

June 11, 2017
First Presbyterian Church
Trinity Sunday



Glorify. Grow.

Mission Statement:

We, as the Church, are the Body of Christ equipped through prayer by the Holy Spirit to glorify God; through passionate worship, nurturing fellowship, sacrificial service, respectful evangelism, and active discipleship, we encourage and challenge all ages of our congregation and community to grow in relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Ask an usher for a large print bulletin, Bible, or hearing enhancement device.

Prayer cards, visitor information cards, and offering envelopes can be found in the pews. Please place them in the offering plate.

Preaching: Rev. Rich McDermott

Liturgist: Rev. Chris Campbell

8:30 Lay Leader: Kathi Dailey

11:00 Lay Leader: Judy Northup

The Worship of God

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

The flowers are given to the glory of God
by Robert Schrickel in memory of Gene Schrickel.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

from Psalm 8

Worship O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! What are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet.

Prelude

Prelude in C Major

J. S. Bach

Introit (11:00)

The Play of the Godhead

William Rowan

Call to Worship

Come, let us worship almighty God on this Trinity Sunday.

Let us lift up our songs, our prayers, our praises.

Come, let us honor Christ Jesus.

Let us love Christ with our hearts, our minds, and our spirits.

Come, let us be filled with the Spirit of the living God.

Breathe in us, Breath of God.

Let us worship the Lord in Spirit and in truth.

§ Hymn 1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

NICAEA

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods.

Have mercy on us, Lord. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

§ The Gloria Patri

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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.

§ Passing the Peace

Greet those around you with, **“The peace of Christ be with you.”**

§ Hymn 318

In Christ There Is No East or West

ST. PETER

Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading

Romans 13:1-7

New Testament page 162

Children's Time (11:00)

Children (age 3 to fourth grade) are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in room 216.

Anthem (11:00)

I Will Arise

Alice Parker

Cassandra Kirby, conductor

*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.
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above,
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.
Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace.
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.*

Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:15-22

New Testament page 24

The Sermon

Faith and Civic Involvement

Rev. McDermott

Responding

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory (8:30)

Here I Am
Pat May, soprano

Jay Althouse

(11:00)

Songs of Praise

African Praise Choir

§ The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

§ Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voice of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Sending

§ Hymn 2	Come, Thou Almighty King	ITALIAN HYMN
§ Charge and Benediction		the congregation joins hands
§ Postlude	Postlude on NICAEA	Matthew Corl



Comments for Contemplation

Faith and Civic Involvement Romans 13:1–7, Matthew 22:15–22

1. If any religious movement of the sixteenth century was world-affirming, it was Calvinism. Yet Calvinism affirmed the world in order to master it and transform it, addressing its specific situations rather than simply thinking in abstract speculation. Throughout the writings of John Calvin, the founder of our Presbyterian and Reformed tradition, we find a determination to engage with the real issues of real human beings, along with the problems and _____ this brings with it. (McGrath)
2. Yet, McGrath says a note of caution must be entered here, and you will recognize it immediately when I say it. The caution is this: *those who seem to master the world are often those who have been mastered by it.* Those Christians who are judged to be successful in the world are all too often Christians who have capitulated to the standards of the world. The world-affirming attitude which undergirds the Calvinist outlook on life is always _____.
3. But if our entire lives are to be lived under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, then our civic involvement, our political involvement, our public sector involvement and our service to our community should all be subject to, and informed by, our _____ to Jesus.
4. Part of my attraction to the Reformed and Presbyterian tradition as a young man was the fact that Presbyterians were engaged in the world, involved in politics, encouraging people to vote and to be involved with issues and candidates, caring for the poor, stopping corruption, and helping the economy to stay healthy. Issues of life and death, war and peace, good and evil, freedom and coercion, and right and wrong are all _____ issues and not simply political issues.
5. In the book of Revelation, written near the end of the first century, Rome is referred to as “the great whore Babylon.” By that time, the persecution and murder of Christians was reaching its zenith under the emperor Domitian. Suffice it to say, that Christians, generally, should obey and respect governments and leaders who have a legitimate authority, but that obedience and respect is not without qualification, and there are times that Christians must stand up and _____. Great caution and wisdom must be exercised, of course, whenever such decisions are required.

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 6/11

8:30 a.m. Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 6/12

8:45 a.m. Preschool Summer Camp
9:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class
6:00 p.m. Financial Peace University

Tuesday 6/13

8:45 a.m. Preschool Summer Camp

Wednesday 6/14

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
8:45 a.m. Preschool Summer Camp
9:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group
5:00 p.m. Preschool Team Meeting
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 6/15

 NEWS Submission Day
8:45 a.m. Preschool Summer Camp

Friday 6/16

8:45 a.m. Preschool Summer Camp
9:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class

Saturday 6/17

8:30 a.m. Youth-The Great Escape
 All Church Workday

Information for the June 25th bulletin should be turned in to the church office today, or emailed to kim@firstprestexas.org by this Monday.

