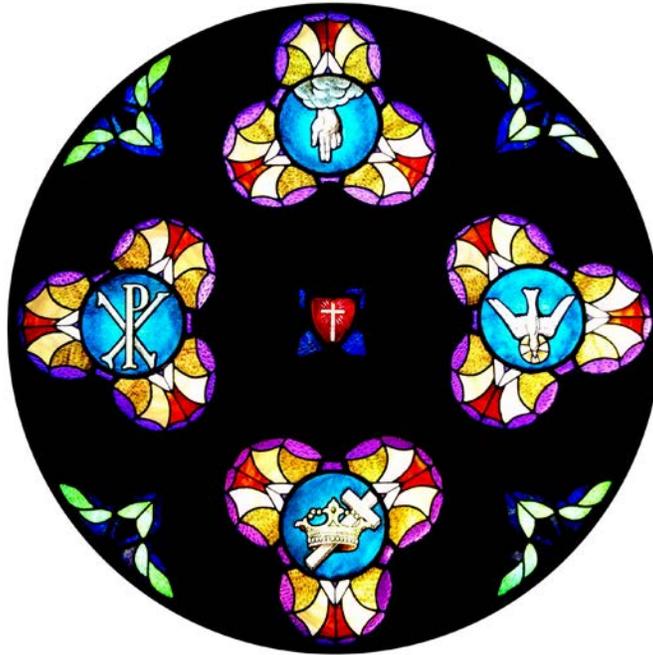


June 26, 2016  
**First Presbyterian Church**  
The Sixth Sunday of Pentecost



***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: Diane Terwilliger  
11:00 Lay Leader: Jane Leathem  
Organist: Sandra Davis

# *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.

Pulpit flowers are given to the glory of God by  
A. Jack Gray, in memory of Jean Gray.

Lectern flowers are given to the glory of God in  
celebration of Martha Monroe's birthday

## *Gathering*

Preparation for Worship

1 John 4: 11

*Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.*

Gathering Music (11:00)

Folk Songs

arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

Susie Rockett, oboe Cheryl Harris, piano

Voluntary

Prelude in F Major

J. S. Bach

Call to Worship

from Psalm 119

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,

**and I will observe it to the end.**

Give me understanding that I may keep your law

**and observe it with my whole heart.**

Let your steadfast love come to me, O Lord,

**your salvation according to your promise.**

Let us worship God!

Introit

Sing for Joy

Taize

§ Hymn 267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

§ Prayer of Confession

**God of justice and righteousness, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. We say we love our neighbors, but we still make distinctions: we favor the rich and discount the poor. We say we have faith, but our works do not show it; we preach Jesus Christ while we send the hungry away. While our lips praise you, our hands cast off strangers.**

**We are not worthy to ask your forgiveness except for the name of Christ, who pardoned the thief on the cross and forgave those who put him to death. 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 215

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

Community Joys and Events

## *Proclaiming*

Scripture Reading	1 John 4:7-21	New Testament page 241
Children's Time (11:00)	Children (age 3 to fourth grade) are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in room 216.	
Anthem	Bless Now Our Love <i>Text on page 4.</i>	Russell Farnell
Scripture Reading	John 13:1-15, 31-35	New Testament page 107
The Sermon	As I Have Loved You	Rev. McDermott

## *Responding*

### § Affirmation of Faith

**Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and whoever loves is born of God and knows God. If we love one another, God abides in us. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent Jesus Christ into the world. If we love one another, God abides in us. This is love, not that we loved God but that God loves us and sent Jesus to be the expiation for our sins. If we love one another, God abides in us and God's love is perfected in us.**

Offertory	Love Never Fails (Philippians 13:4-8) Russell Farnell, tenor	Douglas Claybrook
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### § The Doxology

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia!  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

### 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.**

## *Sending*

§ Hymn 833	O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go	ST. MARGARET
§ Charge and Benediction		the congregation joins hands
§ Postlude	Psalm 19	Benedetto Marcello



## **Bless Now Our Love**

*Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you. Abide in my love.*

*We love, because He first loved us. Do everything in love.*

*Bless now our love, and bless this union, God the Spirit: comforter and guide.*

*Bless all the years we spend together: in Your love we truly can abide.*

*Bless now the love that we are seeking, kindle in our hearts the Living Fire.*

*Bless all our actions: in our living be the object of our hearts desire.*

*These three remain: faith, hope, and love, But the greatest of these is love.*

*Bless now our love, bless this communion. God in Jesus Christ, the crucified.*

*Bless us, and help us love each other, and recall the reason that You died.*

*Bless now our coming and our going, be the Light that shows the way above.*

*Bless now your children at this table, make us living symbols of Your love.*

*Love does no harm to its neighbor. Love fulfills the law.*

*This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us.*

*Love each other deeply. This is my command.*

*Bless now our love, bless now your people, loving God: our guardian and stay.*

*Bless us through trials of daily living, that our love, O Lord, will never sway.*

