Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



August 31, 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.

When I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in. That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin. Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee. How great Thou art!

Carl Boberg

Please turn off or silence all communication devices.

For Free Wi-Fi, go to Settings on your device and select network 'FWPCA'

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

— August 31, 2025 —

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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: The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; His mercies never

come to an end;

People: They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.

Pastor: "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, therefore I will hope in

Him.

People: The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who

seeks Him. Amen.

Lamentations 3:22-25

† Hymn of Praise

HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: how great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When thro' the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin. Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art. Refrain

† Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Travis Robnett
Psalm 145:1-7

Pastor: I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever

and ever.

People: Every day I will bless You and praise Your name forever and

ever.

Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is

unsearchable.

People: One generation shall commend Your works to another, and

shall declare Your mighty acts.

Pastor: On the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous

work, I will meditate.

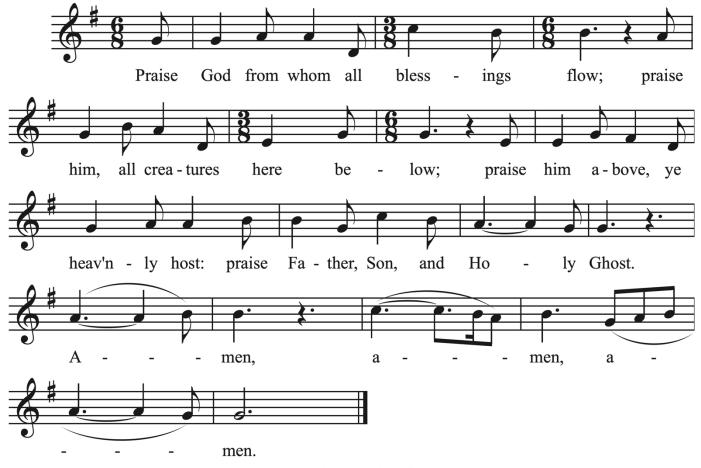
People: They shall speak of the might of Your awesome deeds, and I

will declare Your greatness.

Pastor: They shall pour forth the fame of Your abundant goodness and shall

sing aloud of Your righteousness.

† Doxology



Music by Jacob Tilton

Confession of Sin

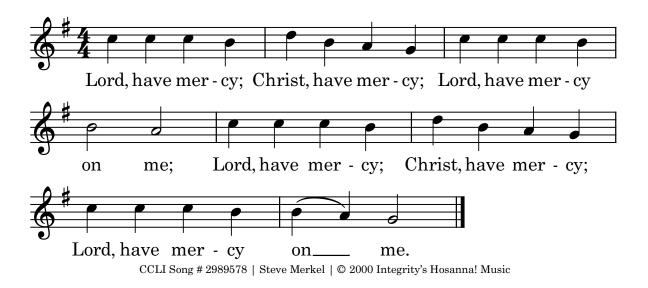
Pastor: Let us now confess our sins together:

People: Our God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we confess that we have sinned; that we have committed idolatry in our hearts. We have committed two evils: we have forsaken You, the Fountain of Living Water, and hewed out cisterns for ourselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water. In Your kindness, grant us the gift of repentance and godly sorrow for our sins.

Adapted from Jeremiah 2:13

Silent Confession

Song of Confession



† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Anyone who drinks of the living water that Jesus is and gives will never be thirsty again.

From John 4:14

All: Thanks be to God!

† 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.



3.And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

4.And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me Chorus

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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Sacrament of Baptism

Theodore Stanley Pierce

2025-2026 Budget Presentation

Tim Watt

Prayer of Intercession

Scott Hames

Common Prayer

Pastor: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: Merciful Father, grant that this church would gather together in the unity of the Holy Spirit. May we manifest Your healing power in this city and region, to the glory of Your Name; through Jesus Christ, who lives with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. 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

Romans 8:31-39

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOD IS FOR US

Four Unshakable Convictions

Five Divine Actions

Three Confident Questions

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does one 'get' into Christ? How does getting into Christ increase assurance?
- 2. Read Romans 8 in its entirety, then write out the questions Paul asks in verses 31-39 seeking to answer them in your own words as you follow Paul's lead?
- 3. How is the cross of Christ ground zero for Christian assurance? How does the Spirit assure us of this?

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.

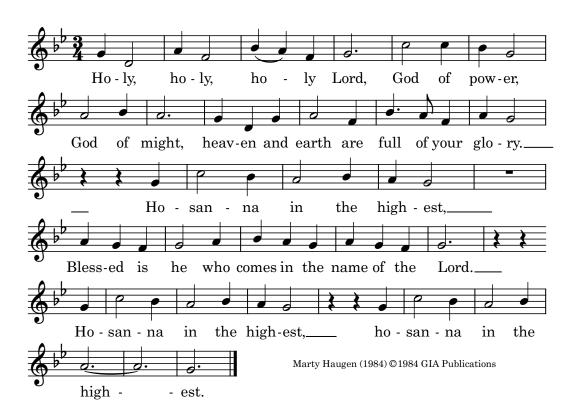
Pastor: It is good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all

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

BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

I bow before the cross of Christ
And marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son was sacrificed
To make me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know
But I can glory in its flood
The Lord Most High has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love
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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

NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD

What can wash away my sin? nothing but the blood of Jesus; what can make me whole again? nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Refrain:

O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my cleansing this I see — nothing but the blood of Jesus; for my pardon this my plea — nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

Nothing can for sin atone — nothing but the blood of Jesus; naught of good that I have done — nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

This is all my hope and peace — nothing but the blood of Jesus; this is all my righteousness — nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

Glory, glory, this I sing — nothing but the blood of Jesus; All my life, my cry shall be —

nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

† 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, for His name's sake.

