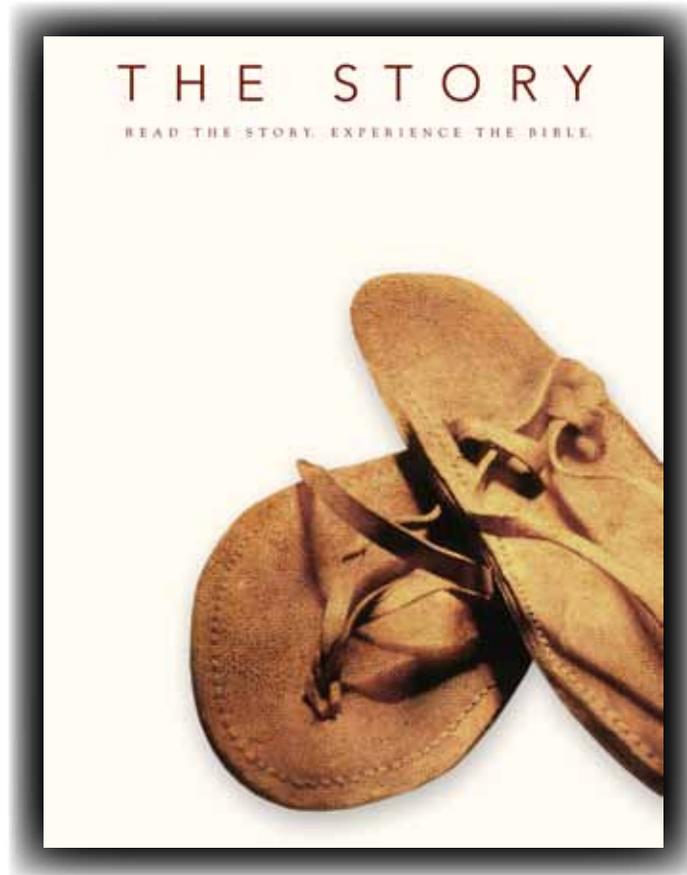


September 30, 2018

First Presbyterian Church

Nineteenth 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

Guest Organist: Elise Choi

8:30 Lay Leader: Diane Terwilliger

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 David and Isobel Peden in celebration of their 37th wedding anniversary and Don and Betty Farrell in celebration of their wedding anniversary as well as the wedding anniversaries of their two sons and daughters-in-law.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

When we study the story of Joseph, it is a reminder to us that God can take bad situations and use them for good. Joseph bragged to his brothers about his dreams, and out of resentment and jealousy they sold him into slavery, and he ended up in Egypt. He gained favor with the Pharaoh and was able to save his family when famine swept through the land.

Voluntary

Andante e Legato

Eugene Gigout

Call to Worship

Here, in this place, God welcomes all the dreamers, as well as the doubters.

Here, the worriers and wanderers can call on God by name.

Here, in this time, we can remember all the ways God has given us grace.

Here, in these moments, we are reminded that God is with us, always!

Here are gathered those daring enough to step out of comfort into the unknown.

Here, in this place, we will find the courage to cry out to God in every situation.

Let us worship God.

Introit (11:00)

This Is the Day That the Lord Has Made

Timothy McKinney

§ Hymn 331

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

Almighty God, we do not always understand your ways. We confess that we are easily discouraged when life takes unexpected turns, and our carefully laid plans and dreams come to nothing. We confess that we are quick to question your presence and your power.

Forgive us. Grant us patience to wait for your good timing. Open our eyes to recognize your leading in our lives, and then give us courage to step out in faith and obedience. Help us to trust in your leading even when we cannot yet see the outcome. We praise you for your faithful love, and pray that you would make us worthy to bear your name. 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 468

In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified

BE GLORIFIED

Community Joys and Events

Sacrament of Baptism

Dearle Vebangsi, Faith-Cynclair Diony, and Dylan Diony

Sermon Notes

Joseph: From Slave to Deputy Pharaoh

Genesis 37:3-8, 18-28; 39:1-4, 20-23; Genesis 42:1-7a; 45:1-9; 50:15-21

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 9/30

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

Monday 10/1

3:30 p.m. Blanton Kids Beach Club

Tuesday 10/2

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

Wednesday 10/3

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 10/4

6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring
6:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting

Friday 10/5

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
5:00 p.m. CNT Meeting
6:00 p.m. Kids Night Out

Saturday 10/6

8:00 a.m. Walk to End Alzheimer's at
 Tarrant Cty College (SE)

Information for the October 14 bulletin should be turned into Kim at the church office by this Monday.

