Fort Worth Presbyterian Church



October 25, 2026
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost



GATHER • GROW • GO

Welcome

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.

Connect

We are grateful you've chosen to worship the Triune God with us today. Please take a moment before the liturgy begins to register your visit. We would love to know you were here. This link also provides next steps for getting connected.

About Us

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. Scan the code to learn more.

Ordinary Time

The front of the bulletin, the color of the ministers' stoles, and the Lord's Table linen 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.

Please turn off or silence all communication devices.
For free Wi-Fi, 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 stands*

Order of the Worship of God

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Reformation Sunday

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

God invites us to enter His presence, where He welcomes us and we respond to Him with both praise and confession of our sins so as to be renewed by His grace.

The Gospel Greeting — *Rev. Brandon Eggar*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

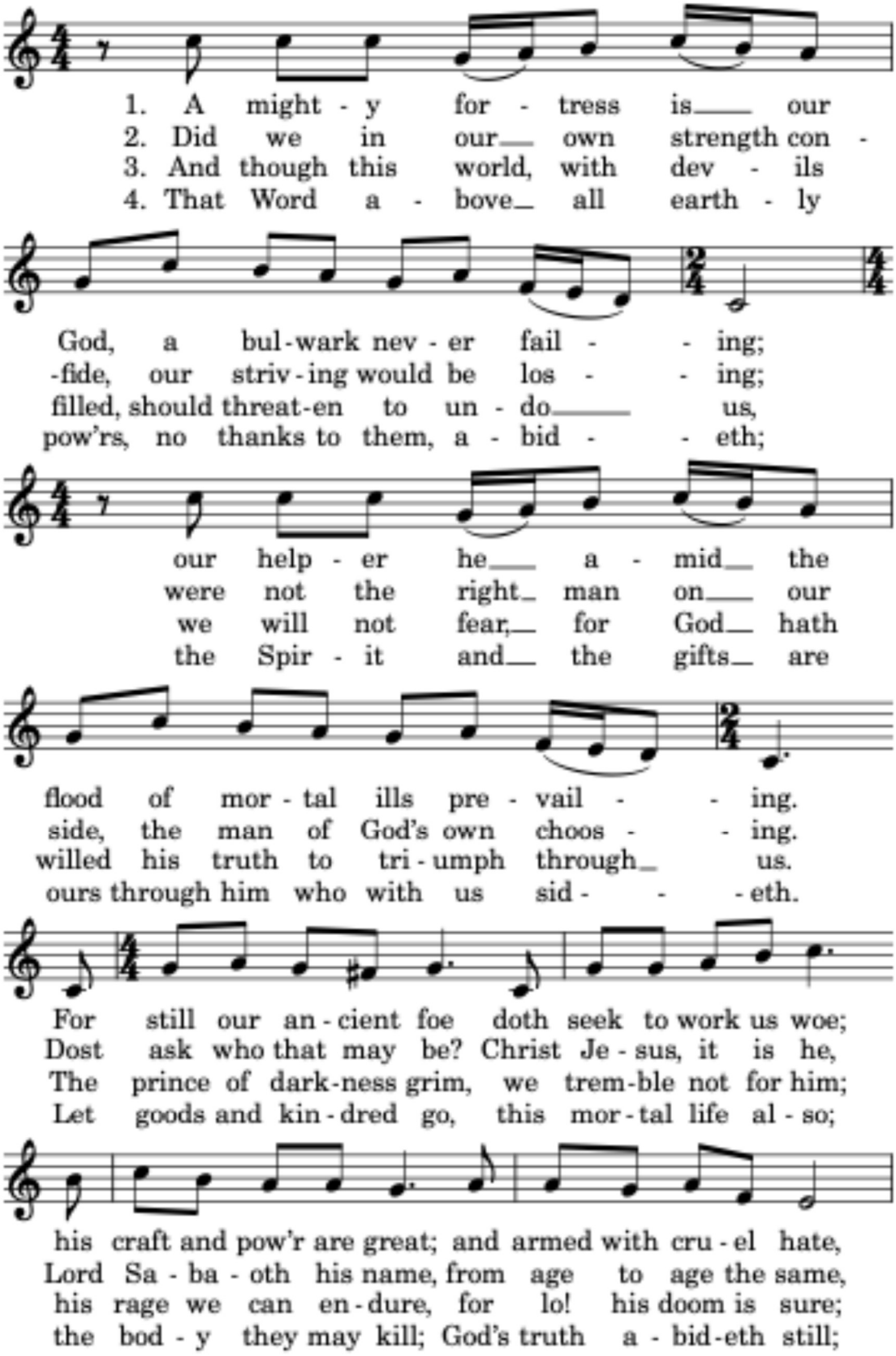
Pastor: Be still, and know that I am God. "I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth!

