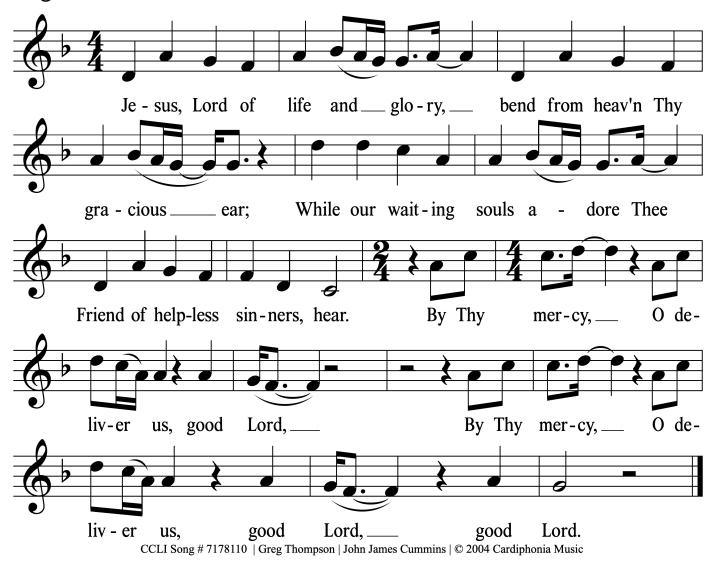
Pastor: Let us confess our sins together:

All: O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, faintheartedness, lust of power, and idle talk. But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience and love to Your servant. Yes, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own transgressions, and not to judge my sister or brother, for You are blessed unto ages of ages. Amen.

A Prayer from St. Ephraim the Syrian

Silent Confession

Song of Confession



† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

From 1 John 1:9

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

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.

† Song of Renewal

JESUS I AM RESTING RESTING

Jesus I am resting resting
In the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee
And Thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power
Thou hast made me whole

Chorus

Jesus I am resting resting
In the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart

Oh how great Thy loving kindness
Vaster broader than the sea
Oh how marvelous Thy goodness
Lavished all on me
Yes I rest in Thee Beloved
Know what wealth of grace is Thine
Know Thy certainty of promise
And have made it mine (Chorus)

Simply trusting Thee Lord Jesus
I behold Thee as Thou art
And Thy love so pure so changeless
Satisfies my heart
Satisfies its deepest longings
Meets supplies its ev'ry need
Compasseth me 'round with blessings
Thine is love indeed (Chorus)

Ever lift Thy face upon me
As I work and wait for Thee
Resting 'neath Thy smile Lord Jesus
Earth's dark shadows flee
Brightness of my Father's glory
Sunshine of my Father's face
Keep me ever trusting resting
Fill me with Thy grace (Chorus)

David Hampton, Jean Sophia Pigott | CCLI Song #2697066© 1998 New Spring

COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

† Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism #1

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Prayer for Covenant Children

March/April

Tim Watt

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 40:34-38

³⁴Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of

the Lord filled the tabernacle. ³⁵ And Moses was not able to enter the tent

of meeting because the cloud settled on it, and the glory of the Lord filled

the tabernacle. ³⁶ Throughout all their journeys, whenever the cloud was

taken up from over the tabernacle, the people of Israel would set

out. ³⁷ But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not set out till the

day that it was taken up. ³⁸ For the cloud of the Lord was on the tabernacle

by day, and fire was in it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel

throughout all their journeys.

Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

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GLORY DWELLS WITH US

Glory in the Tabernacle

Glory in Jesus

Glory in Us

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does the exodus story parallel your Christian story?
- 2. How did Christ reveal the glory of God in His life and ministry? How does He continue to do this in the present and in your life?
- 3. How might your life need to be reordered in light of the fact that as a believer the Spirit of glory dwells in you?
- 4. How should knowing another Christian is indwelt by the Spirit of glory shape the way you think about them, relate to them, and speak to and about them?

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

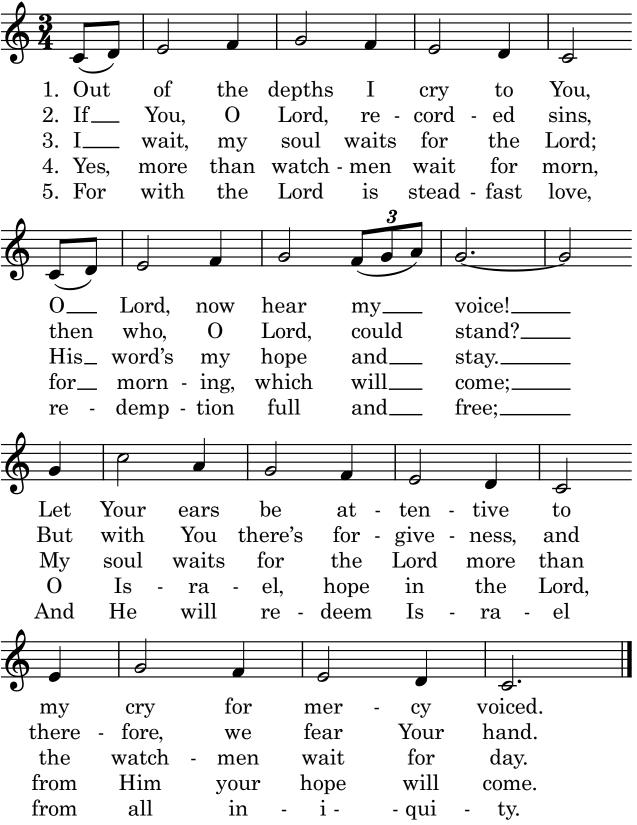
Prayers for Those Not Communing

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.



"Metrical version of Psalm 130" written by Timothy and Julie Tennent. https://psalms.seedbed.com.

Tune: ST. COLUMBA

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

JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS!

Jesus! What a Friend for sinners!

Jesus! Lover of my soul;

Friends may fail me, foes assail me,

He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Refrain:

Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah, what a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a strength in weakness!

Let me hide myself in Him;

Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,

He, my strength, my vict'ry wins. [Refrain]

Jesus! What a help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my comfort, helps my soul. /Refrain/

Jesus! What a guide and keeper!
While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o'ertakes me,
He, my pilot, hears my cry. /Refrain]

Jesus! I do now receive Him, More than all in Him I find; He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine. /Refrain/

† 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: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my dear

family.

Galatians 6:18

People: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Pete Cansick – March 9 Chris Jordan – March 16 Randy Shannon – March 23

Save the Date

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.

Choir Rehearsals for Holy Week Services are Thursday nights at 7 p.m. on March 13 & 27 and 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.

Grove Workday: We'll be working in the garden on the church property Saturday, March 15, 9:00-11:30 a.m. composting, weeding, expanding beds, and planting. If you're able to join, we would welcome your help! Bring your garden tools, including: cardboard boxes, wheelbarrows, shovels, bagged leaves and greens/browns/coffee grounds for compost. Questions? See Anne Santana (817-874-4001).

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







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







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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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