# Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



October 12, 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.

Make sure there's a sanctuary in your heart that's hermetically sealed, into which nothing and no one else enters but the Lord Jesus. That's what it means to guard your heart.

Sinclair Ferguson

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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

— October 12, 2025 —

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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: Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous;

People: It is fitting for the upright to praise Him.

Pastor: Sing to Him a new song;

People: Play skillfully, and shout for joy.

Pastor: For the Word of the LORD is right and true;

People: He is faithful in all He does. Amen.

Psalm: 33:1, 3-4

## † Hymn of Praise

#### CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

Crown Him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon His throne;
hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns
all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing
of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love;
behold His hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace;
whose pow'r a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end;
and round His pierced feet
fair flow'rs of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail!
for Thou hast died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

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### † Invocation

† Psalm Reading

Psalm 67

Pastor: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine

upon us,

People: That Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all the nations.

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Pastor: Let all the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!

People: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

Pastor: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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#### Confession of Sin

Pastor: Let us now humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God together

praying -

People: We sinners appeal to You to hear us, Lord. Give us true repentance, forgive us all our sins, and grant us with the grace

of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to Your Holy

Word.

Pastor: Son of God, hear us.

People: Lamb of God, have mercy upon us and grant us Your peace.

Amen.

Silent Confession

#### Song of Confession



† Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

All: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him. Amen!

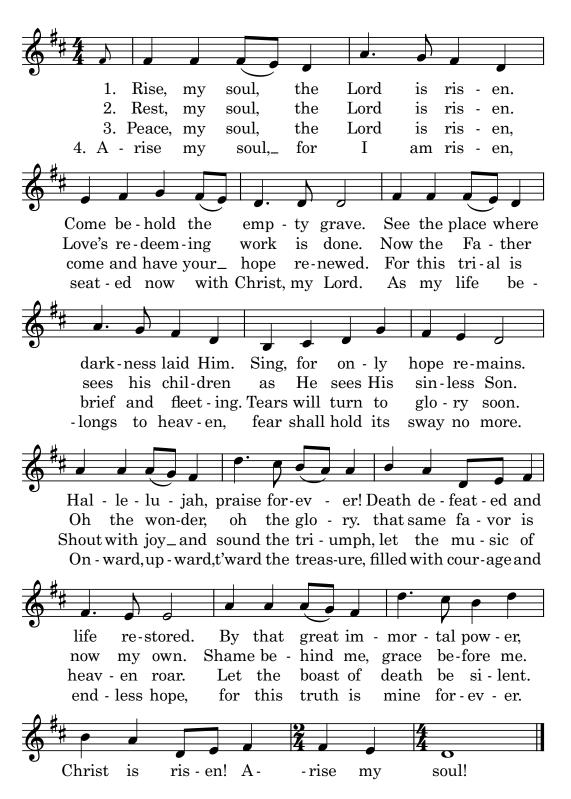
Psalm 103:8,11

† 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.



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### COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

† Confession of Faith

Travis Robnett

Pastor: Christian, do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Son?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

Pastor: Do you believe in the physical Resurrection of Jesus?

People: I believe that on the third day He rose again and that He showed Himself to His followers over a period of forty days. He then ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of our bodies; and the life everlasting.

Pastor: This is the faith of the Church.

People: This is our faith. We believe and trust in the one and only God
- the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

Prayer of Intercession

Pastor Brandon

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

### Common Prayer

Pastor: Let us now join our voices praying:

All:

Loving Father, You have set us free from the bondage of our sins through the death of Your Son. In Your grace and mercy, deepen us in the liberty of the abundant life that is ours in Jesus Christ. 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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Offertory Song

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

#### LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

### The Reading of the Word

Hebrews 3

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, <sup>2</sup> who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. <sup>3</sup> For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. <sup>4</sup> (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) <sup>5</sup> Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, <sup>6</sup> but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

<sup>7</sup>Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, "Today, if you hear his voice, <sup>8</sup>do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness, <sup>9</sup>where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, 'They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my ways.' <sup>11</sup>As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest."

<sup>12</sup> Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. <sup>13</sup> But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. <sup>14</sup> For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. <sup>15</sup> As it is said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

<sup>16</sup> For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? <sup>17</sup> And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? <sup>18</sup> And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? <sup>19</sup> So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### MORE WORTHY THAN MOSES

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Introduction			
Considering Jesus			
Sharing in Jesus			

#### Discussion Questions:

- 1. In your own words, what does it mean that Jesus is the apostle and high priest of our confession?
- 2. How has Jesus shown himself to be counted more worthy of glory than Moses?
- 3. What is Jesus building? How is this an encouragement to you?
- 4. What are the three prescriptions in Hebrews 3 we're given for a hard heart? What prescription are you ignoring and how might you begin to take your medicine?

