

January 13, 2019
First Presbyterian Church
The Baptism of the Lord



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

Organist: Shina Heo

8:30 Lay Leader: Jonathan Terwilliger

11:00 Lay Leader: Jane Leathem

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 Orlando Morales family in celebration of
his birthday.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

I Kings 3:14

*If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments,
as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.*

Prelude (8:30)

As With Gladness Men of Old

Harrison Oxley

Introit (11:00)

Zadok the Priest

G. F. Handel

*Zadok the Priest, and Nathan the Prophet anointed Solomon King.
And all the people rejoiced, and said:
God save the King! Long live the King!
May the King live forever, Amen, Alleluia.*

Call to Worship

from Psalm 34

How beautiful are the places where you dwell, O Lord!

This house cannot contain your glory.

Happy are those who find their strength in you.

Hear our prayers this day, Holy God, as we proclaim your praises to all the earth!

Let us worship God.

§ Hymn 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

**O God of saints and sinners, hear our prayer: please forgive the wrongs that we have done, and
bless the good you have accomplished in us. We thank you for loving us, redeeming us, and
helping us, and molding us into the image of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.
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 363

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

DARWALL'S 148TH

Community Joys and Events

Ordination and Installation of Ruling Elders and Deacons (11:00)

Elders: Divine Agha, Kathi Dailey, Ross Dill, Tina Hanson

Deacons: Ed Ayers, Bertha Crofford, Steve Duncan, John Green,
Cassandra Kirby, Carole Ray, Tara Sanger

Sending

§ Hymn 620

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

§ Charge and Benediction

the congregation joins hands

Postlude

Prelude in E Minor

Johann Sebastian Bach



Comments for Contemplation

The King Who Had It All: Solomon

1 Kings 3:1–14; 1 Kings 11:1–13

1. They had been “once perfectly pleasant human beings...now they have become supreme beings and their wrath is awful.” She went on to say that under the pressure of fame and celebrity all your character flaws and miseries become twice as bad as they were before.” This is not a new phenomenon, of course. We have watched this pattern of fame and fortune happen over and over again. The names change, but the effects of the _____ do not.
2. And thus the stage was set for a period of dazzling material prosperity. Yet, it was the dazzle that may have caused the King and his people to take their eye off of the Lord their God and onto the wealth and the splendor of the kingdom. Under Solomon, Jerusalem became a great cosmopolitan city with all the variety of beliefs attendant to that. But the cost of dazzle and the dilution of Israel’s faith became a great _____.
3. In the dream, instead of asking God for long life or wealth, Solomon prayed to the Lord for an understanding mind to govern the Lord’s people, and to be able to discern between good and evil. It pleased the Lord that Solomon had not asked for long life, or riches or for the life of his enemies, but asked for understanding to _____ what is right.
4. Today a person can be filled with a great deal of knowledge and still have little wisdom. A hundred years ago, it was understood that schooling and education was about developing a person’s character, and wisdom and discernment were essential to that instruction. But that is no longer the case today. Today we have settled for imparting information and knowledge without regard to wisdom or _____ formation. That should give us pause as we consider our future.
5. Sally eventually discovered Colossians 3, where Paul writes: “Your life is hidden with Christ in God... and when Christ who is your life appears, you will appear with him in glory.” She came to realize that neither men nor career nor anything else should be “her life” or identity. What mattered was not what men thought of her, or career _____, but what Christ had done for her and how he loved her.

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 1/13

8:30 a.m. Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m. The Story
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

Tuesday 1/15

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study
2:45 p.m. Mentoring Program
6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 1/16

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 1/17

11:30 a.m. Saints Alive
2:45 p.m. Mentoring Program
6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Friday 1/18

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

Saturday 1/19

10:00 a.m. Set-up for Souper Sunday

Information for the January 27 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, Vannah Caylor, 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, Bob Johnson, Tim Karnes, Pat May, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Cosme Pacot, J.D. Paulk, Sue Perry, John Pittman, Nita Price, Jim L. and Jo Ann Quick, Sarah Rabb, Joanna Rabourn, Joan and Homer Reynolds, Al Smithson, Kyle Terwilliger, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Richard Whitenight, Jake Winkler, Karl Winter, Mary Jane Wright, Bob Zakrzewski

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, Peyton Steeno, 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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THE STORY Continues...January 13

Join us as we continue our 31-week overarching tour of God's Word in the entire Bible, 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 can be ordered through Christianbook.com. Come and discover how your story connects with God's story of steadfast love and mercy.

Annual Congregational Meeting

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, January 27, at 12:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.
We will review the Annual Report and the budget for 2019.

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

Monday, January 21, will be the Women's Bible Study at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

Saints Alive

Saints Alive will meet on Thursday, January 17 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Offering Envelopes are Here!

Please remember to pick up your offering envelopes outside the Chapel (8:30) and the Red Hall (11:00).

The 4-Week New Members Class

Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community

Begins Sunday, February 4, 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"

Financial Peace University

Are you (or someone you know) always wondering where all your money went each month? What if you had no house payment? What if your kid(s) college(s) were paid for? What if you could retire with peace? What if you could GIVE more than you've ever been able to give? What if you were debt-free, investing and making wise spending decisions? With Dave Ramsey's class Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money and start planning for your future, regardless of where you are in life. If you're interested in learning more about the class, contact Ebony Harris (313) 445-0558 ebonyh8806@gmail.com.

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is offering it on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. CST, February 16th - April 13th 2019. If you would like to sign up, go to the following link www.goo.gl/guB2tq or ask us to help you! Membership and materials costs \$109 through this class link. If you've gone through the class already but would like a refresher, please sign up at no cost. Also, please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Save the Date - Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be Monday-Friday, June 10-14, 2019
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon