

Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



July 27, 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 are currently green as this is the time in the Christian Year known as ordinary time or the Sundays after Pentecost. Green represents life and growth in Christ.

The Father and the Son act with the Holy Spirit and in the Holy Spirit, by one and the same action, because they are the same God and because the Holy Spirit is the very Communion of the Father and the Son. . . . 'The Holy Spirit doesn't dwell in anybody without the Father and the Son. . . . They are inseparable in their dwelling, just as they are inseparable in their working.'

Gilles Emery, O.P., and Augustine, quoted in Emery

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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

— July 27, 2025 —

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gospel Greeting

Mr. Travis Robnett

Leader: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

† The Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty Heaven!

People: Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

Leader: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

From Psalm 150

† Hymn of Praise

COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING



1. Come, peo - ple of the ri - sen King, who de - light to
2. Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing
3. Come, young and old from ev - ry land, men and wo - men



bring Him praise. Come all, and tune your hearts to sing
through the night. Come, those who tell of bat - tles won,
of the faith. Come, those with full or emp - ty hands;



to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the shift - ing sha - dows
and those strug - gling in the fight. For His per - fect love will
find the rich - es of His grace. O - ver all the world His



of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him, where stead - y
nev - er change, and His mer - cies nev - er cease, but fol - low
peo - ple sing; shore to shore we hear them call the Truth that



arms of mer - cy reach to gath - er child - ren in.
us through all our days with the cer - tain hope of peace.
cries through ev - 'ry age: "Our God is all in all."



Re - joice! Re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re - joice!



One heart, one voice; oh, Church of Christ, re - joice!

† Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 117

Leader: Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples!

People: For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever! Amen!

† Doxology

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

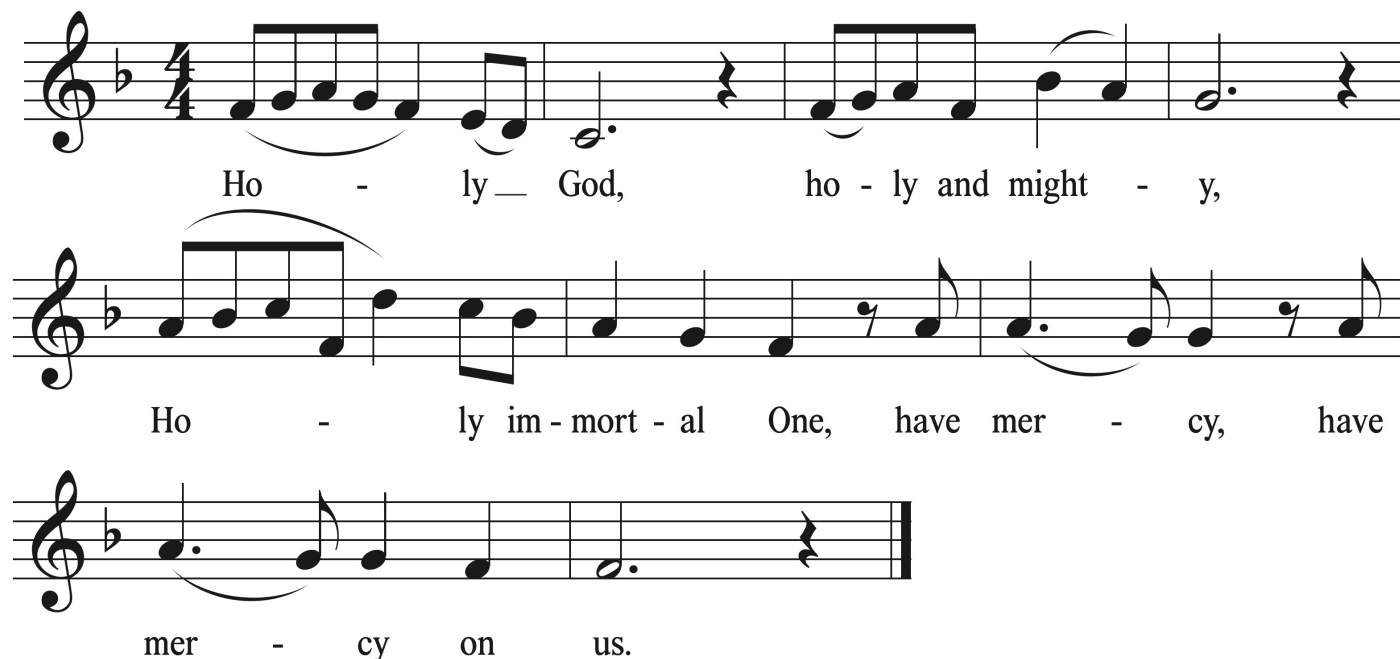
Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together:

People: O Lord, who has mercy on all, take away from me my sins and mercifully kindle in me the fire of Your Holy Spirit that I may love and adore You above all. Amen.

An Adapted Prayer from Ambrose AD 339

Silent Confession

Song of Confession



Ho - ly - God, ho - ly and might - y,

Ho - ly im - mort - al One, have mer - cy, have

mer - cy on us.

Words from Traditional Greek Orthodox Liturgical Text
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† Assurance of Pardon

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

Romans 8:1

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

2 Corinthians 5:17

† The Greeting of Peace

Leader: 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

LEANING ON THE EVERLASTING ARMS

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
 leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
 leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain:

*Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms;
 leaning, leaning,
 leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
 leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
 leaning on the everlasting arms. *[Refrain]*

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
 leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
 leaning on the everlasting arms. *[Refrain]*

COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

† Confession of Faith

Rev. Bob Schwartzbeck

Pastor: Let us now confess this mystery of godliness:

**All: Jesus was manifested in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen
by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the
world, taken up in glory.**

1 Timothy 3:16

Prayer of Intercession

Scott Wade

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: **Almighty and merciful God, in Your goodness keep us, we pray, from all things that hurt us, that we, being ready in both mind and body, may accomplish with free hearts those things which belong to Your good purpose for us. 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

Ephesians 5:15-21

¹⁵ Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, ²⁰ giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SPIRIT-FILLED COMMUNITY

Live According to God's Will

Be Filled by the Spirit

Live in Community

Worship the Triune God Together

Discussion Questions:

- 1) Read v 16 with the background that Christ will come again like a thief in the night, which might be very soon. How does that enlighten this verse?
- 2) Read v 17; how do we primarily know God's will?
- 3) In v 18, "be filled with the Spirit," likely means "be filled *by means* of the Spirit." Based on the way "filling" is used in the rest of Ephesians (1:23; 3:19; 4:10), what is the content of believers' filling in this verse?
- 4) What is our duty to one another as a community filled by the Spirit (vv 18-21)?
- 5) How should our worship be both edifying for one another and also directed to God?

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:

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "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." The score consists of six staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats, and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written on a single staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score ends with a double bar line.

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

PSALM 1 (PIERCE)

Your bless-ing is up - on the man who does not walk
And in the day and night He med - i - tates on You

in coun-sel with the wick-ed He trusts in You a - lone
His soul, it does not with-er Oh, Lord You are the Truth

And in the sin-ner's path You shall not find him there
And You are build-ing up and You are bring-ing forth

The scoff-er's seat is emp-ty Oh, Lord, You are the Way
the fruit of ev - 'ry sea-son Oh, Lord, You are the Life

and he de-lights in You_ Oh, we de-light in You_

You know the way of the right - eous man_

the wick - ed - ness of this world will per - ish, oh, Lord

You know the way of the right - eous man_

the wick - ed - ness of this world will per - ish

the wick - ed - ness of this world will per - ish

Like the trees are are plant - ed by wa - ter

deep and___ wide___

So You hold_ us firm - ly to - geth - er

by Your side_____

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: Let us pray:

All: Father, we thank You for nourishing us at this Your Son's table. Through it and in the power of Your Spirit, increase our gratitude for His sacrifice on the cross. We also pray that through this meal, our communion as Your family would be deepened. Amen.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

† Song of Sending

ACROSS THE LANDS



1. You're the Word of God the Fa-ther From be-fore the world be-

2. Yet You left the gaze of an-gels, Came to seek and save the

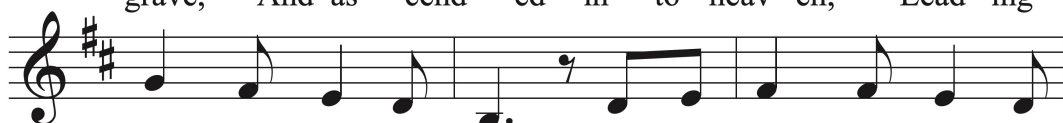
3. With a shout You rose vic-tor-ious, Wrest-ing vict'-ry from the



gan. Ev'-ry star and ev' - ry pla - net Has been

lost, And ex - changed the joy of hea - ven For the

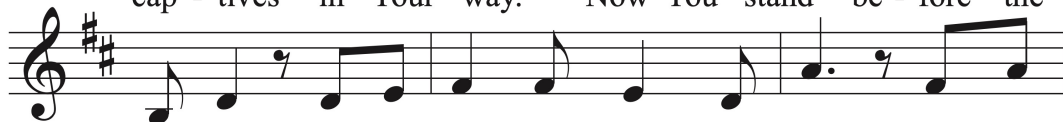
grave, And as - cend - ed in - to heav - en, Lead - ing



fa - shioned by Your hand. All cre - a - tion holds to -

an - guish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the

cap - tives in Your way. Now You stand be - fore the



geth - er By the pow - er of Your voice. Let the

hun - gry; With a word You calmed the sea; Yet how

Fa - ther, In - ter - ced - ing for Your own; From each



skies de - clare Your glo - ry; Let the land and seas re -

si - lent - ly You suf-fered That the guilt - y may go

tribe and tongue and na - tion, You are lead - ing sin - ners



joy! You're the Au-thor of cre - a - tion; You're the Lord of ev'-ry
free!

home!



man; And Your cry of love rings out ac-ross the lands.

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† The Sending

Pastor: All our problems, struggles, fears, and anxieties:

All: We send them to the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All the devil's works:

All: We cast them on the cross of Christ.

Pastor: All our hopes:

All: We set them on the risen Christ.

Pastor: The call we have received to follow Christ:

All: We rest in the reigning Christ and the power of His Holy Spirit who dwells in us.

† The Blessing

Pastor: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

People: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Johnny Tassin – July 27

Andy Warren – August 3

Cody Bailey – August 10

Save the Date

Mon, Aug 4, 7 pm – Ladies Game Night

Sun, Aug 10 – Young Adults Lunch

Sun, Aug 17, 9 am – Christian Formation Classes return

Sept 5-6 – FWPC 101 New Members Class

Information & Events

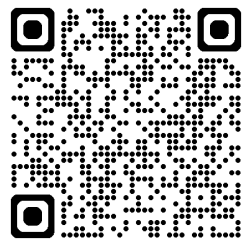
Visitors: Pick up visitor information at the visitor kiosk in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship.

New Covenant Child: Congratulations to Sam and Patricia Jordan on the birth of their daughter Anna Josephine on Saturday, June 28, at 2:31 a.m. She arrived weighing 6 lbs, 10 oz and measuring 19" long. Praise be to God for this good and perfect gift!

Kids Hope USA: Our local elementary school (Oakmont) needs people willing to build positive, caring, one-on-one relationships with students, to walk alongside them as friends and cheerleaders. Kids Hope mentors (supported by behind-the-scenes prayer partners) spend one hour per week talking, reading, playing, and listening to a child at school. Will you be that someone who shows up once a week or who prays for a mentor and child? Contact Jill Davis at 817-896-7113 or jill@fortworthpca.org.

Men's Softball Team: Men, do you have any interest in playing softball this fall? It might be in a city league, an intrasquad game, a game vs. Trinity Presbyterian... just depends upon the level of interest. If you'd like to participate, please contact David Blacklock at 281-605-0595.

Capital Campaign: You can help us steward our beautiful, aging church building well. Our goal is to raise \$200,000 to replenish the facility maintenance fund that has recently covered new sanctuary air-conditioning units, a new front door, flood and roof repairs, drainage correction, and new carpeting. Please prayerfully consider how you can give generously.



Summer with



TUESDAYS

- July 8 – Service Project at The Hayes Apts, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- July 15 – Service Project at The Hayes Apts, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- July 22 – Worship Night at Robnetts, 7-9 p.m.
- July 29 – H.S. Dinner & Board Games at Robnetts, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

- June 4, July 2 – Field Day at FWPC, 7-8:30 p.m.
- June 18 – Sand Volleyball at TCU, 7-8:30 p.m.
- July 9 – Movie Night at FWPC, 7-9 p.m.



THURSDAYS

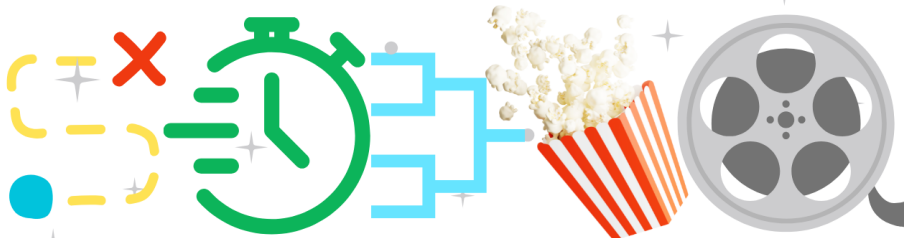
- June 5 – Service Project at The Hayes Apts, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- June 19, July 3-31 – Breakfast & Bible Study, 10-11:30 a.m.



Full Calendar & Signup Links: fortworthpca.org/youth



YOUTH L8 NITE



Friday, Aug 8, 6:30-11:30 pm / 7th-12th Grades
Games, Tournaments, Snacks, Movie

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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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