

February 18, 2018
First Presbyterian Church
The First Sunday in Lent



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

8:30 Lay Leader: Jonathan Terwilliger

11:00 Lay Leader: Samuel Terwilliger

The Worship of God

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The green plants are offered to the glory of God.

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

You have a soul, and for you to have a soul that is healed, that is healthy, that is redeemed by God, matters more than the outcome of any circumstance in your world or your life.

Your eternal destiny rests on the well-being of your soul, and only God can heal the soul.

Prelude

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

arr. Karl Osterland

Introit (11:00)

My Being Sings to You

Alfred Fedak

Call to Worship

Come, Lord God, to receive our worship.

Come, Lord Jesus, to receive our praise.

Come, Holy Spirit, to receive our thanks.

Come, eternal three-in-one God, where we are gathered to celebrate our unity as your body, the church. We share one faith, and are of one soul and one mind, which belong solely and wholly to you.

Let us worship God!

§ Hymn 167

Forty Days and Forty Nights

AUS DER TIEFE RUFTE ICH

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Almighty God, as much as we try to plan and control every inch of our planet and every moment of our lives, we know our plans do not tell us where we are with you. Our schedules sometimes distract us from the reality that we are often in the wilderness Jesus experienced. Here in this wilderness, prepare us for your way, O God.

Receive our prayers and in your compassion, forgive our sins and free us for lives of joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

§ The Gloria Patri

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 286

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

TRENTHAM

Community Joys and Events

The Order for Confirmation (11:00)

§ Affirmation of Faith (11:00)

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:00)

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Old Testament page 163

Children's Time (11:00)

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

Anthem (8:30)

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Homer Reynolds, tenor

Laura Farnell

(11:00)

Mercy

Craig Courtney

*I dare not lift my guilty eyes. I hide my lips in trembling shame.
And in the darkness of my soul, I shrink from your rekindling flame. Kyrie eleison, have mercy.
In mercy cover me with grace and blot out my iniquity.
Renew my heart and wash me clean; grant with Your pardon, purity. Kyrie eleison, have mercy.
In equal measure of Your love You promise mercy, tender compassion to the one who seeks your face.
A broken heart, a fainting soul, a contrite spirit, together cry for Your forgiveness and Your grace.
Against You only have I sinned. My deeds are evil in your sight.
Of Your forgiveness let me sing, and in my singing take delight. Kyrie eleison, have mercy.*

Words reprinted under OneLicense A-710859.

Scripture Reading

Mark 12:28-34

New Testament page 49

The Sermon

What Is the Soul?

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

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

arr. Michael Burkhardt

§ 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 (8:30)

The Apostles' Creed (see above)

Sending

§ Hymn 182

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

KINGSFOLD

§ Charge and Benediction

the congregation joins hands

§ Postlude

Hymn to Joy

Albert L. Travis



Sermon Notes

What is the Soul? Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Mark 12:28-34

Confirmation Sunday

February 18, 2018

Our Confirmands

Civana Evans My name is Civana Evans and I am 14 years old. I am an 8th grade student at Carter Jr. High. I love spending time with my friends and running cross country at school. My family and I have been at First Presbyterian Church Arlington (FPCA) for some years now and I am blessed to call this home. I enjoy going to The Well on Thursday nights and Sunday School. I look forward to continue growing in my faith at FPCA along with my friends.

Lily Garcia My name is Lily Garcia and I was first invited to First Presbyterian Church (FPCA) by my friends Civana and Alexis. I am so thankful for them because FPCA has been lots of fun and it has allowed me to learn more about Jesus Christ. I attend Carter Jr. and I am in the 8th grade at Carter Jr. High. I look forward to going to camp this summer and being a part of all the other youth activities.

Alexis Robles My name is Alexis Robles and I became connected to First Presbyterian Church Arlington (FPCA) because of my friend Civana Evans. I am thankful that she invited me to FPCA and I have enjoyed going to camp, The Well, and Sunday School. I am blessed to continue my Christian walk here at FPCA and with my best friend Civana.

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 2/18

8:30 a.m. Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
12:30 p.m. Parable of the Talents Show
& Souper Sunday Luncheon
12:45 p.m. Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 2/19

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

Tuesday 2/20

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Soul Keeping Small Group
2:30 p.m. Soul Keeping Small Group
6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 2/21

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

Thursday 2/22

6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Friday 2/23

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

Saturday 2/24

10:00 a.m. Financial Peace University
10:00 a.m. The Well

Information for the March 4 bulletin should be turned into the church office by this Monday.

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Esther Albright, 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, Don Farrell, 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.

Staff Directory

Rich McDermott	Senior Pastor	rich@firstprestexas.org
Chris Campbell	Associate Pastor for Missional Discipleship	chris@firstprestexas.org
Russell Farnell	Minister of Music	russell@firstprestexas.org
Josh Lang	Organist	josh@firstprestexas.org
Gary Lindley	Office Manager	facilities@firstprestexas.org
Adrian Rodriguez	Director of Youth Ministry	adrian@firstprestexas.org
Kyle Terwilliger	Director of Children's Ministry	kyle@firstprestexas.org
Sandra Ybarra	Preschool Director	sandra@firstprestexas.org
Jeanne Chin	Finance Manager	jeanne@firstprestexas.org
Eric Gottmann	Director of Social Media	eric@firstprestexas.org
Cheryl Harris	Music Ministry Associate	cheryl@firstprestexas.org
Kim Lewis	Administrative Ministry Assistant	kim@firstprestexas.org
Jane Leathem	Finance Assistant	jane@firstprestexas.org
Diane Chin	Security Monitor	diane@firstprestexas.org

FPCA's First Annual Parable of the Talents Show and Souper Sunday Luncheon

Please join us today at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for the 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.

We will also have our Souper Sunday luncheon in conjunction with the talent show. It will be our "famous" Taco Soup. Please donate a can of soup to be given to Arlington Charities. We hope to see you there!

Lenten Services

* Maundy Thursday Service - March 29, 7:00 p.m.
in the Chapel

* Good Friday Service - March 30, 7:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary

* Easter Sunday - April 1, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. services

Easter Breakfast will be between services from 9:30 to
10:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

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.

The 4-Week New Members Class

Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community

Begins next 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"

Gifts of Hope

Thanks to everyone who participated in FPCA's Gifts of Hope alternative gift market! This past Advent season, 186 gifts were purchased totaling \$1714.50, which will be given to various mission and outreach organizations. This amount represents 45 medicine kits, 18 ducks, 29 chickens, 1 hot meal, 2 blankets for rescued slaves, 7 care kits for children, 5 care kits for persecuted believers, 15 Bibles for believers in captivity, food for 16 families for one week, 6 pairs of warm winter socks and gloves, 26 paperback books for HOPE tutoring students, 5 reams of paper for HOPE Tutoring, 8 welcome kits for kids entering foster care, and 3 parenting classes sponsored by PCHAS. Thank you for giving these gifts in the spirit of Christian love that will bless people in need both locally and internationally.

SUPPORT THE CHURCH'S ONLINE PRESENCE

MAKE SURE TO LIKE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

GO TO

WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/FIRSTPRESTEXAS



Senior Flexibility Class

Come get fit with us! The Senior Flexibility Class meet on Tuesday and Friday at 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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.

Vacation Bible School

Monday - Friday June 11-15
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
for children 4 years old to 6th grade.

Preschool Summer Camp 2018

June 11 through August 3
Ages 6 weeks through 3rd Grade
Monday-Friday 8:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.
Contact the Preschool to Register at 817-274-4051