All: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Psalm 46:1-3, 10-11

† Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God





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† Invocation

† Psalm Reading *Psalm 29:1-11*

Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD, of heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD, glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

Pastor: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD over many waters.

People: The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

Pastor: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon. He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

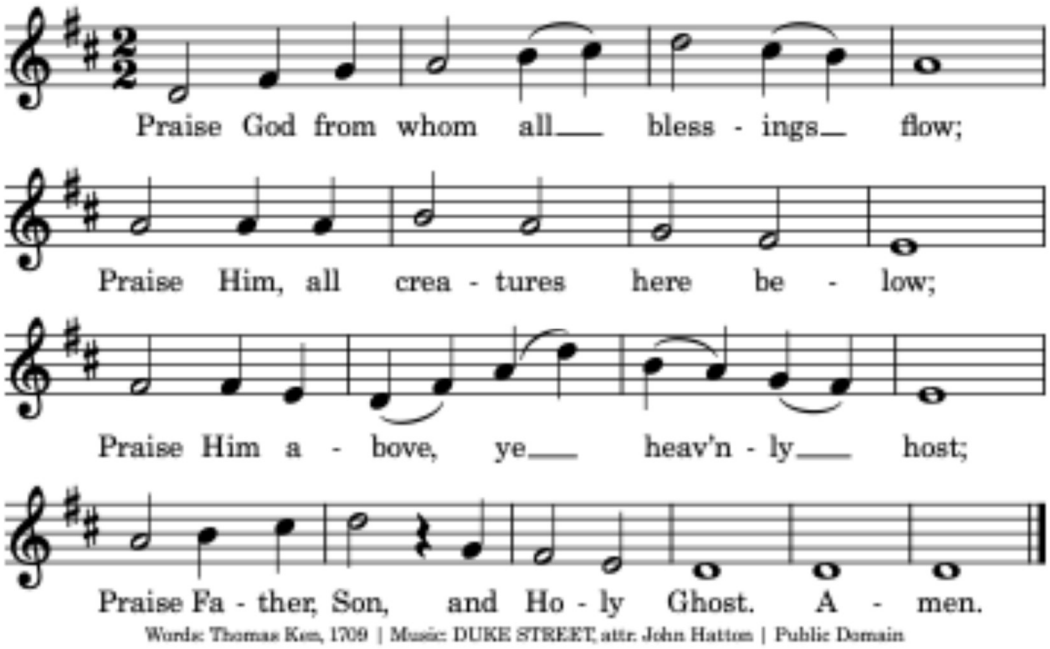
People: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire. The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

Pastor: The voice of the LORD makes the oaks shake and strips the forests bare, and in His temple all cry, “Glory!”

People: **The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**

Pastor: May the LORD give strength to His people! May the LORD bless His people with peace!

† Doxology



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Confession of Sin

Pastor: Let us confess our sins together:

All: **O Lord, we confess that we are easily bored; bored with Your creation and redemption; bored with the sacrifice Jesus made for us on the cross; bored with being Your children. We are bored with Your calling and our vocations. We are even bored with the entertainment in which we are engrossed as a culture. Lord, revive us. By Your grace shake us from our bored complacency. Grant us the gift of wonder at who You are, what You have done, and what is ours in Christ Jesus. Give us thankful hearts that live in awe of You, the God who in Your grace has made us Your own. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Song of Confession



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† 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.

All: Thanks be to God!

1 John 1:9

† 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 **Christ To Every Nation**

Oh how beautiful the feet
Of the ones who bring good news
That the Son of God has come
Full of grace and truth
At the cross He bore our sin
Then He overcame the grave
Now His resurrection life
Reaches far to save

Chorus
So we'll take Christ to every nation
Christ to every land
In every generation
Beginning to the end
Lifting high the name of Jesus
The Great I Am
We'll proclaim His worth in all the earth
Until He comes again

Let our voices testify
Let our lives be on display
Filled with power from above
To declare His name
He is with us as we go
Shining forth the light of faith
By His Spirit bringing peace
To the darkest place *Chorus*

So with joy oh church press on
There is work yet to be done
'Til the Lord receives His prize
Every tribe and tongue
For the day is drawing near
Soon the wedding bells will ring
As the nations one by one
Gather for the feast
What a day that will be

And we'll praise Christ from every nation
Christ in every land
With every generation
And there will be no end
Lifting high the name of Jesus
The Great I Am
We'll proclaim His worth in all the earth
Forever and amen
We'll proclaim His worth in all the earth
Forever and amen

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COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

In light of being renewed by God's grace, we now join our voices with the historical church in confessing our common faith and seeking our God in prayer.

