

November 5, 2017

First Presbyterian Church

All Saints Sunday



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. Rich McDermott

Liturgist: Rev. Chris Campbell

8:30 Lay Leader: Kathi Dailey

11:00 Lay Leader: Eric Gottmann

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 floral arrangement in the all/narthex is given to the glory of God in honor of George and Elaine Bahn by their family.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

2 Corinthians 6:1–2

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

Prelude

Prelude on For All The Saints

Max Sinzheimer

Call to Worship

Some boast of their mansions,

but we boast of the name of the Lord of hosts!

Do not be impressed by the outward appearance of a person,

for God does not see like we do, but looks into the heart.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation,

old things are obsolete, all things become new.

Let us worship the God who looks into the human heart

and through Christ Jesus makes all things new.

§ Hymn 326

For All The Saints

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Service of Remembrance

(names of departed saints on page 3)

Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Loving Savior, look upon us, sift our thoughts and assess our feelings. Deal firmly with those things that have inhibited our love and diverted our energies. Loving God, whatever you see as self-righteous, censure; as twisted, straighten; as heartless, soften; as fruitless, prune; as infected, cleanse.

Thank you, Lord, for answering our prayers before we ask them,

and for doing much more than we ask or think. Through your Son and our Savior, 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 825

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

SWING LOW

Community Joys and Events

The Lord's Prayer



Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be thy name; _____

Thy king - dom come; Thy will be done on Earth as it is in heav - en.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread; for - give us our debts as we for - give our debt - ors;

Lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil:

For Thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Comments for Contemplation

Time: Something To Be Redeemed Colossians 4:2-6; 2 Corinthians 5:16-6:10

1. Are we busy with things that really matter? Or are we primarily busy with distracting ourselves, so that we don't feel our aloneness? Are we busy with things that help other people? Are we busy with things that make a positive difference in our lives or in the lives of our family and friends? Are we busy with things that the Lord would rank high on his priority list? Or are we busy with things that only we would rank as important? Time, in many ways is our most precious commodity. How we use it and with whom we take time is a _____ issue.
2. And that brings us to our highest priority. Spending time with the Lord is essential to keeping everything else in perspective. There are many ways to do this, but we need to find a rhythm that enables us to grow in our faith in Christ, and in our relationship with him. As we begin our Stewardship Emphasis season, we begin with what it means to be stewards of the time that the Lord has given us. For many of us, it should start with _____.
3. The Bible is filled with people who started in one direction. But it didn't work, so they had to move in a different direction. [Barnes says,] "Moses' first plan was to kill the taskmaster who was beating a slave. David's first plan was to be a shepherd. Jonah's first plan was to go to Tarshish. Jeremiah's first plan was to keep Jerusalem from falling. Peter's first plan was to prevent Jesus from being crucified. Paul's first plan was to evangelize Jews. All of them had to go to Plan B, which was God's plan from the _____."
4. Chronos is chronological time, sometimes seen as a series of randomly organized incidents and accidents, having little or no connection to the purpose of a Creator God. The other word for time is kairos, which is time as opportunity. Kairos is a constant opportunity to explore God's work in our lives, and _____ in God's kingdom work.
5. Malcolm Muggeridge may have had "chronicles of wasted time," but we can see that through our relationship with Christ we may "redeem the time," meaning recover or restore that time for God's purposes. In this instance, Paul is saying that we need to count every moment with people outside of the faith as an opportunity to speak graciously, wisely, and season our conversation with salt, or with spiritual understanding. Imagine what might be done for God's kingdom, if we were to _____ the time and make the most of every opportunity that we had in speaking with those who need to grow in their relationship with the Lord.

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 11/5

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. Family Lunch for Children's
Ministries
12:45 p.m. Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 11/6

3:30 p.m. Blanton Kids Beach Club

Tuesday 11/7

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Dave Ramsey's Smart Money

Wednesday 11/8

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 11/9

11:30 a.m. Saints Alive
6:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting
6:45 p.m. Team Meeting Night

Friday 11/10

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

Saturday 11/11

2:00 p.m. Judy Poindexter Memorial
6:00 p.m. Youth Discipleship Retreat

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, Lila Glenn, David Goff, Jack Gray, Andrew Hydock, Claudia Johnson, Tim Karnes, Bob Koch, Pat May, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Cosme Pacot, Jim L. Quick, Aileigh Rodriguez, 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.

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RETURN OF THE NIGHT OF A HUNDRED DUST CLOTHS

Company's coming! And it's time to dust and polish the pews in the sanctuary.

Come help prepare for the presbytery meeting on November 16. No special skills are needed – just bring a dust cloth (or two or three) and your favorite spray polish.

- **Monday, November 13, 6:30 p.m.**
- **Babysitting available**

Many hands make light work and a short evening. Let's make it shine!

Watch a FREE Live Stream of Dave Ramsey's Smart Money Event

Over the last 25 years, millions of lives have been changed through Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University. On Tuesday night, November 7, from 7-10 PM CST, Dave will be live streaming his Smart Money event to churches all over the country. We are excited to announce that we will be a host site for this event, in the parlor at FPCA. The best part? It's absolutely free for you to attend!

You can register online at: goo.gl/QU23X9 for free or call the church office and let us know you're coming. We'd love for you to join us and learn the steps you and your family can take to live like no one else. Our local hosts are our members, James and Katina Gifford. We look forward to seeing you!

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Come to the annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, November 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The meat and dessert will be provided by the Fellowship Team.

If your last name starts with:

- A-G Potatoes or dressing
- H-O Vegetables
- P-Z Salads



FPCA has raised \$20 for Carter JH in two months with Box Tops donations! Drop off your Box Tops in the church office or the coffee table outside of Fellowship Hall.

Thanksgiving Baskets!

It's time 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