#### 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.

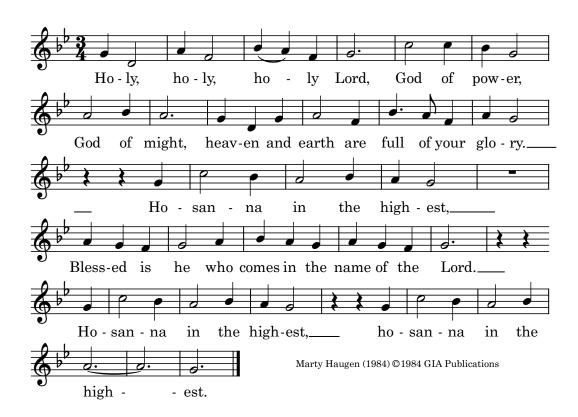
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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.

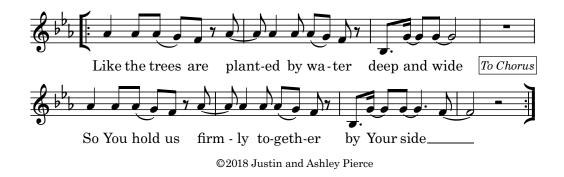
A prayer for those struggling against sin: Lord Jesus, give me the ability to see in You the fulfillment of all my needs and desires, and help me to turn from every false source of satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and 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

#### PSALM 1 (PIERCE)





## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: Let us pray:

All: Heavenly Father, we thank You for feeding us with the 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 His eternal kingdom. Amen.

### GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

### † Song of Sending

#### WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION



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## † 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 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

David Blacklock – October 12

Pete Cansick – October 19

Chris Jordan – October 26

#### Save the Date

Wed, Oct 8-Nov 12, 3-6 pm – Super Wednesdays

Sat, Nov 1, 3:30-5:30 – GAP Capture the Flag, Stackpole Barn

Sat, Nov 8, 8:30 am – Men's Breakfast

Sat, Dec 6, 10 am – Women's Christmas Brunch

Sun, Dec 7, 11:30 am – Kids Advent Party

Sun, Dec 14, 6 pm – Lessons & Carols

#### 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 are 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.

**Scripture Journals:** Hebrews scripture journals are available on the fellowship hall table for \$4 to aid you in following along, highlighting, and note taking during the fall/winter sermon series.

**The Fort Youth Group** continues Wednesdays through November 19. 7th-12th Graders, join us 7-9 p.m. at FWPC for food, friends, fun, large group lesson, and small group discussions.

The Grove Workdays: You're invited to join the Garden Committee on Saturday, October 25, 9-11 am to focus on the non-veggie gardens and compost. Have a wheelbarrow, garden tools, and gloves? Please bring those along! Questions? Contact Anne Santana at 817-874-4001.

Holiday Market: FWPC will host a Holiday Market on November 22, 10:00-2:00, to support crafters and small businesses in our church/community and raise funds for missions. If you'd like to sell homemade goods, please register as a vendor (\$35/table) via the QR code or contact Marilyn Schwartzbeck at 832-618-7894.



Saturday,

#### Information & Events

Young Adults Lunch: Today's Second Sunday Lunch Adults (20's-30's) will be at Travis and Cassidy Robnett's (4454 Chedlea Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76133). Scan the QR code to see if any items are still needed. To be added to the GroupMe for young adults events, please contact Travis at 405-831-2831. Need to find future info online? fortworthpca.org/adult



for Young

Bridge Builders Seminar: Join us Saturday, October 25, at 9:00 a.m. in the Lecture Hall to explore where faith and science meet. Glenn Salisbury will present *The Sun and How it Affects the Human Body* and Cody Bailey will discuss *God's Glory Revealed in Electromagnetism*. We'll conclude with a discussion designed to "build bridges" with others in our work communities. Breakfast will be provided.

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 airconditioning units, a new front door, flood and roof repairs, drainage correction, and new carpeting. Please prayerfully consider how you can give generously.

Wild About Life: Our partners at Pregnancy Lifeline are hosting a fundraiser at the Fort Worth Zoo on Sunday, October 19 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. including lunch, fun activities, and a lively auction. Invitations with full details on the event, tickets, and sponsorships are available on the fellowship hall table.

New Covenant Child: Congratulations to Collins and Marie Manchang on the birth of their daughter Sarah Ashu. She came into the world on Tuesday, October 7, 2025. Praise be to God for this good and perfect gift!







Come sing the story of Christ's birth in our Festival of Lessons & Carols

Thursday Rehearsals: Oct 16-Dec 11, 7-8 PM Adult & Children's Choir options Nursery available by request

INTEREST FORM



All voices welcome. No audition required!

#### 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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