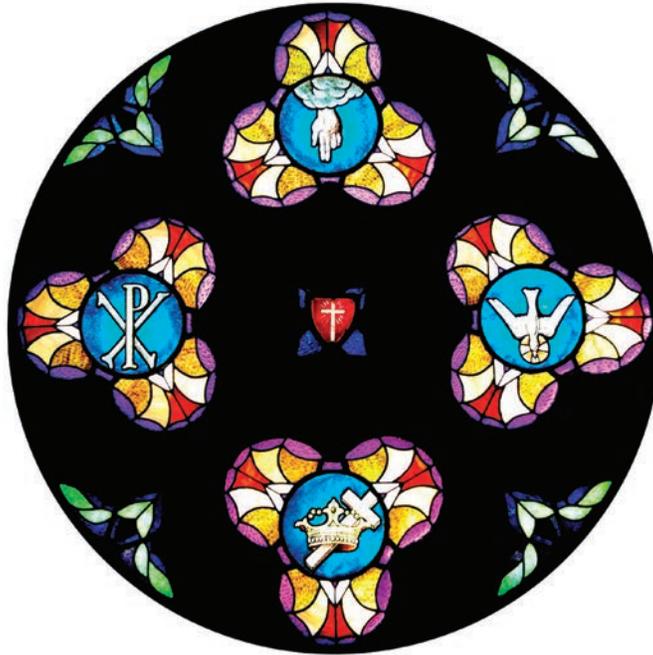


May 15, 2016
First Presbyterian Church
The Day of Pentecost



Glorify. Grow.

Mission Statement:

We, as the Church, are the Body of Christ equipped through prayer by the Holy Spirit to glorify God; through passionate worship, nurturing fellowship, sacrificial service, respectful evangelism, and active discipleship, we encourage and challenge all ages of our congregation and community to grow in relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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

8:30 Lay Leader: Suzie McCoy

11:00 Lay Leader: Ron MacLeod

Organist: Susan Fuchs

The Worship of God

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The flowers are given to the glory of God.

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.

Prelude

Come Down, O Love Divine

Michael Burkhardt

Call to Worship

Let us sing and praise God for Jesus Christ, whose words and deeds were pure.

By his life our lives are justified, and by his death we are redeemed.

He has broken down dividing walls of hate to make one family on earth.

**As he has reconciled us to God, may we be reconciled to one another,
living in peace with all everywhere.**

Let us worship God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

§ Hymn 282

Come Down, O Love Divine

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§ Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith:
we confess that we have held back the force of your Spirit among us; that we have been slow to
serve you, and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. God have mercy on us.**

**Forgive our divisions, and by your Spirit draw us together. Fill us with flaming desire to do your
will, and be a faithful people; for the sake of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. 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 288

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 5:15–20

New Testament page 194

Children’s Time (11:00)

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

Comments for Contemplation

Filled with the Holy Spirit Ephesians 5:15–20, John 14:15–18, 16:4b–15

1. Today I want to talk to you, not about our physical health, but about our spiritual health, because I believe that one of the great dangers in our world today is what I would call a spiritual _____.
2. In Colossians (1:27) Paul talks about God’s mystery hidden throughout the ages but now revealed to his saints, and that this mystery is “Christ in you, the hope of _____” available to both Jew and Gentile.
3. So from the very beginning of the gospel accounts, we find that Jesus Christ is connected to baptizing, initiating or inundating people with the Holy Spirit. He is in the _____ of spiritual hydration, if you will.
4. While God gives the Holy Spirit to all who believe and are baptized, it can never be a kind of static relationship. We are continually to be _____ with the Holy Spirit, that we may live with the Spirit’s power in our lives and so bear witness to Christ in the world.
5. I found it quite remarkable, that once I had accepted Christ and began to understand the basics of the gospel, the Holy Spirit also opened up the _____ to me, and an entirely new world emerged.
6. And the rest of the New Testament confirms this because it speaks of the presence of the Spirit and the presence of Christ in the same _____. They cannot be separated.

