

October 22, 2017

First Presbyterian Church

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

Mission Statement:

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

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

Liturgist: Rev. Rich McDermott

8:30 Lay Leader: Phil Austin

11:00 Lay Leader: Larry Stephenson

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
Helen Chick in memory of her husband, Tom Chick.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Out in the wilderness Jesus is tempted:

Challenged to turn stones into bread, he replies that strength comes only from God.

Charged to resist the natural laws of creation, he responds that God is not to be put to the test.

Invited to worship the devil in return for worldly kingdoms, he answers that God alone shall be served.

Prelude

Prayer

David H. Hegarty

Introit (11:00)

Holy Bible, Book Divine

John Burton

Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,

with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn,

make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

Let us worship God!

§ Hymn 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

O God, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. We live as enemies of the cross when we crave earthly things, glory in the weakness of others, yearn above all for satisfaction for ourselves, and serve only those gods who do what we want.

Having attained the prize of your mercy in Jesus, help us to obey him as the source of new life. 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 167

Forty Days and Forty Nights

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Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Prayer of Illumination

O God, you gave your people a vision of the promised land. We are thankful for the creeds, confessions, and declarations from our church's past from which we learn the tenets of our faith. We ask guidance from your Spirit now as we hear and interpret scripture. Amen.

Scripture Reading

2 Timothy 3:10-17

New Testament page 213

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)

Exsultate Justi (Psalm 33: 1-3)

Ludovico da Viadana

*Exultate, justi, in Domino;
rectos decet collaudatio.*

*Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.
Praise befits the upright.*

*Confitemini Domino in cithara;
in psalterio decem chordarum
psallite illi.*

*Praise the Lord with the lyre;
make melody to him with the harp
of ten strings.*

*Cantate ei canticum novum;
bene psallite ei in vociferatione.*

*Sing to him a new song with loud
shouts; play skillfully on the strings.*

Scripture Reading

Matthew 4:1-11

New Testament page 3

The Sermon

Sola Scriptura: By Scripture Alone

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

Adagio

arr. S. Drummond Wolff

§ 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

The Westminster Confession of Faith

The authority of the Holy Scripture, for which it ought to be believed and obeyed, depends not upon the testimony of any man or church, but wholly upon God (who is truth itself), the author thereof; and therefore it is to be received, because it is the Word of God.



THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS



FPCA wants to extend our gratitude to all of those members, friends and family who have contributed to make First Presbyterian one of the best churches in Arlington! Without your amazing commitment to Jesus Christ, to his kingdom work, and to his body, the Church, we would not be able to do the mission and ministry to which the Lord has called us. Our new mission statement summarizes what we are about: ***“FPCA is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.”***

Because of you, we are able to touch the lives of children, youth, young adults, early marrieds, middle adults, mature adults, and neighbors in need. Your presence, your spiritual gifts, your generosity, your time and your talent are all parts of what makes our church a significant part of the Lord’s kingdom work in Arlington.



THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS



As we prepare for a new season of growing in our stewardship of time, talent and resources, we especially want to thank our *Volunteers* in the church, whom we also call “Ministry Partners.”

Think of all that our volunteers do: choir members singing and leading and playing; planning and serving on mission endeavors; elders serving on session and on ministry teams; deacons serving on the deacon board in hospitality, fellowship and congregational care; ushers, greeters, money counters, teachers, dinner servers, building and grounds cleaners and renewers; receptionists and front desk phone answerers; helpers with children’s ministry, helpers with youth ministry, helpers with adult and older adult ministries; serving on Facilities, Worship, Discipleship, Mission and Evangelism, and Administration Teams; the list could go on and on. Thank you, thank you, thank you!! Your commitment to the Lord and to this mission is deeply appreciated.



Thank You Luncheon

Today at 12:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Please join us for a Thank You Luncheon to honor all our wonderful Volunteers.

Thanksgiving Baskets!

Today is the Kick-off to sign up to bring food for Thanksgiving Baskets. First Presbyterian Church is again joining Arlington Charities in feeding those who, otherwise, may not be able to enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner. The Mission and Evangelism Team set a goal of: **225 Baskets**

Please sign up outside of the Fellowship Hall, outside of the Chapel or in the Red Hall. You can sign up as an individual, a family, or a group. After you sign up please take your numbered Basket Sheet with the requested list of food items and the attached envelope for the pie crust and turkey donation.

Again this year you may bring the food items in your own grocery bags you have on hand. Please return your numbered Basket Sheet and attached envelope along with your food items to the Fellowship Hall on or before November 12. You can also help by bringing any extra food items as over 900 families are fed by Arlington Charities. These families are Arlington citizens and they are families who can't make ends meet. Each bag feeds one family so they can celebrate Thanksgiving together at home.

Thanks ~ The Mission and Evangelism Team

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 28

4:00 PM- 6:00 PM in the South Parking Lot

Trunk or Treat is an outreach project to encourage our local community and families to get to know FPCA. This church-wide activity provides a safe place for children and families to participate in a special shared activity. Volunteers are needed to:

Decorate car trunks and pass out treats to children, Donate candy, Paint faces of children, Assist in monitoring activities and games, Serve hot dogs and lemonade.

Please let Sheri Quick 817-451-8586 or sheriq@aol.com or Lou Arnold 817-792-3914 or ILouaa@att.net know if you can help. Candy can be donated outside Kyle's office or near office entrance.

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Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 19

6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Nominations for Elder, Deacon, Trustee, or Congregational Nominating Team

We are accepting Nominations for Elder, Deacon, Trustee, or Congregational Nominating Team (CNT). You can put your selections in the nomination boxes in the Narthex, outside the Chapel, outside the Fellowship Hall, in the offering plate, bring to the church office, or you can email your nominations to: YvetteFielder@hotmail.com.

Nominations for Elders, Deacons, Trustee, or Congregational Nominating Team (CNT)

Name of nominee: _____

Nominated by (optional): _____

Elder _____ Deacon _____ Trustee _____ Congregational Nominating Team _____

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 10/22

8:30 a.m. Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Youth Confirmation Class
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. Thank You Luncheon
12:15 p.m. CMM Lunch
12:45 p.m. Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 10/23

3:30 p.m. Blanton Kids Beach Club

Tuesday 10/24

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study
6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 10/25

8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group
6:15 p.m. Ring of Praise Handbells
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 10/26

6:00 p.m. The Well
6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Friday 10/27

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
6:00 p.m. Kids Night Out

Saturday 10/28

4:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat
6:45 p.m. Youth Movie Night

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Esther Albright, Yvonne Babb, Elaine Bahn, David Boice, Debbie Boice, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Edna Collins, Lee Carol Copeland, Tommy and Kathryn Copeland and family, Laura and Moses Duffney, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, David Goff, Jack Gray, Andrew Hydock, Claudia Johnson, Tim Karnes, Bob Koch, 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

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 or 817-794-5626.

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