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Esther Albright, Yvonne Babb, Polly Baugh, Parker Bjornson, David Boice, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Crystal Castaneda, Kevin Chin, Jerry Colleps, Lee Carol Copeland, Dorothy Curtis, Bunny Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, Lila Glenn, David Goff, A. Jack Gray, Dick Haney, Margery Harrand, Edna and Ken Harris, Bill Hayden, Andrew Hydock, Doyle Malone, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Kelly Miller, Mary Ellen Miller, Pat Mingle, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Olsen, Cosme Pacot, Dr. Darwin Peek, Jim L. Quick, Albert Ross, Eulabel Sheldon, Linda Smith, Al Smithson, Bob Spriggs, Brooks and Connie Taylor, Kyle Terwilliger, BJ Thomas, Jerry Thomas, Allen Underwood, Donna Vickers, Jessica Villarreal, Karl Winter, Sherry Wolfe, Bernice Woods, Mary Jane Wright

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, Eric Dill, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Mike Mancini, Jack Murtha, Stephen O'Neil Sosa, Colin Peden, Jason Polk, Ryan Powell, Ryan Regalado, Christopher Young, Robbie Wallace

Prayers for our home-bound members

Prayers for those who do not know Christ

If you have any congregational care needs, please contact Pastor Rich McDermott at the church office 817-274-8286 or his cell phone: 970-218-3689.

For questions about specific concerns listed above, please contact Juanice Young at juanicey@gmail.com or 817-794-5626.

Last Chance to Sign Up For - Financial Peace University

If you have never taken the popular Financial Peace University 9-week course led by the internationally recognized Dave Ramsey, now is the time to sign up. Our new members, James and Katina Gifford, are offering their leadership to this great course on Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Church Parlor. [Enrollment for this class will be closed after Monday, June 12.](#)

The cost per family is only \$99 and this gives you a lifetime membership in Financial Peace University. You can register for the class at <http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1040877>.

Find out how to get your financial house in order using solidly biblical principles. For more information, contact Katina Gifford at katinap84@aol.com or call 817-565-3835.

Rent-A-Student: Youth Ministry Fundraiser

Need help getting some things done around the house or with other projects? Our youth ministry has you covered! Areas of service are: yard work, house cleaning, dog walking, furniture moving, trash hauling, grocery shopping, and much more.

The youth and Adrian will be available on the following dates & times: Tuesday, June 13, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Thursday, June 15, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Tuesday, June 27, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Thursday, June 29, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Contact: Adrian Rodriguez at 817-274-8286 or adrian@firstprestexas.org.

Reinhold Niebuhr: An American Conscience

June 18, June 25 and July 2

The Theological Inquiries and Indicators Sunday School Classes will host a three-week series on the life and works of the American theologian Reinhold Niebuhr. The series will be led by Rev. Dr. Larry Thomas in the Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, June 18, at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

Belize Mission Trip 2018 – 365 Fundraiser

Please consider supporting the Belize Mission Team for March, 2018, by participating in our fundraiser during May and June, 2017.

We will have 365 envelopes, each with a number from 1 to 365. There are 365 days in a year and each number (therefore each envelope) represents one day of the year. For example, the envelope labeled “\$1” represents January 1st and the envelope “\$365” represents December 31st.

The idea is for church members to select an envelope – either representing a date significant to them, or just a favorite number, etc. – and then return it with a donation of the value corresponding to the number on the envelope.

We will have a table set up before and after services (entrance to chapel and narthex of sanctuary) through June 11th. Please come by, select your envelopes, and return your donation during June.

Checks should be made payable to FPCA and include “Belize Mission” in the memo line.

The Belize Mission Team appreciates all the support from the congregation each year. Our trip would not be possible without your support.

Thank you from The Belize Mission Team

All-Church Workday

Saturday, June 17th at 8:30 a.m.

We will work on various projects in and around the church. Come join us!

Missionary Cathy Chang Talk

Cathy Chang, PCUSA Mission Co-worker in Manila, Philippines, will talk at FPCA Tuesday, June 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Cathy will address the issues of migration and human trafficking.

Senior Exercise Class

A Senior exercise class will meet in the Parlor on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

There is no charge, but participants will be responsible for purchasing and storing their own exercise equipment.

For further information, please contact Thomas Dombrowsky at 817-287-9773 or tomasdom@sbcglobal.net. Come and get fit with us! All Seniors are welcome!

Save the Date - M & E Fundraiser

The Mission and Evangelism team will be holding a fundraiser dinner and evening on Saturday, July 29, from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Please save this date and plan to attend! Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to fund ongoing and new mission needs that were previously funded by Bazaarnival funds. Items may include helping with Carter Jr. High missions, supporting youth missions, "fix it" projects for those with needs, and other miscellaneous local missions that arise during the year.