† 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.

People: To Him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Deacon of the Day

Kris Keffer – August 31

Randy Shannon – September 7

Daniel Sneed – September 14

Save the Date

Mon, Sept 8, 7 pm – Ladies Game Night

Sun, Sept 14 – Ministry Fair in Fellowship Hall

Sun, Sept 14 – Young Adults Lunch at Robnetts

Financial Report

Fiscal year June 2025-May 2026

Through July 31	This Year	Last Year
Income YTD	\$201,128	\$228,871
Expenses YTD	\$269,174	\$232,081
How we're doing YTD	\$-68,046	\$-9,268

Capital Campaign (as of 8/27/25)	\$177,286
Needed for Capital Goal	\$22,714
Current Capital Reserve (including	\$224,399
campaign giving)	

Increases in expenses over last year:

- Health insurance up $\sim 20\%$
- Building & liability insurance up ~40%
- Increased Capital Reserve savings by 40%
- Increased Dental Reserve savings 100%
- Increasing Medical Reserves savings 45%
- Personnel Cost/Add'l Staff up 9.5% from FY25

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 seeking to bring the light of the Gospel to the world.

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.



Information & Events

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

Christian Formation Classes are Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for all ages. Children's and youth class details are available on the Fellowship Hall table. Two adult classes will be offered: Exploring the Gospels with Bob Schwartzbeck in Room 201 and a discussion on God's Big Picture: Tracing the Storyline of the Bible (book by Vaughan Roberts) led by elders in the Lecture Hall.

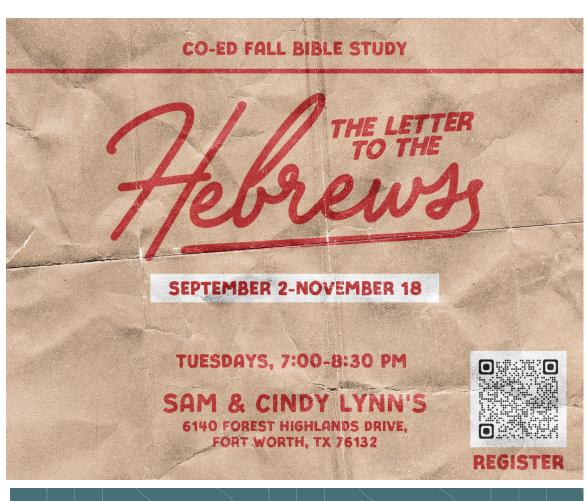
Women's Covenant Groups: A new year begins in September, and all women who are regular-attenders of FWPC, committed to living in community with us, are invited to participate. Moms Groups meet monthly

during the school year for fellowship, prayer, and discussing biblically living out the calling of motherhood. **Women-to-Women Groups** of mixed ages and stages meet monthly year-round for prayer, book study, and mutual encouragement designed to deepen their knowledge of and relationship with God. Scan the QR code to complete an interest form by August 31.

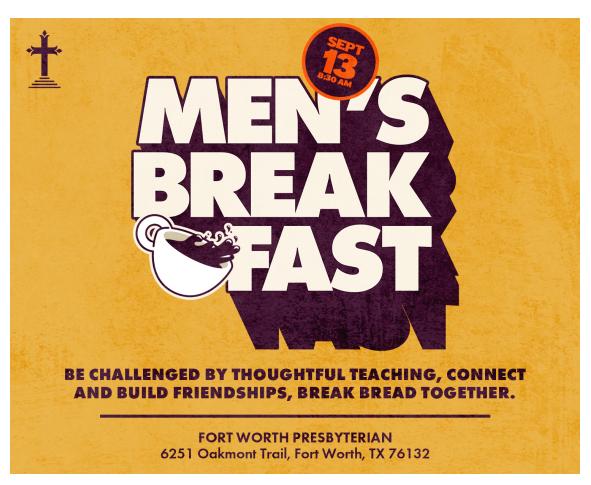


FWPC 101: Want to learn more about Fort Worth Presbyterian? Considering joining us or ready to become a member? This class is for you! It will be led by Pastor Brandon in the fellowship hall on Friday, **September 5**, 6:30-8:30 (dinner provided) and Saturday, **September 6**, 8:30 a.m.-noon (continental breakfast served). Completion of a FWPC 101 class is required for membership but participation does not obligate you to be ready to join. Register at **fortworthpca.org/adult** below to learn about FWPC's mission, purpose, theological vision, membership, and more.

The Fort Youth Group returns this Wednesday, September 3. 7th-12th Graders, join us 7:00-8:30 p.m. at FWPC for food, friends, fun, large group lesson, and small group discussions. We'll meet every week through November 19.









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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