Sacrament of Baptism

Annalise Joy DeLong	*Covenant Child of Ethan & Lauren DeLong*
Callahan Adams Rodriguez	*Covenant Child of Rhett & Leah Rodriguez*

Prayer of Intercession

Scott Zink

(followed by a time of silent prayer)

Common Prayer

Elder: Let us now join our voices praying:

All: **Stir up, O Lord, the wills of Your faithful people, that bringing forth in abundance the fruit of good works, that we may honor Christ our King. Amen.**

The Offering

Ushers will pass offering plates down each aisle, or you may give online using the QR code.

KIWI – Pre-K/Kindergarten & 1st/2nd Grade

Children 4 years-old through 2nd Grade are invited to Kids in Worship Instruction at this time. Teachers will meet them just outside the sanctuary doors to take them to class. After the sermon, they will return them to worship.

Offertory Song

Carole Bruton, piano

How Deep The Father's Love/I Stand Amazed

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

God speaks to us from the Scriptures in the power of the Holy Spirit to show us Jesus that we might respond to Him in faith, repentance, and obedience.

The Reading of the Word

Acts 4:23-31

23 When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. **24** And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, "Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them,**25** who through the mouth of our father David, your servant said by the Holy Spirit,

"'Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain? **26** The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers were gathered together, against the Lord and against his Anointed'—

27 for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, **28** to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. **29** And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, **30** while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." **31** And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFIDENT PRAYER

Introduction

The Preface to the Prayer (vv. 24-28)

The Prayer (vv. 29-30)

The Answer to the Prayer (v. 31)

Discussion Questions:

1. When you experience trouble, what's your first reaction? Is it prayer? Why or why not?
2. Why is the preface to the prayer important? Do you take time to "recenter" yourself in who God is before you pray to Him? How does this passage help you to do this?
3. How does knowing you belong to the Suffering Servant inform how you should respond to your own suffering?
4. How does the prayer request in the passage encourage your own prayer life, especially as it concerns how you relate to those who don't belong to Jesus, including your enemies?

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

God shows us His hospitality by inviting
us to eat at the Table of Jesus.

The Celebration of Communion

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

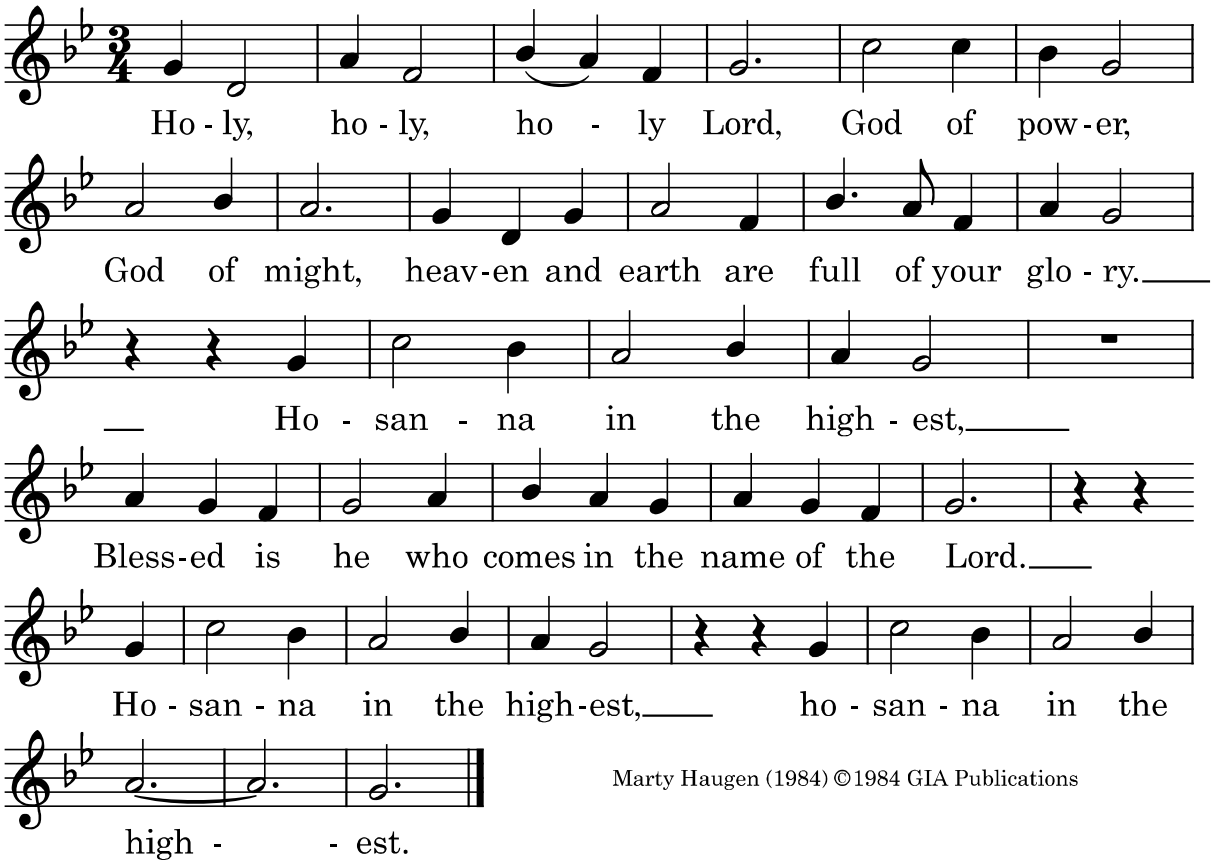
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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:



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Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

The Confession and the Lord's Prayer

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!

Coming to the Table

Communion, also known as the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is a family meal. Therefore, all baptized Christians who trust in Jesus are invited. This is not a meal for people who have it all together but for those who belong to Him who has promised to put them back together in His grace. This is a meal for those who know they need Jesus and desire to follow Him however imperfectly. This morning, bread and wine/grape juice will be passed down the aisles. Please do not rush but receive this meal in a spirit of meditation.

If you are not a Christian, or if you are not ready to share in Communion, we encourage you to pray the prayers on the following page. Seek Jesus, and if you have any questions about the gospel, please seek out one of the pastors or elders of our church.

Children who have been baptized and whose profession of faith has been accepted by the Session of this church or the leadership of another church are welcome to participate in this meal. We invite parents of children who are ready to make a public profession of faith in Christ to complete the Communicants Handbook, available on the book table, and arrange a meeting with the elders so as to become “communing members” of this church.

Communion Bread
Gluten-free bread is available in in the center container.

Communion Wine
Wine is in the clear cups, and non-alcoholic grape juice is in the purple cups.

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 of 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

His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Chorus
Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many His mercy is more *Chorus*

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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 and our Savior Jesus Christ and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of His Body and heirs of His Kingdom. Amen.**

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

God sends us out with His blessing to be part of His mission in the greater Fort Worth area.

† Song of Sending **On Jordan's Stormy Banks**



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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: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Amen!

Deacon of the Day

Cody Bailey – October 25

David Blacklock – November 1

Pete Cansick – November 8

Save the Date

Mon, Nov 2, 7 pm – Ladies Game Night

Sun, Nov 15, 5 pm – Common Man in Concert

Sun, Nov 15, 6:30 – Young Adults Friendsgiving at Birbaris

Wed, Nov 18, 6:30 – Men's Beer & Brat Night

Information & Events

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

Christian Formation classes are held Sundays at 9:00 a.m. during the school year. Three adult options are offered: *Exploring the Gospels* in the Lecture Hall, *Lived Theology* utilizing the Westminster Shorter Catechism in Room 201, and a *Newcomers Class* in Room 205. Youth and children's class details are available at the Visitor Kiosk.

Advent Choir: Join our Adult or Children's Choir for Lessons & Carols on Sunday, December 13. Rehearsals are Thursdays, 7-8 p.m., October 15–December 10, with nursery available on request. No audition or experience needed. Scan the QR code or email Justin at justin@fortworthpca.org.

Bible Donations: Neighborhood Needs would be grateful for new or used Bibles that they can share with families who pick up food from their pantry each week. If you can help, please add to the box in the fellowship hall. Questions? See David Blacklock.

Mission Focus: Women's Golf Fellowship uses relationships, golf, and fellowship to share the hope and rest found in Jesus Christ with collegiate women. Please pray for Amy Thom as she leads this ministry, for continued opportunities to share the gospel, and for God to provide volunteers and resources to help WGF grow. Give thanks for the addition of Maggie Roller to the WGF staff and pray for her as she begins serving in Oklahoma. This summer, WGF hosted retreats in Oklahoma and Texas where young women studied God's Word, played golf, and encouraged one another through difficult seasons of life.

Scripture Journals are available on the fellowship hall table for only $4 to assist in your highlighting and note taking during the fall-spring sermon series in Acts. New student versions are here!

FALL WITH **THE FORT**

Sundays, 9:00 am, Aug 23-Dec 13 – Christian Formation Classes
High School - Room 204 | Middle School - Room 203

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, Sept 2-Nov 18 – The Fort Youth Group
food, fun, large group lesson, small group discussion
Oct 28 – Halloween Party | Nov 18 – Friendsgiving

Fri-Sat, Oct 9-10 – Roctober XI at Camp Copass in Denton
North Texas Presbytery's All-Youth Fall Retreat

Friday, December 11 – Youth Christmas Party

THE FORT

Details: fortworthpca.org/youth | Questions? thefort@fortworthpca.org




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FRIENDS
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