

August 20, 2017

# First Presbyterian Church

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost



*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. Chris Campbell

8:30 Lay Leader: Tina Hanson

11:00 Lay Leader: Adrian Rodriguez

# *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 Shirley Bragg in memory of Louis  
on their wedding anniversary.

## *Gathering*

Preparation for Worship

*Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our heart, mind, strength, and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Prelude

Chorale: Peace

Leon Boëllmann

Introit (11:00)

God Is Here With Us

Russell Farnell

Call to Worship

from Psalm 27:4

We rest our hope in the promises of God alone.

**God is building a kingdom in which all His people will find a safe home and dwell together in harmony, unity, and love.**

Let us worship God.

§ Hymn 403

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

UNSER HERRSCHER

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

**Merciful God, in your presence we confess our sins and the sins of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The pleasures we pursue waste the land and pollute the seas. Our fears and jealousies set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. 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 634

To God Be the Glory

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Community Joys and Events

## ***Proclaiming***

Scripture Reading                      Acts 2:43–47                      New Testament page 120

Anthem (8:30)                      Give Me Jesus                      arr. Lloyd Larsen

Jane Leatham and Pat May, sopranos

(11:00)                      Praise the Lord                      G. F. Handel

Karyn Myers, guest conductor

*Praise the Lord. Let songs of joy break forth. Sing alleluia. Praise His name forevermore.*

*Shout, sing and dance. Come dance and celebrate. Rejoice; let all now praise His name.*

Children's Time (11:00)

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

Scripture Reading                      Zechariah 1:1–6, 8:14–17, 20–23                      Old Testament page 879

The Sermon                      Zechariah: God Is With Us                      Rev. Campbell

## ***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                      The Peace                      G.F. Handel

§ 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 the Heidelberg Catechism

What do we believe concerning “the holy catholic church”?

**We believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. In this community we are and always will be a living member. Amen.**

## ***Sending***

§ Hymn 409                      God Is Here!                      ABBOT'S LEIGH

§ Charge and Benediction                      the congregation joins hands

§ Postlude                      To God Be the Glory                      Frederick Swann



*Sermon Notes*

Zechariah: God Is With Us    Acts 2:43–47; Zech. 1:1–6, 8:14–17, 20–23

## ***This week @ FPCA***

Sunday 8/20

8:30 a.m.                      Worship in Chapel  
9:45 a.m.                      Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.                    Worship in Sanctuary  
1:30 p.m.                      Family on Mission Study  
2:00 p.m.                      PCGRC

Tuesday 8/22

10:00 a.m.                    Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday 8/23

7:00 a.m.                      Men's Bible Study  
10:00 a.m.                    Quilting Group  
6:00 p.m.                      Family on Mission Study  
7:30 p.m.                      Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 8/24

7:00 p.m.                      Session Meeting

## ***Prayer Ministry***

***Prayers for those with health and other concerns:***

Yvonne Babb, David Boice, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Lee Carol Copeland, Brad Davis, Laura Duffney, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, David Goff, Edna Harris, Andrew Hydock, Tim Karnes, Pat May, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Olsen, Cosme Pacot, Jim L. Quick, Albert Ross, Kyle Terwilliger, Donna Vickers, Karl Winter, 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***

***Information for the September 3 bulletin should be turned in to the church office today, or emailed to [kim@firstprestexas.org](mailto:kim@firstprestexas.org) by this Monday.***

**If you have any congregational care needs, please contact Pastor Rich McDermott at the church office 817-274-8286.**

**For questions about specific concerns listed above, please contact Juanice Young at [juanicey@gmail.com](mailto:juanicey@gmail.com) or 817-794-5626.**

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**The 4-Week New Members Class**  
**Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community**  
**Begins Sunday, August 27 at 9:45 a.m. in Room 214, in the brown hall**

Week One: "Your Story: A Journey with the Living Christ"

Week Two: "On Being a Christian in a Postmodern World"

Week Three: "Christian, Protestant, Reformed, Presbyterian"

Week Four: "On Being Sent: Relational Ministry, Missional Discipleship and Incarnational Witness"

**Children's Sunday School Teacher Lunch & Training**

There will be a Luncheon and Training for the Children's Sunday School Teachers in the Parlor on Sunday, August 27, after the 11:00 service.

If you taught last year or have an interest in teaching this year, please make plans to attend.

Please contact Kyle at [kyle@firstprestexas.org](mailto:kyle@firstprestexas.org) to let him know you are planning to attend, so that we can plan set-up and food.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

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**Saturday, Sept. 9**

**8:30 - 11:00 am**

**Tickets \$7 at the door**

*Hosted by:*

**Trinity United Methodist Church**

**1200 W. Green Oaks Blvd, Arlington**

**Senior Flexibility Class**  
**New Days and Room Change**

Come get fit with us! The Senior Flexibility Class will be changing their class days to Tuesday and Friday at 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in Room 103 (next to the Preschool office) The class will not meet until Tuesday, September 5.

There is no charge, but participants will be responsible for purchasing and storing their own exercise equipment. If interested, contact Thomas Dombrowsky at 817-287-9773 or [tomasdom@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tomasdom@sbcglobal.net).

**Music Ministry**

Interested in leading worship through music?  
Join the Chancel Choir,  
Ring of Praise Handbell Ensemble,  
Agape Youth choir, or Children's Music Ministries!

Contact Russell Farnell for information:  
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[russell@firstprestexas.org](mailto:russell@firstprestexas.org)

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**Carter Junior High Celebration**

FPCA served the annual Teachers Appreciation Breakfast to over 100 teachers and staff on August 14. Kudos to McDonalds, Shipley Donuts and Starbucks for their donations. Once again the Friendship Class contributed juice, fruit plates and MANY volunteers. We also got extra help from Ken Floyd, Lorna Snyder, Mary Spencer and Sandy Thomlinson, plus the monetary donations were greatly appreciated. Carter is off to another outstanding year.