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 5/15	NEWS Submission Date
8:30 a.m.	Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Congregational Meeting
12:20 p.m.	All Church Belize Lunch
2:00 p.m.	Presbyt. Church Ghana, Resurrection Congregation
6:00 p.m.	The Well
Monday 5/16	
6:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday 5/17	
6:30 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring
Wednesday 5/18	
7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
6:15 p.m.	Ring of Praise Handbells
6:30 p.m.	Youth All City Worship at Trinity UMC
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday 5/19	
11:30 a.m.	Saints Alive
Friday 5/20	
6:00 p.m.	Kids Night Out
Saturday 5/21	
8:30 a.m.	All Church Workday

Information for the May 29th 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, Chona Pacot Anwar, David Boice, Louis and Shirley Bragg, Andrew Bridges, Crystal Castaneda, Jerry Colleps, Lee Carol Copeland, Mike Deardorff, Laura Farnell, Bonnie Forte, Bobbie Fowler, Susan Graham, Margery Harrand, Edna and Ken Harris, Bill Hayden, Carl Heritage, Norman Hulla, Jack Justilian, Deva Kellam, Curt Lewis, Doyle Malone, Garrett Mastin, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Olsen, Ann Pitstick, Albert Ross, Carolyn Savko, Eulabel Sheldon, Brooks Taylor, Jerry Thomas, Allen Underwood, Donna Vickers, Audrey Wallace and Mary Jane Wright

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Aaron Alonso, Ben Boughton, David Caldwell, Austin Curran, Eric Dill, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Matthew Lopez, Mike Mancini, Jack Murtha, Colin Peden, Jason Polk, Ryan Powell, Ryan Regalado, Christopher Young and 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 Rev. Fred Babb, our Parish Associate for Congregational Care, at the church office 817-274-8286 or his cell phone: 817-995-9717. For questions about specific concerns listed above, please contact Juanice Young at juanicey@gmail.com or 817-794-5626.

Preschool Summer Camp

Summer Camp starts June 6 and runs through August 18, except for the two weeks we are closed for the Bazaarnival (July 25-August 5). Invite everyone - friends, grandchildren, etc. To Register, contact the Preschool Office at: 682-551-1207.

Vacation Bible School - Basic Elements

June 6-10, 2016 - 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Children 4 years old to 6th grade

Free. Invite friends, neighbors, grandchildren, everyone

Permission forms available outside the chapel and the sanctuary or from Kyle.

Contact Kyle at kyle@firstprestexas.org or 817-274-8286 with questions or to get a permission form.

Congregational Meeting

Today will be the Congregational Meeting at 12:00 noon in the Sanctuary. This meeting is for the purpose of hearing the report of the APNC and electing an Associate Pastor. The candidate's biography will be made available at the meeting.

Church Wide Belize Luncheon

Today at 12:20 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Come and See...

Just as Jesus said to the Disciples in John "Come and you will see"...Please come and see what has been happening in Belize!! The Belize Mission Team invites you to a luncheon on May 15th in the Fellowship Hall at 12:20 p.m., following the Congregational Meeting.

With a series of serendipitous events that could only have been orchestrated by our Lord, God has been moving mightily in the World and we have seen it firsthand! We have stories, pictures and videos to share with the congregation. Please Come and See what the Lord has done.

May 19 - Last Saints Alive Until Fall

The Goldtone Choir will entertain us on Thursday, May 19, in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m. This group of seniors has sung for us before and were very enjoyable. Please bring a dish to share for our potluck lunch and join in the fun.

This will be our last time together until September.

More Ushers Still Needed!

We need ushers for our 11:00 a.m. service. The commitment is minimal; you are assigned to a team which serves one week per month. It is an easy way to get plugged in if you're a new member, or get reacquainted if you are a "seasoned" member.

(We would never say "old!")

Please consider this area of service to your church.

Please contact Matt Annen or Darlene Reagan to volunteer or to answer any questions you may have.

Matt Annen 817-653-4005

Darlene Reagan 817-658-8164

We look forward to hearing from you!
Worship Team



Junior High & High School Pool Party

Sunday, May 22nd

4:00 p.m. at Melinda Vanderberg's
Meet at FPCA at 3:30 if you need a ride.
Invite your friends!

Contact Kyle at kyle@firstprestexas.org or
817-274-8286 if you have questions.



All-Church Workday

Saturday, May 21st at 8:30 a.m. |
We'll be doing various projects. Come join us!

Attn: Youth - Save the Date

June 26-July 3 - The Great Escape
July 10-15 - Fun In The Sun
July 19-22 - Camp KidJam

Pentecost Offering

This year our Pentecost Offering is received officially on the Day of Pentecost, May 15, 2016. As with all Special Offerings, times before and after this date are appropriate for donations also. On Pentecost Sunday, we join Christians around the world to celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit to the church. The Pentecost Offering benefits children at risk, youth, and young adults. Forty percent of the offering stays locally and this year will go to HOPE tutoring as decided by the Mission and Evangelism Team with Session approval. The other percentage will support General Assembly ministries for youth development. For more information on the Pentecost Offering see www.pcusa.org/pentecost.

Offering envelopes are available outside the chapel and sanctuary the week of the offering and after for several weeks. Please use the Pentecost envelopes or designate on your check or other envelope if you are giving to the Pentecost Offering. Please help aid youth programs in our city as well as our country and world.