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Esther Albright, Richard Ankele, Elaine Bahn, Jack Bos, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Kevin Chin, Frank Coburn, Edna Collins, Lee Carol Copeland, Mike Copeland, Michael Deardorff, Laura, Moses and Abe Duffney, Neal Estes, Don Farrell, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, Joe and Lila Glenn, Jack Gray, Andrew Hydock, Tim Karnes, Pat May, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Cosme Pacot, J.D. Paulk, Bill and Sue Perry, John Pittman, Nita Price, Jim L. Quick, Marcia Rober, Aileigh Rodriguez, Al Smithson, Kyle Terwilliger, Fred Tucker, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Richard Whitenight, Karl Winter, Mary Jane Wright

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, James Dailey, 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.

Walk to End Alzheimer's

Arlington's Walk to End Alzheimer's is right around the corner. The First Presbyterian Church (FPCA) is registered and Homer Reynolds is the team captain.

Saturday, October 6, 2018
at Tarrant County College, SE Campus
2100 Southeast Pkwy, Arlington, TX 76018
Check-in is 8:00 a.m.; Ceremony 9:00 a.m.
Walk at 9:30 a.m.

Register at alz.org/walk OR
alz.org/northcentraltexas or call 800.272.3900.

Come join us as we Walk to End Alzheimer's—a disease that cannot be prevented, cured or even slowed. But what if one day it could? By walking together, we can help make that day happen.

Questions? Call Homer or Joan Reynolds at 817-239-7240.

Get Yourself (and A Friend) to Church!

For the month of September we want EVERYONE to come to worship and, if possible, to bring a friend! Wear your name tag, or we will provide a paper one, so we can greet each other by name. Let's be as welcoming as we possibly can to all that we meet, and especially to our guests and visitors. Remember we are starting our series on THE STORY (a new way to learn the whole Bible) and it is a great opportunity to invite family members, neighbors and friends.

We would love to see all who are able to begin a new season of worshipping together consistently. So many of us only come once or twice per month. We urge everyone in the FPCA family to make it a goal to attend worship three or more times per month, and see if the Lord can use us in a new way for his glory, for our community and for our enjoyment.

THE STORY Sermon Series and Study

Join us as we continue our 31-week overarching tour of God's Word in the entire Bible (pausing for Advent and Christmas), using a 31-chapter book of Scriptures chronologically arranged called THE STORY.

Both the sermon series and several Sunday School classes will follow the themes of THE STORY, which requires reading less than three pages/day, or fifteen pages/week. Copies of THE STORY are available on Sundays in the red hall or in the church office, or you can order one through Christianbook.com.

Books are \$6, Study Guides are \$8. Come and discover how your story connects with God's story of steadfast love and mercy.

**MISSION
POSSIBLE**

An evening supporting the local missions of

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington

Saturday, October 13

5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Church Fellowship Hall ~ Tickets \$15 each

Music Ministry

Interested in leading worship through music?
Join the Chancel Choir,
Ring of Praise Handbell Ensemble,
Agape Youth choir, or Children's Music Ministries!

Contact Russell Farnell for information:

817-274-8286 or

russell@firstprestexas.org

Confirmation Class

The youth ministry will be starting a new confirmation class today from 9:45am-10:45am in the Cross Cafe for students in 7th-12th grade. If you have a student that you would like to go through confirmation class or if you have any questions please contact Adrian Rodriguez at adrian@firstprestexas.org or 817.274.8286.

The 4-Week New Members Class

Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community

Begins Sunday, October 21, 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"

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 27, 2018

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