*Bless now our faith, and make it stronger, be the One that we depend upon.*

*Bless now our love, and ever longer in Your loving story we live on.*

## *This week @ FPCA*

## *Prayer Ministry*

Sunday 6/26	The Great Escape - Jr. High
8:30 a.m.	Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Farewell Reception for Pastor Fred Babb
1:00 p.m.	Bazaarnival Staff Meeting
2:00 p.m.	PCGRC
Monday 6/27	The Great Escape - Jr. High
8:45 a.m.	Preschool Summer Camp
Tuesday 6/28	The Great Escape - Jr. High
8:45 a.m.	Preschool Summer Camp
Wednesday 6/29	The Great Escape - Jr. High
7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
8:45 a.m.	Preschool Summer Camp
10:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday 6/30	The Great Escape - Jr. High
8:45 a.m.	Preschool Summer Camp
Friday 7/1	The Great Escape - Jr. High
8:45 a.m.	Preschool Summer Camp
Saturday 7/2	The Great Escape - Jr. High

*Prayers for the families of those who have passed:*

Wayne Snyder

*Prayers for those with health and other concerns:*

Esther Albright, Chona Pacot Anwar, David Boice, Shirley Bragg, Andrew Bridges, Crystal Castaneda, Jerry Colleps, Lee Carol Copeland, Wanda Estes, Laura Farnell, Ron Forte, Bobbie Fowler, David Goff, Susan Graham, Margery Harrand, Edna and Ken Harris, Bill Hayden, Lisa House, Norman Hulla, Bob Johnson, Doyle Malone, Edna McCoy, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Bill Olsen, Ann Pitstick, Albert Ross, Carolyn Savko, Eulabel Sheldon, Linda Smith, Brooks and Connie Taylor, Jerry Thomas, Allen Underwood, Audrey Wallace and Mary Jane Wright

*Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:*

Aaron Alonso, Ben Boughton, David Caldwell, Riley Curnutt, 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*

Information for the July 10th bulletin should be turned in to the church office today, or emailed to [kim@firstprestexas.org](mailto:kim@firstprestexas.org) by this Monday.

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](mailto:juanicey@gmail.com) or 817-794-5626.

## **Presbyterian Children's Home's & Services Ranger Outing**

**Join the Fun!**

**August 14 the Rangers play the Detroit Tigers. We'll have youth from Itasca and Waxahachie join us in Sunday School, 11am Worship and lunch in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Then if you want to go to the game, we've got tickets in Sec 335 for \$25/ticket. Contact Adrian Rodriguez or Bob Dawson for tickets to the game.**

**Bob cell: 214-415-5396  
Adrian cell: 817-734-2726**

## Reception of Appreciation & Farewell for Pastor Fred and Yvonne Babb Today at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall

This is the second time that Rev. Fred Babb has served our church in a temporary capacity. Pastor Fred was one of the “first responders” when FPCA was without an installed pastor in November of 2013 to January 2014, and has served as a part-time interim Associate Pastor for us since December 2014.

As many of you know, Pastor Fred has visited hundreds of our members who have been in the hospital, in the rehab center, or are homebound. He continues to preach extraordinary sermons that move and challenge us, and has offered his teaching skills in several contexts.

We have been blessed beyond measure by his faithful ministry, and by the support of his wife, Yvonne. Please take a moment to thank Fred and Yvonne on Sunday, June 26th, or by dropping them a note.

## Sunday School Teachers Needed

Preschool and elementary Sunday School teachers and helpers are needed for June, July and August.

If you would like to help out for one Sunday, a few Sundays or the whole summer, please contact Kyle by email at [kyle@firstprestexas.org](mailto:kyle@firstprestexas.org) or by phone at 817-274-8286.

## New Sunday School Class “Basic Bible and Faith” at 9:45 a.m. in Room 214

Please join a new 8-week Sunday School Class with Pastor Rich and Pastor Chris at 9:45 a.m. in room 214, called the “Basic Bible and Faith” Class. It is designed for both new believers and growing Christians.

We will cover the essential parts of understanding the Old Testament, the New Testament, reading the Bible on your own and in groups, prayer, faith, and becoming followers of Jesus Christ.

Invite a friend, and enjoy learning things about the Bible that you wish you’d known long ago.

## Preschool Summer Camp Monday-Friday at 8:45 a.m.

Age 6 weeks - 3rd grade  
Invite everyone - friends, grandchildren, etc.  
To Register, contact the Preschool Office at:  
682-551-1207

## Help the Youth Go to Camp

Please help our youth make some cash to pay for camp! If you have any work that needs to be done in your yard, home, etc. our youth and Adrian Rodriguez would love to help. We will be available to work anytime from 9am-4pm Tuesday, July 5th-Thursday, July 7th, 2016.

Please contact Adrian Rodriguez at: 817-734-2726 or email: [adrian@firstprestexas.org](mailto:adrian@firstprestexas.org) with any questions or to schedule a time for the youth to come out to your home.

## BAZAARNIVAL – SATURDAY, JULY 30TH

CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS AND GARAGES!

A Bazaarnival Staff Meeting will be held in the Parlor after Pastor Fred & Yvonne’s Farewell Reception.

Call Lew-A-Bob (Bob’s on vacation) at 817-233- 8172 (Lew) for large item pickups.

Quilt tickets go on sale between church services, Sunday, July 3rd, in the red hall and by the library

Bazaarnival setup begins right after the 11:00 AM worship service on July 24th. Work continues all week from 9 AM to 9 PM (Monday – Friday). We need lots of volunteers to help make Bazaarnival successful this year.

Check the bulletin board outside the Library for sign-up sheets to volunteer in the area you desire.