

February 4, 2018

First Presbyterian Church

The Fifth 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. Chris Campbell

Liturgist: Rev. Rich McDermott

8:30 Lay Leader: Kathi Dailey

11:00 Lay Leader: Juan Carlos Gavalda

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 the Allen Miller family in celebration
of his 100th birthday on February 6.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

“Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.” We pray this prayer every week. Do we know what that would look like if what we prayed for happened? Are we truly seeking this as a church?

Prelude

Prelude and Variations on Laet ons met herten Reijne

John Bull

Call to Worship

God of grace, we come with all we have; all here to worship you.

We have come here for a glimpse of your kingdom,

A world where enemies embrace, and distinctions between friend and foe
vanish in the light of Your love.

We dedicate this hour of worship to You, and to Your kingdom come.

Let us worship God.

Introit (11:00)

Great Is the Lord

RANDY EDWARDS

§ Hymn 687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us
by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all
our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and
humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and
finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.**

§ 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 175

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:25–33 New Testament page 6

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 Colossians 1:3–14 New Testament page 199

The Sermon The Marks of FPCA: Kingdom Focused Rev. Campbell

The Table

Offertory (8:30) Improvisation on Adoro te Devote Joshua Lang

(11:00) My Eternal King Jane Marshall

*My God, I love Thee; not because I hope for heaven thereby,
Nor yet because who love Thee not may die eternally.
Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me Upon the cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace.
Then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well?
Not for the hope of winning heaven, nor of escaping hell.
Not with the hope of gaining aught, nor seeking a reward,
But as Thyself hast loved me, O ever-loving Lord!
Even so I love Thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing,
Solely because Thou art my God, and my eternal King.*

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Consecration and the Lord’s Prayer sung (see page 4)

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

8:30 – *Come forward to partake.*

11:00 – *Eat the bread as it is served. Hold the cup to drink together. While passing the elements, you may say, “the body of Christ, broken for you,” and, “the blood of Christ, shed for you.”*

Prayer after Communion

Sending


§ Hymn 32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God ELLACOMBE

§ Charge and Benediction the congregation joins hands

§ Postlude Prelude and Fugue in E Minor BWV 533 Johann Sebastian Bach



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.

Sermon Notes

The Marks of FPCA: Kingdom Focused Matthew 6:25–33; Colossians 1:3–14

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 2/4

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
12:00 p.m. Luncheon for Families with children
12:15 p.m. CMM Lunch
12:45 p.m. Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 2/5

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

Tuesday 2/6

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

Wednesday 2/7

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

Thursday 2/8

6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring
6:45 p.m. Team Meeting Night

Friday 2/9

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

Saturday 2/10

10:00 a.m. Financial Peace University

Information for the February 18 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, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Edna Collins, Lee Carol Copeland, Tommy and Kathryn Copeland and family, Laura and Moses Duffney, Neal Estes, 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, 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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SOUL KEEPING

CARING for THE MOST IMPORTANT PART of YOU

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

Lent (February 14 - March 31) is a time for preparation, 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.*”

On Sunday, there will be opportunities to sign up to facilitate a small 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 (for the hosts). 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) what day and time you will be meeting and who is meeting with you. Make 2018 a year of spiritual growth for you!

Children’s Ministries Luncheon

Today is the Luncheon for families with children in 6th grade or younger at 12 noon in Room 214.

Ash Wednesday

The Ash Wednesday Service will be Wednesday, February 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

Reception for Josh Lang

A farewell reception for Josh will be held on Sunday, February 11, after the 11:00 a.m. service in the Parlor. Everyone is welcome to say thank you for Josh’s year and a half of service as organist & interim facilities manager!

Parable of the Talents Show and Souper Sunday Luncheon

Please join us Sunday, February 18, at 12:30 m. in the Fellowship Hall for the FPCA’s First Annual Parable of the Talents Show.

We will also have our Souper Sunday luncheon in conjunction with the talent show. Please donate a can of soup to be given to Arlington Charities.

This Changed Everything

500 Years of the Reformation - Film Series

What: A 6-week documentary film class

When: 9:45 a.m. continues February 4, 11

Where: Fellowship Hall

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

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”

The News

The News is available outside the Chapel and in the Narthex. The Newsletter continues to be in the church-wide email each month with a link to The News. You can also go to our website at firstprestexas.org and find the Newsletter under the Media tab.

We are now relying more on digital ways to get you the newsletter, and we will be saving money on printing costs. If you prefer to have a copy mailed to you, please give the church office a call and let them know.

Save the Date

June 11-15 - Vacation Bible School