

January 21, 2018

First Presbyterian Church

The Third Sunday after Epiphany



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: David Peden

11:00 Lay Leader: Ron MacLeod

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
Bob and Bev Koch in celebration of their anniversary.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

The Directory for Worship

*In Jesus Christ, the Church is a royal priesthood in which worship is the work of everyone.
The people of God are called to participate in the common ministry of worship.*

Prelude (8:30)

What Star Is This With Beams So Bright

Paul Manz

(11:00)

Reverie

Alexander Glazunov

Reese Farnell, horn solo

Call to Worship

from Psalms 147 and 148

How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him!

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make music to our God on the harp.

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the heights above.

Praise him, all his angels, praise him, all his heavenly hosts.

Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars.

Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies. Let us worship God!

§ Hymn 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Gracious God, we promise to practice justice, yet we ignore the imprisoned.

We promise to love kindness, yet we do not love our neighbors as ourselves.

**We promise to walk humbly with our God, yet we live our lives as though
we are in total control.**

**Have mercy on 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 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

Community Joys and Events

Installation of Ruling Elders (8:30)

Maggie Johnson and Bob Watkins

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading

Psalm 150:1-6

Old Testament page 583

Children's Time (11:00)

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

Sermon Notes

The Marks of FPCA: Authentic Worship Psalm 150:1-6; John 4:7-26

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington (FPCA)
Tagline, Vision, Mission and Core Values Statements
and the 2017-18 sermon dates related to them

12/31 - **Tagline**

FOLLOWING JESUS, TRANSFORMING LIFE

12/31 - **Vision Statement**

We seek to change lives and transform the life of our communities by knowing, following, and serving Jesus Christ in our homes, our church, and the world.

1/7 - **Mission Statement**

FPCA is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

Core Values Statement

THE “MARKS” OF FPCA

1/14 - **Missional Discipleship** - We join God’s mission to all people by making disciples through knowing and following Jesus

1/21 - **Authentic Worship** - We give genuine praise and glory to the Lord by gathering for worship and responding to God’s Word

1/28 - **Relational Evangelism** - We connect with people where they are and share our love for them and the good news of Jesus

2/4 - **Kingdom Focused** - We seek first God’s will so that lives are transformed and empowered by God’s Spirit

2/11 - **Sacrificial Service** - We serve the Lord and our neighbors in our communities and around the world

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 1/21

8:30 a.m. Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. This Changed Everything
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. CMM Lunch
12:45 p.m. Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 1/22

3:30 p.m. Kids Beach Club-Blanton

Tuesday 1/23

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

Wednesday 1/24

8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 1/25

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

Friday 1/26

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

Saturday 1/27

10:00 a.m. Financial Peace University

Information for the February 4 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, 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, Tim Karnes, Bob Koch, Pat May, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Cosme Pacot, John Pittman, Jim L. Quick, Aileigh Rodriguez, Albert Ross, Joyce Strayer, 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, Amie Murtha, 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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The 4-Week New Members Class
Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community
Begins Sunday, February 25, 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"

This Changed Everything
500 Years of the Reformation - Film Series

What: A 6-week documentary film class

When: 9:45 a.m. continues January 21, 28 and February 4, 11

Where: Fellowship Hall

Each Week: 30 minutes of film, 30 minutes of questions and discussion.

Annual Congregational Meeting

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, January 28, after the 11:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. The purpose is to receive the 2017 Annual Report and to vote on terms of call for the pastors.

Kids Night Out

Kids Night Out will be Friday, January 26, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for children in 6th grade and younger.



SOUL KEEPING
CARING for THE MOST IMPORTANT PART of YOU

Soul Keeping - A six-week Lenten Bible study, video and sermon series

Lent is a time for preparations, repentance, reflection and prayer. This year, FPCA will focus on a new book/ Bible study and DVD video curriculum by John Ortberg called "*Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You.*"

There will be opportunities starting on Sunday, January 28, to sign up to facilitate a group. Pick a time in the week you would like to meet; invite neighbors, friends and family to meet weekly. Get a study guide for each person, share a book with a spouse or friend, and get a DVD. Each weekly video session is 22-24 minutes, and the study guide is the resource for discussion and personal study. Tell Kim Lewis (Kim@firstprestexas.org or 817-274-8286) when you are meeting and who is meeting with you. Make 2018 a year of spiritual growth for you!

FPCA's First Annual Parable of the Talents Show

Please join us February 18, 2018 at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to support our youth as they present to you "FPCA's First Annual Parable of the Talents Show." This will be a talent show where our youth will showcase their biblical knowledge and talents. Lunch will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there.

Offering Envelopes

Don't forget to pick up your offering envelopes outside the Chapel for the 8:30 service and in the Narthex for the 11:00 service.

Save the Date: Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be June 11-15 from 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon for children 4 years old to 6th grade.